



## CWA of California San Diego Action Alert

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### **San Diego Police Allow Public Nudity at "Dyke March"**

*"The law is enforced situationally," says chief's office*

Please contact San Diego Police Chief William Lansdowne at (619) 531-2703. Politely tell him you expect the police department to enforce the public nudity laws in San Diego in every situation, especially at a parade with children in attendance. Public decency laws should not be suspended for any group!

This past Saturday, September 10, 2005, V.A.G.I.N.A. San Diego (acronym for "Vibrant Activist Grrls Invoking National Attention") held its 8th annual Dyke March in downtown San Diego. The march featured homosexual women wearing only "pasties" over a small portion of their breasts in full public view.

San Diego police officers were alerted, witnessed the nudity but left without making an arrest.

Section 56.53 of the [San Diego Municipal Code](#) strictly prohibits nudity on public lands, including streets and sidewalks, by persons over 10 years old. The [code](#) also clearly defines nudity (page 12).

Concerned Women for America contacted the office of Police Chief William Lansdowne today to inquire about why the law was not enforced. We were told that the law is enforced situationally. Please contact the chief's office and voice your concerns.

City of San Diego residents may also wish to contact their city council member and ask that the council require the city's police department to enforce the city codes strictly, rather than "situationally." There is no logical reason why one group that is breaking the law should be given a pass by law enforcement.

Please politely ask that common decency prevail in our city and that children be protected at all times. To find your council member and his or her contact information, click [here](#).

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