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Clayton County Board of Commissioners Respond to “Sanctuary County” Label

The Clayton County Board of Commissioners has received no correspondence from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) suggesting that Clayton County’s public safety agencies are not in compliance with federal immigration law. According to our records, Clayton County’s public safety agencies are acting in compliance with federal immigration law and cooperating with federal officials. In fact, the Clayton County Sheriff’s Office actively participates in ICE’s Safe Communities Program and works to identify and remove criminal aliens in the County.

However, in an abundance of caution, County officials have filed a request directly with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement to determine the County’s status. Clayton County’s primary objective is to gather accurate information to ensure that the County is in compliance with all applicable laws and that its citizens are safe.

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