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287(g) Overview:

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287(g) Program enhances the public safety and security of communities by creating partnerships with state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and remove illegal aliens from the United States.

Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act authorizes the Director of ICE to enter into agreements with state and local law enforcement agencies to designate officers to perform certain immigration law enforcement functions. State and local officers who partner with ICE receive training and function under the supervision of ICE officers.

These mutually beneficial agreements leverage state and local partnerships to enhance public safety and national security, working with law enforcement agencies to identify and remove criminal aliens from the communities in which they work.

Individuals deemed amenable to removal are identified while in state or local custody and then transferred to ICE custody in a secure law

enforcement facility. Without a cooperative agreement, state and local law enforcement may not be aware of an inmate's unlawful immigration status and may release the individual back into the community. ICE may then only locate the individual via an at-large enforcement operation or after the individual is arrested by local law enforcement for a subsequent crime.

Federal, state, and local law enforcement working together creates efficiency while providing a tremendous benefit to public safety.

The 287(g) Program continues to receive overwhelmingly positive feedback from its partners. Law enforcement agencies interested in becoming a partner under the 287(g) Program should visit <https://www.ice.gov/identify-and-arrest/287g> for more information.

The cases that follow are a sampling of criminal aliens recently identified by state or local law enforcement operating under the 287(g) Program. Each of these individuals will be processed for removal by ICE in accordance with federal law.

Arizona

On September 21, 2026, a 287(g) Jail Enforcement Model Officer from the Arizona Department of Corrections at the Alhambra Intake and Reception Facility, encountered a citizen and national of Mexico who illegally entered the United States in August of 2020, near Nogales, Arizona. On September 17, 2026, the subject was convicted in Maricopa County Superior Court of child molestation, attempted child molestation, and sexual abuse and was sentenced to 22 years' imprisonment.

Arkansas

On September 17, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Arkansas State Police,

arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States on an unknown date and location. On March 14, 2022, the Arkansas Circuit Court convicted the subject for the offense of 4th Degree Sexual Assault and sentenced him to 12 months.

Florida

On August 28, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Lee County Sheriff's Office, Florida, arrested a native and citizen of Mexico. Record checks revealed a warrant was issued for unqualified non-citizen elector willfully voting and false swearing. The warrant was based on an affidavit that stated the subject was found to have voted in the 2024 General

Election. According to the affidavit, it was confirmed that the subject claimed to be a USC in the voter registration form and voted in the 2024 General Election.

On September 1, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Florida, arrested a citizen of Germany who legally entered the United States on October 24, 1979. Record checks revealed a warrant for unqualified non-citizen elector willfully voting and false swearing. The warrant was based on an affidavit that stated the subject was found to have voted in the 2024 General Election. According to the affidavit, it was confirmed that the subject claimed to be a USC in the voter registration form and voted in the 2024 General Election.

On September 9, 2026, 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Florida, arrested a citizen of Guatemala who illegally reentered the United States. Pinellas County Sheriff's Office arrested the subject for soliciting a parent for the unlawful sexual conduct of a minor and traveling to meet a minor.

Kentucky

On September 2, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the McCracken County Sheriff's Department, Kentucky, arrested an illegal alien from Guatemala who illegally reentered the United States. The subject has pending criminal charge of smuggling a controlled substance into a jail/prison.

Massachusetts

On September 21, 2026, a 287(g) Jail Enforcement Model Officer from the Massachusetts Department of Corrections encountered a citizen of the Dominican Republic. ARIAS last entered illegally into the United States on April 29, 2023, at San Luis, AZ. Record checks revealed a conviction for armed assault to murder and assault and battery

with a dangerous weapon for which he was sentenced to a term of seven years.

New Hampshire

On September 22, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Hillsboro Police Department, New Hampshire arrested a citizen of India who illegally entered the United States on January 11, 2008, at Lynden, WA. The subject had been arrested for assault, domestic violence, riot and burglary.

Nevada

On September 23, 2026, a 287(g) Warrant Service Model Officer with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Nevada, arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States on an unknown date and location. Record checks revealed a conviction for burglary.

North Carolina

On September 2, 2026, a 287(g) Jail Enforcement Model Officer with the Gaston Sheriff's Office, North Carolina encountered a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States on an unknown date and location. Record checks revealed an arrested for discharge of a firearm, resisting public officer, and possessing Methamphetamine.

Ohio

One August 30, 2026, a 287(g) Jail Enforcement Model Officer from the Butler County Sheriff's Office, Ohio, encountered a citizen of Guatemala who illegally entered the United States on October 31, 2016, near San Ysidro, CA. The subject was arrested for felony strangulation and misdemeanor domestic violence.

South Carolina

On August 28, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the York County, South Carolina, arrested a citizen of El Salvador who illegally

reentered the United States. The subject is a known member of the Mara Salvatrucha gang “MS-13,” and has previous convictions for solicitation to commit murder and illegal reentry after deportation.

South Dakota

On August 30, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the South Dakota Highway Patrol, arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States at an unknown date and location. Record checks revealed arrests for dangerous drugs, smuggle contraband into prison, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving under the influence and a conviction for possession of dangerous drugs.

Texas

On September 20, 2026, a 287(g) Jail Enforcement Model Officer with the Ellis County Sheriff’s Office, Texas, encountered a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States on an unknown date and location. Record checks revealed an arrest for alleged child sexual offense charges, including lewdness with a child under 14, attempted sexual assault, sexual assault, and battery with intent to commit sexual assault.

On September 22, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Goliad Police Department, Texas arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States at an unknown date and location. Record checks revealed a conviction for possession of a dangerous weapon.

On September 12, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Huntsville Police

Department, Texas arrested a citizen of Nicaragua who illegally entered the United States after previously being removed. Record checks revealed convictions for possession of a controlled substance, driving while intoxicated, and possession of marijuana.

Virginia

On September 8, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Hopewell City Sheriff’s Office, Virginia, arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States after deportation. Record checks revealed multiple misdemeanors and felony convictions for alcohol-related driving.

West Virginia

On September 21, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Berkeley County Sheriff’s Department, West Virginia, arrested a citizen of Mexico who illegally entered the United States on an unknown date and location. On August 13, 2026, the subject was convicted of leaving the scene of a crash involving death.

Wyoming

On August 27, 2026, a 287(g) Task Force Model Officer from the Wyoming Highway Patrol arrested a citizen of China. The subject illegally entered the United States on August 8, 2023, near San Ysidro, California. The 287(g) Task Force Model officer arrested the subject during a traffic stop after being notified by law enforcement authorities in Utah that the occupants of the vehicle were wanted for questioning regarding alleged felony fraud.