

# In Kansas City, a Day of Celebration Becomes a Day of Terror, Heroism, Tragedy, and Mourning

Following the weekend's Super Bowl victory, on February 14 the residents of Kansas City welcomed their victorious football team back home with a celebratory parade and rally. But that celebration of triumph turned into terror and tragedy when gunfire erupted as a violent criminal attacked the gathering, leaving 22 people injured and one dead.

According to the *Kansas City Star*, "The gunfire, which broke out near the end of the citywide celebration amid thousands of fans and onlookers, sent nine children to the hospital with bullet wounds and broke up the event in chaos."

The victim who died in the hail of gunfire was <u>Lisa Lopez-Galvan</u>, local disc jockey and mother of two, the *Star* reported.

The gunfire erupted at about 2:00 p.m., reports indicated.

As bad as this incident was, had citizens not responded to the attack with incredible bravery, it could have been much worse.



#### MuhSocioFactors/X Social media photo of the alleged shooter at the Kansas City Super Bowl victory parade after being restrained by citizens.

Video of the attack circulated quickly on social media platform X depicting men and women attendees chasing and attacking the gunman, restraining him and ending the attack.

In another video on X, depicting the situation immediately after the suspected gunman was restrained, a local citizen can be heard describing how citizen heroes stopped the attack.

"No, we tackled him," a man is heard saying. "When we tackled him the gun came out."

Video of the incident shows a woman immediately behind the group tackling the suspect, picking up and securing what appears to be semiautomatic rifle.

<u>Police in Kansas City told reporters</u> that three armed suspects had been taken into custody.



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