

Shocker: The Washington Post Says That Protesters Are Paid And It Is Naive To Believe That Social Movements Are Created by Volunteers

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The *Washington Post* published an article entitled, "So What If Protesters Are Paid?" The paper says that protesters long have been paid, citing Rosa Parks as an example. Then it says it doesn't matter, because it is ridiculous to believe that social movements should be spontaneous, volunteer-driven, and untarnished by the exchange of money. The unspoken message is that it is appropriate for movements affecting political and social change to be driven by money interests and media outlets, like The *Washington Post*. —GEG