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- One sixth of Maryland's population is immigrants most of whom have lived here for decades working in our communities, paying taxes and contributing to the wellbeing and vibrancy of our state. They are NOT criminals, but many are unjustly being treated as criminals and sent to these ICE detention centers.
- When these centers are built in our communities, they heighten fears of our immigrant neighbors making them reluctant to do the most basic things-to go to work, to send their children to school, to attend worship services or community activities, to shop for groceries.
- ICE detention centers have no place in our states. Keep the "Free State" free for all of its residents.