

# Essex County Sheriff's Office (ECSO) Immigration Practice



## **ECSO's immigration practice remains unchanged:**

- ECSO follows the law and Constitution
- ECSO cooperates with federal law enforcement partners
- ECSO does not stop or inquire based solely upon immigration status
- Victims and witnesses of crimes must feel safe reporting offenses without fear. Deputies do not inquire about immigration status when individuals report crimes or seek assistance.

## **Federal Criminal Arrest Warrants:**

- If a federal court arrest warrant for criminal charges is issued by a magistrate or judge, ECSO may:
  - Assist federal agencies
  - Detain the individual
  - Have deputies serve the federal criminal arrest warrant

## **Federal Civil Detainers:**

- ECSO does not have the authority to detain individuals on a federal civil detainer or administrative arrest warrant
- Under New York State law, ECSO cannot detain individuals solely for a civil immigration violation