### **Quick Fact Sheet for Signature Gathering – Illinois Petition**

## Why Are We Gathering Signatures?

We are collecting **325,000 signatures from Illinois voters** to place a **referendum** on the **November 3, 2026** ballot to:

- Repeal the Illinois Trust Act, which prevents law enforcement from cooperating with federal immigration enforcement.
- Ensure statewide law enforcement can work with federal agencies on immigration matters.
- **Stop innocent migrants from getting caught in ICE raids** by allowing police to transfer criminals directly to federal authorities.
- Right now, local law enforcement **cannot** hand over criminals to ICE. Instead, they are released back into the community, increasing the chances that others—**who have committed no crime**—get caught up in mass arrests and deportation. If local police could work with federal authorities, ICE could **remove criminals directly from jails, not neighborhoods.**

# Who Can Sign the Illinois Petition?

- ✓ Registered voters anywhere in Illinois (including Chicago).
- ✓ Must **sign with their full legal name** as registered to vote.
- ✓ Must provide their full address—No P.O. boxes or abbreviations.
- ✓ Each person can sign only once.

#### Who Can Collect Signatures?

- ✓ You must be **18 years old** (or **17 if turning 18** before the next election).
- ✓ You must personally witness every signature.
- ✓ You must sign the circulator's affidavit in front of a notary public before submitting.

#### **How to Ask for Signatures**

# Be friendly and confident:

"Hi! We're collecting signatures to let Illinois voters decide whether our law enforcement should cooperate with federal immigration authorities. Right now, local police **can't** transfer criminals directly to ICE, so they get released back into the community. This increases the chance that innocent people get caught up in mass arrests and deportation. Will you sign to help put this on the ballot?"

## Stay on message:

- You are NOT asking them to vote "yes" or "no."
- You are only asking them to sign so voters **can decide** in November 2026.

# **Best Places to Collect Signatures**

- Public events, festivals, and fairs
- Grocery stores, shopping centers
- P Churches, community centers
- College campuses, local businesses
- P Door-to-door in neighborhoods

## **Final Steps**

- Double-check every signature—no missing info!
- 🔓 Sign in front of a Notary Public.
- 📰 Submit completed petitions by April 1, 2026.
- Questions? Contact us at saveilcoalition@protonme.com
- Let's get this on the ballot!