

99% Always Wins!



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#OCCUPYRIVERSIDE

ISSUE #1

Statement of Autonomy

Passed by the General Assembly at Occupy Wall Street

Occupy Wall Street is a people's movement. It is party-less, leaderless, by the people and for the people. It is not a business, a political party, an advertising campaign or a brand. It is not for sale.

We welcome all, who, in good faith, petition for a redress of grievances through non-violence. We provide a forum for peaceful assembly of individuals to engage in participatory as opposed to partisan debate and democracy. We welcome dissent.

Any statement or declaration not released through the General Assembly and made public online at www.nycga.net should be considered independent of Occupy Wall Street.

We wish to clarify that Occupy Wall Street is not and never been affiliated with any established political party, candidate or organization. Our only affiliation is with the people.

The people who are working together to create this movement are its sole and mutual caretakers. If you have chosen to devote resources to building this movement, especially your time and labor, then it is yours.

Any organization is welcome to support us with the knowledge that doing so will mean questioning your own institutional frameworks of work and hierarchy and integrating our principles into your modes of action.

SPEAK WITH US, NOT FOR US.

Occupy Wall Street values collective resources, dignity, integrity and autonomy above money. We have not made endorsements. All donations are accepted anonymously and are transparently allocated via consensus by the General Assembly or the Operational Spokes Council.

We acknowledge the existence of professional activists who work to make our world a better place. If you are representing, or being compensated by an independent source while participating in our process, please disclose your affiliation at the outset. Those seeking to capitalize on this movement or undermine it by appropriating its message or symbols are not a part of Occupy Wall Street.

We stand in solidarity. We are Occupy Wall Street. We are Occupy Riverside.

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Principles of Solidarity

On September 17, 2011, people from all across the United States of America and the world came to protest the blatant injustices of our times perpetuated by the economic and political elites. On the 17th we as individuals rose up against political disenfranchisement and social and economic injustice. We spoke out, resisted, and successfully occupied Wall Street. Today, we proudly remain in Liberty Square constituting ourselves as autonomous political beings engaged in non-violent civil disobedience and building solidarity based on mutual respect, acceptance, and love. It is from these reclaimed grounds that we say to all Americans and to the world, Enough! How many crises does it take? We are the 99% and we have moved to reclaim our mortgaged future. Through a direct democratic process, we have come together as individuals and crafted these principles of solidarity, which are points of unity that include but are not limited to:

- ★ **Engaging in direct and transparent participatory democracy;**
- ★ **Exercising personal and collective responsibility;**
- ★ **Recognizing individuals' inherent privilege and the influence it has on all interactions;**
- ★ **Empowering one another against all forms of oppression;**
- ★ **Redefining how labor is valued;**
- ★ **The sanctity of individual privacy;**
- ★ **The belief that education is human right; and**
- ★ **Endeavoring to practice and support wide application of open source.**

We are daring to imagine a new socio-political and economic alternative that offers greater possibility of equality. We are consolidating the other proposed principles of solidarity, after which demands will follow.

First G.A.

<http://www.occupyriverside.org/wordpress/archives/29>

Posted on October 7, 2011

We didn't know what to expect on the night of the 3rd of October. Many of us had never believed in a cause with such intensity, never been this motivated for anything and never answered a call to action with so much enthusiasm. How many times had we missed this call in the past? It didn't matter; we were going to be silent no more. We had heard people were going to come from all over Riverside County, but would they really show up, would they really be there?

It was getting dark and the air was cold and crispy. The streets looked deserted at first, but as the appointed time approached people could be spotted in small groups trickling in from all corners. Very soon an entire block in down town riverside was filled with a heartwarming murmur of the congregating crowd and the light from the cell phones poked holes in the fabric of the night.

The appointed land mark was the Gandhi statue in down town. There were men and women, girls and boys of all ethnicities, employed and unemployed; card board signs in hand and intent on their minds, assembling in numbers four times what was expected. There was a sense of purpose and camaraderie.

We were a peaceful people with a grand purpose surrounded by 19th century buildings of down town, underneath the watchful eyes of history we made an assembly. A gathering so enthusiastic that it brought life to the electrifying words of John L. Lewis "Let the workers organize. Let the toilers assemble. Let their crystallized voice proclaim their injustices and demand their privileges. Let all thoughtful citizens sustain them, for the future of Labor is the future of America."

The media had prematurely dubbed the New York and Los Angeles chapters as a bunch of confused hippies with no objectives, they described us as just a petty disruption in the daily routine of the city, a nuisance they thought they could dismiss. They couldn't have been farther from the truth.

This was a crowd of civil and intelligent people, of all ages and all walks of life with very fundamental but clear set of questions and grievances.

We wondered, in a country that champion's reason and common sense; how have we come to be convinced that education isn't the right of every citizen?

In a country that built, on the back of the people, some of the tallest buildings in some of the largest metropolitans in the world; how were we coerced into think that we haven't yet done enough to own our homes?

In a country that designed and constructed the first working model of a steam rail locomotive, a country that on the back of its citizens assembled the first car manufacturing plants and is home to the largest passenger vehicle market of any country in the world, how did we come to believe not everybody should have access to transportation?

As a people who made the most significant medical break troughs of the modern world, how did we decide that everybody doesn't deserve access to medical care?

In a land that is home to the world's largest production of food, the largest acreage of farms, worked on by almost half the population why would we think it is okay for anybody to sleep hungry?

These are indicators of well-being of the people of our country. In a democracy that is for the people, by the people and of the people, how have we been convinced that the living standard and well-being of the 99% of the population is irrelevant?

Yes, these are the questions in the minds of the citizens of this great country who showed up on that faithful night, a people who had decided they were going to actually get out and do something, a people who were there to prove that their pride in their country was higher than a flag pole and their resolve thicker than a bumper-sticker.

These are reasonable questions, legitimate concerns, clear objectives, by reasonable and diligent people of the United States of America who are practicing their right to peacefully assemble for a worthy cause and if the mainstream media chooses to be dismissive towards a cause so fundamentally American than we will find our own voice, our own way of getting the word out.

Mic check...!

Mic check...!

Occupy Riverside October 3, 2011

Tuesday, Oct. 04, 2011 at 4:03 AM



la.indymedia.org/news/2011/10/248421.php

RIVERSIDE (California) - The revolution, having recently broken out in New York, has now begun to spread to other cities. Inspired by our newly-free sisters and brothers in nearby Los Angeles, who recently liberated areas surrounding corruption-filled City Hall, citizens of Riverside met tonight for a general assembly to plan to emancipate areas of their city through occupation and take further action against the 1% of humanity that perpetrates inequality and disgrace.

Just after 7:PM, no fewer than 50 concerned citizens, eager to do their part to oppose tyranny, gathered in the shadow of the statue of Mahatma Gandhi to discuss the terms of their liberation. According to a show of hands, about 5-10 of us had been at the Los Angeles occupation.

After reading the principles of solidarity and composing an agenda, the people reviewed meeting procedures, including the use of the people's mic and hand gestures.

Then suggestions for committees were taken. The people deliberated these suggestions, folding some groups into others and eventually settling on committees for action, logistics, outreach, security, finance, media, legal, arts, education, and facilitation.

We then began introducing proposals for areas to liberate.

One man suggested the steps of the courthouse, where, every Friday, banks auction off homes stolen from families to the highest bidder. The significance of the location was acknowledged by the crowd.

By this time, numbers had grown to about 75. A counterproposal took into consideration the potential consequences of occupying space appropriated by the judicial branch of the illegitimate government, and pointed out that the objective of an occupation was to liberate and hold a space, not to simply visit weekly. He pointed out the legal advantages of occupying a space that is already recognized as public property, and suggested we occupy the walkway of the mall in which we were currently standing.

A friendly amendment was offered: we occupy the plaza not at the Gandhi statue, but a block down, where the presence of a Wells Fargo would serve as the symbol of the economic injustice at the heart of the protest.

A concern was expressed that accusations of identity theft could arise if we were too close to the bank, while another compañera reminded us that all we have to do is point our backs to the bank cameras to let

them know that we're not there for that purpose.

It was noted that choosing an encampment site was little more than establishing a base of operations, and did not preclude the possibility of action at the courthouse, or any other future target. The proposal was reformulated to include both the possibility of action at the courthouse as well as a camp out on the mall, but nearer to the bank than the symbol of nonviolence.

Prior to making a decision, a questioner asked how many people were actually willing to camp out. Approximately half of the now hundred-or-so raised their hopeful hands. With that encouragement, the crowd continued, ultimately reaching consensus on the proposal.

The meeting continued, but shortly, a woman pointed out that while we had chosen a location, we had not chosen a time to begin the occupation. A discussion ensued as to whether we should refer that decision to committee or decide it together then. The conciliatory proposal, citing the advice of our New York comrades to take our time, was to wait until the logistics committee had met to provide everything necessary for the occupation, and to choose the right time at a subsequent general assembly. The proposal was resoundingly approved.

After some discussion and announcements, including that the Blood Orange Infoshop was also available for the needs of the movement, the meeting adjourned so committees could group up and formulate plans. I was unable to visit all the committees but the ones I did see in action seemed to be doing their best to use a consensus format, even if not all of them had prior experience in doing so.

The Riverside movement has a website, www.occupyriverside.org, a facebook page, a twitter (<https://twitter.com/#!/OccupyRiverside>), and upcoming meetings. Minutes are up on google docs.

The next general assembly will be held on Thursday (timed to coincide with the artwalk) at 7:PM in the aisle down the middle of the mall in Downtown Riverside, just in front of the outlet of the finance cartel Wells Fargo. Please check the indicated websites for pre-GA committee meetings and other related activities.

Despite some issues with facilitation and accessibility to all communities, setbacks which are to be expected any time a new era dawns, the people were able to discuss and agree collectively during the general assembly, and then, during the committee meetings, find ways to contribute individually.

Like the Los Angeles occupation, the attendees constituted both seasoned activists both young and old, as well as a outburst of individuals heretofore unaffiliated with political action.

The general spirit of the Occupy Wall Street movement, the spirit of love, hope, inspiration, solidarity, patience and redemption, was felt at this gathering, but was not as clearly articulated in words spoken or written as it had been in Los Angeles and seems to have been in New York.

But that, like much else, is changing as we learn, and we have all exhibited commitment to that learning.

ROCK THE CONSENSUS



Agree



Disagree

This is what democracy looks like

RE[♥]OLUTION

hands up if you're ready



Peoples' Kitchen

TPK is 100% self-sustainable. We operate from \$ and food donations from the community.

We offer Dinner feeding 50 - 100 plates of food.

... Feeding the working hungry, homeless and #occupyriverside

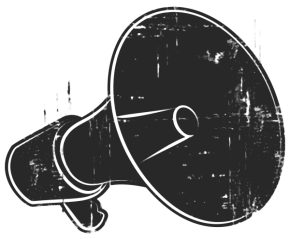
We feed anyone who is hungry regardless of race, creed, color or socioeconomic level.

TPK cooks 2 dinners per week. Prepared dinner donations are welcomed from the community on the days TPK is closed.

If you would like to donate a prepared meal on the closed date you are welcomed to. TPK has a food pantry of donated foods that need preparation. You can contact Dani or Annie via TPK to discuss what you would like to prepare and if we have the items needed in TPK pantry.

Please bring paper products and food handler gloves to serve. There will not be anyone from The Peoples Kitchen to assist you in serving so please come prepared. We request that dinner is served from 6pm - 7pm.

On hiatus till further notice thank you RPD!



What do we want **CHANTS...**

- 1. We are the people 2. We are united 3. the occupation is not leaving!
- The system has got to die! Hella Hella Occupy!
- a) Whose streets?! b) OUR STREETS!
- Aquí estamos y no nos vamos, Y si nos echan, nos regresamos!
- We are unstoppable! Another world is possible!
- a) Show me what democracy looks like b) This is what Democracy looks like!
- Ain't no power like the power of the people cuz the power of the people don't stop! (*Say what?!*)
- Banks got bailed out, we got sold out!
- El pueblo unido jamás sera vencido!
- We are the 99%!
- Move your feet! Occupy the street!
- Occupy Wall Street! Occupy Main Street! Occupy everywhere! Never give it back!

...when do we want 'em **now** !



**NO JOB? NO RETIREMENT? NO HOME?
NO HEALTH CARE? NO FOOD? NO MONEY?
NO EDUCATION?**

**Hundreds of millions of Americans can't afford
a college education. Why?**

Human RESOURCES are REAL. (like teachers)

Student loan MONEY is MADE UP. (like unicorns)

OCCUPY TOGETHER. Change a Culture. FIX OUR WORLD.

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*The
Stencil
Station:
Variations
on a
theme*



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**Police
Brutality
WAS HERE**

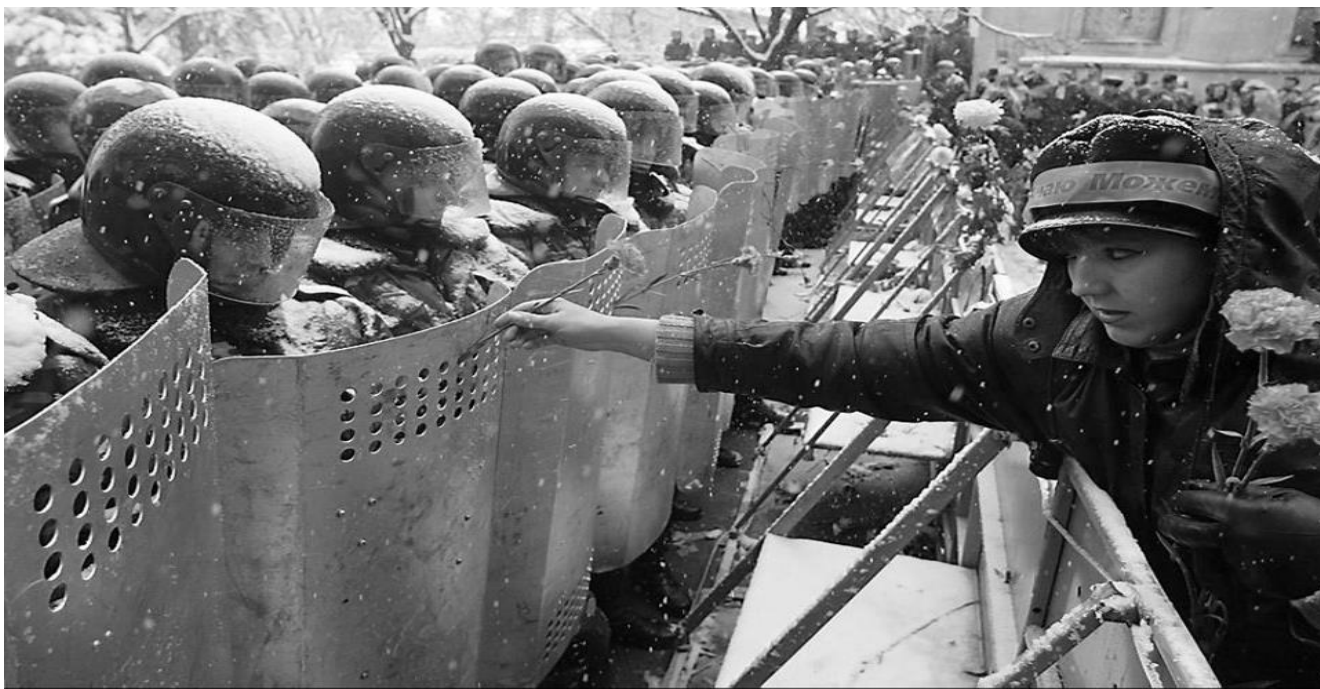




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**JUST
FOLLOWING
ORDERS!**





"I shall take the heart," returned the Tin Woodman; "for brains do not make one happy, and happiness is the best thing in the world."
— L. Frank Baum, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*

OCCUPY HEARTS AND MINDS

Sound Bite

Excerpt from: **Rally to Protect Free Speech from Police Brutality**
(Friday, Nov. 11, 2011 at 9:27 PM LAindymedia)

R said, "I just wanna thank everybody for being out here tonight. I personally was arrested that day, and I want to address the mainstream media because we've been told that there was no police brutality. What people've gotta realize is that you don't have to be punched to be hurt. If you choke someone hard enough, they can pass out. You know what I mean? I was arrested and I had about three to four police officers on top of me, on my neck, on my head, and on my back for being part of the human chain. We were just protecting food. They said that we attacked them with a lethal weapon. I don't know what weapon they're talking about, cause all we had were tents, food, people, clothing, love, books--that's our weapon. They came with handcuffs, beanbags, firearms, police cars, pepper spray. You know, we're here peacefully, and what people need to realize, they're saying we have no specific demands. Well, you gotta be patient with us America, because look at what we've done in just two months since Wall Street began. Some people say we haven't accomplished anything. We've totally changed what people are talking about now. And we're here standing for America, not just for ourselves. And realize that today it could be me, tomorrow it could be your child, your granddaughter, your husband, your wife. This is something that affects America, not just an individual. And when you let someone get away with a little bit, the next time they're gonna wanna do more. And another thing, we're here to march not only for ourselves but also for Scott Olsen. He has made the ultimate sacrifice. He's put his life on the line. And he went to Iraq for two tours, he came back, and he was hurt really really bad, by police, by a citizen. And that is not right. I wanna tell the mainstream media, you gotta stop editing the film. Show the real footage! Be real and be honest, because tomorrow it will be you. You think you're part of the one percent, I tell you what: sooner or later, they're not gonna need you. And what do you think they're gonna do to you? United, we will never be defeated. We are too big to fail! We are too big to fail!"

Enhancing Our World

Found in Riverside



An anonymous 99 percenter invites you to "Join Us" at one of our demonstrations against the 1% owners and CEOs of Wal-Mart

Hello brothers, sisters, and mothers.

We're here to fight for all the others.

This is what we call 99%.

We fight for your money and how it is spent.

The government's a fraud, a scam, a lie.

They're the ones causing thousands to die.

Nonsense wars blood shed and dangers,

This is why I don't talk to strangers.

We need to come together and scream

Because we are the occupy team.

We are the people's voice

And this is our choice.

We come together to protect our rights.

That's why we stay through the cold hard nights.

The main point is solidarity together.

The 99% will live forever.

- J

Womyn of Color for Decolonization

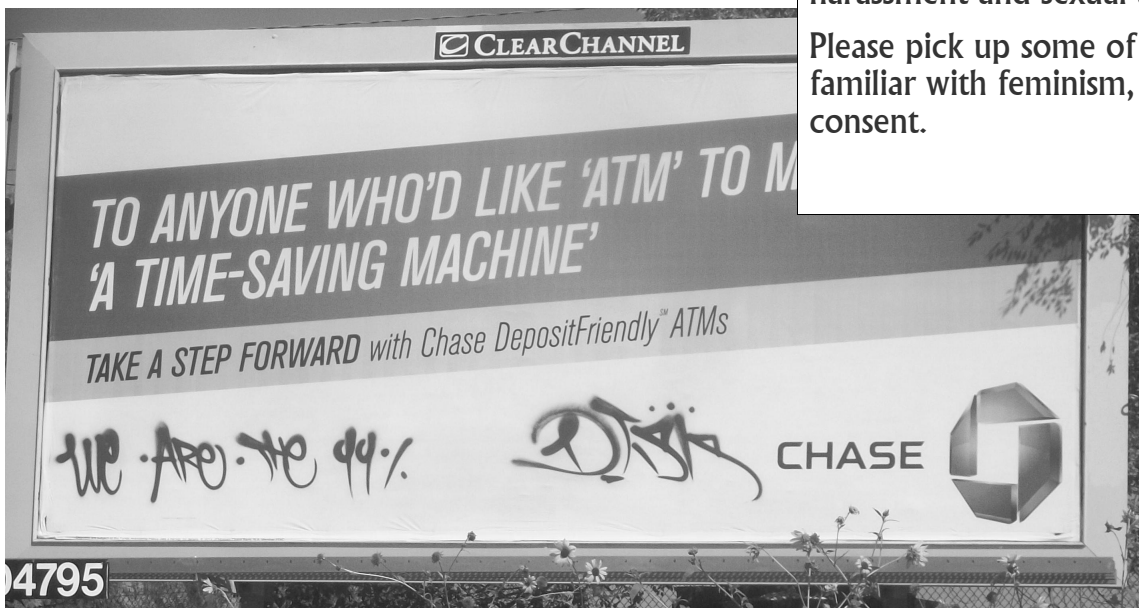
Womyn of Color for Decolonization exists to address the lack of women of color, queer women, and trans people in the occupy movement, and our issues within the occupy movement.

We exist to create safe space and provide menstrual products.

We promote the use of inclusive and gender-neutral/feminist language.

We will also be dealing with issues of sexual harassment and sexual assault.

Please pick up some of our literature and become familiar with feminism, decolonization, rape, and consent.



Somewhere on Market Street...

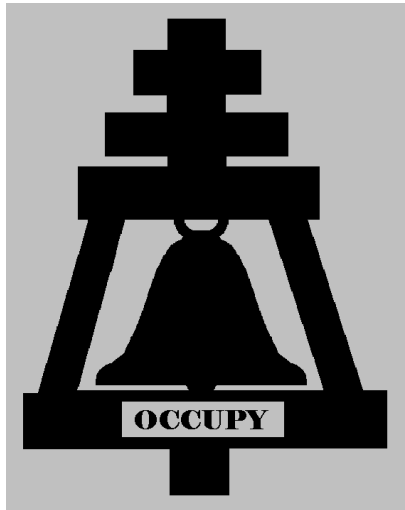
Occupy Our Status



Where should we focus? Where do you want to focus? I personally love the occupy housing thing. I have always focused on homeless. I think the undocumented and deported need some attention but I would love to focus on corporate rights and really do something to piss off and irritate the 1%. I mean isn't corporate rights the main cause of almost everything the occupation is fighting against?



This is real talk right here... Finally we have pendants coming out and saying this shit... Grow some fucking balls Obama and fix our goddamn country instead of giving grandiose speeches bullshitting us on the promises you'll probably not keep anyway... FUCK!



This is a movement of the 99%, including almost everybody: unions, anarchists, moms and pops, reguls, democrats, anonymous, and almost every other group you can think of. This is just the beginning, we all have to work together to defeat a common enemy, not argue amongst ourselves about what group may or may not have "hi jacked" a movement, or who is right. Or whose tactics are better. Its time now to stand! To keep the pressure on with any tactic your group chooses. Occupy All streets, for now.....



I believe that the world can be a better place. The people who don't believe this is possible are the 1%. How? Come be part of the think tank at the GA tonight. Everyone is welcomed. :)
Yesterday at 12:37pm · Like



Tell Me What A Police State Looks Like....



On November 6, 2011, 30 officers in riot gear surrounded Occupy Riverside's peaceable encampment. In an effort to protect the People's Kitchen, we formed a human chain that -----was brutally separated.



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-----Our comrades suffered sprained wrists, contusions, bruises, and trauma.



One of our friends even had this weapon pointed directly at him!

.....THIS IS WHAT A POLICE STATE LOOKS LIKE !

DEFENDING AGAINST TEAR GAS

THE FOLLOWING TIPS ARE TO BE EXERCISED ONLY FOR DEFENSE PURPOSES AND IN THE EVENT OF POLICE/GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS USING TEAR GAS IN PEACEFUL PROTESTS. NEVER INCITE VIOLENCE.

ITEMS YOU WILL NEED

PAINTERS/DUST MASK
FOUND IN HARDWARE STORES



EYE PROTECTION
FOUND IN HARDWARE STORES



WATER SPRAY BOTTLE
MAKE SURE WASHED OF ANY
CLEANING SOLUTION



LIQUID ANTACID
ANY IN LIQUID FORM SUCH
AS MAALOX OR MYLANTA



HELPING YOURSELF AND OTHERS

- AFTER USING THE LIQUID ANTACID AND WATER METHOD ON YOURSELF, HOLD UP YOUR SPRAY BOTTLE AND START SHOUTING FOR PEOPLE TO COME TOWARDS YOUR VOICE FOR HELP. SPRAY THEIR FACE AND MOUTH.
- IF YOU ARE WEARING EYE PROTECTION OR A MASK, BE PROACTIVE AND KICK THE CANISTER AWAY FROM THE CROWD. IF YOU CAN KICK IT DOWN A GUTTER, OR DOUSE IT WITH WATER, YOU CAN MINIMIZE ITS IMPACT.
- STAY PEACEFUL. PEACEFUL PROTEST IS THE ONLY WAY TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY AND TO BE TRULY HEARD.

KNOW YOUR ENEMY

TEAR GAS IS A NON-LETHAL CHEMICAL WEAPON THAT STIMULATES THE CORNEAL NERVES IN THE EYES TO CAUSE TEARING, PAIN, AND EVEN BLINDNESS. TEAR GAS WORKS BY IRRITATING MUCOUS MEMBRANES IN THE EYES, NOSE, MOUTH AND LUNGS, AND CAUSES CRYING, SNEEZING, COUGHING, DIFFICULTY BREATHING, PAIN IN THE EYES, TEMPORARY BLINDNESS, ETC.

TEAR GAS RELIEF

Liquid Antacid and Water (LAW)

BE PREPARED FOR EXPOSURE. TEAR GAS IS A PARTICULATE, NOT REAL GAS, SO PAINTERS/DUST MASKS HELP.

"GREEKS HAVE BECOME SKILLED AT CHOOSING THE RIGHT PROTECTIVE GEAR. MAALOX IS A MUST."
ARIS MESSINIS/AFP

- 1) FIND A GOOD SIZE SPRAY BOTTLE AND WASH WELL.
- 2) FILL HALF OF SPRAY BOTTLE WITH LIQUID ANTACID (MAALOX).
- 3) FILL THE REMAINING HALF OF BOTTLE WITH WATER.
- 4) WHEN EXPOSED SPRAY YOUR EYES AND MOUTH, THEN SWALLOW.

ALSO EFFECTIVE AS PEPPER SPRAY REMEDY
A UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO-BASED STUDY HAS FOUND THAT TOPICAL APPLICATION OF ANTACIDS " FOR CAPSAICIN-INDUCED PAIN IS EFFECTIVE, PARTICULARLY IN EARLY TREATMENT OF EXPOSURE TO REFINED CAPSAICIN."



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STAY VIGILANT. STAY UNITED. STAY INFORMED. PROTECT YOUR FELLOW COUNTRYMEN. DO NOT TRUST THE MEDIA.

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12.12.11

OCCUPY STRIKES BACK



* SHUT DOWN WALL STREET ON THE WATERFRONT

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* WESTCOASTPORTSHUTDOWN.ORG

The Last Page

This is but the beginning of the revolution, so with a little patience, strategy and active participation, not only will this movement - The Occupy Movement, The 99% Movement, The Movement of the PEOPLE - continue to grow, but will eventually create a world in which we are all proud to live. Until then, use this space, whether on paper or online, as the outlet to express yourself, to let everyone know anything you wish about our actions or even about you. Take control back of the words being published, take control back of what images are to be released, this is your chance. TAKE IT!

TO SUBMIT SOMETHING GO TO:

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OR EMAIL

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Thank you and we hope you have enjoyed this issue. If you didn't, you're always welcome to contribute.

- People's Pen



*In memory of the people's
pooper 10/15-11/30*

