Who is Antifa?

- antifa is short for antifaschistisch ("antifascist" in German)
- Roots in Germany and Italy in 30's and 40's
- Expanded in England in the mid-20th century by punk rockers as response to Neo-Nazi skinheads
- "in the late '80s, left-wing punk fans in the United States began following suit, though they initially called their groups <u>Anti-Racist</u> <u>Action</u> (ARA) on the theory that Americans would be more familiar with fighting racism than they would be with fighting fascism".^[42]



Antifa is Anarchist

- "Most antifa come from the anarchist movement or from the far left, though since the 2016 presidential election, some people with more mainstream political backgrounds have also joined their ranks".^[22] <u>Anti Defamation League</u>
- "Antifa's political leanings are often described as "far-left," experts say members' radical views vary and can intersect with communism, socialism and anarchism". <u>ABC News</u>

Antifa is Well Organized

"There is a ton of these Mercedes transport vans with European license plates headed to Spokane right not. WTF is going on?" the Facebook post said.

"Call police," someone replied.

The post about the mysterious vans came after a night of looting in the city of Spokane, Washington.

A Nike store was ransacked, the windows at the local bank were shattered and several small businesses were vandalized.

This is not our African-American community. This is a group of Antifa socialists who have hijacked this movement — and it's sad," Spokane County Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich told local media.

"I can tell you that they came in three vehicles. They were wearing communication headsets ... and it was coordinated."



Inside Antifa

Antifa teaches vicious tactics - such as eye gouging - and is structured "almost like a company" in order to incite violence and "destroy" enemies while remaining anonymous, according to the latest undercover video from <u>Project Veritas</u>.

The undercover journalist said Antifa encourages members to dress in "Black Block," which he says is a way of dressing that helps conceal the identity of members.

"The whole goal of this is to get out there and do dangerous things as safely as possible," a member is heard telling the group.

"Practice things like an eye gouge, it takes very little pressure to injure someone's eyes," the man identified as Cifuni said. "Consider, like, destroying your enemy, not, like, delivering a really awesome right hand, right eye, left eye blow, you know? It's not boxing, it's not kickboxing, it's, like, destroying your enemy"