

Relatives of police shooting victims arrested at protests for Jayland Walker

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Jayland Walker was unarmed when Akron police fired about 90 rounds at him, after he tried to flee a traffic stop. His body was still handcuffed when it arrived at a coroner's office for an autopsy, which showed he was struck at least 60 times.

On Thursday, Akron officers arrested prominent family members of police shooting victims and charged them with rioting. Bianca Austin is an aunt of Breonna Taylor, who was shot and killed by police in her own home in Louisville, Kentucky, in 2020. Also arrested was Jacob Blake Sr., whose son was left partially paralyzed after he was shot by police in Kenosha, Wisconsin, in 2020.

Jacob Blake Sr. told reporters: "We're here to take a stand, because enough is enough. If this was white America and a white boy had been shot 60 times by the police, it would go up in smoke. But because he's Brown and looks like me, 60 shots — or, what did he do to provoke? Nobody can provoke someone to shoot them 60 times. No one."

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