

Transcript: OCTA Bus Rider Video

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Woman:

We watched the whole thing.

Bus Driver:

What's going on?

Woman:

The cops are kicking this poor guy over there. All these cops

Bus: What happened?

Woman: I have no idea. I didn't know what the guy did. They were pulling his hair, kicking the shit out of him.

B: Really?

W: Yeah. And he's all full of blood.

B: Oh, my God...

W: they electrocuted him. (Sirens) (???) Oh my God, that was very scary. Anyways, they were like beating him over here.

B: Why were they following him? (Mumbles), Is he dead?

W: He's almost, half way dead

B: What was the guy doing?

W: I have no idea, he was intoxicated.

B: Intoxicated?

W: Yeah.

B: Buses aren't able to go.

W: Huh? (heavy breathing/agitated) Oh my God
I can't believe we were just standing there watching that. All of the action

B: You better move bro, you know I can't turn in. You can see what's going on.

Man: I know I know

B: You know if the bus can't turn in, imma just gonna take off. If I might... you know If you if I... You know I can't go in there, so you know you gotta move... from there. I don't wanna miss you but how can I get over there

Man: Oh I know I know.

B: There's no way

W2: That's where I seen

W: I gotta get my purse

B: You know where you go?

W: I need to get my purse

B: You know where you should've went?

M: The corner?

B: You should've gone to the corner. You know where the bar - the bar is? There's a bus stop right there.

W: I wish I had a camera...

B: What happened? This lady said two...

(Multiple talking)

B: Two Cop cars...

W: They killed him.

W2: They Killed him?

W: Yeah.

(Multiple people talking at once)

B: Wait wait What hap, what happened?

M: I'm telling you Homeless guy was just chillin', and then the cops came, two cop cars came, two cops, they tried getting him but he just ran off from them, ran away from them, and then they caught him pound his face, pound his face, against the curb, was red, and they beat him up

W2: They can't do that.

M: And two other more cops came, and tazed him six times

(W2 mumbles)

M: They beat him up, and then all the cops came and they hog tied him, and he was like, "Please God, please dad!"

B: They killed him?...

M: Yeah

W2: There's a huge puddle of blood right there...

B: There's a good pool of blood...

Uh, what he look like?

M: He had like dirty blonde hair with a beard

B: Really?

M: Yeah.

B: Older? younger?

M: He's about 30 years old. I know who he is.

B: Really?

Tall? Skinny? Short? ??????? Tall?

M: He's Tall.

B: Really?

M: He's always around here

B: I wonder which one he is 'cus I go through here too.

M: He's always here

He's always sitting by those benches.

B: And now they followed him? Like... now they f... Uh... now I see the ambulance went (audio distorted)

M: Leave in a rush huh?

B: No, they, they put... they go with siren and alarm and lights. They're in a hurry. They are not, they weren't in a hurry. The police, but the police followed the ambulance

(Woman mumbles in background of man's words)

M: Yeah but they put him in the ambulance for like 10 minutes, and then they took off.

B: Really?

M: Yeah.

B: So, you think he's dead?

M: Oh, I was watching it, I was standing right there and the cop

(Multiples talking at once)

M: He wasn't making any movements after

B: (refers to W) Yeah, you said, you said that too.

W: He was dying...

(Man mumbles)

B: What are you guys gonna do about it?
Since you're witnesses.

(Man, bus driver and woman mumble at once)

W: There was people yelling at the cops.

M: The cameras, the people with the videos, have more evidence.

W: One guy recorded it!

M: We were all yelling at them, "Leave him alone stop hitting him! He's not resisting!"

B: Wow...

M: All these cops...

W: They didn't have to tazer him six times like that, for a long period of time too.

B: They killed him...

W: I'm out of breath now cuz I had to go back and go get my purse

B: You forgot your purse huh?

W: Yeah

B: Oh my goodness.

W: Thank God it (purse) was still there.

B: Yeah I'm gonna go out a different place

W: Sorry for keep you waiting.

B: That's ok don't worry.

W: I had to go get my purse

B: You saw it you saw it

W: I saw everything.

W2: I saw when he...

(Multiples talking)

W: They were electrocuting him

W2: then they Slammed him

W3: He hit his face there right in the forehead
(Multiple talking)

W: Yeah, the cement.

M: It's hard to resist...how can you resist when they're choking him?

W: And then you have so much more cops to beat him up.

Man2: Yeah.

(W3 mumbles something)

W2: Huh?

Man2: The one that came with the tazer

W: Yeah

Man2: He kneed him first, then they

(multiple talking)

W: I guess that's California for ya.

(W2 mumbles softly about amendments)

W: Yeah

B: That's horrible...

W: And the guy said, "No, no please no!"
He even yelled out, "I can't breathe!"

W2: Yeah yeah, "I can't breathe, I can't breathe, It's hard for me to breathe!"

W: Yeah

B: You guys should go to the news media

W: Yeah, yeah we should, 'cus we saw the whole thing

B: Seriously

M: Is there cameras from Octa right here

W: Well I have a lady friend that is a lawyer

B: Yeah, but... I'm not here. I wasn't here so I didn't see It...

M: The number 26 bus, this camera right here, he was, that was facing this way first, then he went into there

B: yeah

M: and then he was facing the whole thing.

M: So it would be on the number 26 bus.

W: I can't get over (bus driver talks over)

B: Yeah. That's the thing that someone would have to request that. Someone would have to request but which bus caught it? Some buses got cameras, like my bus, but that one is in the air.

(All talk at once)

W: I saw the whole thing 'cus I was on the other side.

W4: What time is your departure?

B: Well, no I'm supposed to depart, I'm just gonna go out here and make a left

W4: yeah absolutely.

B: Yeah, I was calling them but they didn't answer.

W4: (8:48????) is throwing everybody off.

B: Yeah, all my passengers say here the police murdered somebody.

W4: That's what they're saying right there

B: Yeah, all these guys are witnesses to it.

M: We watched the whole thing. Homeless guy

B: They said he couldn't breathe, his face was down bleeding, tazered six times.

(All agree six times)

(Background noise)

W4: (mumbles in background)

B: He didn't like steal anything or do anything?

M: No!

W: No! He wasn't doing shit!

W2: No! He wasn't doing anything!

W4: He wasn't doing nothing!

B: Wow

W4: He was not doing nothing.

B: That's horrible.

(All talk at once)

M: They couldn't find anything to do... They want to pick on a homeless guy

(All talk at once)

He was.. He was just trying to
get away from them?

He... you said he was drunk?

No.