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Report by Climate March medics coordinator of police criminality, negligence, unequal enforcement, harassment, wrongdoing, reckless endangerment, assault and battery, brutality, and violation of writ of habeas corpus and rights 9/20/19

I am Edith Gillis, member of the multi-generational, integrated intersectional issued Portland Gray Panthers and a member of Extinction Rebellion which was asked by youth to provide and coordinate peacekeepers and medics for the Climate Strike Sept. 20, 2019. I was the individual directly asked by SunRise, 350PDX, and XR PDX to be the coordinator of medics and to staff and to organize and supply the medic tent and emergency transport for those civic heroes who would be endangered in an emergency room or hospital. I coordinated 29 medics for the rally, march, and festival medic tent. We had M.D.s, emergency room physicians and nurses, naturopaths, medical assistants, nurse practitioners, R.N.s, EMTs, Wilderness First Responders, lifeguards including one in a kayak, street medics, herbalists, and mental health professionals taking shifts or on duty the entire time. This included a former cop/EMT/urban and forest fire fighter who volunteers daily for over 60 years to help people who are houseless, including preparing meals he delivers to our houseless neighbors living near OMSI. We had four high school search and rescue volunteer first-aiders. We had the loaned use of a new \$2600 AED (automatic external defibrillator to shock a still heart into hopefully rebeating) that I or one of the search and rescue youth carried. I carried four combat-used tourniquets I can administer one handed in two seconds for anyone severely bleeding from fascist truck ramming, since police consistently do not protect us from violent fascists/terrorists and police conduct prevented paramedics from getting to patients in time if needed for an emergency.

In addition to our medics, there were at least six Portland Action Medics who like I am, have the nation's gold standard of street medic 20-hour plus on-going training provided by Rosehip Medical Collective, and some have the world gold-standard National Outdoor Leadership Wilderness First Responders 80-hour training. Some of these RC and PAM medics are naturopaths, R.N.s, EMTs, and one midwife. PAM street medics also provided security and were ready to immediately care for pedestrians hit or run over by fascists as the fascists bragged online they'd do and the Portland police did not block SW Jefferson or SW Fourth and SW Madison to prevent. Since my medics were dedicated to the climate strike, other PAM street medics also went to ICE where Portland Police were using pepper balls and pepper spray against nonviolent pedestrians fulfilling our civic duty to protect and serve the people of Portland and uphold our Constitutional rights/duties.

Our presence was intended to calm and comfort people, preventing trampling and to reduce police violence. We assisted people who fell and gave help to prevent others from falling on the muddy slopes. We passed out bandaids, including for fixing an electrical sound board, water, electrolytes, food, and wipes. We were ready to do river rescues and to assist people with heart failure, low blood sugar or diabetic shock, anaphylactic shock, bullet wounds, or life-threatening injuries from head and brain injuries and loss of limbs from police and other fascists hitting them with vehicles or pipes or batons and third-degree burns from police illegally using weapons they've used before.

September 20, I and at least five others treated for injuries caused by police using illegal chemical weapons against unarmed law-abiding citizens, with pepper spray canisters held inches from and sprayed directly into the eyes of the helpless victims. One of my patients was worried that the kids he was trying to protect from the police he witnessed brutalizing them, reported that others who were peppersprayed by police were denied medical care and could have lasting eye and lung injuries. I treated for life-threatening medical shock and PTSD a little boy who was traumatized by witnessing police brutality and racism. I cared for a teen girl who had PTSD from witnessing police repeatedly target and attack two youth at a time, with cops narrowing the pedestrian walkway, going under the tape, grabbing two kids at a time, pulling them onto the street where they were slammed face down and brutalized, handcuffed, roughly jerked up by their hands behind their back, then forced into police cars and taken away without warning, without Miranda warnings, without announcing alleged crimes, without answering the crowd on where they were being taken so they could get medical care, parental and legal support.

I was the liaison between both groups of medics, volunteer security, legal observation and legal support, and jail support. Our XR adults were repeatedly lied to for hours and days as they were not allowed to know the names of the victims of police brutality, their location, their charges, if they were given medical care or their medications, etc. Our XR volunteers went from location to location, with each law enforcement staff refusing to give the truth and sending them on goose hunts. We were not allowed the information we needed to provide jail support.



## **Unequal enforcement, harrassment, brutality, wreckless endangerment, neglect, and criminality by Portland police**

**Unequal enforcement and promoting criminality:** August 16, 2019 Portland Police announced ahead of time they would close Hawthorne Bridge to people obeying the law, and contrary public demands, violate worker rights, pay extra money per hour to tired and unknown and unaccountable cops from different towns and jurisdictions to scare and endanger Portlanders and to empower and promote the violent criminal gang of terrorists coming to Portland for recruitment and fundraising without permit. This clearly communicated Portland city council and police redirected our city funds from much-needed services to instead discourage or arrest and/or injure or kill Portlanders from fulfilling our civic duty to protect and serve the people of Portland and democracy. This clearly worked against crime prevention by uniting civilians out-numbering fascist terrorists to say, "Never again" and "Not in my town."

August 17, 2019 police escorted and protected the roughly 200 fascists whom police had evidence of committing violent crimes, and others coming with online intent of terrorizing and injuring Portlanders, instead of arresting them as they had evidence and legal demand to do. Yet the Portland police and other public servants did not provide protect and serve the good guys, the tax payers, the cops' boss. Portland police did not provide safe passage and support for the over 24,000 nonviolent defenders of life and human survival and climate justice who had a permit and were supporting the city council's professed values and intent to serve the people of Portland and the region. Portland police did not protect and serve the over 24,000 people uniting to protect and serve people of Portland and the world, to prevent devastating disasters and catastrophes; environmental, economic and governmental collapse; and mass human poverty, famine, pandemics, birth defects, disabilities, forced migration, war, human trafficking,... mass extinction.

**Police brutality:** September 20, the Portland police (who August 17 gave terrorists all four lanes of Hawthorne Bridge) were allowed without accountability to allow vehicles to travel in two or three lanes of Hawthorne Bridge so cops could endanger the lives and safety of over 24,000 nonviolent pedestrians and civic heroes crowded into one or two lanes so cops could target and terrorize youth of color and conscience and their families, while endangering their futures with police records, and chill democracy and civic hope and engagement we most need to save our lives. Hundreds of protesters and others took videos and pictures of Portland Police dangerously restricting nonviolent marchers to one lane then targeting and attacking two nonviolent law-abiding youth at a time for police brutality, handcuffing, and kidnapping, two kids at a time again and again at the east end of the Hawthorne Bridge for allegedly doing what the police escorted terrorists actually doing and for what the police themselves did. I provided care for some of the minimum of at least eight youth and two adults multiple victims or witnesses told me were brutalized this way. Yet I never read or saw or heard any apology or accountability by the Portland police or City.

**Wreckless endangerment:** This wrecklessly endangering choice of the Portland Police guaranteed that ambulances and fire department paramedics would not be able to arrive in time to save the lives of pedestrians with a heart attack or severe bleeding from fascists truck-ramming and running over protesters trying to escape fascists infiltrating and threatening good citizens. Such as the Patriot Prayer terrorist with the big pick ax at the front of the march threatening youth and peace keepers, the known fascists and violent criminals who parked at and returned without arrest to the police parking garage at SW First and Madison, delaying the beginning of the march. And still no posted arrests or apologies or restitution by the police or City.

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<https://oregon.liveuamap.com/en/2019/17-august-police-appeared-to-have-let-one-group-proud-boys>

**Refusal to do duty and enforce laws and stop violent crimes:** Prior, during, and after the August 17 invasion of terrorists and during the September 20 Climate Strike, the Portland Police did not arrest and hold as they should have, the known violent criminals and fascist terrorists, did not use the media to promote democracy and diversity/inclusion/equity, and did not keep Hawthorne Bridge free of all traffic not emergency vehicles for the mass evacuation that could have happened had nonviolent unarmed heroic civilians not prevented the threatened mass shooting at the festival and the targeting and

threatened murder of JoAnn Hardesty.

**Proof unarmed, unpaid civilians are more effective in preventing crime and protecting public officials and the public:** With no pay from the city, we unarmed pedestrians chose to put our lives on the line to successfully do the overpaid job of all those police from Portland and other jurisdictions who did not protect and serve Portlanders, our free speech, and democracy. When people told me about two they said were fascists, one many believed was obviously packing guns, were in the fenced-in festival grounds to fulfill the online bragging a mass shooting and murder of Jo Ann Hardesty, I quickly got people I knew from 37 years of being a human rights activist on the streets to be body guards, de-escalators, distractors, charmers, tacklers, crowd ushers, etc. and I and others let the two know that we were watching them ready to jump them and that they'd have to shoot us before they could shoot Jo Ann. One told the other he "didn't like [my] body language." Others heard him say he knew me to be tough and not one to mess with. Too bad, they knew the Portland police and city council would allow them to continue to terrorize Portlanders.

After the Climate Strike videos and online comments of police brutality, the mayor and police commissioner did not apologize to the public for this waste of tax dollars and assault on democracy, and did not promptly promise to redirect funds and the council did not enact policy and statutes to prosecute and prevent police from such racist, violent, unequal enforcement and targeting of public protectors, and the police working against the people's safety and Constitutional and human rights. The City did not publicly post the money and resources redirected to promote fascists and attack human rights activists, the amount of money spent for police August 17, and the protection of and lies about police who acted criminally September 20.

The City did not post the pictures and identities of the terrorists who brought pick ax, steel bats, automatic guns, bear spray, iron knuckles, etc. to terrorize Portlanders September 20, and the police who protected them in the police parking garage.

The City did not expunge the records of the wrongly arrested youth and their defenders, and did not promptly pay restitution and at least a year of confidential PTSD counseling and transportation to the youth specifically and directly harmed by the police, and did not pay restitution for lost work time for the adults traumatized by the police brutality. The City did not reimburse us for the liquid anti-acid, wipes, and water bottles to treat victims of chemical weapons that Portland police used in violation of international law. The City did not pay for doctors for those who might have permanent eye damage from the force of the chemical weapons sprayed directly into the eyes from a few inches and the City did not publicize and fund a confidential fund for medical and mental health services that would keep police from knowing the names and health records of their terror victims.

The City did not pay for AEDs and liquid anti-acid and squirt water bottles and medical supplies to treat people harmed by police and who could have been harmed by the fascists the police protected and supported.

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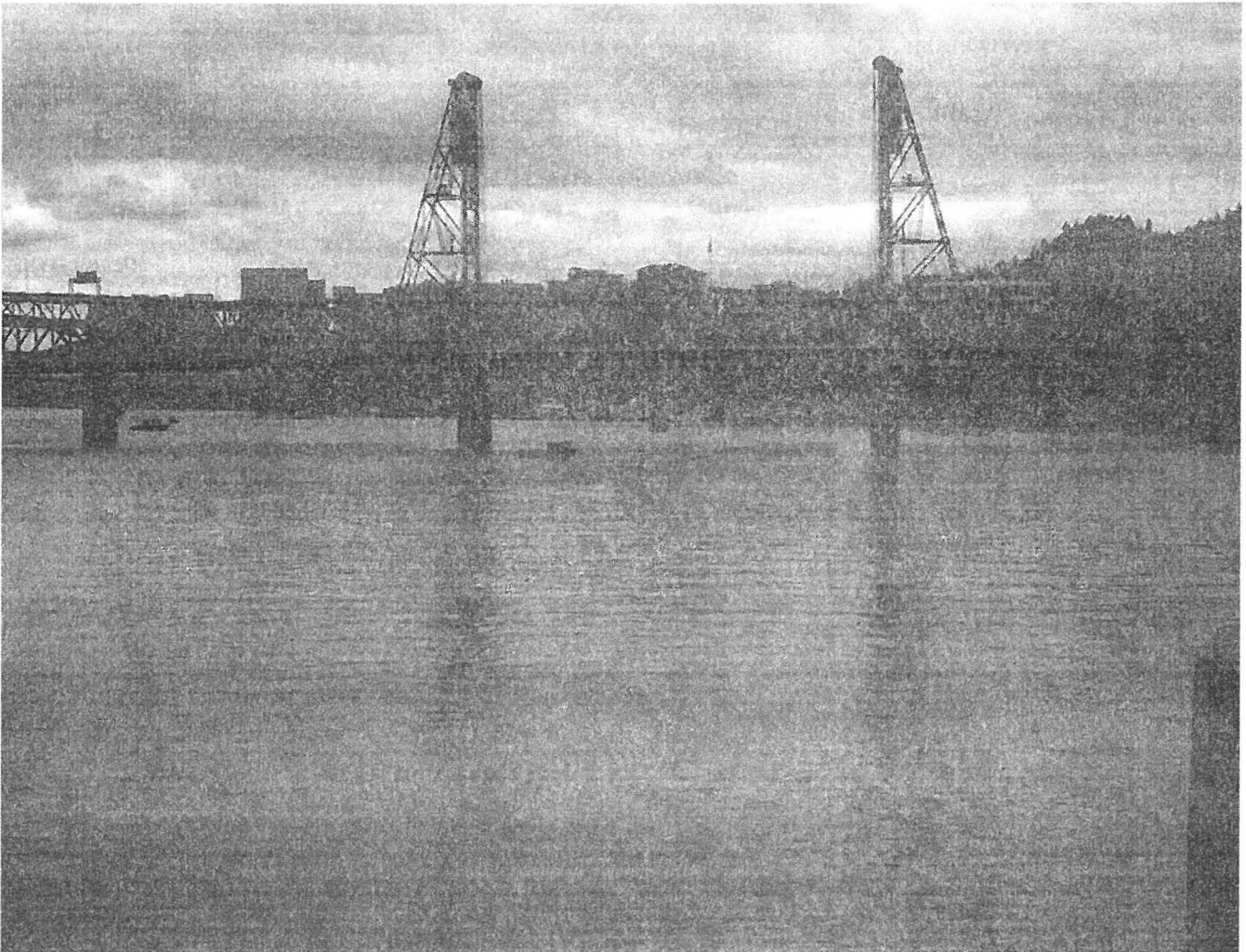
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Police appeared to have let one group (Proud Boys, Patriot Prayer, Portland's Liberation, etc.) cross the Hawthorne Bridge. - LiveOnK2



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# Proud Boys, Outnumbered By Anti-fascists, Get Police Escort After 30-Minute Rally

Many had feared the rally in Portland would be the most violent fascist rally of the Trump era.

By Christopher Mathias and Andy Campbell



## Proud Boys, Outnumbered By Anti-fascist:



PORTLAND, Ore. — A few hundred fascists once again invaded Portland for a much-anticipated rally Saturday, but this time were mostly deprived of the violent spectacle they crave, as a much larger group of anti-fascists made them know they weren't welcome in this city.

The fascists belonged to far-right groups including the Proud Boys, Patriot Prayer and the Three Percenters. And whereas at previous Portland rallies these groups have often confronted and attacked anti-fascist protesters, this time they were barely given the chance to do so. Upon arriving at Tom McCall Waterfront Park around 11.am. Saturday, they were kept separated from their foes by concrete barriers and a phalanx of police.

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Today's Date August 1, 2019

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Reason for the request:

PORTLAND GRAY PANTHERS

  
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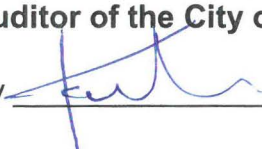
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