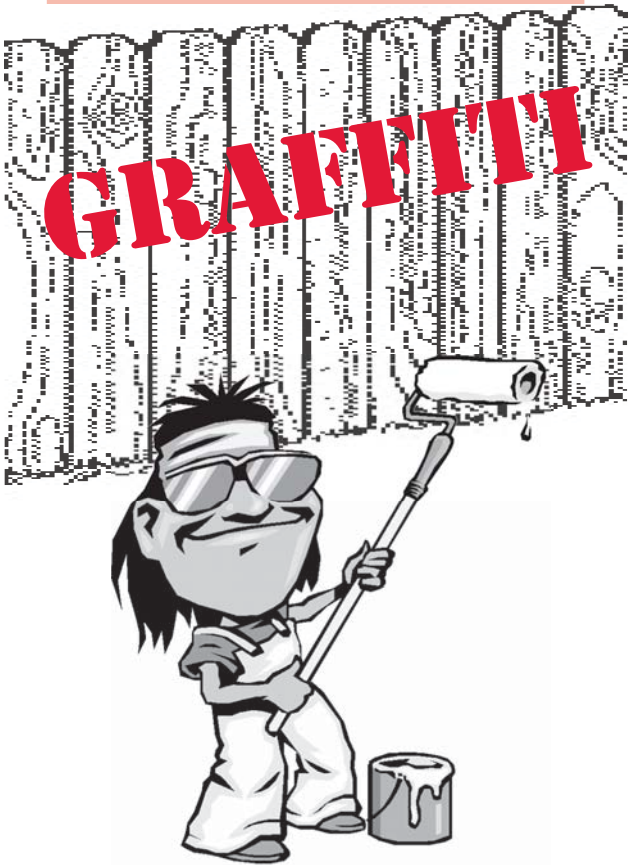


REPORTING



PAINT OVER P.O.G. GRAFFITI



SPOKANE C.O.P.S. NEIGHBORHOOD SUBSTATIONS

- C.O.P.S. Downtown..... 625-3350
120 N. Stevens St. 99201
- C.O.P.S. East Central..... 625-3330
3001 E. 5th Ave. 99202
- C.O.P.S. Logan 625-3333
802 W. Sharp Ave. 99202
- C.O.P.S. Neva-Wood 625-3353
4705 N. Addison St. 99207
- C.O.P.S. North Central..... 625-3348
630 W. Shannon Ave. 99205
- C.O.P.S. Northeast 625-3343
5208 N. Market St. 99207
- C.O.P.S. North Hill 625-3336
Mobile Unit
- C.O.P.S. Northwest 625-3336
2215 W. Wellesly Ave. #D 99205
- C.O.P.S. Southeast..... 625-3326
2809 E. 29th Ave. 99223
- C.O.P.S. Southwest..... 625-3328
1608 W. 6th Ave. #7 99204
- C.O.P.S. West 625-3340
1901 W. Boone Ave. 99201
- Lewis & Clark C.O.P.S. 354-6941
521 W. 4th Ave. 99204
- Mission Ave. C.O.P.S. 625-3301
1810 N. Green St. 99217
Bldg 1, Room 149

Spokane C.O.P.S.
901 N. Monroe #254
Spokane, WA 99201
835-4592
www.spokanecops.org

PAINT OVER GRAFFITI WAIVER OF LIABILITY

For and in consideration of the undersigned's property located at: _____, Washington, receiving the benefits of participation in the Paint Over Graffiti Program, to include, but not necessarily limited to, the painting over graffiti on structures located on said property, the undersigned does hereby waive, release and discharge the City of Spokane, Spokane Police Department and Spokane C.O.P.S., and all their respective officers, employees, and agents as well as statutory sureties, from any and all claims, demands and causes of action that the undersigned ever had or that the undersigned has or may have, known or unknown, arising from participation in the Paint Over Graffiti Program. The undersigned acknowledges that the action taken by Paint Over Graffiti, or its agencies, is not to perform restoration. They are only acting to cover up graffiti and make no promises to match surface color(s). This waiver shall be binding upon the undersigned's heirs, legal representatives, assigned and successors in interest to the above-described real property.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____

Take this form or mail to your nearest C.O.P.S. Substation. Questions? Call Spokane C.O.P.S. at 835-4592.

To many members of the public, graffiti is perceived to be thoughtless vandalism or childish pranks, but it can also provide valuable clues to police in combating gang violence. Whether graffiti is a random act of vandalism or deliberate communication between gang members, it is important to remove the graffiti as soon as it appears.

To ensure a positive image of Spokane, property owners, be it home or business, need to act on this vandalism quickly. An unchecked accumulation of graffiti can be the first sign of community disintegration and disorder.

Grffiti not removed will...

- attract more graffiti, becoming a marking ground.
- cause the area to appear run down, devaluing property.
- be harder to remove from the surface it is applied to.



SPOKANE CITY ORDINANCE C-30559

Section 10.10.070 Graffiti Prohibited

No person owning or in control of any property may allow the property to be used as a location for graffiti, or fail or refuse to remove, cover or grant permission to city personnel to remove or cover the graffiti from the property when so directed by a police officer.

Section 10.10.080 Graffiti Defined

For the purposes of this chapter, "graffiti" is any sign or symbol, including the painting of murals, placed upon property

- A. by the application of a substance, such as paint, ink, die, chalk or other marks, or by the removal of the material by scratching, carving, gouging or cutting.
- B. for the apparent purpose of communication, in code or otherwise, among members of a club, organization, gang or other group, any message, including the presence of the organization in a location.
- C. which communication is likely to incite or foster violence or other criminal activity.

Section 10.10.090 Removal of Graffiti

- A. Whenever a marking is determined by a designated police officer to constitute graffiti, a law enforcement officer may direct any owner or other person in possession of the property upon which the graffiti has been placed to immediately remove or cover the graffiti, or in the alternative, grant permission for city personnel to enter upon the premises and remove or cover the graffiti, waiving any claims for trespass or resulting damage to the property.
- B. The City may charge the property owner or the person in possession of the property the cost to the City for the removal or covering of the graffiti when the removal or covering is performed by City personnel.
- C. Any owner or other in possession who fails to comply with the police officer's direction under this section violates section 10.10.070.

See it...



Call it in...

Graffiti Hotline.....625-4180
or your nearest C.O.P.S. Substation

Cover it up!



PAINT OVER GRAFFITI (P.O.G.)

Paint Over Graffiti (P.O.G.) is a program of Spokane C.O.P.S. whereby those who are disabled or elderly can get assistance cleaning up graffiti on their property by signing a waiver of liability, authorizing volunteers or work crews to paint over it. The action taken is not to perform restoration. They are only acting to cover up graffiti and make no promises to match surface colors.