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Man Arrested After Spray Painting Multiple Businesses Along Lake Street

January 10, 2026 (MINNEAPOLIS) – Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O’Hara said today that Minneapolis Police arrested a man after he was seen spray-painting multiple businesses.

On January 10th, 2026, at approximately 7:00pm, while monitoring a group marching along Lake Street, officers saw a man spray painting a Metro Transit bus stopped in traffic. As the group continued marching, the man was seen spray painting multiple businesses including a theater, church, a Minneapolis school building, a Hennepin County healthcare building, and Target. All the businesses and property damaged were along the Lake St corridor, the heart of Minneapolis’ immigrant community.

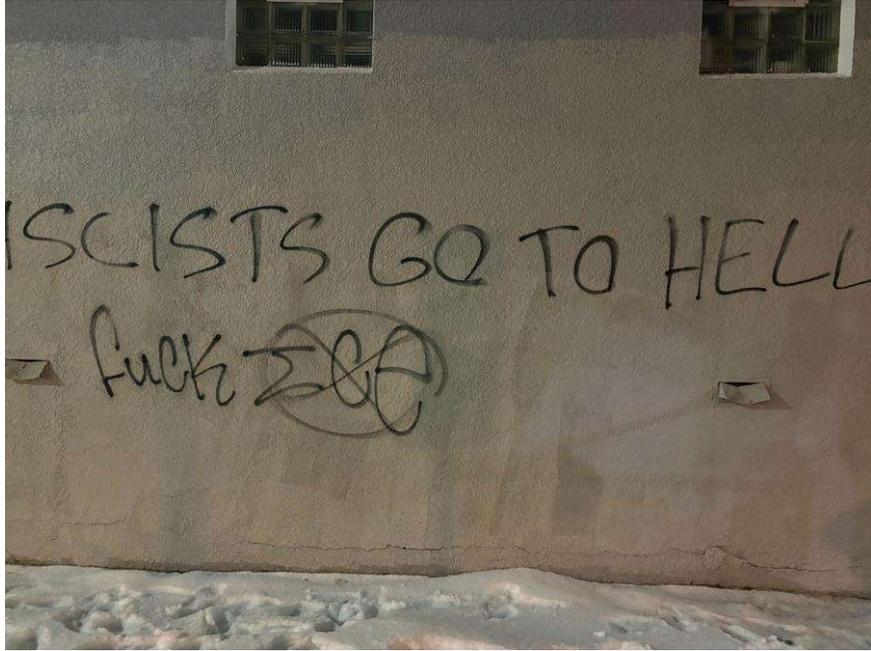
Officers were directed to his location by others who were monitoring cameras in the area. When officers attempted to arrest the man, he fled on foot. Officers were able to take him into custody a short time later.

"This is exactly what I had predicted: damage being done would affect the heart of our immigrant community along Lake Street," said Chief O’Hara. "The MPD is ready to respond to all criminal activity and find and arrest those who come and commit crimes. I am incredibly grateful to all MPD members who have worked incredibly hard to help maintain peace."

If you own a business that has been damaged, please report it to the MPD by calling 911 or 311.

Francis Steinhauer, a 24-year-old man was arrested and booked into Hennepin County Jail for Damage to Property.

The Case Number is 26-008472.







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