



Immigration Enforcement

Federal vs. Local Authority

Immigration enforcement, including enforcement by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), is a federal responsibility. The Corning Police Department, does not enforce federal immigration law. Cooperation with federal immigration agents is governed by guidance from the New York State Attorney General and the Governor's executive orders.

- New York State does not authorize local police to make civil immigration arrests (i.e., arrests for immigration violations alone) without a judicial warrant. Officers are therefore prohibited from detaining or arresting individuals solely for civil immigration reasons.
- The Corning Police Department does not use resources to carry out civil immigration enforcement on behalf of ICE.

287(g) Agreements

These agreements, which allow local officers to enforce certain federal immigration laws, are the primary way that local law enforcement can formally cooperate with ICE. The City of Corning has not entered into any 287(g) agreements that deputize local officers to act as ICE agents.