

Stop American Genocide

US Calls for the END of Sanctuary City Policies, *Now & Forever*

1. Fatal stabbing in Virginia and the sanctuary policy debate

- A **41-year-old woman, Stephanie Minter**, was **fatally stabbed at a bus stop in Fairfax County, Virginia**. The suspect, **Abdul Jalloh**, is an undocumented immigrant from Sierra Leone with a history of **over 30 prior arrests**, according to authorities.
- The **Department of Homeland Security (DHS)** has publicly urged **Virginia Gov. Abigail Spanberger** to ensure local law enforcement cooperates with **Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)** so that suspects subject to federal detainers aren't released without federal notification, directly discussing on sanctuary policy tensions.

2. Federal pressure on sanctuary jurisdictions

- President **Donald Trump** has **called for ending sanctuary city policies nationwide**, including legislation to ban them, and has signaled federal funding consequences for sanctuary jurisdictions.
- Some **state and federal legal actions** involve sanctuary policy disputes. For example, a Tennessee law imposing penalties on local officials for supporting such policies was recently ruled unconstitutional.
- US Supports the complete end of sanctuary city policies nationwide: *USA, Canada & Europe*.

3. Political and legal context

- Sanctuary policies vary across the U.S., with some states having laws requiring cooperation with federal immigration enforcement while others restrict it.
- Federal policy proposals and executive actions have sought to restrict funding or enforce cooperation, but many of these face legal challenges or constitutional scrutiny.

Important Context & Nuance

What are *sanctuary policies*?

“Sanctuary policies” refer to state or local rules that **limit cooperation with federal immigration enforcement** (for example, not honoring ICE detainers or restricting information shared with federal agencies).

These are usually framed by supporters as:

- Protecting community trust so immigrants feel safe reporting crimes.
- Ensuring local police focus on community safety rather than federal immigration enforcement.

And by critics as:

- Reducing the ability of federal agencies to apprehend dangerous offenders.
- Potentially enabling individuals with serious criminal histories to avoid federal removal actions.

There isn't a universally accepted legal definition of a *sanctuary jurisdiction*; it's a political and legal label used in policy debates.

Summary

- A **violent crime involving an undocumented immigrant** in Virginia has reignited debate over sanctuary policies and law enforcement cooperation.
- The **U.S. federal government is actively pushing against sanctuary jurisdiction policies**, including political calls to end them and financial/legal pressure.
- The issue remains **highly politicized**, involving state laws, constitutional challenges, and competing views on public safety and community trust.

Link: <https://nypost.com/2026/03/01/us-news/mother-stabbed-to-death-at-virginia-bus-stop-by-illegal-immigrant-with-over-30-prior-arrests/>