HART: ICE’s Dangerous Biometrics Database
DHS’s shadowy biometrics database will supercharge surveillance and threaten rights

WHAT IT IS

The Homeland Advanced Recognition Technology System (HART), will collect, organize, and share invasive personal data on hundreds of millions of people—from federal agencies including DHS and the FBI, police, and even foreign governments—enabling DHS to build digital human profiles.

This will also include information you provide to the government when you access services, such as driver’s licenses, travel, and immigration benefits.

WHAT IT DOES

Data is everywhere, but it’s unregulated. Data can include vast amounts of information — your health records, social security numbers, social media posts, pictures, location data — basically anything that is out there on the internet and beyond.
WHY IT MATTERS

HART will allow DHS to target even more immigrants for surveillance, raids, arrests, detention, and deportation—vastly expanding the deportation machine.

HART threatens to violate the human and privacy rights of millions of people, particularly Black and brown communities already facing discriminatory policing and surveillance.

HART will use personal data retrieved without consent to make it possible for CBP and ICE to identify and track people in real time.

STOP THE HART ATTACK!

We need to expose HART for what it is—and the companies behind it. Only a complete freeze on the 2023 HART funding—and a full dismantling of the program—will prevent continued and future privacy, civil, and human rights violations.