

**U.S. IMMIGRATION AND
CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT
287(g) PROGRAM**



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287(g) Steering Committee

- Mission Statement -

- Improve program oversight and direction.
- Identify issues and concerns regarding immigration enforcement activities.
- Maintain transparency.
- Offer the community opportunities to communicate community-level perspectives.



287(g) Steering Committee - Vision Statement -

Create safer communities and improve national security by enhancing ICE's ability to identify and remove criminal aliens by gaining an independent, community-level perspective on 287(g) operations.



What is the 287(g) Program?

Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act was added in 1996 to authorize the Attorney General to delegate federal immigration authorities to state and local law enforcement officers. This was later transferred to the Secretary of Homeland Security.



Cecil County 287(g) Program Implementation

- Memorandum of Agreement signed on February 5th, 2019 and is available at www.ICE.gov
- Currently there are **4** Correctional Deputies trained and certified by ICE with the authority to enforce immigration laws under section 287 of the Immigration Nationality Act.
- The Cecil County 287(g) program went operational **October 1st, 2019.**



Cecil County 287(g) Program Oversight

- The program has a full time ICE Program Manager that reviews all detainers lodged, cases and related documentation.
- The ICE Office of Professional Responsibility conducts routine inspections of the program every two years.



Cecil County 287(g) Program Costs

- The following was provided by ICE at no cost to Cecil County.
 - Training
 - Equipment
 - Oversight
- No county employees are dedicated solely to the 287(g) program.



Training Requirements

- ICE provides a four-week entry level training program and a one-week refresher training program (completed every two years) conducted by certified instructors at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) ICE Academy (ICEA) in Charleston, SC. Cross-cultural communication and the avoidance of racial profiling is a part of required training.
- In addition, Designated Immigration Officers (DIOs) annually complete additional training courses related to immigration enforcement activities.
- DIOs receive the same training in Immigration and Nationality Law as ICE officers. All training, to include transportation, lodging, and meals are provided and paid for by ICE.



ICE Priorities

Set Forth By Executive Orders - January 25th, 2017

- Convicted of or charged with any criminal offense.
- Committed an act which constitute a chargeable criminal offense.
- Engaged in fraud or willful misrepresentation in connection with any official matter before a government agency.



ICE Priorities

- Have abused any program related to the receipt of public benefits.
- Are subject to a final order of removal but have not complied with their legal obligation(s).
- In the judgement of an ICE official, poses a risk to public safety or national security.



Immigration Enforcement Screening

- 100% of all arrestees and facility intakes entering the Detention Center are screened.
- 287(g) trained Correctional Deputy's authority resides within the confines of the Cecil County Detention Center.
- No “on the street” law enforcement officers are trained or authorized to conduct immigration enforcement.



Cecil County 287(g) Program Statistics

The 287 (g) Unit screened

1,810 new arrestees

&

391 sentenced Inmates

Total of: **2,201** Inmates Screened



Cecil County 287(g) Program Statistics

27 Different countries were recorded.

61 Foreign born individuals were encountered

58 Males and **3** Female were encountered

34 Misdemeanor charges and **27** Felony charges

15 Provided a Cecil County address as their residence

21 Encounters where Action was taken (*Detainer and/or Notice to appear in Immigration Court*)

Majority of arrestees were between **18-29** years of age

CDS offenses were the Number one (1) charge.



List of Countries Encountered

Algeria
Burkina Faso
Cameroon
Canada
China
Dominica
Dominican Republic
El Salvador
Germany
Guatemala
Haiti
Honduras
India
Jamaica
Jordan
Kosovo
Lebanon

Liberia
Mexico
Mozambique
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Russia
Scotland
Sierra Leone
Uganda
Vietnam



Actionable Cases

Country	Arrest In Cecil County	Criminal History
Jamaica	CDS Possession w/ Intent	- CDS Possession w/ Intent (2,297.6 g of Fentanyl & \$50,689 USC) - Battery
Honduras	DUI / DWI	-DUI (x2) -Driving w/o a License
Mexico	FTA – Driving w/o License	-Driving w/o a License
Mexico	Assault 2nd	-Assault -CDS possession of Paraphernalia
El Salvador	Disorderly Conduct	-Disorderly Conduct (x2) -Trespassing (x2) -Driving w/o a License (x3) -DUI -Assault 2 nd -Malicious Destruction of Property
Dominican Republic	CDS Possession w/ Intent	-CDS Possession w/ Intent (2.7 kilograms of Heroin, 4 grams of Crack Cocaine, 14 bags of Heroin / Fentanyl mix & \$1,420 USC) -Possession of CDS w/ Intent to Distribute
Honduras	FTA – Driving w/o License	
Mexico	FTA – Driving w/o License	-Assault 2 nd
Dominican Republic	CDS Possession w/ Intent	-Possession of CDS w/ Intent to Distribute (2.8 grams of Heroin and 3.1 grams of Crack Cocaine)
Guatemala	Assault 2 nd	-Driving w/o License -Possession of an Altered or Factitious License
Canada	Fugitive	-Disturbing the peace -Assault -Outstanding Warrant – Malicious Destruction of Property (x2) -Outstanding Warrant – Burglary -Outstanding Warrant – (x3) from Canada
El Salvador	DUI / DWI	-DUI -Driving Suspended (x3) -Theft -Resisting Arrest -Violation of Probation -Illegal Re-Entry into the US
Mexico	DUI / DWI	-Hit and Run -Possession of Oxycodone -Theft -Possession of Crack Cocaine

Actionable Cases

Country	Arrest In Cecil County	Criminal History
Jamaica	CDS possession w/ intent (531 grams of Cocaine)	-Possession of Cocaine -Distribution of Marijuana -Fraud -Illegal Re-Entry into the US (x3)
El Salvador	Driving on Suspended	-DUI -Possession of a Concealed Weapon -Illegal Re-Entry into the US (Known MS-13 Gang Member)
Mexico	CDS Possession w/ Intent (Crystal Meth, Cocaine and Marijuana \$7,388 USC) Possession of a firearm	-Violation of a protective order -Malicious Destruction of Property -Criminal Mischief (Known member of the Zetus / Jalisco Cartel)
Mexico	Driving on Suspended	-Driving on Suspended (x3)
Mexico	Trespassing	-Possession of CDS (Peyote) -Trespassing -Public intoxication
El Salvador	CDS possession w/ Intent (69.8 pounds of Marijuana)	(Known MS-13 Gang Member)
China	CDS possession w/ Intent (69 pounds of Marijuana)	
Guatemala	Disorderly Conduct Public Intoxication Use of a False Gov't ID	-Disorderly Conduct -Illegal Re-Entry into the US

287(g) Complaint Process

Complaints regarding the 287(g) program will be accepted from any source to include law enforcement agencies (LEAs), participating LEA personnel, arrestees, and the public. To report a 287(g) complaint please contact one of the following Department of Homeland Security (DHS) components:

Telephonically to the DHS Office of the Inspector General (DHS OIG). Toll free number 1-800-323-8603; or

Telephonically to the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) at the Joint Intake Center (JIC) in Washington, D.C. Toll-free number 1-877-246-8253, or email Joint.Intake@dhs.gov ; or



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Via mail :

Department of Homeland Security
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Office of Professional Responsibility
P.O. Box 14475
Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington D.C. 20044

A copy of the complaint will be forwarded to the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) Review and Compliance.



Questions or Comments?



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