

# *Wal-Mart Workers Say Retailer Closed Stores to Punish Protesters*

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San Francisco, April 21 (RHC)-- Wal-Mart workers have accused the retailer of closing down five stores in order to suppress growing calls for a living wage and benefits.

The United Food and Commercial Workers union filed a complaint before the National Labor Relations Board over the closures, which include the California store that was the site of the first U.S. Wal-Mart strike in 2012.

Wal-Mart claims the closures are for what they called "plumbing issues."

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