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To: [SFPD, Commission \(POL\)](#)
Subject: Concern Regarding SFPD Role During ICE Detention at SFO
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Dear Commissioners and Supervisor,

I am a San Francisco resident writing to express serious concern regarding SFPD's role during a recent ICE-related detention at SFO that has circulated widely online.

In the videos, SFPD officers appear to be forming a perimeter around plainclothes federal agents while a woman is detained. While I understand that local law enforcement may have obligations related to public safety, what is shown raises several important questions about whether current policy is being followed in both letter and spirit.

Specifically:

- Were SFPD officers able to verify the identity and authority of the individuals conducting the detention, given that they appeared to be in plainclothes without visible identification?
- What guidance governs when SFPD establishes a perimeter that functionally enables a federal enforcement action?
- At what point does "crowd control" become de facto facilitation of an immigration arrest?
- What safeguards are in place to ensure that SFPD is not perceived as providing security or operational support for federal immigration enforcement?

San Francisco's sanctuary policies are meaningful to many residents, and situations like this risk undermining public trust if the distinction between "non-cooperation" and "indirect assistance" is not clearly defined and enforced.

I am requesting:

1. A public explanation of the department's actions in this incident
2. Clarification of policy regarding plainclothes federal agents operating in public spaces
3. Consideration of stronger guidelines to ensure SFPD does not play a role that could reasonably be interpreted as facilitating immigration enforcement

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I would appreciate a response or public follow-up.

Sincerely,
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Videos:

<https://www.reddit.com/r/Fauxmoi/s/yNhxwTnic0>
<https://www.reddit.com/r/sanfrancisco/s/WskFne5Z69>

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