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### California Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Community Forum: *Immigration Enforcement Impacting California Children*

On March 4, 2020, in San Diego, the California Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will host a community forum to heard from members of the public on immigration enforcement impacting California children. The Committee will examine the impact of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) enforcement practices on access to public education for California's K-12 students; access to equal protection under the law for individuals based on their perceived national origin; and the extent to which due process is denied to students and their families. This is the second meeting dedicated to hearing testimony on this topic.

- *EVENT:* California Advisory Committee Community Forum: Immigration Enforcement Impacting California Children
- WHEN: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 | 5:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. PT
- WHERE: Southwestern Community College
  900 Otay Lakes Road, Chula Vista, CA 91910
  Room 64-238 North | <u>Campus map</u> | Parking available in lot "L"

This meeting is free and open to the public. No appointment of registration is necessary; however, sign up is required on site in order to speak. The Committee will also accept written testimony submitted to <u>afortes@usccr.gov</u> by April 3, 2020. Following the meeting, the Committee will issue its findings and recommendations in a report to the Commission.

Brian Moriguchi, Vice Chair of the Committee, stated: "ICE enforcement has been widely viewed as a national issue, but its impact is felt at the local level. We hope to understand this topic further by hearing directly from the community at this event."

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## Community Forum Immigration Enforcement Impacting California Children

# Wednesday, March 4, 2020

#### Southwestern Community College 900 Otay Lakes Road, Chula Vista, CA 91910 Room 64-238 North

# AGENDA

# **Opening Remarks and Introductions (4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.)**

Brian Moriguchi, Vice Chair of the California Advisory Committee

# Open Community Forum: (4:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.)

(See USCCR staff to add your name to the list of speakers)

# Closing Remarks (6:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Brian Moriguchi, Vice Chair of the California Advisory Committee