

2 vehicles ambushed in UCP strike violence

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The wide chasm between United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of New York State and striking workers was shown again yesterday as UCP officials complained about union violence and issued an ultimatum — both of which a union official said do not exist.

Incidents of vandalism broke out in two Staten Island locations, apparently in connection with the two-month-old strike against UCP, resulting in two vehicles with slashed tires and broken windows.

When told of the incidents, a union representative at first said he did not believe the attacks had occurred. Upon hearing the incidents were verified by police, he said he could "almost guarantee it wasn't our men" who were involved.

"I think someone is putting pressure on the union by setting something up," said Michael Lucivero, field representative for the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1181-1061, which represents 100 striking bus drivers and monitors.

The incidents came on the day (See UCP, Page A 10)



Strike violence was blamed for more than \$1,000 in damage to this ambulance when it was ambushed by 10 men at the Staten Island Developmental Center.

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