

Amid ICE Raids in NYC, Protest Demands End to "Broken Windows" Policing



New York, February 16 (RHC)-- In New York City, ICE -- the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement -- says that it has arrested at least 40 people over the last week. The raids in New York City come despite the fact that Mayor Bill de Blasio has insisted New York City is a sanctuary city.

In recent days, hundreds have protested the New York Police Department's "broken windows" policing strategy, under which the police target and arrest people for low-level offenses, funneling people into a process that can result in deportation. Under President Trump's so-called public safety executive order, immigrants face deportation if charged with a crime, even if they are never convicted.

At a march after the protest, police arrested five protesters, charging four with "crossing against a steady red light" and one with "resisting arrest" and "obstructing governmental administration" -- one of 170 offenses the NYPD cooperates with federal immigration authorities on.

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