

Questions provided by City Commissioner Samuel Kaufman to City Manager Brian L. Barroso regarding ICE abuse in our Community:

1. How was the **287(g) Task Force Memorandum of Agreement** implemented without formal review or approval by the City Commission?
2. What are the **budgetary impacts** of this program on city resources, and how might the City seek **reimbursement** for unauthorized expenditures?
3. How many **legal residents** have been detained under this enforcement activity?
4. How many of those detained have **criminal records**, and what are the broader community impacts?

Chief Sean T. Brandenburg's answers to questions asked by Commissioner Kaufman sent to City Manager Brian L. Barroso:

1. All Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with law enforcement partners are first sent to legal for review. Once city legal has reviewed and approved of the MOA or MOU it is taken to the City Manager for consideration. The City Manager then signs the MOA or MOU, or gives me the authority to sign the document, or we both sign the document. In the case of the 287(g), there was a discussion that included Governor DeSantis stating that this was a mandate and not optional. I was then given authority to sign and return the MOA.
2. There are no budgetary impacts. The Key West Police Department are conducting our regular law enforcement functions. The Key West Police Department is not conducting any Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids. As always, when requested, we provide assistance to our County, State, or Federal partners.
3. The Key West Police Department are conducting our regular law enforcement functions. If Immigration and Customs Enforcement backs us up and that results in ICE detaining someone, you would have to contact ICE about the legal residency status of that individual.
4. ICE would need to be contacted about the criminal records of those they have detained. The Key West Police Department does not run a full criminal background on every individual we come in contact with. There are specific guidelines for running a full criminal background on someone, which is different than a basic drivers license inquiry that we generally run.

From: Brian L. Barroso
Sent: Tuesday, June 17, 2025 3:41 PM
To: Sean Brandenburg
Cc: Commissioners; Alyson Crean; David Monroe
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] ICE Abuse in Our Key West Community

Good afternoon and thank you, Chief Brandenburg. Commissioners and Madam Mayor, providing for awareness as these questions were raised. Krystal, please provide any additional information needed at this time. Alyson/ David, please incorporate into our City's mediums for socialization.

In preparation for the upcoming meeting, I would like to address any unanswered questions regarding those within my charge. The responsibility and associated accountability of behavior and subsequent decision-making related to roles rests solely on and with the City Manager. The Chief, and the brave men and women who serve this community with empathy and professionalism are valued and appreciated; their character, reputation and contributions are recognized and have been captured in the below communication containing year over year statistics. The comparison of last years and this year's National Incident Based Reporting System (what use to be UCR/Uniform Crime Reporting) numbers and statistics. Highlights are that violent crime in Key West is down 25%, crime overall in Key West is down 10.5%, and of the crimes that are reported, we are solving a slightly higher percentage than last year.

Thank you in advance,

Brian L. Barroso-

City Manager