share information not panic!

Let's begin by reflecting on some good song lyrics by Thievery Corporation, this is part of the song called "Culture of Fear."

Seems to me like they want us to be afraid, man
Or maybe we just like being afraid
Maybe we just so used to it at this point that it's just a part of us
Part of our culture
Security alert on orange
It's been on orange since '01 G
I mean what's up man
Can't a brother get yellow man
Just for like two months or something
God damn
Sick o' that

Don't succumb to this culture of fear

appreciative of the work from the Twin Cities Workers Defense Alliance creating posters like this one for sharing intel on hostile groups, we can expand on this work by to dealing with fascismrelated info more generally

Spread Information not Panic

When reporting or signal boosting potential threats: provide as much information as possible!

S.A.L.U.T.E.

Size/Strength

"5 to 6 Armed Agitators"

Actions/Activity

"Harassing random people on the move"

ocation & Direction

"Manhattan, East of Central Park, E 97th St"

Uniform/Clothes

"Dark Jackets, ballcaps"

Time & Date of Observation
"8:32 PM June 01"

Equipment & Weapons

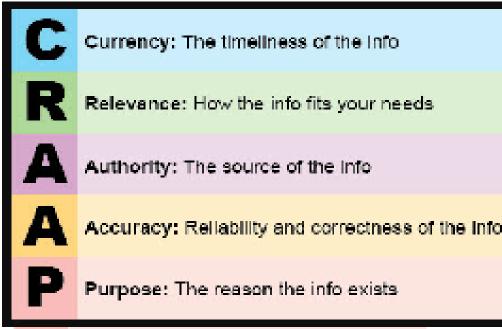
"They have Body Armor and Pepper spray"

Not a useful tweet: "proudboys spotted" "Where? When? What are they doing? How Many? What are they carrying?"

Use your Judgement!



we can also take inspiration from librarian Sarah Blakeslee

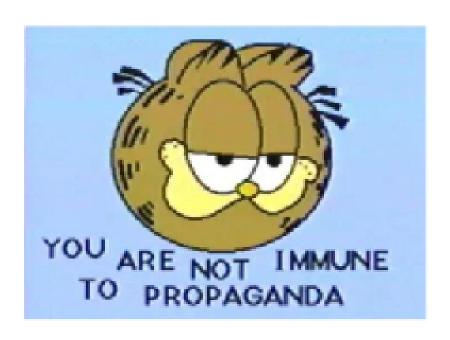


this CRAAP is more about vetting info you find while researching.

- S STOP. Pause. You might have feelings, you might have opinions, just sit with it for a moment.
- I Investigate. What's being said? By whom? Try Wikipedia
- F Find another source for the information. Is it reputable/reliable?
- T Trace the origin of the information. Especially if "no one is talking about it." Why? Look for the original source and context.

SIFT, inspired by Mike Caulfield, is pretty close to what we are looking for!

please be careful of disinformation!



"psyops" sounds silly but I mean -

you *know* you make worse decisions under stress.

Journalism has the 5 W's and the H.

who what where when why how

and we don't need a journalism degree to know that it's useful to include more information when sharing an alert with our friends.

let's share information, not panic!

Some things to consider when sharing out alarming information

is this about the here and now?

are we dealing with the "is" or the "could"?

is this about a risk or a reality?

Have you touched grass recently?
... eaten some food?

... had a talk with a friend?

is it an immediate threat to life and limb, or can we take a calmer approach?

> do you know the source? are they trustworthy? why should your network believe this?

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