

## Immigration Friendship Bracelet

The bracelet you are receiving today is meant to serve as a daily reminder of the individuals who live in this country but have been inhumanly detained by our federal government. It is also intended to draw the attention of others with whom you interact with when you are out in public.

Our hope is that people will ask you about the bracelet and you can use that as an opening to share the story of one person affected by these policies and to explain that this one person is just one of hundreds of thousands impacted by the current administration's approach to immigration enforcement.

We ask that you try to wear this on a daily basis and to remember a few of the details about the person featured below. We also encourage you to periodically check on their situation by searching their name online for any updates to their detention status or their path toward citizenship.

### **Your person:**

Pascual Andres from Florida who has lived in the United States since he was twelve years old and his family brought him here from Guatemala. Since he has been in this country he has worked as a day laborer to help his family back home and to support his family here in Florida. He was in the process of becoming a citizen before being detained.

Pascual was arrested by the Florida Highway Patrol deputies after he was involved in a fender bender that was caused by the driver of the other car. He has no criminal record and yet the Highway Patrol turned him over to ICE and he was sent to "Alligator Alcatraz" in the Everglades. He was later transferred to the Krome Detention Center in Miami

His children are not only U.S. Citizens but they are working to keep our country free. The two oldest daughters are both in the U. S. Marines and their younger brother plans to enlist in the Air Force when he graduates from high school.