

Getting a Sanctuary City Resolution Passed:

The language below was created for use by a variety of activists and advocates working on sanctuary. Therefore, you should feel free to use, change or amend as needed. Additionally, we have included a couple of links to resolutions that have been passed in cities across the country.

[California's Values Act](#)

[Cincinnati Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Culver City Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Hillsboro Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Minneapolis Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Portland Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

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[San Leandro Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Santa Ana Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Seattle Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Urbana Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

[Watsonville Sanctuary City Resolution](#)

SAMPLE RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:

Whereas the United States is a country of immigrants and denying new immigrants entry is a violation of our ideals

Whereas the United States is a country that values religious freedom and the inclusion of people of all faiths

Whereas the United States has existed as a refuge for many people around the world

Whereas the United States has a responsibility to provide sanctuary for those who are forced to migrate because of the wars, intervention, and militarism on the part of this country

WHEREAS, Immigrants and refugees of all nations have contributed to the economic and social fabric of the United States

Whereas the United States should reject its history of discriminatory immigration policies that for example, resulted in the Chinese Exclusion Act

Whereas refugees in the United States have contributed 63 billion more in government revenues than the cost of hosting them

Whereas the United States has allotted 53 cents of every discretionary federal dollar to the military in 2018 – funds that are used to perpetuate war and which cause forced displacement

Whereas, instead of accepting entry of refugees fleeing from wars the U.S. funds and perpetuates, we instead deny them entry to the country

Whereas the United States, instead of engaging in endless wars, can redirect part of its \$668 billion dollar military budget to helping resettle refugees

Whereas the United States has the responsibility under international law and our nation's identity as a country of immigrants, to welcome refugees, especially where U.S. wars led to their displacement

Whereas X City has a responsibility to protect all the immigrants and refugees that come to our city as a result of violent policies that the U.S. promotes abroad

Whereas, City X adopting a policy of sanctuary will increase cooperation between its residents and law enforcement, making our city safer for everyone

Whereas City X should commit to equal treatment of its residents regardless of their immigration status