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# Detainees bringing in dollars to small county



The Clay County Jail in Brazil, Indiana, is one of the major ICE detention centers in the Midwest. Its longstanding partnership with ICE has been a major revenue source for the small county with a population of more than 26,000 people. MYKAL MCELDFOWNEY/INDIANAPOLIS STAR

## Critics question how ICE payments are being used

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BRAZIL, IN – The Clay County Jail is a nondescript building near the heart of this small town, just across the street from the courthouse and a block south of the main thoroughfare.

From the outside, it doesn't look much different than other jails in rural county seat communities across Indiana.

But the similarities end at the door. Inside, on any given day, the jail is packed with people from outside the county. Some were arrested in other Indiana cities. Others were hauled in from out of state. Most speak Spanish or another foreign language. And each one

"It's heartbreaking, and we're doing that. We're paying for that. We, the U.S. We, the country. We, the people."

Martha Maust, volunteer for Indiana AID

represents money in the bank for the county.

The Clay County Jail, about 60 miles southwest of Indianapolis, doubles as one of the major U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention centers in Indiana and the Midwest. Months into President Donald Trump's second term, ICE has already funneled more than 3,000 men and women through the jail, paying the county \$85 for each day it holds an immigration detainee.

The jail was generating a profit by holding inmates from other agencies long before the Trump administration's

aggressive push for mass deportations, which relies heavily on detaining immigrants regardless of criminal history. For more than a decade, the partnership with ICE has been a lucrative revenue source for the small county with a population of 26,400 people. Officials have used the windfall to give raises and bonuses to county workers and help pay for other projects – all without raising local taxes.

The new crush of detainees just means an even bigger gusher of federal dollars.

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# Nominations sought for annual diversity awards

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If a person or group in Columbia "exemplifies the life and teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.," the city's Office of Cultural Affairs wants to know about them.

OCA is accepting nominations for the Columbia Values Diversity Celebration happening Jan. 28 at the Wyndham Expo Center, 2200 Interstate 70 Drive SW.

The deadline to submit is 5 p.m. Nov. 14. Further information, including details about a student writing program, is available through the online page for the celebration on the city's website.

Selected individuals, families, local groups or organizations will receive recognition in January for their "significant impact in promoting appreciation for diversity and cultural understanding," OCA said in a news release. These recipients also can focus on "fostering individual dignity, racial equality, understanding, peacemaking, and solving problems through non-violence."

A full list of previous winners is available on the OCA website. Tickets and registration for the January celebration will be available starting in mid-November.

# Guidelines for 'I Voted' contest out now

Charles Dunlap  
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A contest for high schoolers that takes place every other year is back for upcoming election seasons.

Boone County high school students can lend their artistic flair to the "I Voted" sticker design competition organized by County Clerk Brianna Lennon.

The last day for submissions is Oct. 21. The opening of the contest Sept. 16 coincided with National Voter

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