# **Protect Oregonians Against Racial Profiling Vote No on IP 22**

In Oregon, we believe in fairness and looking out for our neighbors. But if Initiative Petition 22 passes, it could open the door to racial profiling and families being torn apart, simply because someone is perceived to be an undocumented immigrant. **That's not the Oregon way.** 

Oregon's upcoming election is expected to include a ballot measure that would repeal Oregon's common sense "sanctuary law" that protects Oregonians against unfair targeting, interrogating, and detaining simply because they are perceived to be undocumented immigrants.

Initiative Petition 22 would throw out Oregon's existing "sanctuary" law, which passed more than 30 years ago with broad support from Republicans and Democrats for a very important reason: to end unfair racial profiling in our state.

## Voting No on IP 22 will keep the law in place, ensuring that:

- Local police personnel, funds, equipment and facilities are not used to pursue and detain people suspected only of violating federal immigration law.
- Oregonians cannot be stopped, detained or interrogated just because someone thinks they might be an undocumented immigrant.
- Local police can continue to hold people accountable, including both immigrants and non-immigrants, if they commit crimes and harm our community.
- Oregon taxpayer money will be kept in our communities and won't be diverted to do the job of federal law enforcement.



"Before Oregon had this law, I saw immigration agents, aided by local police, busting down doors and grabbing people off the street, with no way of knowing their immigration status. My friends and neighbors, including U.S. citizens, were being harassed by local police demanding to see their papers. There was a lot of fear back then. But this sanctuary law made things a lot better. If IP 22 passes, it would set Oregon back and I worry we could see an increase in profiling across the state."

- RAMON RAMIREZ, CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER





#### All Oregonians, including immigrant Oregonians, care about the safety of our families and communities.

- This law has been working as intended for more than 30 years. It gives clear guidance to local law enforcement on complicated immigration issues.
- The current law keeps local police focused on local communities. That's why local sheriffs and law enforcement officials are urging Oregon voters to keep the law as is.

#### Oregon's existing "sanctuary" law has been protecting Oregonians from unfair racial profiling for more than 30 years.

- Every day, we hear more and more stories of long-time residents being sent to a country they don't even know, immigrant families being torn apart, ICE raids, and children being detained in immigration camps. Throwing out this law could turn local police into another arm of Trump's "deportation force."
- Immigrants, including those who may be undocumented, shouldn't have to live in fear of harassment or their families being torn apart when they are simply going to work or school or reporting crime.



"Local police are already stretched too thin, 911 calls in rural communities are going unanswered, and budgets are tight. We shouldn't divert Oregon taxpayer money to do the job of federal immigration enforcement."

> - KYLE PALMER, MAYOR OF SILVERTON

### Whose behind Initiative Petition 22?

The primary groups behind Initiative Petition 22 are Oregonians for Immigration Reform (OFIR) and the Federation of Immigration Reform (FAIR). Both groups have been labeled extremist hate groups by the Southern Poverty Law Center.