

Detention centers fill up; border detainees sent to prisons

Authorities say they are transferring more than 1,600 arrested at the Southwest border

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SEATTLE — More than 1,600 people arrested at the U.S.-Mexico border, including parents who have been separated from their children, are being transferred to federal prisons, U.S. immigration authorities confirmed Thursday. They said they’re running out of room at their own facilities amid President Donald Trump’s crack-down on illegal immigration.

The move drew condemnation from activists who said the detainees may have legitimate claims to asylum and don’t deserve to be held in federal prisons.

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee and Attorney General Bob Ferguson issued a letter Thursday night seeking more information from the Justice Department and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement after learning that ICE had transferred dozens of mothers who had been separated from their children to the Federal Detention Center at SeaTac.

“The Trump Administration’s new family separation policy is inflicting intentional, gratuitous,



In this May 7 photo, Attorney General Jeff Sessions listens during a news conference in San Diego near the border with Tijuana, Mexico.

and permanent trauma on young children who have done nothing wrong and on parents who often have valid claims for refugee or asylum status,” they wrote.

Historically, immigrants without serious criminal records were released from custody while they pursued asylum or refugee status. The Trump administration has ended that policy.

In an emailed statement, ICE spokeswoman Carissa Cutrell said that due to a surge in illegal border crossings and the Justice Department’s “zero-tolerance” policy — designed to discourage

illegal border crossings — the agency needed to acquire access to more than 1,600 beds in Bureau of Prisons Facilities. The agency said those include 1,000 beds in Victorville, California; 209 beds in SeaTac; 230 beds in La Tuna, Texas; 230 beds in Sheridan, Oregon; and 102 beds in Phoenix.

“The use of BOP facilities is intended to be a temporary measure until ICE can obtain additional long-term contracts for new detention facilities or until the surge in illegal border crossings subsides,” the statement said. The letter from Inslee and Fer-

guson followed a report from the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project earlier Thursday that as many as 120 asylum seekers had been transferred to the Federal Detention Center at SeaTac.

The organization said that on Wednesday it spoke with two of the women, who arrived at the southern border with their young daughters in mid-May seeking asylum. Both were separated from their children shortly after they were apprehended by Border Patrol. Instead of being returned to their children after being sentenced to time served for the mis-

demeanor of unlawful entry, they were transferred to Washington state while they seek asylum, the organization said.

“There is simply no moral or legal justification for separating children from their parents in this draconian effort seeking to deter other immigrants,” Matt Adams, legal director of the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, said in a written statement. “This is not only unlawful, but also contrary to basic human decency.”

Inslee and Ferguson said they wanted more information about when the women would be released and when they can expect to see their children again, as well as where the children are and who is caring for them

The American Civil Liberties Union is seeking a court injunction to stop immigration authorities from separating parents from their young children.

On Wednesday, a federal judge in California ruled that a case involving two mothers could go forward, saying that if the policy was being carried out as described in the lawsuit, it is “brutal, offensive, and fails to comport with traditional notions of fair play and decency.” The judge said he would issue a separate ruling on whether to expand the lawsuit to apply to all parents and children who are split up by border authorities.

THURSDAY

9:29 a.m. - A caller at G & G Storage at Powerline and Radar roads, Umatilla, reported break-ins of several units.
12:48 p.m. - Pilot Rock police took multiple reports for bad checks at the Pilot Rock Market, 168 N.W. Birch St.
1:27 p.m. - A resident on Columbia

Boulevard, Umatilla, told police someone vandalized his front porch and stole a bunch of plants.
2:20 p.m. - Milton-Freewater police took a report for a break-in at a storage complex on the 900 block of Peabody Avenue and the theft of propane tanks and a battery from a recreational vehicle.

3:57 p.m. - Five people fought on Naches Avenue, Umatilla, a 911 caller reported.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

•Pendleton police arrested Erika Kaye Gordon, 19, of Pendleton on a probation violation and for methamphetamine possession.

COURTS

Sentences

PENDLETON — The following sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:
FELONY
•Jackie Laverne Wilson Jr., 59, Stanfield, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 160 hours community service, \$200 fine, \$2,300 fine-suspended and 6 months driver’s license suspension; pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to \$1,255 fine and 18 months driver’s license suspension.
•Kash Michael Leon, 28, Athena, pleaded guilty to four counts of Identity Theft, one count of Possession of Forged Instrument II, two counts of Forgery II and one count of Theft II: sentenced to 2 years probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$200 fine, \$2,300 fine-suspended and restitution to be determined; pleaded guilty to Failure to Appear II: sentenced to \$100 fine (discharged).
•Carrie Lynn Simons, 34, Milton-Freewater, pleaded guilty to Unauthorized Use of Vehicle: sentenced to 20 months Oregon Dept. of Corrections (DOC), 1 year post-prison supervision and \$5,325.38 restitution; pleaded guilty to Elude Police: sentenced to 90 days driver’s license suspension (discharged); pleaded guilty to Interfering With Peace/Parole/Probation Officer: sentenced to discharge.
•Kyle L. Decker, 28, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Aggravated Harassment: sentenced to 3 years probation, 240 hours community service, \$200 fine and \$2,300 fine-suspended.
•Juan Luis Ayala Garduno, 37, Boardman, pleaded guilty to Fleeing or Attempt to Elude Police Officer: sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction unit, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$200 fine, \$1,800 fine-suspended and 90 days driver’s license suspension; pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to \$200 fine and 6 months driver’s license suspension (discharged).
•Gusmaro Humberto Cervantes, 24, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Failure to Appear I: sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, 560 hours community service, \$200 fine and \$2,800 fine-suspended; pleaded guilty to three counts of Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to \$200 fine and 6 months driver’s license suspension for each

count (discharged); pleaded guilty to three additional counts of Failure to Appear I: sentenced to \$200 fine for each count (discharged).
•Michael Christopher Reyes, 30, Pendleton (EOCI), was convicted of Assaulting a Public Safety Officer and Assault IV: sentenced to 42 months Oregon DOC, 2 years post-prison supervision and \$200 fine.
Suits Filed
PENDLETON — The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):
•JH Portfolio Debt Equities LLC vs. William L. Engblom of Pendleton: seeks \$4,299.94.
•JH Portfolio Debt Equities LLC vs. John Benson of Pendleton: seeks \$2,645.54.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Leah Carver (Arnold): seeks \$767.99.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Aurelio Marin: seeks \$803.10.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Mariarita Serano Ortiz: seeks \$1,549.26.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Juan Santana Sr. (Santana, Santanarivera, Lucia Santana): seeks \$987.82.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Oscar Zamora: seeks \$1,699.06.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Dominick Bush: seeks \$1,032.32.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. Summer M. Hodgson of Milton-Freewater: seeks \$405.56.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. George Greg Nixon of Milton-Freewater: seeks \$494.34.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. David L. and Gretchen L. Hinkle of Pilot Rock: seeks \$784.29.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. Patricia A. (Patty) Lutcavich-Smith of Athena: seeks \$1,253.22.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. Mariela M. Soto and Manuel Perez (Meza) of Walla Walla: seeks \$505.77.
•Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. Lena Santos-Razo and Victor Razo of Milton-Freewater: seeks \$364.07.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Alicia A. Street of Pendleton: seeks \$1,110.29.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Bobbie J. Qualls of Hermiston: seeks \$780.01.
•Credits Inc. vs. Mycheal A. Flores of Hermiston: seeks \$1,863.71.
•Credits Inc. vs. John E. and Darla McBride of Pilot Rock:

seeks \$1,463.59.
•Credits Inc. vs. J. Cruz Castellanos Ruelas and Maria Covarrubia of Irrigon: seeks \$559.62.
•Credits Inc. vs. Dawn and Abel Viesca of Umatilla: seeks \$678.65.
•Credits Inc. vs. Nelda D. Garza of Hermiston: seeks \$1,713.95.
•Credits Inc. vs. William and Jacqueline Burden of Hermiston: seeks \$1,013.72.
•Credits Inc. vs. Christopher A. Whelchel of Stayton: seeks \$8,625.17.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Angela M. Zepeda of Pendleton: seeks \$534.53.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Tiffanie M. Piper of Hermiston: seeks \$565.34.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Patrick E. Conrad of Pendleton: seeks \$425.57.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Tera Thomas of Hermiston: seeks \$401.15.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Ginger R. Reiff of Pendleton: seeks \$381.10.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Debbie L. Hall of Stanfield: seeks \$375.56.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Jessica L. Hamilton of Pendleton: seeks \$464.30.
•Christine Kelly vs. Devin Oil Co. Inc. and Denise D. McNaughton of Hermiston: seeks \$104,143.40.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Kendyl L. De Jong of Pendleton: seeks \$645.67.
•Ray Klein Inc. dba Professional Credit Service vs. Rebecca A. Heise of Pendleton: seeks \$376.37.
•Credits Inc. vs. Oscar and Adilene Lemus of Hermiston: seeks \$1,920.83.
•Credits Inc. vs. Casey and Karrie Zellars of Boardman: seeks \$1,100.93.
•United Finance Co. vs. Misty Anna Ross of Pendleton: seeks \$3,836.09.

Judgments
PENDLETON — The following judgments have been rendered in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):
•Credits Inc. vs. Megan Kelly (nka Hatley) of Pendleton: judgment for \$2,945.15.
•Credits Inc. vs. Tanya R. and Jorge A. Colon of Hermiston: judgment for \$6,186.18.
•Credits Inc. vs. Daisy Palomino of Umatilla: judgment

Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office

WARRANTS

Saturday, June 9, 2018

Luis Felipe Palacios Amaya
Age: 63 Sex: M
Charge: Parole Violation (PV) — Public indecency
Bail: No bail
Last Known Location: Milton-Freewater, OR

Bryson Steward Azure
Age: 22 Sex: M
Charge: PV — Menacing
Bail: No bail
Last Known Location: Pendleton, OR

Christopher John Boman
Age: 42 Sex: M
Charge: Failure to Appear (FTA) — DUII
Bail: \$80,000
Last Known Location: Issaquah, WA

Basilio Matias Carillo
Age: 33 Sex: M
Charge: FTA — DUII, reckless driving, recklessly endangering another
Bail: \$25,000
Last Known Location: Bremerton, WA

Tyler Corbin Dunn
Age: 19 Sex: M
Charge: PV — Forgery
Bail: No bail
Last Known Location: Pendleton, OR

Joey Martin Helsley
Age: 24 Sex: M
Charge: FTA — Driving while suspended
Bail: \$10,000
Last Known Location: Pendleton, OR

Lacey Renee Hender
Age: 30 Sex: F
Charge: PV — Possession of methamphetamine, fleeing or attempt to elude police
Bail: No bail
Last Known Location: Walla Walla, WA

Carl Allen Hunter
Age: 47 Sex: M
Charge: PV — Failure to appear
Bail: No bail
Last Known Location: Milton-Freewater, OR

Elizabeth Mae McCoy
Age: 31 Sex: F
Charge: PV — Driving while suspended/revoked
Bail: \$10,000
Last Known Location: Hermiston, OR

Alejandro Javier Nunez
Age: 38 Sex: M
Charge: FTA — Driving while suspended
Bail: \$25,000
Last Known Location: Hermiston, OR

Warrants on the above persons were active at the time the list was created, however wanted status is subject to change at any time. If whereabouts are known, please report immediately to law enforcement by calling our 24 hours dispatch center at 541-966-3651 or by calling 911 if an emergency.

Ashley Nicole Gregerson, 27, both of Hermiston.
Cody Dale Forrester, 23, and Anna Kristine Linn, 24, both of Boardman.
Jared Nathaniel Barr, 27, and Tressa Opal Criss, 25, both of College Place, Wash.
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