



Central Oregon Diversity Equity and Inclusion (CODEI) Committee

Agenda: August 24; 11:15 – 12:45pm

Join by computer: <https://zoom.us/j/307489003>

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- 11:15am - 11:30am Introductions
- Share a learning experience about a culture different than your own
 - Which of the five CODEI Action Plan goals you want to work on today?
- 11:30am - 11:45am Current Events
- <https://centraloregondaily.com/judge-denies-request-to-keep-bend-men-arrested-by-ice-in-oregon-deportation-on-hold/>
- 11:30am - 12:00pm Central Oregon Public Health Equity Report - Small and large group discussions
- https://www.deschutes.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/health_services/page/11980/2020_central_oregon_health_equity_report.pdf
- 12:00pm - 12:05pm Break
- 12:05pm - 12:40pm CODEI Action Plan - Small and large group discussions
- <https://cohealthcouncil.org/wp/apps/uploads/2020/08/COHC-CODEI-Action-Plan-Implementation-July-2020.xlsx>
- 12:40pm - 12:45pm Meeting feedback

Next Meeting - September 28, 2020; 11:15am - 12:45pm; Virtual Meeting



As the Central Oregon Diversity, Inclusion and Equity Committee we collectively and individually practice and believe in:

- Solidarity
 - We move toward action in solidarity with our neighbors to actively and positively impact our agencies and communities.

- Humility
 - We carry the burden of history and a better future together, responsible to each other and ourselves for the space and energy we give and take.

- Curiosity
 - The direction we seek is bigger than any one of ourselves or agencies. We actively work to see a broader perspective, gain deeper insight, self-reflect and work towards equitable representation of diverse identities.

- Courage
 - This is courageous work. We choose to lean into the discomfort we experience knowing we grow in understanding and relationships.

- Transformation
 - Our lived experiences and need for safety are as true and diverse as we are. It is through invitation, curiosity, and listening that we reach our greatest shared understanding and commitment to transformative action.

CODEI Partner Meeting Prep for 8.24.20

CODEI Action Plan

Link to the CODEI Action Plan Implementation Spreadsheet:

<https://cohealthcouncil.org/wp/apps/uploads/2020/08/COHC-CODEI-Action-Plan-Implementation-July-2020.xlsx>

Overview of CODEI Action Plan's goals for today's work:

Goal 1: To work from a shared understanding of the health care needs of the Central Oregon community and the barriers to equitable access and outcomes

Goal 2: To develop leadership in addressing health disparities at all levels of health care systems

Goal 3: To develop policies and practices that prevent, address, or remedy disparities in our organizational culture and operations

Goal 4: To engage with diverse community partners and stakeholders with cultural and linguistic competency

Goal 5: To improve access to and utilization of data, research, and evaluation outcomes in addressing health disparities

To consider before the meeting:

Which goal would you like to work on in a small group at the meeting?

Questions for our small and large group discussions:

- What is the baseline for this goal? What information/data could we use to measure the baseline and progress in advancing the goal?
- What actions could the COEI workgroup do or act on between now and the end of 2020 to advance progress on this goal?
- What resources and partners would help advance progress on this goal?

Central Oregon Public Health Equity Report

Link to Report:

https://www.deschutes.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/health_services/page/11980/2020_central_oregon_health_equity_report.pdf

Questions for our small and large group discussions:

- Share something from the report that either got your attention, OR
- What is something that you feel that this CODEI workgroup could do or act on from the report?

Judge denies request to keep Bend men arrested by ICE in Oregon; deportation on hold

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A federal judge on Thursday denied a temporary restraining order that sought to keep the two men detained by ICE in Bend on Wednesday in the state of Oregon.

The Innovation Law Lab, a non-profit legal service in Portland, filed the temporary restraining order – arguing they were denied access to their clients during the standoff between protesters and federal agents in Bend.

After hearing arguments from attorneys for both the Innovation Law Lab and the Department of Homeland Security, Judge Karin J. Immergut denied the motion.

Immergut ruled the Innovation Law Lab failed to prove they had both standing in the case and that the men arrested had suffered irreparable harm.

However, Immergut did not dismiss the complaint outright.

She set a hearing for September 3rd for both sides to make further arguments. She also asked DHS attorneys for assurance the men would not be deported prior to the hearing.

An attorney for DHS said the men have likely already been transferred to the Tacoma Northwest Detention Center, after a stop at a detention center in the Dalles.

Family and friends have identified the men as Marco Zeferino and Josue Arturo Cruz Sanchez. In court, they were only referred to by their initials – which did align with the names provided by family and friends.

The men were arrested by ICE agents Wednesday morning on their way to work.

Hundreds of protesters learned of their arrest and blocked the ICE transport buses from leaving the area.

A 10-hour standoff ended around 11:15 p.m. when federal agents with the U.S. Border Patrol arrived in riot gear, pushed their way through the crowd and stormed the buses removing the men inside.

Homeland Security issued a statement Thursday on the arrests.

“ICE continues to target public safety threats and immigration violators,” said Homeland Security Investigations Spokeswoman Tonya Roman. “The two individuals arrested by ICE have criminal records that include convictions for assault, harassment, coercion, and criminal trespassing.

“They are also repeat immigration violators who were previously encountered by U.S. immigration officials and granted voluntary return to their home countries.”

Bend city officials on Wednesday said the agents had warrants for the arrests, but it's unclear what those warrants were for.

Erin Carter, an attorney with the Bend Immigration Group, said it doesn't matter what the charges are.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement has the authority to pick up non-citizens regardless of their criminal record.

"Many times it is a criminal record that prompts ice to take enforcement action against an individual," she said. "Historically enforcement priorities by ICE were very clear under previous administrations."

Oregon court records show Sanchez has a criminal record in Deschutes County dating back to 2015 for various offenses including speeding, driving while uninsured, and operating a vehicle without driving privileges.

In 2018 he pleaded guilty to misdemeanor fourth-degree assault (domestic violence) and felony coercion for injuring a woman and threatening more harm if she left him. He was sentenced to two years probation.

In February 2019 he pleaded guilty to first-degree criminal trespassing for unlawfully entering a residence.

In May 2019 he pleaded not guilty to fourth-degree assault charges stemming from an incident in November 2018; he's scheduled for a jury trial in January.

Zeferino Rios admitted in 2019 to an attempt to commit a Class B misdemeanor – one attorney tells us that's not even classified as a crime – in regard to a harassment claim.

Gofundme pages have been set up for the two men and their families, who Carter said have lived in Central Oregon for years.

We have reached out to the organizer of both and have not been able to verify her relationship with either of the two men.

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<https://gf.me/u/yp5sin>