

10. Josue Castro-Rivera

Who was Josue Castro-Rivera? Josue Castro-Rivera was a 24-year-old Honduran who had lived in the United States since 2021. He worked as a handyman and gardener to support his family in Honduras. “He had a good heart,” his brother Henry said. “He liked to help out the family with what little he could.”

How did Josue Castro-Rivera come into contact with ICE? According to his brother, Josue had been on his way to a gardening job in Norfolk, Virginia with three of his co-workers on October 23, 2025, when ICE agents stopped their car on the side of the highway.

How did Josue Castro-Rivera die under ICE accountability? According to ICE, officers were in the process of detaining the vehicle's occupants when Castro Rivera fled on foot across the busy highway, Interstate 264, where he was fatally struck by a passing pickup truck. He died at the scene.

What happened after Josue Castro-Rivera’s death? His family and immigrant advocacy organizations subsequently spoke out against the federal enforcement operation, calling his death an injustice and demanding accountability for the circumstances that led to the fatal chase. Immigration attorneys and advocates in Virginia say the case of Josue Castro-Rivera underscores growing fear within immigrant communities amid an escalation of federal enforcement actions nationwide.

Josue’s brother Henry Castro, called his death “an injustice.” “He didn’t deserve everything that happened to him,” Henry Castro said.

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