



HAVE YOU BEEN UNFAIRLY TARGETED BY THE POLICE?

The ACLU is investigating police practices in San Diego. Have you had problems with law enforcement officers?

Has your car or home been searched? Have you been profiled?

Did you feel forced to give consent?

Did an officer ask or force you to give a DNA or blood sample?

Did the officer have a warrant?

Did an officer take your photo? Did an officer use excessive force?

YOU HAVE RIGHTS!



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You Have RIGHTS in interactions with Police

Multiple law enforcement agencies have been collaborating on regular sweeps of trolley stations since at least July 2014. They claim the sweeps are designed to find "prolific offenders," but their own data show that only a few people have been cited or arrested, while thousands of people have been stopped. Below is a very brief accounting of your rights in this situation. For details, go to aclusandiego.org/YouHaveRights.

IF an officer asks for your trolley ticket, show your valid ticket.

- **After you show your ticket**, ask if you are detained or free to go. If they don't answer or just continue to ask you questions, ask again. If they ask for your ID, say, "I don't consent to showing you my ID. I have a valid trolley ticket. Am I detained or free to go?"
- **If you are undocumented**, you have a right to remain silent and not answer questions about where you were born, whether you are a citizen, or how you entered the country. (If you have legal residency, you may have different responsibilities if approached by an immigration officer. Please go to our website for details.)
- **If you are on probation or parole** and are asked about your status, answer honestly and cooperate with the officer. If your status requires you to waive certain Fourth Amendment rights, officers may have the right to search you or your belongings without a warrant or your permission. The rights of people who happen to be with you are not waived, as long as they are not on parole or probation.

IF you do NOT have a valid trolley ticket, you can be detained while officers issue you a citation (ticket).

- **While waiting to receive a citation**, you are being detained. You have the right to remain silent except for providing an ID or correct name and address if you don't have ID. Under normal circumstances, unless you are on probation or parole, you should not be subject to a search of yourself or your belongings. If officers do conduct a search and you are not on probation or parole, say, "I do not consent to this search." If you feel the search was illegal, contact the ACLU afterwards.

Remember: you cannot challenge police misconduct on the street. If you experience misconduct of any kind, state your objections out loud, but do not physically resist or threaten to file a complaint.

Contact the ACLU once you are released. More detailed rights information here: www.aclusandiego.org/YouHaveRights or call **619.232.2121**