

Where is Yuriy?

Community Organizing



Problem:

- June 5, 2025, ICE disappeared neighbor Yuriy Zinovyev, a linguist and welder after 28 years in the United States.
- He is Stateless after the dissolution of Russia.

Solution:

- Created a massive community response with 23 hours of his removal despite never meeting him.
- Created action team, logo, graphics, flyers and press releases.
- Multiple protests in his name ensued throughout New York.
- Developed a phone bank resulting in hundreds of calls to immigration lawyers, lawmakers, and activists.

Results:

- Over 22 media stories ran, a podcast talk, and hundreds of shared social media posts were created.
- Prevented his deportation to El Salvador, but he was deported to Kazakhstan.
- Raised money for additional food while in an ICE federal detention Center.
- Taught local groups how to respond to ICE.
- Arranged support for Yuriy in Kazakhstan.
- Continued to support Yuriy today with calls and emails.



COFFEE IN KAZAKHSTAN WITH YURIY

You are invited to a private online meeting with Yuriy!

This is meant to be a conversation between IAS and Yuriy. It is a time to reflect, ask questions and wish him well in Kazakhstan. Yuriy wants to meet everyone who supported him.

Please no press, no recordings, no screen captures for Yuriy's safety.

Tuesday, August 12, 7 am

