

Resolution # 25-003

FSS 908.1032(4)(f) requires the State Immigration Enforcement Council (SIEC) to enhance information sharing between state entities, local governmental entities, law enforcement agencies, and the Federal Government in the enforcement of federal immigration laws within the state. The statute states that the recommendations must provide for enhanced use and coordination of the following Federal Government centers, including, but not limited to:

1. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Terrorist Screening Center.
2. The United States Customs and Border Protection's National Targeting Center.
3. The United States Department of Homeland Security Fusion Centers.
4. The United States Drug Enforcement Administration's Special Operations Unit.

State Immigration Enforcement Council finds that the most logical and effective mechanism to accomplish this coordination is the **Florida Fusion Center** operated by the **Florida Department of Law Enforcement**. The Fusion Center already collaborates with federal, state, and local agencies, including the four agencies referred to above (F.B.I., I.C.E., Homeland Security, and the D.E.A.). We recommend staff at the fusion center immediately, if they have not already done so, contact representatives at the above listed specific centers and actively coordinate immigration enforcement information sharing, intelligence, and initiatives. Whenever and wherever possible, this information and intelligence should be strategically shared with local and state law enforcement to enhance the assistance provided to federal agencies regarding the removal of criminal aliens from Florida.

We recommend that the data collected by law enforcement and detention agencies as envisioned by SIEC in Resolution 25-002 be systematically shared with the fusion center so that, in turn, this data can be shared with federal partners.