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# Libs of TikTok: Planet Fitness Lying About Man in Women's Locker Room

Planet Fitness is lying about the gym in Alaska that canceled a woman's membership because she caught a man in the women's locker room and complained about him.

A reporter for Libs of TikTok called member support to ask about the company's nondiscrimination policy, which permits men to strip naked in front of little girls in the women's locker room. A Planet Fitness representative said that former member <u>Patricia Silva's photo</u> of the man, which went viral online, was faked.

It was at least the second time the bargainbasement gym booted a woman for complaining about the dangerous policy on "transgenders."



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#### "Social Media Can Fool You"

The LOTT reporter, who identified himself as "Christian," said he wanted to buy a membership for his daughter. But before he spent the money, he wanted to know what had happened at the gym in Fairbanks, where Silva caught a man shaving in front of a girl about 12 years old and wrapped in a towel. The man told Silva he was "queer," and could therefore use the women's locker room.

The company representative, Juju, said Planet Fitness is a "judgment free zone," which prospective members know before joining. "I've seen the video that went viral on TikTok and what she said isn't exactly what happened. And people can take anything online and turn it." She also explained the gym's non-discrimination policy:

They did a full investigation, and that's why I say based on a non-discrimination policy, we don't discriminate against anybody, alien, monster, nobody. As long as they are not harming you or yours, we understand. Because we don't go based off of race, nationality, origin, ancestry, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientations, gender, gender identification, age, disability, or any bias protection by law, that's our policy.... That's where our policy comes from with the locker room situation.

But then Juju told "Christian" that the gym examined Silva's photo and found it was faked. "They broke it down, and we're like, 'it's just crazy how much social media can really fool you,' and I said, 'well, yep, that's true,'" she said.

Christian: Was that a real photo of someone in a Planet Fitness bathroom?

Juju: No. No. That was not....





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**Christian:** That wasn't even a real photo from inside Planet Fitness at all?

**Juju:** Nope.... We were shocked, too. And yeah, they had to like pull apart the picture and it's not in a Planet Fitness restroom at all.

Problem for Planet Fitness is, two photos of the man clearly show him inside the women's locker room at the gym.

#### Another Lie Alleged

LOTT also posted a selfie video of an unidentified former member who said he quit because of the Alaska incident and that the gym falsified his reason.

When he told the trainee at the front desk why he was canceling his membership, she told him she hadn't heard Silva's story.

"But what got me was when it got to the point where she had to put in the reason for the cancelation, she asked the manager what she should put in there and she told him what I had said. He said, well we can't put that and they put a different reason in there to justify my cancelation," he said:

So not only is Planet Fitness siding with the trans non-discrimination thing, but now they're covering it up instead of admitting what they did was wrong. They hid the reason why I canceled my membership. Doesn't matter. I'm no longer a member. They're no longer going to get another penny [of] my money and I hope everyone will do the same thing. We gotta protect our women. We gotta stop letting the 1 percent take over. Take a stand. It's time.

#### **Trans Policy**

To its credit, the company is honest about its commitment to let would-be rapists and molesters, who could pretend they are "non-binary" or "trans women," to use the women's locker room. Its <u>"non-discrimination" policy is</u> straightforward:

All members and team members may use Planet Fitness locker room facilities and programs based on their self-reported gender identity; these facilities include bathrooms, showers, and all other facilities separated by sex. Wherever possible, Planet Fitness clubs should maintain private changing areas in each locker room for the comfort of all members and team members.

As <u>The New American reported</u> about Silva's trouble, she was quite concerned that the man in the Fairbanks gym was feet away from an underage girl, whom Silva said appeared to be about 12.

The "little girl sitting in the corner" was "kind of freaked out that there's a man shaving in her locker room," she said in a video posted on Facebook.

When Silva left the locker room after photographing the man, she explained, she "loudly" asked the front desk, "Are you aware that there is a MAN shaving in the women's bathroom.... I'm not OK with that!"

Just as it did to a Michigan woman in 2015, whose similar complaint was deemed "inappropriate," Planet Fitness canceled Silva's membership.



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"I got canceled," she said. "Planet Fitness is defending the man in the women's locker room, the man with a penis, rather than the child sitting in the corner with the towel wrapped around her."



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