IMMIGRANT PROTESTORS IN NYC

IMMIGRANTS, INCLUDING UNDOCUMENTED PEOPLE, HAVE A DEEP HISTORY OF ENGAGING IN PROTEST IN ORDER TO FIGHT FOR LIBERATION. THERE ARE MANY GUIDES TO KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WHEN INTERACTING WITH POLICE AND ALL SHOULD READ THEM! BUT IF YOU LIVE IN NYC AND ARE NOT A U.S. CITIZEN, HERE IS SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, JUST FOR YOU:

- Do not carry foreign identity documents if you can avoid it. Take a **NY Driver’s License** or a **NYC Municipal ID** instead.
- While the NYPD should not ask about immigration status generally, they might if you are arrested. You have the **right to remain silent**.
- **Any arrest may have serious immigration consequences**, but the outcome will depend on what you are charged with, your particular immigration status, and any prior criminal record, among other things.
- If you are arrested, you will probably be fingerprinted and those **fingerprints will be shared with ICE**.
- The **NYPD should not hold you for ICE**—they can only hold people in very limited circumstances.
- If you are arrested, your criminal defense attorney has a duty to advise you regarding the immigration consequences of any conviction. **Do not plead guilty** to anything, even if it seems minor, if you are unsure about whether you have received good immigration advice.
- As of June 2020, both CBP and ICE announced that they will be deployed to control the uprising in response to the police murder of George Floyd. They have said they will **not make immigration arrests**, but both also regularly engage in surveillance, and **ICE HSI has been spotted at protests in NYC**. Only time will tell.