

My name is Jacinta Lincke, I am 22 yr. resident of South Pasadena.

On 11/1/20 I went to the corner of Fair Oaks and Mission Ave at 1 pm in front of corner pharmacy with my friend and neighbor 80 yr. old Linda Krausen. We went because we heard there was going to be a Trump rally. We were there to voice peaceful opposition to white supremacy and fascism. Trump has told the Proud Boys a known white supremacist group (tracked by the FBI and the Southern Poverty Law Center with other hate groups) to "stand down and stand-by" on national TV during the presidential debates. It was traumatizing to think that this hate was coming to South Pasadena and come they did by chartered vans and giant trucks Trump flags flying with large wheels reminiscent of the ones in Texas that tried to drive the Biden campaign bus off the road

When we first arrived no one was there but they started to arrive by the chartered van fulls ... As Linda Krausen and I were standing there three young girls on their way to a social distancing party arrived they identified themselves as 10th graders from SPHS. They joined is holding our banner saying they were going to social distancing party but stayed saying this was more important than a party. A local teacher came. by and took pictures of these 10th graders saying she was going to share the picture with her students online saying "This is what democracy looks like" We felt positive and also surprised by the white charter vans dropping off loud pro-Trump protestors...

Some men began to cross the street to us they had no signs but were wearing red MAGA caps, one had a belt holster with 2 flags a black one and a US flag. A man in a pumpkin T-shirt with a red MAGA cap and his dog on a leash began to heckle the girls and me, we ignored him. A few of them all of them maskless began to cough and blow air, I told them to stay 6 feet from us we were in the middle of a pandemic. They did not stop I told them I was calling 911 I did and waited for the police the police did not arrive and the men began heckling and coughing, again and again, I called the police and gave the situation and our location, and once again the men stopped. When the police did not show up they started again blowing air and coughing maskless as I told the police. I took some St Croix water I was drinking and made a line with the water separating them from us and told them not to cross the line and stretched out my arm saying this is not 6 feet and you need to be further than this, the man with the pumpkin tee shirt came close and blew air on my hand. I turned around and ignored him and felt air being blown on my neck I turned around and told them to get away from us they backed up and I called 911 again as this was not getting resolved and I was concerned...I had an 80 yr. old and 3 15 yr olds with me.911 dispatch told me to come to the police station they were not coming I was speaking to them and as it was apparent I am sure in retrospect that the police were not coming they the men were laughing and coughing maskless of course. I was wearing slides and I felt something wet on my foot I turned around and heard one of the 10th graders crying she said the man spat on her she was hysterical...I said let's get out of here let's go to the police station and we did ..on the way, we stopped at the Dinosaur Farm where they had hand sanitizer outside and I encouraged the girls to use it and I did too. When I looked down at my foot I had foamy spit on my heel, as a 30 yr. RN I know what spit looks like. When I went to

adjust the clip holding my hair back I felt wet in my hair when I pulled my hand to look I saw the same foamy spit!! They had been spitting at us!!! I was horrified!
When we went to the police station I asked for the watch commander and Officer Carrillo came out and said the watch commander was not available. I asked for Chief Ortiz and he said the same.

Officer Carillo asked for proof of the spitting. I was astounded, in the middle of a deadly pandemic we would not have kept the spit on us!! Officer Carrillo told is that the police "get spit on all the time" as a 10th grader was crying before him worried she had contracted covid 19 and had an immunosuppressed dad @home... Officer Carillo told me if they saw the man they would not arrest him but would speak to him I told him I would make a citizens arrest. Officer Carrillo told me that the police would not go to find him that I would have to walk through that crowd of white supremacists and call the police if I saw them. The girls and I left the police station just as the mom of the girl that had been spat on showed up.

Well over an hour later I was standing with Biden and BLM counter-protestors in front of The Canoe House on Fair Oaks and Councilmember Steve Rossi with the police came and took a statement from me which was also recorded by The South Pasadena paper. The police then walked with me down Fair Oaks to see if we could see the man that assaulted us but the police refused to cross Fair Oaks and walk over where throngs of Trump people were screaming....to look for our assaulter. As the police were rapidly crossing Fair Oaks at Mission I asked them to slow down I did not want to be left with this crowd. One officer turned to me and said Your fine not in danger....and continued to walk very briskly away.

Later this same evening an officer cursed a concerned parent with the f word, telling people to shut up and arguing with children It was beyond unseemly.

What I have learned from this is our police dept.is in serious need of reform. They are public servants sworn to protect and serve instead they have been rude and disrespectful as children in our city were attacked by adults bused in from out of town. They have shown severe bias which is endangering the citizens of this town. This department must be reformed and the worst of the police that have singled out by name need to be dismissed post haste.

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