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Two people in Hayward among more than 150 arrested in ongoing U.S. immigration enforcement action

*City working with nonprofit organizations to offer assistance to
affected family and community members*

HAYWARD, Calif., Feb. 27, 2018—U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents arrested two people in Hayward on Tuesday as part of what authorities describe as a targeted operation prioritizing people residing in the country illegally who pose a public safety threat.

As a precautionary measure, ICE provides confidential advance notice to the Hayward Police Department (HPD) prior to undertaking a criminal or civil immigration enforcement action in the city.

The agency also provides information when arrests are made so HPD can work with nonprofit organizations serving the city's immigrant community to offer assistance to affected family and community members.

ICE agents did not request and did not receive assistance from Hayward police in connection with the arrests.

Under Hayward sanctuary city policies, Hayward police and other city personnel may not participate in or use city resources in civil enforcement of federal immigration laws—unless specifically directed by federal court order.

According to an ICE news release issued Tuesday, the Hayward arrests were two of more than 150 that had occurred during an ongoing enforcement action stretching from Bakersfield to the Northern California border.

“About half of the individuals arrested also have criminal convictions in addition to their immigration violations, including convictions for assault/battery, crimes against children, weapons charges and DUI,” the release states.

The city is referring all questions about the Hayward arrests, including the identity of those taken into custody, to the ICE field office in San Francisco, (415) 844-5512.

The City of Hayward is committed to equal treatment of all residents regardless of immigration status and will not attempt to learn or collect information on a resident’s immigration status in the delivery of city services.

The city provides information and links to resources for undocumented residents that can be found [here](#) on the city website.