



# PROTESTING 101



# **BEFORE GOING TO A PROTEST....**

- **Install Signal for end-to-end encryption to protect text messages and voice calls.**
- **Dress for anonymity and safety.**
- **Remove fingerprint and face unlock on your phone.**
- **Use a strong passcode to get into your phone.**
- **Back up your data.**

# **IF YOU ARE APPROACHED BY THE POLICE.....**

- **Ask for a lawyer immediately upon being arrested or being placed into custody.**
- **Stay calm and keep your emotions from getting the best of you**
- **Carry identification at all times**
- **Take photographs, if you are injured, and seek medical attention as soon as possible.**



## **WHILE AT THE PROTEST.....**

- **Avoid posting photos with other protesters' faces visible.**
- **Take photos and videos without unlocking your device.**
- **Scrub meta data on a photo before posting: Transfer photo to desktop, take a screenshot of it, send it to Signal, download from Signal, then post.**



## **IF YOU ARE IN THE STREETS.....**

- **A police officer may briefly stop you to ask identifying questions.**
- **You are not required to answer any questions but failing to truthfully answer simple ones will make the police suspicious.**
- **If requested, show your identification.**
- **You are not required to consent to a search of yourself or your property.**

# IF YOU ARE ARRESTED

- Immediately and **CLEARLY** state your refusal to speak to the police and make a request for an attorney.
- If you are under 18 years old, ask for your parents to be contacted immediately.
- Know beforehand who you will call in a situation
- Do not make any statements other than giving your name and address.

# Know the Environment

- Have an offline map of the venue and surrounding areas available as cell service may be limited in some cases.
- Plan multiple routes into and out of the protest area.
- Set a rally point with others for where you will meet in the event of an emergency.

# Be Vigilant and Stay Safe

- **Always keep a full view of your surroundings stay mindful of what's happening in every direction.**
- **Trust your instincts and pay attention to anything out of the ordinary this includes odd behavior, unattended items, strange activity, or unfamiliar vehicles.**
- **Speak up if something doesn't feel right report it immediately.**