



# Damages Escalate as "Mostly Peaceful" Demonstrators Decimate Philadelphia

In yet another preview of what America has to look forward to after this election, throngs of thieves and thugs descended upon several businesses, including a Foot Locker, a Walmart, and an Aaron's after Philadelphia police fatally shot Walter Wallace, a black man.

The officers involved in the shooting on Monday responded to a call concerning a black man wielding a knife. A <u>video</u> of the shooting shows the 27-year old Wallace approaching the officers, who had their firearms pointed at him and were ordering him to lay down his knife. After making repeated demands for Wallace to stop, the officers fired at and fatally wounded him. The knife is not visible in the video, but witnesses corroborate the officers' version of the story.

Wallace's father reported that his son "was on medication and struggled with mental health issues." Then he asked, "Why didn't they use a taser?"



YouTube

Within a few hours, the now-familiar crowds of "protestors" appeared in the area armed with bricks, bats, and stones, and were chanting "Black Lives Matter." As the numbers of "protestors" climbed, the police struggled to respond to vandalism and looting along the commercial corridor of 52nd Street. The "mostly peaceful" protestors set one police vehicle on fire and injured several police officers with bricks and other projectiles. A speeding truck ran through a line of officers trying to keep looters contained, striking one officer and breaking his leg.

Police Commissioner <u>Danielle Outlaw</u> stated, "I heard and felt the anger of the community," adding that the video "raises many questions" and "the investigation will fully address those questions."

Hundreds of looters returned on Tuesday night to pillage some more as Philadelphia posted more police officers in the area to contain the anarchy.

As noted above, one of the stores hit by the rioters was Foot Locker. Video of the looting shows plunderers forcing up the store's metal gate to enter and leave, many with arms full of shoeboxes. One man even steals a <u>mannequin</u>, and a U-Haul van briefly appears in the parking lot before pulling away.

The governor is mobilizing the Pennsylvania National Guard.

Police say looting along Aramingo Avenue in Philadelphia's Port Richmond neighborhood had "rapidly



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gone downhill" Tuesday night and is a "total loss."

The City Office of Emergency Management is asking residents to stay indoors in West and North Philadelphia, Port Richmond, Kensington and Fishtown. Protesters continue to face off with officers in riot gear outside the 18th Police District at 55th and Pine and along the 52nd Street commercial corridor.

Wallace, Sr. denounced the looting and riots from outside the family's home Tuesday night, the *Philadelphia Inquirer* reported.

"They're not helping my family; they're showing disrespect," Wallace, Sr. said, according to the outlet. "Stop this violence and chaos. People have businesses. We all got to eat."

The police have arrested at least 90 "protestors" so far.

"This completely caught us off guard in the sense that, one, no one can predict that there's an officer-involved shooting," Police Commissioner Outlaw told the *Inquirer*. "And, two, once we arrived there, we saw that there would be civil unrest."

Outlaw then said, "Three people were issued citations for failure to disperse, 11 were charged with assaulting police officers, and 76 were charged with burglary — including three involving guns."

It goes without saying that we are now <u>experiencing</u> a full-blown <u>communist</u> coup in America today. To think that voting for Trump and other conservatives will be enough to save our Republic is wishful thinking. Conservative Americans must get involved in the fight. The <u>Left</u> is <u>ramping</u> up at an alarming rate; we need to do the same, and a great place to start is by joining the John Birch Society.





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