

STATEMENT

Chris Deluzio was a defund the police activist prior to getting election. In Congress, Chris Deluzio voted in favor of reduced penalties for violent crimes like armed carjacking and burglary – at a time when local lawmakers are reducing the number of police officers to just 22 on the streets at night.

Verification

DEFUND THE POLICE

In May 2022, Deluzio Campaigned Indivisible, A Progressive Group Formed To “Resist The GOPs Agenda”

In May 2022, Deluzio Attended An Event With Forest Hills Indivisible And Thanked Them For Their “Countless Hours” Of Help. (Chris Deluzio, [Twitter](#), 5/13/22)



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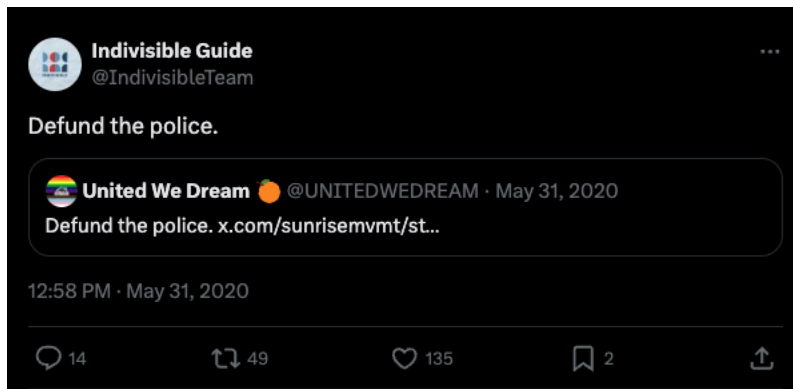
Indivisible Is A Movement Of Thousands Of Group Leaders That Take Actions To “Resist The GOPs Agenda” And Fight For Progressive Policies. “Brought together by a practical guide to resist the Trump agenda, Indivisible is a movement of thousands of group leaders and more than a million members taking regular, iterative, and increasingly complex actions to resist the GOPs agenda, elect local champions, and fight for progressive policies.” (“About,” [Indivisible](#), Accessed: 4/4/24)

Indivisible Was Founded In Response To Trump’s Election. “Indivisible was founded in response to Trump’s election - but we know that Trump is a symptom of a sick democracy, not its cause. We face two fundamental problems: first, our democracy was rigged from the start in favor of the white and wealthy. Second, in the last few decades, an alliance of white nationalists and the ultra-rich have been actively working to further undermine democracy and cement their hold on power permanently. That’s how we ended up with Trump.” (“About,” [Indivisible](#), Accessed: 4/4/24)

Indivisible Supports Soft-On-Crime Policies, Including Defunding The Police, Eliminating Cash Bail, And Abolishing The Death Penalty

Indivisible Supports Defunding The Police. “One of the key ways to limit police violence in the future is by decreasing funding for police forces and carceral institutions, and investing that money in programs, especially in Black communities, that support people’s well-being—things like schools, nutrition assistance, addiction treatment, social workers, and more. We must follow the lead of the Movement for Black Lives by calling to defund police forces and invest in communities; you can make a call to your local officials using our script here.” (“Taking Action In Solidarity With Black Lives,” [Indivisible](#), Accessed: 4/4/24)

In May 2020, Indivisible Tweeted Out Support For Defunding The Police. (Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 5/31/20)



(Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 5/31/20)

In October 2020, Indivisible Tweeted In Support Of Defunding The Police And Reinvesting In Communities. (Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 10/18/20)



(Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 10/18/20)

Indivisible Supported Ending Cash Bail. (Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 2/7/20)



(Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 2/7/20)

Indivisible Supported Abolishing The Death Penalty. (Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 7/14/20)



(Indivisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 7/14/20)

Indivisible Supported Abolishing The Death Penalty In The United States. (Invisible Guide, [Twitter](#), 12/10/20)



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CARJACKING & BURGLARY

In February 2023, Deluzio Voted Against Overturning Washington’s D.C.’s Criminal Code. The Bill Was Signed By President Biden And Had The Support Of Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey (D)

On February 9, 2023, Deluzio Voted Against Blocking The District Of Columbia Council From Revising Its Criminal Code. “Passage of the joint resolution that would establish congressional disapproval of, effectively repealing, the January 2023 District of Columbia Council legislation that would overhaul D.C.’s criminal code effective October 2025. Among other provisions, the overhaul would eliminate most mandatory minimum sentences, require jury trials for misdemeanor offenses and reduce maximum penalties for certain crimes.” (H.J. Res. 26, [Roll Call Vote 119](#), Passed 250-173, 2/9/23, Deluzio Voted Nay; CQ Summary, Accessed 1/14/24)

D.C.’s Criminal Code Revisions Would Do Away With Mandatory Minimum Sentences For Many Crimes And Reduce Maximum Penalties For Violent Crimes Like Burglary, Carjacking And Robbery. “The Senate voted Wednesday to block new District of Columbia crime laws and overrule the city government as lawmakers in both parties have expressed concern about rising violent crime rates in cities nationwide. ... The overhaul of D.C.’s criminal code was approved late last year by the city council after years of failed attempts. It would redefine crimes, change criminal justice policies and rework how sentences should be handed down after convictions. It would also do away with mandatory minimum sentences for many crimes and reduce the maximum penalties for burglary, carjacking and robbery.” (Mary Clare Jalonick and Ashraf Khalil, “Senate Votes To Block DC Crime Laws, Biden Supportive,” [The Associated Press](#), 3/8/23)

In March 2023, Biden Signed The Bill Into Law. “President Joe Biden on Monday signed into law legislation nullifying the recent overhaul of the District of Columbia criminal code, but the fight between Congress and local lawmakers is continuing.” (Ashraf Khalil, “Biden Signs Measure Nullifying DC Criminal Code Revisions,” [The Associated Press](#), 3/20/23)

NOTE: *Senator Bob Casey voted for the bill and Senator Fetterman did not vote.* (H.J. Res. 26, [Vote 49](#), Passed 81-14, 3/8/23)

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22 POLICE

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HEADLINE: “Cops Will Not Respond To Theft, Burglary, Other Emergencies In Major US City” (Timothy Frudd, “Cops Will Not Respond To Theft, Burglary, Other Emergencies In Major US City,” [American Military News](#), 3/11/24)

In February 2024, WPXI Reported That In Pittsburgh “Calls For Criminal Mischief, Theft, Harassment And Burglary Alarms, Just To Name A Few, Will All Be Handled By [A] Telephone Reporting Unit Or Online Reporting.” “Beginning Monday, Pittsburgh police won't respond to any calls that aren't in progress emergencies. Chief Larry Scirotto wants to cut their call volume from approximately 200,000 calls per year down to about 50,000. That essentially means that calls for criminal mischief, theft, harassment and burglary alarms, just to name a few, will all be handled by the telephone reporting unit or online reporting.” (Taylor Spirito, “Pittsburg Bureau Of Police Confirms Major Changes 11 Investigates First Told You About,” [WPXI](#), 2/23/24)

“From 3 A.M. To 7 A.M.” “They'll Only Be 22 Officers To Cover The Entire City.” “There is not any data to supports us having our zones manned by personnel from 3 a.m. to 7 a.m. For the very one off instance I can't make an exception,” said Scirotto. On some overnight shifts, they'll only be 22 officers to cover the entire city.” (Taylor Spirito, “Pittsburg Bureau Of Police Confirms Major Changes 11 Investigates First Told You About,” [WPXI](#), 2/23/24)