

# NLG WEEK OF ABOLITION 2026: ABOLISH ICE!



DETENTION  
WATCH NETWORK



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*The Japanese American Legacy Project*

On February 19, 1942, President Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066. **The United States government uprooted 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry from their homes and business and incarcerated them for years in American Concentration Camps.**

Now, folks of Japanese ancestry continue to draw attention to the legacy of this injustice and stand in solidarity with folks in detention today. Organizations like Tsuru for Solidarity and Densho work against state violence, carceral spaces, and repetition of history.

In 2019, Japanese Americans who were incarcerated in Crystal City returned to the site on a pilgrimage and went to the Dilley Detention Center – the same detention center that detained Liam Ramos and his father for over a week in late January 2026. **The survivors hung 30,000 origami cranes, a symbol of transformation, healing, and nonviolence, around the fences at Dilley.**

**SU Law’s National Lawyers Guild (NLG) chapter invites you to make a paper crane as part of the Week of Abolition and this year’s theme: Abolish ICE. We cannot let history repeat itself. Prisons and detention centers and concentration camps must go. We are all connected in our struggle.**

“It is our duty to fight for our freedom.

It is our duty to win.

We must love each other and support each other.

We have nothing to lose but our chains.”

— Assata Shakur, **Black liberation activist (Rest in Power)**