



*“Thank you to all the people, to the whole community, that was with me during this process. Thank you to Bamby (Translatin@), to Amnesty International, to Alma Rosa (Translatin@)... everyone... thank you. Here I am, keeping up the fight.”*

*“As an older trans woman, and as a fighter for LGBTI rights... I am a fighter all the way until the last day that I am on this earth.”*

**- ALEJANDRA**

**Alejandra fought for transgender rights for over a decade in El Salvador. Forced to flee attacks and sexual abuse by gang members and military officials, she requested asylum in the U.S. and was held for nearly two years in immigration detention in Cibola, New Mexico.**

**Amnesty, TransLatin@ Coalition, and other organizations mobilized over 65,000 petition signatures to U.S. immigration authorities. Due to these actions and Congressional intervention, Alejandra was not deported back to danger and was finally freed in September 2019.**

**Just one month later, Alejandra travelled to DC to advocate before Congress with Amnesty, TransLatin@, and the National Immigration Justice Center for the freedom and safety of trans women who continue to be held in immigration detention.**

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