

Hello RGI;

Thanks for everyone who attended the **Hands Off Rally** on **April 5th** and helped make it so successful. What a great day! Speakers Dolores Huerta, Deb Haaland, Mayor Keller & Attorney General Raul Torrez were standouts among many other great speakers. From the 700 responses we received, we were a light in the darkness for many people.

Mayor Keller went to the top of a building and took a picture of the crowd. He said that since the Civic Plaza holds up to 20,000, he estimated a crowd of 15,000.

Last night at the city council meeting, councilman Dan Lewis accused the mayor of giving the Hands Off committee free services and access to the convention center. Totally false. We rented from the city the PA system for \$3,700 and everything else, rental chairs, porta potties, etc. was paid for with over \$13,000 in donations! So if you don't mind, email your city councilperson and tell them that Dan Lewis was lying. We have the receipts to prove it. You can get his or her contact information here. [Find Your Councilor](#)

By the way, Sheriff John Allen's wife will be running against him this year. I'm going to campaign for her, for sure.

Two (2) Immigration bills, **SB36 & HB64** were passed by the legislature and waiting the governor's final signature. Below, **EI Centro** has provided a link to tell her that these important bills that help protect New Mexico's immigrant population need to be passed into law.

Lastly, there are two (2) great tools for contacting your elected officials to tell them how you feel, **Resistbot & 5Calls**. I admit that I need to get into the habit of using them because they make it so convenient. Links to their website is provided so that you check them out.

In solidarity;

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We need you to email the Governor ONCE AGAIN on SB36 and HB64. Go to bit.ly/SignHB64andSB36 to help us get this legislation over the finish line. ¡GRACIAS!

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Resistbot

<https://resist.bot/petitions/explore/NM>

Resistbot is a chatbot that turns your texts into faxes, postal mail, or emails to your representatives in minutes.

Text RESIST to 50409 to get started

5Calls

<https://5calls.org/>

Calling your representative is the best way to make your voice heard. Other kinds of messages take longer. Emails have to be manually read and sorted. Faxes have to be digitized and emailed. Letters and postcards take time to arrive and get processed. By contrast, congressional staffers tally phone calls right away.

Participate in your democracy!

Call your representatives. Let them know what you expect them to do for you. It only takes 5 minutes with 5 Calls.

1 Pick an issue you care about

2 Look up your reps

3 Read a short script if you don't know what to say

All you have to do is call.