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Dear Ventura County Board of Supervisors:

Thank you for holding a public community forum to review our local law enforcements' actions related to the TRUTH Act. I wish to express my deep concern about the threat to public safety posed by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office's relationship with Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The California Values Act (SB54) was enacted to ensure that no State and local resources are used to assist federal immigration enforcement in order to promote the safety of everyone. Conducting unjust transfers to ICE, when immigrants are released, endangers us all. When community members fear that interacting with law enforcement may lead to the involvement of ICE, they are reluctant to report crime. Eight California counties have ended referrals to ICE for this reason. The VCISO should work to build trust with the community and focus on protecting public safety by ending all voluntary collaboration with ICE.

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