



Support the Community Trust Act (SB791)

Dear Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

We, the [Maryland Just Power Alliance](#) (ACT, AIM, and PATH), a multi-racial, multi-faith, nonpartisan community power organization representing tens of thousands of Maryland residents. We organize people in congregations, schools, and neighborhoods to make Maryland a better place to live and thrive.

We are asking you to support the Community Trust Act (SB791) and pass it out of your committee.

In our [listening sessions last fall with over 3,000 Maryland residents](#), we asked people, “What is keeping you and your family from thriving?” One of the top concerns raised across a diverse range of people was violations of immigrants’ rights.

The Community Trust Act would stop local and state police from collaborating with ICE by notifying ICE or transferring people into ICE custody.

This bill will close off a destructive pipeline transferring people, who may not have been charged or convicted of any crime, from police custody to ICE. It will strengthen communities’ trust in local and state law enforcement by keeping them focused on public safety rather than immigration enforcement.

We are counting on you to pass a clean version of this bill out of your committee. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

The Maryland Just Power Alliance