

To the residents of Grandview,

Our community is experiencing a period of fear and uncertainty due to recent immigration enforcement actions taking place in our region. I want to acknowledge the concerns many of our families, friends, and neighbors are facing.

First and foremost, I want to clarify that state law RCW 10.93.160 says that federal immigration authorities have primary jurisdiction in enforcement of 8 USC (illegal entry). Federal immigration authorities (ICE and others) do not need to notify any other agency or local city before they conduct operations and generally do not do so unless there is a life-safety threat to the local community. We understand that this lack of communication fuels anxiety and misinformation, and we encourage everyone to seek verified information from trusted sources.

We are committed to ensuring that all members of our community have access to accurate resources and legal support. If you or someone you know needs information or guidance, please consider reaching out to the following organizations:

- Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (www.nwirp.org) – Provides legal assistance and resources for immigrants.
- Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network (WAISN) Hotline – Call 1-844-724-3737 for emergency support and to report ICE activity.
- American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Washington (www.aclu-wa.org) – Offers guidance on immigrant rights and legal resources.
- United We Dream (www.unitedwedream.org) – Provides updates on immigration issues and Know Your Rights materials.

It is important that we stand together as a community, support one another, and remain informed. Please be cautious of misinformation and rely on trusted sources when seeking updates about the situation.

Grandview is a city built on the values of inclusion, respect, and resilience. We are committed to continually supporting all members of our community and working toward ensuring everyone feels safe and valued.

Sincerely,

Mayor Ashley Lara