EMGAGE ACTION STATEMENT

Michigan Raids Raise Civil Liberties Alarms



Emgage Action is deeply concerned over a recent and alarming escalation in law enforcement tactics that should trouble every Michigander.

This week, the Michigan Attorney General's office executed aggressive, militarized search warrants on the homes of several students suspected of misdemeanor-level offenses—namely vandalism and property damage. While these acts should be addressed appropriately through our justice system, they do not warrant the extreme and disproportionate response that was deployed.

In the early hours of the morning, law enforcement officers, armed, and accompanied by battering rams raided student homes as early as 5 A.M.

The level of force used was reminiscent of operations targeting violent felons, not students accused of non-violent misdemeanors. Disturbingly, this was not an isolated local response, it was a coordinated effort involving local, state, and federal agencies.

The implications are clear. When misdemeanors are met with militarized raids, it sets a chilling precedent. Civil liberties are not theoretical, they are foundational.

At Emgage Action, we remain dedicated to defending the rights of all Americans—especially students and young people who are often most affected by government overreach.

For support and additional resources, contact:

- → ACLU of Michigan Hotline (313) 578-6806
- → CAIR-MI Hotline (248) 559-2247

Important resources to know your rights:

- **→ KNOW YOUR RIGHTS IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS**
- **→ KNOW YOUR RIGHTS PROTESTERS' RIGHTS**
- HOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS CAN HELP PROTECT
 THE RIGHTS OF IMMIGRANT CHILDREN
- KNOW YOUR RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT AT THE AIRPORT
- → KNOW YOUR RIGHTS 100 MILE BORDER ZONE