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May 2015
http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/taskforce/taskforce_finalreport.pdf
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- 2) United Way Dane County
Special Community/Police Task Force Recommendations regarding police 'Use of Force'
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<https://www.unitedwaydanecounty.org/wp-content/uploads/Special-Community-Police-task-force-report1.pdf>
- 3) Guiding Principles on Use of Force
Police Executive Research Forum
March 2016
<http://www.policeforum.org/assets/guidingprinciples1.pdf>
- 4) KING: To combat police brutality, hire more female cops — studies show they're better at keeping their cool
August 3, 2016
Shaun King
<http://www.nydailynews.com/news/national/king-combat-police-brutality-hire-female-cops-article-1.2737314>
Today is Part 8 in a five-week, 25-part series exploring solutions for police brutality in America.
- 5) Madison Police pay \$27,000 in excessive force claim
Aug 19, 2010
Dan Cassuto
<http://www.wkow.com/story/13012033/madison-police-pay-27000-in-excessive-force-claim>
MADISON (WKOW) -- In December 2006, two police officers from the City of Madison allegedly beat a man so badly the city later paid him \$27,000.
- 6) Wisconsin Protests Rage On After Unarmed Black Man Killed By Police
03/08/2015
Ben Brewer
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/03/09/wisconsin-protests-police-killing_n_6828528.html
MADISON, Wi., March 8 (Reuters) - Activists protested for a third day in Madison, Wisconsin, on Sunday over the fatal shooting of an unarmed black teenager by a white

policeman, the latest in a string of killings that have intensified concerns of racial bias in U.S. law enforcement.

7) Madison, Wisconsin vigil for unarmed black teenager shot by police – video

9 March 2015

Reuters

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/video/2015/mar/09/madison-wisconsin-vigil-tony-robinson-unarmed-black-teenager-shot-police-video>

A candlelit vigil is held in Madison, Wisconsin, on Sunday after an unarmed black teenager was shot dead by a white policeman.

8) Op-ed: Reform is badly needed on lethal use of force laws

07/24/16

Jamira Burley

<http://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/op-ed-reform-badly-needed-lethal-use-force-laws>

The images are at once heartbreaking and enraging.

9) Pitfalls With Police Recruitment In The U.S.

Thursday, Jan. 7, 2016

Rachel Cain

<https://thinkprogress.org/pitfalls-with-police-recruitment-in-the-u-s-db3d7ebe0b8d>

Whenever police violence comes under national attention, better **training** is often advocated as a solution.

10) Webinar: How to Address Racial Inequities in Your City

7/21/16

Leon T. Andrews, Jr.

<https://cityspeak.org/2016/07/19/webinar-how-to-address-racial-inequities-in-your-city/>

In response to the tragic events that occurred recently in Baton Rouge, Falcon Heights, and Dallas, NLC hosted a webinar to help cities deal with the challenges of race and equity in their communities – and commit to solutions.

11) Welcome to The Office of Municipal Investigations

2016

Office of Municipal Investigations

<http://pittsburghpa.gov/omi/>

The Office of Municipal Investigations (OMI) is responsible for coordinating the receipt, analysis and investigation of citizen complaints of civil and/or criminal misconduct alleged against employees of the City of Pittsburgh.

12) About

2016

Citizen Police Review Board

<http://cprbpg.org/about>

The Citizen Police Review Board (CPRB) is an independent agency set up to investigate citizen complaints about improper police conduct.

13) Top cop sees need for federal review of police shootings: Michael Smerconish
07/17/16

Michael Smerconish

<http://www.dailynews.com/opinion/20160717/top-cop-sees-need-for-federal-review-of-police-shootings-michael-smerconish>

Charles Ramsey has law enforcement credentials that few can match. Only now, for the first time in over 40 years, the former top cop for the District of Columbia and Philadelphia, and co-chair of President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing, finds himself advising from the sidelines.

14) City officials pursue plan to dramatically change oversight of Portland police
July 13, 2016

Maxine Bernstein

http://www.oregonlive.com/portland/index.ssf/2016/07/city_officials_pursue_plan_to.html

Oversight of Portland's police force would change dramatically under a proposal being considered by city officials that hasn't been vetted publicly.

15) Chicago police should tighten rules on deadly force: IPRA
July 15, 2016

Chicago Tribune

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-ipra-recommendation-deadly-force-20160715-story.html>

As battles over policing reform in Chicago continue, the agency that investigates shootings by police is recommending that the Police Department tighten its rules on deadly force to further limit the circumstances in which officers can shoot.

16) What Ethics Should Guide the Use of Robots in Policing?
July 14, 2016

Room for Debate

<http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2016/07/14/what-ethics-should-guide-the-use-of-robots-in-policing>

The decision by Dallas police to deploy a robot to kill the man who shot and killed five officers last week appears to be unprecedented. Though the police chief said other options would have exposed officers to grave danger, the move fomented debate around the militarization of police and the ethical implications of remote-controlled use of force.

17) David Couper: A different way to look at the Genele Laird incident
Aug 5, 2016

DAVID COUPER

http://host.madison.com/ct/opinion/column/david-couper-a-different-way-to-look-at-the-genele/article_67306dbe-da00-5eaa-865b-ee6384dbc04f.html

The arrest of Genele Laird in June at East Towne can be a teachable moment for the Madison community.

18) Using Force: A Reflection and Some Suggestions For Police

August 4, 2015

David Couper

<https://improvingpolice.wordpress.com/2015/08/04/using-force-a-reflection-and-some-suggestions-for-police/>

Early on in my police career I came to see that how one uses force – from verbal direction to physical restraint – was an important part of police work.

19) The Pulse Massacre is a Hatecrime

June 15, 2016

Square cop in a round world

<https://squarecopinaroundworld.wordpress.com/>

All across our country and the world huge crowds have gathered in solidarity and grief remembering the victims of the Pulse Nightclub Massacre.

20) A Warning to Our Nation's Police

March 26, 2015

Sgt. Lisa Boveing

<https://squarecopinaroundworld.wordpress.com/page/3/>

Retired Chief David Couper shares his thoughts on what law enforcement can do to improve community relations. It's not about blame, it's understanding that all sides have to have skin in the game in order to overcome our challenges. Be safe everyone.

21) Hands Up But Don't Lie

March 8, 2015

Sgt. Lisa Boveing

<https://squarecopinaroundworld.wordpress.com/page/4/>

The DOJ reports on Ferguson are in. My policy is to read the full accounts prior to commenting, and in this case, I'm very glad I did.

22) The Ultimate Betrayal

November 4, 2015

Police Cmdr. Kristen Ziman

<http://www.kristenziman.com/>

When I learned that Lt. Joe Gliniewicz from Fox Lake, IL, was shot and killed while investigating 3 suspicious subjects, I was devastated.

23) We can't fix policing without talking about race. This cartoon explains why.

August 2, 2016

Alvin Chang

<http://www.vox.com/2016/8/2/12316922/police-legitimacy-cartoon>

Here's a nice cartoon/comic-style explanation of police legitimacy, procedural justice, and the impact of race on policing.

24) ONE KANSAS CITY POLICE OFFICER'S TAKE ON POLICE-COMMUNITY RELATIONS IN KC (KCUR)

JUL 24, 2016

ANDREA TUDHOPE

<http://bluecourage.com/article-one-kansas-city-police-officers-take-police-community-relations-kc-kcur/>

Amidst rising tensions between law enforcement and communities of color across the nation, Black Lives Matter supporters joined forces with the Wichita Police for a cookout last weekend.

25) Complaint: \$30 paid in plot to kill Madison police officer

Jun 28, 2016

Tony Galli

<http://www.wkow.com/story/32212465/complaint-30-paid-in-plot-to-kill-madison-police-officer>

MADISON (WKOW) -- A criminal complaint states a Dane County jail inmate used \$30 from a jail account to try to hire someone to kill a police officer who had used a taser on him, and tried to arrest him.

26) Viral Arrest Teen Freed

June 24, 2016

Jeff Flynt

<http://wsau.com/news/articles/2016/jun/24/viral-arrest-teen-freed/>

MADISON, WI (Wisconsin Radio Network) - A Madison teen, whose arrest sparked protests this week over claims of police brutality, is out of jail.

27) Moms head to DC to protest use of deadly force

May 22, 2015

WKOW Television

<http://www.wkow.com/story/29010860/moms-head-to-dc-to-protest-use-of-deadly-force>

MADISON (WKOW)-- On Saturday moms from across the country who lost children in officer-involved shootings will gather in Washington, DC, including the mothers of two Wisconsin men.

28) Lincoln Hills employee fired for excessive force

Feb 07, 2016

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

<http://www.jsonline.com>

<http://www.wkow.com/story/31039721/lincoln-hills-employee-fired-for-excessive-force>

MADISON, Wis. (AP) -- A Lincoln Hills School employee has been fired for excessive use of force and three others quit after they were put on paid leave as authorities investigate allegations of prisoner abuse.

29) Milwaukee man's death brings campaign in Madison

Feb 10 2013

Channel 3000

<http://www.channel3000.com/news/Milwaukee-man-s-death-brings-campaign-in-Madison/18486274>

Derek Williams's great aunt Maeleen Jordan traveled to Madison from Milwaukee Saturday to tell the story of her nephew's death.

30) What you need to know: Thursday

Mar 19 2015

Channel 3000

<http://www.channel3000.com/news/what-you-need-to-know-thursday/31882800>

After contentious testimony about the Tony Robinson officer-involved shooting at a public hearing, Police Chief Mike Koval sounded off in a strongly worded letter to alders Wednesday.

31) In Madison, black adults are 8 times more likely than white adults to be arrested?

March 9th, 2015

Tom Kertscher

<http://www.politifact.com/wisconsin/statements/2015/mar/09/young-gifted-and-black-coalition/madison-black-adults-are-8-times-more-likely-white/>

Two months before the fatal police shooting of an African-American man in Madison, an activist group called the [Young, Gifted and Black Coalition](#) decried what it called "the violence of heavy policing and arrest-rate disparities in Madison."

32) Calling for police accountability in Madison

July 26, 2016

Gretchen Sager, Brian Ward, Dayna Long and Kiah Price

<https://socialistworker.org/2016/07/26/calling-for-police-accountability-in-madison>

Activists rallied outside the Madison Police Union headquarters in Wisconsin's capital on July 21 to take a stand against racism and police brutality as part of a national day of action.

33) The Simple Strategies That Could Fundamentally Change How Communities View Their Police

Jul 07, 2016

Kate Abbey-Lambertz, Joseph Erbenraut

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/02/17/community-policing-police-trust_n_6607766.html

Raising a black son, Gail Howard couldn't shake the fear that someday, he was going to get shot.

34) Get the Police to Meditate

July 2, 2015

Emma Green

<http://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2015/07/get-the-police-to-meditate/397580/>

Apparently, police officers in Madison, Wisconsin are learning to meditate.

35) The Wisconsin State Capitol Police Should Be Abolished

27 August, 2013

Carl Gibson, Reader Supported News

<http://readersupportednews.org/opinion2/287-124/19108-the-wisconsin-state-capitol-police-should-be-abolished>

I've written twice explaining the ridiculous lengths Wisconsin State Capitol Police are willing to go to arrest people for singing without a permit. But on August 26th, the Capitol PD escalated it even more, from merely arresting singers and observers to violently attacking them.

36) Madison officer charged with assault for use of force incident

Feb 12, 2015

Patrick Ary

http://www.waaytv.com/appnews/madison-officer-charged-with-assault-for-use-of-force-incident/article_7b09d144-b2fe-11e4-a0e4-b339eed5e1af.html

MADISON, Ala. (WAAY) - The police officer placed on leave after an incident that left an Indian man hospitalized last week has been charged with third-degree assault.

37) Where the Shots are Fired

03.12.2015

DANA GOLDSTEIN

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2015/03/12/where-the-shots-are-fired#.NE8iRRmRF>

Justice Lab is a column that examines the social science of criminal justice. You might guess that police fire their weapons most often in neighborhoods with the highest levels of crime, poverty and racial segregation. But preliminary research from a team of St. Louis criminologists complicates that notion, and suggests some lessons for reducing police shootings.

38) U of Wisconsin police pull black student from class to arrest him for allegedly spray-painting anti-racist messages across campus, prompting criticism that university cares more about graffiti than bigotry.

April 18, 2016

Jake New

<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2016/04/18/u-wisconsin-student-pulled-class-arrested-anti-racist-graffiti>

This article contains explicit and potentially offensive terms that relate to various messages discussed in the piece.

39) Racial Disparities and Police Brutality (The Facts)

2013

Eric Upchurch

<http://ygbcoalition.org/support-ygb-coalition/2-uncategorised/112-racial-disparities-facts>

25% Black unemployment rate, compared to 4.8% for whites

40) Brutality settlement would cost \$3 million

Oct. 04, 2009

Larry Sandler

<http://archive.jsonline.com/news/milwaukee/63490127.html>

In what could be the biggest police brutality settlement in Milwaukee history, City Attorney Grant Langley is recommending the city pay \$3 million to a man who was paralyzed after his 2003 arrest.

41) [Slate.com](#)

Who's winning, who's losing, and why.

Dec. 10 2014 6:59 PM

Our System for Prosecuting Cops Is Broken

43) Here's a better way to pursue justice when police officers kill in the line of duty.

2014

By Josh Voorhees

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/politics/2014/12/michael_brown_darren_wilson_inquest_a_better_way_to_pursue_justice_when.html

The decisions not to charge Ferguson police officer Darren Wilson and Staten Island officer Daniel Pantaleo should make this much clear: Our government is ill-equipped to handle cases where a cop kills a fellow citizen in the line of duty.

44) Charge three officers, Derek Williams inquest jury recommends

[Milwaukee News](#)|A Journal Sentinel Watchdog Update

Special prosecutor John Franke to decide whether to issue charges

<http://archive.jsonline.com/news/milwaukee/milwaukee-police-inquest-custody-death-derek-williams-o88s909-192306071.html>

By [Gina Barton](#) and [Lydia Mulvany](#) of the Journal Sentinel

Feb 21, 2013

Ald. Milele Coggs also observed much of the inquest.

"I can unequivocally say it has been a worthwhile endeavor. The public is much more aware of the series of events that led up to Derek Williams' death, and they have seen firsthand as the wheels of justice begin to turn," she said in a statement. "But this specific case is still far from over, and Derek Williams' death is only one of a number of cases that constitute a broader federal investigation into the Milwaukee Police Department. It bears repeating that the proceedings of the last week are only the first steps in the march toward justice."

No charges were ever filed. Family filed civil suit July 2016 against 11 officers.

45) Madison Police Chief Noble Wray: Take Officer Stephen Heimsness Off The Streets

2014

Amelia Royko Maurer

<https://www.change.org/p/madison-police-chief-noble-wray-take-officer-stephen-heimsness-off-the-streets>

When we asked our good friend Paulie Heenan to move in with us and our little daughter, we never expected that he would be killed by a Madison police officer.

46) Nationwide Solidarity Action Monday 10/5
10/5/15

Teddy Shibabaw

<http://www.socialistalternative.org/2015/10/04/handsoffbrandi-madison-police-target-blm-organizer-brandi-grayson/>

The Madison Police Department and City Attorney have been harassing Brandi Grayson, one of the most outspoken and prominent leaders of the local Black Lives Matter movement, led mainly by the Young, Gifted and Black Coalition (YGB)

47) Madison, Wisconsin Police Chief Mike Koval Needs to Resign

Jun 23, 2016

<http://malcontends.blogspot.com/2016/06/madison-wisconsin-police-chief-mike.html>

Madison Police Chief Mike Koval is one piece of work, and should leave office to his taxpayer-financed pension.

48) Civil Rights Claims In Wisconsin

2009

Gregory A. Pitts and James A. Pitts

<http://www.pittslaw.com/PittsLaw.10/civil.rights.claims.html>

In 1871 the United States Congress passed a law, originally part of the Ku Klux Klan Act, to enforce the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution on the states.

49) Stage play depicts impacts of police brutality

February 25, 2016

Kynala Phillips

<http://www.dailycardinal.com/article/2016/02/stage-play-depicts-impacts-of-police-brutality>

“The Mojo and The Sayso,” written by Aishah Rahman and directed by Jessica Lanius, is a captivating play about love and loss.

50) Police say mine-resistant vehicles just like ‘soft body armor’

July 1, 2014

Adam Tobias

<http://watchdog.org/156550/police-military-madison/>

That’s the analogy Madison Police Capt. Vic Wahl uses when discussing his department’s newly operational Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle, a 30-ton armored truck used in Middle East war zones that is designed to survive attacks from improvised-explosive devices.

51) Minneapolis Police Department updates use-of-force policy

August 9, 2016

Sarah McKenzie / smckenzie@southwestjournal.com

<http://www.southwestjournal.com/news/2016/08/mpd-updates-use-of-force-policy/>

52) Jurisprudence

The law, lawyers, and the court.

Aug. 15 2016 6:16 PM

No Justice for Sylville Smith

How the Supreme Court has failed victims of police brutality.

By Mark Joseph Stern

Slate.com

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/jurisprudence/2016/08/how_the_supreme_court_has_failed_victims_of_police_brutality_like_sylville.html

53) Poll finds disconnect in perceptions by police, public (Chicago Tribune | January 11, 2017) <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/ct-police-public-perception-poll-pew-20170110-story.html> (added 1/13/17)