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## **Alta man says he won't remove swastikas that vandals painted on his home**

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CALGARY (CP) - A Calgary man says he isn't planning to clean up the swastikas that vandals spray-painted on his home.

Gary Carman says he doesn't want whoever did it to get the satisfaction of watching him cleaning up after them.

Carman discovered the mess -- including a swastika and the word "Jew" on his front door -- when someone came over on Sunday and asked what was going on.

He says he has lived in his duplex in the Tuxedo neighbourhood for more than six years, and believes he was targeted because he is Jewish.

He believes there was too much effort put into the job for it to be kids.

Calgary Police Duty inspector Keith Pollock says police are investigating the vandalism, but says it's too early to say whether the case will be treated as a hate crime.

Carman called the act "cowardly."

"My wife's crying. She feels like it's a death threat. She's very upset," he said.

Regardless of the culprit's intent, using Nazi imagery can't help but be painful to Jews, and especially those who survived the Holocaust, said Judy Shapiro of the Calgary Jewish Community Council.

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