The embattled East Precinct in Seattle was the site of Saturday's "anti-fascist" winter activities. Last summer, the East Precinct was the center of much of the anti-police protests that broke out over the death of Minneapolis criminal George Floyd while he was in police custody. For three weeks, the precinct building was abandoned while the Capitol Hill Autonomous Zone (CHAZ) sprung up around it.

Antifa Uses Snow Barricade to Block Police Vehicles in Seattle

Antifa — the domestic terror organization that Joe Biden calls "only an idea" reportedly piled up a barrier of wet, heavy snow to prevent police vehicles from responding to emergencies in Seattle on Saturday night. Seattle was pounded with a foot of snow --- the largest snowfall in more than 50 years — on Saturday.

One video shows a police vehicle attempting to drive over the barrier, only to slide back down a ramp.

On Twitter, independent journalist Andy Ngo shared a video of a police vehicle attempting to exit the East Precinct. When the vehicle failed to navigate the hill of snow, cheers and laughter broke out among the crowd.

Police eventually confronted the vandals as officers came out of the precinct to shovel snow from the vehicle entrance. One officer reportedly told the crowd, "Do this again and we'll arrest everyone." Another video showed an officer warning the crowd, "You cannot police from exiting a police vehicle precinct."

A full <u>15 minute video</u> (language warning) posted on Instagram by user seattleblmflowerfairy shows officers coming out to confront the group of about a dozen protestors. During the video, the vandals repeatedly antagonized the police officers with anti-police rhetoric.

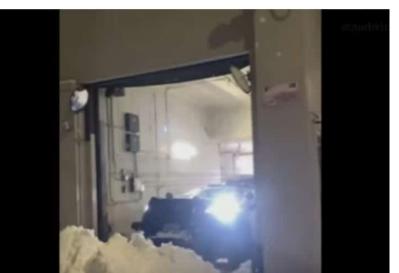
One vandal responded that they were simply "having a peaceful snowball fight here at the East Precinct."

Some small scuffles broke out between Antifa and the police officers who came out to remove snow from the vehicle entrance. As the police shoveled the snow, the vandals chanted, "peaceful protest."

"Cops are being aggressive and violating people's rights," one of the vandals can be heard saying.

No arrests were reported.

Antifa's anti-social snow activities lingered on into Valentines Day as on Sunday, another group of vandals used the same tactic to block the entrance to the Henry M. Jackson Federal Building.









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The CHAZ lasted from June 8 until July 1 when city officials finally took control of their city again. In August, a 19-year-old Alaska man was charged with <u>arson</u> after attempting to set fire to the East Precinct. Less than two weeks after that, a large group of rioters threw garbage and <u>Molotov Cocktails</u> at the precinct.

At least on Saturday night, it was only snow.

There's a reason that Antifa keeps protesting the police in Seattle: Thus far, it has worked.

City officials, especially Mayor Jenny Durkan, have continually made concessions to a mob that demands that the city's department be completely done away with. The City Council has already pledged to <u>cut the department's funding</u> by 50 percent. The city lost its first African-American female chief — Carmen Best — over the budget cuts. The cuts caused the city's police department to lose nearly 200 officers by the end of 2020.

If you're a police officer, why would you work in a city that doesn't appreciate you?

With fewer officers to guard an already volatile situation, an empty-headed City Council, and an incompetent mayor, law-enforcement prospects are not good for the foreseeable future in Seattle.



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