

Social Media & Press Toolkit: Blanca Belongs Here



WHAT: Accompaniment and gathering at ICE Headquarters



WHERE: ICE Field Office at 1000 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803



WHEN: Tuesday, September 15 @ 8am

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11 months ago, Salem resident and local community leader Blanca Martinez reported to the Burlington ICE Field Office with over 300 hundred community members and faith leaders by her side. Blanca walked free that day but ICE called her back just 1 month later, when over 400 community members stood by her side. Our collective mobilization and power resulted in a 1 year stay of deportation for blanca. What Blanca described as, "a miracle".

Now, ICE is betting that a year is long enough for us to stop caring. We know better; we will not give up on our sister Blanca, or any members of our community terrorized by ICE. **Blanca's ICE check-in is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, 2026 in Burlington, where again she faces the risk of being detained on the spot or being given a 2-week notice to self deport.**

Blanca's check-in comes amidst the context of daily, ongoing targeting by masked or undercover ICE agents across the North Shore. In fact, on the very day that Blanca is being called to Burlington, another member of our community, Karol, faces a deadline to secure a \$40,000 dollar bond or remain separated from her 6-year-old daughter in a detention center on the other side of the country indefinitely. Donate to Karol's family here: <https://gofund.me/087f26dc6>

The reality is Blanca's case is one of thousands in Massachusetts. The cruelty and absurdity of this system is designed to overwhelm and divide us. We choose not to back down. We know Blanca belongs here, we know Karol belongs here. Every community member ripped from our streets, our businesses, and our civic spaces by masked-men, belongs here!

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Mobilize the Faith Community:



If you are connected to a faith community, **ASK YOUR FAITH LEADER TO SHOW UP FOR BLANCA** on September 15 @ 8am:

Dear [Faith Community Leader Name]

Blanca, an organizer, advocate, woman of faith, and friend to many of us, once again faces the risk of being detained on the spot or being given a 2-week notice to self deport at her next ICE check-in. Last year, when Blanca faced the same risk, we mobilized clergy and over 400 community members to accompany Blanca to her check-ins.

Our collective power resulted in Blanca being granted a 1-year stay of deportation, what Blanca described as "a miracle". Now, one year later, we will not give up on our sister Blanca. **The support of the faith community played a pivotal role in safeguarding Blanca's rights a year ago. Blanca needs you again Tuesday, September 15, 2026 @ 8am.**

As faith leaders we understand the moral imperative to welcome the immigrant and the marginalized, and to care for the disabled and the sick. By bringing Blanca's story into the public eye, we hope to foster compassion, underscore that no human being is illegal, and inspire action from people of all faiths, advocacy groups, legal representatives, and concerned citizens.

We are calling on faith leaders to show up to accompany Blanca on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, write letters of support for Blanca, as well as tell Blanca's story in their congregations.

[Faith leaders RSVP to accompany and support Blanca](#)

Sincerely,

[your Name]

Email

Subject line: 🚨 URGENT ACTION for Blanca 🚨 - Tuesday September 15 - 8am Burlington Accompaniment

Dear friends,

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📣 Join our call to action 📣

SHARE: Forward this email to your contacts and share on social media using our [toolkit](#)

CALL: Call ICE headquarters to demand Blanca's stay of deportation using our [toolkit](#)

GIVE: Donate to Karol's family here: <https://gofund.me/087f26dc6>

We must mobilize our people again to demand Blanca's stay of deportation be renewed and bring Karol home.

In solidarity,

LUCE Immigrant Justice Network of MA

P.S. Can't mobilize in person? Click the link to access our mobilization Toolkit: 

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pvauCTIPWsiFxVPZVXa95y1c0JnKICxi/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=104189479114596816311&rtpof=true&sd=true>

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 **BURLINGTON ICE FIELD OFFICE
1000 DISTRICT AVE BURLINGTON**



BECAUSE KAROL BELONGS HERE

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blind copy (Bcc) SalemLUCEhub@proton.me so we can track how many messages are sent. Please let us know if you receive any follow up!

Who?	Call	Email	Notes
Burlington ICE Field Office Director Patricia Hyde	(781) 359-7500	Boston.Outreach@ice.dhs.gov	Ask for Director Patricia Hyde

Subject: Grant Blanca a Stay of Removal

To: Boston.Outreach@ice.dhs.gov

Bcc: SalemLUCEhub@proton.me

Dear Director Hyde,

My name is [Name] I am emailing today to ask that you grant Blanca Martinez a stay of removal.

Blanca, a survivor of childhood polio living with physical disabilities and mobility issues, has been a Massachusetts resident for over a decade and has deep ties in her local community.

In 2019 and 2025 the Boston Field Office recognized the humanitarian grounds of Blanca's case and granted her stays of deportation, allowing her to remain with her community. Today, under your leadership, Blanca once again faces the threat of deportation despite the same compelling circumstances that once protected her.

Under these same grounds today, we demand that you grant Blanca a Stay of Removal to remain in her home with her community.

Sincerely,

[YOUR NAME]