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## Omar Fingered in Vote-buying Scheme. Cops Investigating

New video from Project Veritas shows a cash-for-ballot vote-buying scheme in the home district of Somali Muslim Representative Ilhan Omar, and sources told PV that Omar and other political candidates are organizing the fraud.

But one key source in the Somali community fingered the radical congresswoman as the brains behind the vote fraud.

The video is the second of two installments from PV that detail vote-fraud in Minneapolis, a once great American city that thousands of Somali refugees and immigrants have turned into a corrupt replica of the dysfunctional country they fled.



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Minneapolis police are investigating the fraud, the department tweeted yesterday.

### The Mastermind

“Now take this for your pocket change,” a ballot harvester tells a voter in the digital footage

“OK ... when I fill it out I will bring it to you,” the [voter says](#).

And Ilhan Omar, the angry anti-American refugee pulled from a refugee camp and resettled at taxpayer expense, is the genius behind the scheme, PV reported.

“Nobody would say that Ilhan Omar isn’t part of this,” Somali Watchdog chieftain Omar Jamal told PV. “Unless you’re from a different planet, but if you live in this universe, I think everybody knows it.”

And Omar’s campaign manager, Ali Isse Gainey, “is at the center of the vote-buying scheme,” [PV reported](#):

“She’s [Ilhan Omar] the one who came up with all this [pay-for-vote],” said one source who added. “She’s [Ilhan Omar] the one, somehow. Nobody knew, but, yeah, this is something like new with Ilhan [Omar].”

Jamal Omar said cash for votes is an open secret in Minneapolis. “The techniques that he [Ali Isse] uses to exchange money for votes — that’s not a secret. It’s, it’s open, and everybody knows about it,” he said. “\$200, \$300 per ballot received!”

And it isn’t just Omar who pays for votes, [PV reported](#). Her opponent also tried to buy his way into office.

Osman Ali Dahquane, a taxi driver in the city, said that Antone Meton-Meaux “has most of the money, but we took the money from him and we voted for Ilhan.”

Omar, Dahquane said, “spent a lot of money. I was given money so I could vote. I was given money so I



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could vote — \$800.”

Continued Dahquane:

We don't mind illegal. If this continues [in] this direction, many people will go to prison, or no one will vote in the city of Minneapolis. It is very, very corrupt. We are in trouble if they come after us. We are in big trouble if they come after us.

The undercover PV reporter also recorded Dahquane's confession that he has bribed an affiliate of al-Qaida to open a business in Mogadishu.

That aside, election judges are paid off as part of the vote-buying scheme, and a ballot harvester told PV that operatives even enter voting booths with voters and vote for them.

“They actually are the ones who vote, people don't usually — they do the voting,” the ballot harvester told PV.

A former campaign worker told PV that Omar operatives manage the massive vote-fraud:

“They do all of it,” she said. “They do it all. They do all of it.”

### **Carload of Ballots**

[PV's first report](#) on the Somali vote fraud showed a ballot harvester with a carload of ballots.

“You can see my car is full,” the harvester says in the video. “All these here are absentees' ballots. Can't you see? Look at all these, my car is full. All these are for Jamal Osman.... We got 300 today.”

The report located the harvesting at three key locations.

The harvester also said the congresswoman's legmen cast fraudulent ballots:

The harvester said Somali-American vote-buying operatives from the Omar machine came to his apartment building to oversee the voter filling out the paperwork.

Omar operatives request the ballots and fill them out for the voters, he said.

“They come to us. They came to our homes. They said: ‘This year, you will vote for Ilhan,’” he said. “They said: ‘We will make the absentee ballots. We will fill out the forms for you and when you get them back, we will again fill it out and send it.’”

There was no need to go to the voting site, because the Omar operatives told him: “You stay home and you will not go to the place.”

Minneapolis police are investigating the fraud, the department tweeted yesterday:

ALLEGATIONS OF VOTER FRAUD BEING EVALUATED. □ The MPD is aware of the allegations of vote harvesting. We are in the process of looking into the validity of those statements. No further information is available at this time on this.

— Minneapolis Police (@MinneapolisPD) [September 28, 2020](#)

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