



Stop LAPD Spying Coalition

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Communities Force LAPD to End Partnership with Flock Safety, the Fight Continues

What: Press Conference

When: Tuesday – July 14 at 9:00 AM

Where: LAPD HQ, 100 W. 1st St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Who: Stop LAPD Spying Coalition and various grassroots organizations and community members

On July 14th, 2026, the Stop LAPD Spying Coalition will hold a press conference at 9:00AM outside the LAPD Headquarters to address the expiration of LAPD's Memorandum of Understanding with Flock Safety, and to demand an end to LAPD's partnerships and future relationships with Flock Safety, and all Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) companies. The Coalition and its partners have been calling for the dismantlement of LAPD's mass surveillance for over 15 years.

We take a moment to celebrate the community power that we've built by exposing the lies of the city, Board of Police Commissioners, and LAPD. LAPD's own Chief Information Officer Dean Gialamas has finally confessed that the department's contracts with Flock, which date back to 2019, have "data, privacy, security and sharing concerns." However, our fight continues. Because we have been raising the alarm around Flock for years, we absolutely reject their claims that the allowance of this expiration is because of "recently discovered" concerns around civil liberties. If anything, LAPD has been deploying Flock for at least seven years, *because* their intent is to criminalize and cause harm.

We hold LAPD and the city responsible for the extreme violence of continuing to use Flock in spite of the community constantly coming back and showing the daily impact of Flock's harm: from mass deportations, targeting abortion seekers and sex workers, police stalking their romantic interests, to spying on youth, and more. These institutions treat our lives like a chess piece in their game for endless profit and violence. These negotiations happen at the expense of our communities, our wellbeing, and our safety. LAPD continues the same pattern of exposing our communities to harm. We demand that all negotiations with Flock stop immediately.

As a result of the power and knowledge we built, even the Office of Inspector General (OIG), the department's inside auditor, has been pressured into recommending a suspension of new contracts and ALPR cameras, but we reject this bureaucratic delay. The OIG recommends they wait for "public input" – how many more times do we need to expose the harms, how many more families have to be kidnapped and deported, how many more women have to be stalked by police, how many more times does the public need to demand that ALPRs are shut down?

We refuse to let LAPD co-opt our community's demands in their contract maneuvering. No "new and improved" contract, guardrails, or reforms will sanitize LAPD's nefarious expansion of mass surveillance. All ALPRs, regardless of company or vendor, are harmful and violent. LAPD has exposed themselves, and we are calling out their bluff.