

Community Safety

Q18 Is there anything you would like to add about community safety in Eugene?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I live downtown and am harassed by street people multiple times a day trying to do my basic neighborhood tasks. If there is an unsafe situation down town police, red caps, security, bike monitors, etc, need to be willing to help and problem solve. We are told as residents of downtown that we need to speak up, but the people in place for us to speak up to refer you to someone else more often than not. I have had situations that seem unsafe and some that even involve a small child being exposed to intoxicants and have been told another red cap, security, etc needs to deal with it. No one seems to want to. Address the homelessness and prostitution directly, not passively with smoking bans and flowers.	9/10/2018 11:58 PM
2	It's getting worse. I'm seeing less & less of an allure to Eugene. It's really sad. There's SO much potential. A river front with miles of beautiful bike trails filled with trash & needles instead of vibrant restaurants, parks & retail.	9/10/2018 10:36 PM
3	Police do not make the most vulnerable safer or reduce crime. Please fund self determination and resources for people of color, the houseless, the disabled, low income, those managing addiction, and trans people.	9/10/2018 10:29 PM
4	improving a sense of safety for pedestrian traffic is also important because the more presence we can have of ordinary citizens on the streets, the greater our sense of community and the greater the experience of cohesive shared caring and relatedness which helps in so many ways, including reduced need for formal police presence.	9/10/2018 9:49 PM
5	More homeless are moving south	9/10/2018 9:40 PM
6	more cahoots units would be a force multiplier for the police department, with better more humane outcomes that cost less to effect	9/10/2018 8:44 PM
7	No	9/10/2018 8:41 PM
8	I appreciate there being a conversation about this topic. I'm 36, and a lot of friends I know who have lived in larger cities, such as New York, Portland, Seattle, comment on how they feel less safe walking streets here in Eugene at night.	9/10/2018 8:41 PM
9	Quit appeasing people who do not do his/her share to add to the community. There are definitely non performers allowed to suckle off of the goodwill of others. It's not enduring; it's parasitic. And as Winston Churchill said it, "an appeaser feeds the crocodile hoping to be eaten last."	9/10/2018 8:01 PM
10	Downtown does not feel safe during the the day and especially at night.	9/10/2018 7:57 PM
11	I unfortunately had quite a number of interactions with our local law enforcement, but I have almost uniformly found them to be respectful, communicative and helpful. 4 interventions and support to be successful we also need the surrounding area law enforcement to be sufficiently staffed, which is certainly not the case.	9/10/2018 7:52 PM
12	Please fund schools, health services, warming centers, food and grants for those managing houselessness and/or addiction.	9/10/2018 6:58 PM
13	When my family moved to Eugene 15 years ago, Downtown wasn't much to talk about. It didn't seem unsafe, but it seemed oddly empty. Then along came a real successful revitalization effort. Excellent work! We all loved it. Felt very safe and businesses seemed to be doing well. Then something happened; I'm not sure what or why. Over a few years I have seen panhandling become aggressive, people on the street selling and using drugs out in the open, needles and barf and urine on the sidewalks; I have heard loud, mean arguments and crass words exchanged. I have felt unsafe and awkward having to step around folks sleeping, just sitting around in groups, smoking and eating, leaving their garbage there. I go weekly to Springfield for volunteer work and I don't see that kind of decay and degeneracy on the streets in their downtown. I wonder....	9/10/2018 6:46 PM
14	We have lived in Bend, Portland and now Eugene for two years and never felt so safetywise insecure as here.	9/10/2018 6:42 PM

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15	The individuals who are part of the RED CAPS downtown and the individuals who help patrol the parks to try to create a safer Eugene seems to be a good step in the right direction.	9/10/2018 6:19 PM
16	In my opinion, the under-staffing of the service providers should not be used as a wholesale excuse for not responding and taking more aggressive action toward the small crimes that are piling up. A small percentage of people typically commit the majority of the crimes, and it is not that hard to re-prioritize the manner that crimes are investigated and given attention. Based on my experience in law enforcement, chasing the larger crimes (drugs, guns etc.) appears to be fruitful and is more exciting for the staff to investigate, but is actually counter-productive when that is the general focus. Based on my experience, when the small crimes are more aggressively investigated and given more attention, many larger crimes are cleaned up by default because the investigation of smaller crimes will often lead you solve the larger crimes that are generally prioritized because many of the offenders are one in the same.	9/10/2018 6:14 PM
17	The City keeps supporting building expensive housing for wealthy students or high-income people. Why aren't we building housing for lower income families and individuals. Portland is now working on this.. but their housing crisis is at a peak now.. why wait until we reach that point? Support housing projects that utilize LOCAL labor and that people with lower incomes can afford.	9/10/2018 5:39 PM
18	Yes, don't be so liberal and PC in the your ideas. I know this is Eugene, and empathy is important. But, don't reinforce bad behavior. Have some pride, honor, and guts to do the right thing, not the thing the far left wants. Most of us are in the middle and will support both sticks and carrots.	9/10/2018 5:35 PM
19	I ride my bike on the fern ridge bike path at least twice a week and consistently witness drug use, domestic abuse, fighting, camping, public urination and defecation, and get verbally abused by transient people each time. This also happens regularly public downtown spaces, in downtown neighborhoods, and at public parks. I am extremely anxious about my safety and that of my family.	9/10/2018 5:26 PM
20	I once had to call EPD for a mentally disturbed man who was talking to himself and blocking my exit from my workplace. EPD asked if I'd be willing to have Cahoots respond. I said yes--and I was so positively impressed with how the Cahoots professionals dealt with the gentleman and made it safe for me to exit.	9/10/2018 5:26 PM
21	Not at this time.	9/10/2018 5:21 PM
22	As a downtown business owner, I've multiple times had issues and had to call the police, only to get no live response. This not only effects a tax-paying independently owned business, but puts in danger my staff and clientele. These issues should be addressed immediately.	9/10/2018 5:15 PM
23	My sense of personal safety has eroded significantly over these last 12-15 months. I've always been aware and careful, but now, even during the daylight hours, I am worried about going on a run. I carry pepper spray and a noise whistle/alarm. I resent having to consider these things to the point of paranoia, while at the same time am heartbroken there are so many in need. Thank you for your time and putting together this survey of the community.	9/10/2018 4:54 PM
24	Community intervention programs seem to work well and create a culture of community responsibility. A safe environment is more likely with widespread community responsibility rather than depending on police to take care of all problems. Police are important and need community support too.	9/10/2018 4:45 PM
25	We need to address safety issues ahead of the coming population growth. More communication to the public by city and elected officials please.	9/10/2018 4:39 PM
26	Its getting less safe every year for many years now. I think we all know that. Lets fix this problem please.	9/10/2018 4:04 PM
27	It's time we stop being one of the most attractive places in the country for the homeless to come to.	9/10/2018 3:32 PM
28	We like Corvallis' and Bend's downtown and enjoy frequenting both.	9/10/2018 2:59 PM

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29	<p>I am a physically fit 35-year old male combat veteran from Texas, permanently relocated to Eugene and in my 5th year working on a Ph.D. at the University of Oregon. It is sad that I can say, generally, "I do not feel safe on the streets of Eugene at night." If I don't feel safe, knowing how to spot threats and run off, or defend myself if I need to, it's difficult for me to imagine anyone feels particularly confident one or two blocks adjacent the main brightly-lit thoroughfares. Even during the day, I avoid certain areas of our otherwise charming and picturesque city. The last time I went downtown for dinner and drinks was almost two years ago, when I ended up yelling for someone to call the police, running over to Kesey Square, and breaking up a fight between two men because one of them was boot-stomping the other's head into the bricks, both of them screaming obscenities at each other. I wish I could say that was my only such experience here, but it wasn't, it just happens to my last one because I don't go downtown anymore. Why would I? A friend of mine just moved into a new apartment downtown and when I asked what it was like he just shook his head and said he hates it, and he doesn't spend any time there. One unrealistic but very appealing idea I had to force our community safety concerns to be addressed: Individual members of the City Council are required to spend one night a week (unaccompanied by police or private security escort, but maybe pay a local journalist to come along and assist) working from 10pm to 2a downtown helping to tidy up trash into the bins, water planters, sweep sidewalks, distribute MREs/thermal blankets to the homeless, etc. Have the members rotate through different intersections and neighborhoods, so over the course of a few months they'd have seen the whole town: from the shocking, dangerous, and neighborhood-abusing parties in the campus districts; the unsteady effects of a new batch of meth on the local homeless downtown; to the winter burgeoning of sad and dreary encampments along the river and in the old industrial corners of town. Going out and seeing things one or two times a year is not enough, I think our City Council needs to feel the pulse of Eugene with their own hands, regularly.</p>	9/10/2018 2:09 PM
30	<p>We need a loitering law.</p>	9/10/2018 1:09 PM
31	<p>The "dead zone" in downtown Eugene is the space occupied by young people (we used to call them "travelers") who seem intent on being personally unhinged from life in the community. I would love to see them engaged in some way that brings them back to life and gives them creative ways to be part of the community. I personally don't know how to approach them, because there seems to be a "wall of attitude." But someone in the community surely must be gifted to scale that wall and invite these young people back to life and meaningful engagement.</p>	9/10/2018 12:28 PM
32	<p>I understand that traffic violations are not a top priority but it seems by stopping and ticketing people that it would pay for itself. Even a small uptick on increased ticketing and people seeing/hearing that there are consequences would likely decrease violations. Focus on running red lights for example.</p>	9/10/2018 11:37 AM
33	<p>Quality of life severely impacted by homelessness and vagrancy.</p>	9/10/2018 10:34 AM
34	<p>Groups of travelers loitering in the downtown area detracts from my feeling of safety. I should have to say "excuse me" to walk down a sidewalk that is being clogged by groups of individuals hanging out.</p>	9/10/2018 10:04 AM
35	<p>Rather than spend more money on programs, spend money on more police patrol and get the parks and streets cleaned up.</p>	9/10/2018 9:56 AM
36	<p>Prospects for reducing crime and fostering a sense of safety in Eugene would improve if EPD and the Eugene city council distinguish between the legal term, vagrancy, and the social condition of homelessness. If these continue to be conflated, homeless persons will be treated unfairly and efforts to direct EPD resources to counter crime cannot be effectively applied.</p>	9/10/2018 9:46 AM
37	<p>We need to invest in public safety . Make it a top priority. We're losing what has made our city great. Nobody will want visit a park, the library or downtown business if they continually have to deal with unsafe surroundings and aggressive street people.</p>	9/10/2018 9:31 AM
38	<p>Consider efforts to reduce the fear factors that prevent senior adults from traveling downtown from the suburbs. For example, downtown parking garages are threatening places for a mugging.</p>	9/10/2018 9:15 AM
39	<p>We need to continue to work for a fair solution for homelessness that leaves our downtown, parks and neighborhoods safe and enjoyable for taxpayers while not marginalizing those less fortunate.</p>	9/10/2018 9:14 AM
40	<p>It's minimal.</p>	9/10/2018 9:04 AM
41	<p>Need to make cops the hero's again. Make all the good they do more visible and get news to report instead of sensationalizing any negative for days....not saying reduce transparency, but make the positive count more</p>	9/10/2018 8:54 AM

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42	It's really important that individuals are aware of how they can deescalate situations, both community members and more specifically staff members.	9/10/2018 8:51 AM
43	I would like to see self defense classes taught in middle and high school, especially for girls	9/10/2018 8:44 AM
44	If it has not yet been done, I think it would be a good idea to survey/interview those within the community who do not have easy access to online surveys. Specifically the homeless and transient members of the community - and ask them how Eugene can better improve its services and be a more welcoming community - even in the downtown area.	9/10/2018 8:22 AM
45	I think a ban on pan-handling like other cities have implemented would be a giant first step in the right direction. This money should be redirected to services that helps individuals get back on their feet and doesn't enable them to continue with their horrid lifestyles on the streets.	9/10/2018 7:42 AM
46	If we don't amp up the overall feeling of safety we are going to have more people taking matters into their own hands.	9/10/2018 7:31 AM
47	I like the programs I learned about through this survey. Thank you.	9/10/2018 7:23 AM
48	Safety = livability. Without safety nothing else matters.	9/10/2018 6:12 AM
49	I've felt safe but im not doing anything that may require authorities for, glad for their presence in the community	9/10/2018 5:23 AM
50	The bike path along the river, between the valley river bridge and the water treatment plant feels especially deserted and vulnerable, especially early mornings.	9/10/2018 5:22 AM
51	I appreciate the efforts. I moved here mostly to enjoy the outdoors in a safe environment. Please help to keep that asset.	9/10/2018 5:16 AM
52	Hire more police. We don't need more libraries or parks. Safety is my number 1 concern	9/10/2018 3:50 AM
53	Please hire more police	9/9/2018 11:39 PM
54	HIRE MORE COPS!!!	9/9/2018 11:07 PM
55	My personal interactions with police officers have been very positive. I am worried for my friends of color in interactions with other officers.	9/9/2018 10:12 PM
56	Has gone downhill for years	9/9/2018 9:43 PM
57	Police staff numbers need to be increased. Consequences for illegal action must support their work; fines don't work & no consequence for ones actions results in more transients coming here.	9/9/2018 5:39 PM
58	Don't give up.	9/9/2018 2:32 PM
59	See above	9/9/2018 12:26 PM
60	Encourage kindness and love	9/9/2018 11:54 AM
61	I think these problems can be fixed somebody just has to have nerve enough to do it. A combination of intervention such as kahoots and the various courts is a pretty good plan. My takeaway is that it helps prevent repeat offenders. the next question is how to get rid of the repeat offenders. they must be engaged in a way that is more inconvenient than staying. They are water they will flow to least resistance.	9/9/2018 9:59 AM
62	Make panhandling illegal like they have done in Springfield. Try talking to the travelers to find out why they come to Eugene, then try to make it not as appealing for the dangerous travelers.	9/9/2018 9:04 AM
63	I have been in Municipal court several times w my Autistic adult son who has been cited for misdemeanor offenses such as open container, violations of open space rules, violations of crossing into Eugene open space when he was banned for 3 months after violating it on his bike?? All of this took public defender \$, lots of court time. Officer badge # 420 pursues and targets homeless individuals at Westmoreland park regularly and my son who is NOT homeless but w his disability st times could appear so, is harassed w them. Until recently the disc golf players were left alone to consume their "open containers " more discreetly. This use of funds is a waste of money when I read we are short officers and patrols!!! I live near Westmreland and this group of homeless people are non violent elderly and actually have relationships w BiMart next door to clean the area etc. officer Peckel(?)badge 420 needs to pursue real criminals. He actually followed my son on the bike path in his cruiser from Westmoreland ti Walmart on 11th!! My point from all this: in court case after case like this appear every day! Really? Let's rethink our priorities folks!	9/9/2018 8:59 AM

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64	Reduce leniency in allowing homeless/transient community to live in Eugene. I have lived in Eugene for a year now and was quite astounded with the homeless population - especially young individuals. It is my understanding that some of these individuals prefer this way of life. As a result you can have all the social services available but if there is no interest or desire by the transient folk to obtain these services, its pointless. Eugene needs to modify their laws to not allow these folks to litter and loiter the community. It is also my understanding that much of the theft related to Eugene is related to this community. I'm still educating myself but if this is in fact the case, the local govt is definitely mismanaging our taxes... Unfortunatly, I'm paying much more than I'd like to for my housing in effort to increase my safety (both personal and material).	9/9/2018 8:33 AM
65	More police and volunteers must have proper training to work with the less fortunate.	9/9/2018 8:06 AM
66	After moving here, I found out the mayor refers to the city as a business, and that Eugene is known as Shittown, because of the prominent human fecal matter problem. How safe does that make YOU feel, that the mayor calls this a business, and that the locals call their home a toilet?	9/9/2018 7:33 AM
67	Pubic safety is the shared responsibility of every community member. Educate the public about ways to become part of the solution to problems that affect our health and welfare. Improve communication. Public Safety personnel are too often viewed as separate from the community at large. Defuse the US vs THEM mentality that divides us and find meaningful opportunities to interact as members of the community positively. WE need to acknowledge and support one another in order to work together effectively. Together, WE can create a vibrant, safe, and inclusive community.	9/9/2018 2:44 AM
68	Downtown is dangerous. Such potential and such a waste	9/9/2018 1:29 AM
69	Colleges should not be able to supercede state law where concealed carry/Constitution is concerned.	9/9/2018 1:03 AM
70	I don't know how to answer this section. Everything looks top priority, but I am sure that is unrealistic. I need more information and wisdom to offer an informed opinion.	9/9/2018 12:03 AM
71	Police generally do a good job.	9/8/2018 11:08 PM
72	Do what Springfield does. Incarcerate criminal activity. Don't matrix. Do sting operations on bike paths to prevent rape. Police bike paths with motorcycle cops.	9/8/2018 10:15 PM
73	Our community is not safe at all the meth and other drug users are taking over this town , born and raised here I'm disappointed with the way we give so much services to the homeless it makes more flock to our town from every other state ,there is food ,clothes ,showers, mailboxes, i could go on and on . Why do i work and pay taxes when i could just live for free on riverfront property, and be clothed, fed , ect and have no worries at all.	9/8/2018 9:15 PM
74	No	9/8/2018 7:30 PM
75	For all of the bike bridges and overpasses where homeless people congregate under, I've wondered if we could install some sort of system to reduce loitering, camping, and crime. Maybe intermittent sprinklers? Annoying music? Planting Himalayan blackberries to make it uncomfortable to sleep there?	9/8/2018 7:02 PM
76	Don't sell drugs to people who are repetitive strain	9/8/2018 6:11 PM
77	Given Eugene's access to I-5, I am very concerned about the high volume of sex trafficking which has not been addressed in this survey but may be included in the statistics referred to.	9/8/2018 6:09 PM
78	We should train our officers to be able to handle people with autism and other disabilities. We don't want any law suits because we didn't have proper training for our officers.	9/8/2018 6:02 PM
79	Generally consider the city quite safe. Trying to reduce and address repeat offenders, and early intervention and prevention, I think, should be the highest priority.	9/8/2018 5:06 PM
80	Decisions in overall infrastructure is painstakingly slow, process made difficult, or lacks requirements. City Hall, Civic Stadium, and Roosevelt Mliddle schools sites have been vacant for years. Businesses given tax incentives to come here should be required to pay at least taxes for our schools. Growth density is stymied by permitting processes due to codes.	9/8/2018 4:47 PM
81	Eugene has really gone downhill since I moved here 26 years ago. 0 quality of life now.	9/8/2018 4:09 PM

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82	Public safety has to also include public health. And the City/County and police-security firms do not always work in a unified manner. We need to look at training which is consist between the police department and other security firms downtown. There needs to be an emphasis on mental health and A&D issues. Secondly, I cannot begin to voice my concerns about the lack of portapotties and access to clean drinking water. The homeless count is low, it is taken in January and does not include the many 'travelers' who arrive here. A sanctioned rest stop/camp needs a port pottie for every 10 residents. Where are the 300 porta potties that should be visible on Eugene streets? Safety needs to include hygiene. Places to fill water bottles, places to wash hands. And SAFE places for people to sleep. Lack of REM sleep causes or is a catalyst for many mental health problems (i.e. agitation, anger, hopelessness, self harm.) Thank you for making this survey available.	9/8/2018 2:00 PM
83	I'm frustrated with the extremely aggressive and confrontational homeless community. I believe that Eugene (and Oregon as a whole) is a mecca for people looking for a free ride. If we focused more on community safety of the taxpayers instead of the free loaders Eugene could again become a great college town instead of the cesspool it's become.	9/8/2018 1:45 PM
84	Top priority...get drugs off the streets! All our problems steam from drugs!	9/8/2018 1:19 PM
85	If Eugene doesn't get a better handle on this problem of loitering downtown Eugene will be right back to what is was like years ago a waste land	9/8/2018 12:47 PM
86	Kick the bums out, lock the tweakers a way, problem solved	9/8/2018 12:11 PM
87	More frequent Town tolls/ meetings regular citizens can attend and vote	9/8/2018 11:24 AM
88	The community is not safe in Eugene, but we are subsidizing the LTD bus service. In what alternate universe does this make sense???	9/8/2018 11:15 AM
89	No	9/8/2018 10:04 AM
90	Explore economic-safety nexus opportunities - like organizing a national convention on homelessness and substance abuse that would bring in revenue and ideas. In my observation, homelessness/poverty is not solvable at the Eugene level (it is a worldwide human condition that has afflicted every town I've lived from rural to metropolitan over my 50 years and certainly throughout history) - we must recognize what contributes and exacerbates the problem, including economic/development choices we make as a city and perceptions of "safe havens" that attract a negative element to come to, and stay, in Eugene.	9/8/2018 9:20 AM
91	I get real tired of the beggars on the street. Can't we put in place a no solitation law in place. It's refreshing when I go to other cities and I don't have people staring me down at a stop sign.	9/8/2018 8:55 AM
92	I see drug abuse as the biggest source of violent crime. Strengthening programs like D.A.R.E. would be a proactive solution.	9/8/2018 7:54 AM
93	Our officers are stressed to the max. They need support, freedom to do their job, without fear of being fired.	9/8/2018 7:42 AM
94	Drugs are openly used here and often they act in an unsafe way. This has spread outside of downtown now. Unsafe bicycle operation on the streets. Police who just don't respond because they say their hands are tied by city council so some people can't be arrested. The entitled attitude to welfare has led to people not seeing the need for job creation.	9/8/2018 7:42 AM
95	More visible police walking/patrolling downtown.	9/8/2018 7:26 AM
96	Of all of my experiences with police officers (in asking for help and communicating with them as an individual and business person), 99% have been positive. I am thankful for their concern and appreciate what they do given their lack of resources and help. I think if we find ways to address issues related to travelers and those who linger with a negative impact, that could help. Obviously, too, there is a need for mental health resources. Not sure how the budget allows for all these needs, but it should be a priority. I was impressed reading the percentages mentioned in the survey of the number of cases that were decreased after helpful responses from you (ie, teen court, mental health resources etc). Thank you for your efforts. I hope they continue to succeed.	9/8/2018 7:09 AM
97	An increased police presence is not necessarily the answer. The preventative programs described in previous questions (e.g., Mental Health Court,) sound like excellent additions to the community and should be prioritized. Not only should they be considered when managing the budget, I believe they should be proactively managed. I had not heard of several of them until this survey, yet I follow the City of Eugene on social media. There should be increased efforts to get the community aware and involved in such programs.	9/8/2018 7:05 AM

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98	The solution is not to add more armed police to “enforce laws” but to find more compassionate solutions that address the root cause of poverty and homelessness. House people, feed people. Help them off drugs. Improve education and access to higher education. Improve access to medical care.	9/8/2018 6:51 AM
99	As someone who was assaulted a year ago here, I found the police to be severely undertrained or uncaring when responding to the call. They forgot to take photos of my face after the assault, which made it difficult on my case to even show damage in court later. The People who respond to those kinds of calls, sexual in nature or not need to be more caring for our community to stay safe feeling, and cops need to take these offenses seriously when folks say we arent safe. I had a guy try to strangle me, and his family stalked around my house for months to unnerve me from testifying, and the cops acted like I was making things up. If I hadnt moved, and changed jobs twice, I could have had serious damage happen to me again. The police need to focus more on victim training to prevent murders so we feel like our voices are actually heard and that you guys want to help us. Aside from that the city has gotten more dangerous it feels like from college students who come here from out of state, and are only here for a while until they leave after college, my friends and I have personally experienced lots of younger guys acting out aggressively, following women even to scare them. I had this happen once even downtown where a guy started following me after he passed me, trying to attack me, before I pulled out my knife to scare him off. Men shouldn't be stalking women or making them feel chased into a parking garage. We need cops patrolling alleys and parking garages also. One last thing I would really like to see change, is for the Eugene police dept. to stop harassing people of color. I had a coworker literally attacked by them multiple times when leaving work just because he would walk home. He was even arrested one night after closing with me after his block had a robbery, when he approached his house he was arrested and charged without any witnesses because the Eugene police dept. is so racist they cant evaluate and check alibis first. If they had called his work asking he would have never even been arrested in the first place. If you guys want the community members to feel safer you need to actually stop pulling people of color over because of their skin color and actually fully investigate racist leaders in the area instead of letting some punk kids do the work for you by eliminating them from the local scenes. Everyone, regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, should feel welcome to be a part of the community. We shouldn't have literal nazis walking the streets starting violence. This wasn't the town I grew up in. I would like you guys to take these surveys seriously.	9/8/2018 6:41 AM
100	I don't go downtown by myself.	9/8/2018 6:34 AM
101	It has been going downhill for awhile and a social services approach seems like a good place to start with of course reserving hard force for more serious criminal activity	9/8/2018 12:29 AM
102	Crime is only going to get worse more officers are needed to deal with the problem for community safety and security.	9/8/2018 12:25 AM
103	The City Council has failed downtown in my opinion. Corvallis, Bend, Salem, The Pearl District in Portland! These are all lovely downtown areas where by and large people feel safe and are not embarrassed of. Eugene's is simply sad.	9/7/2018 11:07 PM
104	Great place to live. I do see more and more people who dont seem to have a place to stay. I dont feel unsafe around them. I decline requests for money but will bring g them a meal if I have time. I greatly appreciate CAHOOTS. I've heard they are not able to do as much because of budget restraints. Hope they will be.able to keep up the great work. Thank you for asking us these questions . .	9/7/2018 10:45 PM
105	Focus on traffic violations. Its very unsafe to ride a bike or walk. Install redlight cameras ASAP	9/7/2018 9:33 PM
106	Eugene is a pretty safe community. Our priorities are so backwards, we spend way too much on enforcement and jailing people and not enough on schools and social services.	9/7/2018 9:30 PM
107	The rights of the homeless population should not surpass that of the elderly and disabled who are now being disenfranchised in the downtown!	9/7/2018 9:14 PM
108	Traffic laws are being broken constantly, stopping for red lights on River Rd have become but a suggestion. Traffic tickets could pay for more officers	9/7/2018 7:58 PM
109	Many of the homeless people could be utilized for community service projects (higheay cleanup, downtown cleanup, parks services, etc.). If a criminal can do it (sheriffs workforce) so can some of the people who are choosing to pollute our street corners and the streets they are living on. ACCOUNTABILITY!!! Make them earn the services they receive. This is not hard stuff...	9/7/2018 6:54 PM
110	I think business communities like the Midtown Business Association are doing a fantastic job of bringing an alternative solution to reduce crime until Eugene can figure out the police force deficit.	9/7/2018 6:12 PM

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111	Make rge police do their job and respond when called about crimes	9/7/2018 5:09 PM
112	without the programs in this survey, things would be much worse	9/7/2018 4:44 PM
113	Vehicle crimes are seen as unavoidable "accidents" when they should be treated like crimes. If you're texting while using a chainsaw, and someone else gets hurt, that's a prosecutable crime. We need more prosecution of and much more education about distracted driving. I'd also love to see more protected bike lanes. I wish I knew what we could do to prevent bike theft; my family lost three bikes to theft in three years. Downtown is scary after dark for this woman. I avoid going there alone after dark unless I'm on a well-lit and well-traveled street.	9/7/2018 4:00 PM
114	Clean up the streets--no sleeping/laying around on sidewalks, no grafiiti, no unsafe drivers.	9/7/2018 2:47 PM
115	Increase the police response for non violent calls.	9/7/2018 2:06 PM
116	Increased visibility of police and safety staff is essential for the livability of our community.	9/7/2018 11:37 AM
117	Good luck to everyone involved in this effort. I daydream of a downtown where I can walk safely with my family and not be accosted by ranting weirdos, people OD'ing on the sidewalk, or clusters of dopers sitting on Kesey's head and vandalizing the statues.	9/7/2018 11:13 AM
118	I appreciate all that the police and related services, such as Cahoots, do, to keep all parties in the community safe.	9/7/2018 10:45 AM
119	It starts with personal awareness. More police is not going to mean there is less crime or violence. People need to be aware of their surroundings and stay out of dangerous areas, especially at night.	9/7/2018 10:07 AM
120	Since the time I have relocated to Eugene, I have noticed an uptick in violent crime and an increase in the amount of homeless people. Unfortunately the saying of "being homeless is not a crime" doesn't apply when often times these are the people that are dealing drugs, prowling unoccupied residences, breaking into vehicles, and otherwise causing a nuisance to the city. The City Council needs to DO SOMETHING to address the level of crime and combat it in a swift and efficient manner.	9/7/2018 8:50 AM
121	Respond more often when it has to do with reporting someone's mental health	9/7/2018 8:30 AM
122	Safety here in Eugene is horrible. I used to live in the LA area. Somedays here in the area of west Eugene, I feel like I'm still living in LA.	9/7/2018 5:54 AM
123	na	9/7/2018 1:00 AM
124	No, but I think Eugene Police is doing a great job with their present resources. We are very blessed to have any service they provide.	9/6/2018 10:48 PM
125	Most of these questions are a bit if a no brainer when it comes to improving community services and resources. My hesitation with just asking for more money surrounds the large pension problem with public employees including the police department. In addition, it's tough to see a lot if money spent on expensive infastructure which includes a brand new flashy police department and ongoing very expensive operational equipment. I've been in states where the police drive inexpensive, but reliable cars and aren't geared up to the teeth with expensive equipment. I wish the police department would consider not appearing to be more militarized and for them to get out of their cars and walk around a bit. It's about community policing on a basic and more humanisitic level.	9/6/2018 10:02 PM
126	I feel very unsafe in this town after 25 years of feeling safe here. Eugene is not what it once was.	9/6/2018 9:14 PM
127	Downtown is better, but all of the difficult folks are now on East 12th by White Bird.	9/6/2018 8:34 PM
128	Separate u of o parking and city parking. Nobody dont know the parking who owns what.	9/6/2018 7:03 PM
129	Overall Eugene doesn't feel like a safe place for me as a female.	9/6/2018 5:03 PM
130	It's not great, the increase in the homeless population is destroying the city. Will become like LA's skid row.	9/6/2018 4:26 PM
131	There have been big advances in livability over the last 10-15 years in downtown Eugene. Let's sustain that trajectory, and reject the climate of "no accountability" that seems to be on the increase.	9/6/2018 3:25 PM
132	Make it a high priority and patrol downtown, parks, and bike trails.	9/6/2018 3:18 PM

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133	A lot of times it seems like the police do things to get back at people who annoy them for asking for services in Whiteaker and west Eugene. Also, sometimes dispatch doesn't call Cahoots when asked. This is different than Cahoots being busy.	9/6/2018 3:06 PM
134	Please help our community feel safer again! I for one will vote formore funding...	9/6/2018 3:02 PM
135	The Whiteaker residents are bearing the brunt of the unsafe conditions. I understand downtown is important, but please help us, too! I am low-income and can't move. There are rumors of people forming "vigilante" justice groups--which is probably not a great solution.	9/6/2018 2:03 PM
136	I agree that the Homelessness issue needs to be better addressed. The crime rate in our neighborhoods have increased as their numbers have. I think those truly in need of help because of circumstances beyond their control & trying to get back on their feet should be helped to get them & their kids in better places. I think those choosing the nomadic, traveling, homeless lifestyle & esp those with criminal records & activities should be removed from our streets or invited to leave & stop making Eugene such a great place for them to stay at & continue causing crimes in. (I heard that years ago the train station workers would help them find the train they wanted to catch out of the city rather than chase them off of the trains so they were forced to stay. Smart way to try to help with community safety.) I Do Not agree that we should build homeless camps in our neighborhoods which decreases the safety & health for everyone. I think the Vets, elderly, teens, handicapped & mentally ill should have better or continue resources to help them stay off the streets. The above question abt "Support the effort to address the homeless" depends on whether they are truly good ways of reducing & helping and not just helping it grow by giving them places to stay rent free in our neighborhoods as they continue their crimes, vandalism, garbage mess, & making it unsafe for everyone while growing in numbers because the city makes it so pleasant to be here.	9/6/2018 1:58 PM
137	You should be encouraging families, professionals and businesses to come to Eugene...not "travellers". The resource generators (aka taxpayers) can only sustain a set percentage of indigents... a level far exceeded in this town.	9/6/2018 1:22 PM
138	The community is safe already. Talk to those who live and work in the community.	9/6/2018 12:01 PM
139	I'm just glad I'm leaving after watching the town decline for 10 years.	9/6/2018 11:17 AM
140	Lighting, has improved with LED lights, more! !	9/6/2018 10:40 AM
141	If everyone had their basic survival needs met, there would be less crime--we can't incarcerate our way out of homelessness, drug use, or violent crime. Studies have proven this. Raise the standard of living for the people with the lowest incomes in our community, and there will be less crime.	9/6/2018 10:40 AM
142	The vagrants downtown outnumber other visitors to the area & this discourages people to spend time & money downtown due to safety issues.	9/6/2018 10:36 AM
143	Eugene is a safe community. We need to invest in young people, starting with our schools--which are ridiculously underfunded. I have never lived in a city with such a horribly underfunded school district. I grew up in one of the poorest incorporated cities in Los Angeles, and my schools were so much better funded than schools here. There were programs in place to help poor students, Spanish speaking students, and school materials were provided at the elementary school level, as were onsite vaccination clinics. I know this may not be possible here, but the least you can do is keep schools open 5 days a week during most of the school year. The number of random days off of school is unacceptable. Stop treating homeless people as if they are a huge threat to public safety. Although there are a few violent homeless people, most just need our help. They may not pay property taxes or vote, but they are part of this city and part of your constituency. Please afford them the same respect you would to the most highly paid surgeon living in Eugene. Finally, you MUST improve emergency response times. Perhaps training is needed to help dispatchers prioritize emergency calls--you are the experts, not me. I wonder how many horrible outcomes have occurred because of lack of emergency personal arriving in a timely manner?	9/6/2018 9:45 AM
144	Return to enforcing traffic laws. Speeding, running red lights and stop signs and cell phone usage has become the norm, creating a very unsafe transportation situations.	9/6/2018 9:40 AM
145	Write tickets for all the cell phone use I see everyday as people drive! City budget would benefit, road would be safer!	9/6/2018 9:20 AM
146	Enforce loitering laws	9/6/2018 9:10 AM
147	Eugene prides itself on community, but it's hard to feel that level of community when you are constantly uneasy. I want to feel safe here, and I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts.	9/6/2018 8:23 AM

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148	Being proactive, addressing the problems of homelessness and crime will save the city money in the long run. Don't wait until it becomes a crisis like in the past, and it cost money to clean that could have been used for programs.	9/6/2018 7:59 AM
149	What about white supremacists in Eugene and in our police force? Can we protect our communities from them?	9/6/2018 6:48 AM
150	A Y in Bethel would go a long way to helping keeping the local youth on the right path.	9/6/2018 6:20 AM
151	I am hopeful that the city is taking this seriously. Eugene can be a more welcoming place to everyone and I'm happy to see efforts to try to connect people with services.	9/6/2018 5:52 AM
152	Getting homeless off the streets and dealing with the ridiculous drug problems	9/6/2018 4:49 AM
153	I like it here	9/6/2018 1:11 AM
154	All the extra people u higherd to tel people not to sit or be down town including me a mother not some homeless bum u could be using all that money for housing and job search programs	9/6/2018 12:36 AM
155	We MUST fund all these programs and increase our trained police force	9/6/2018 12:27 AM
156	We could use cctv around the bike paths.	9/6/2018 12:13 AM
157	Don't allow the repete criminals in the public and clean up down town and rid the travelers	9/5/2018 11:54 PM
158	Eugene used to be a unique and special place to live. Our once beautiful setting is now home to tents and garbage and drug paraphernalia, we've had to cut down vegetation and trees and move boulders in and gate off underpasses to keep our homeless population from squatting. Our city feels unsafe and our streets and bikepaths have been claimed by the same population. There has to be a better way. Allocation of funds needs to be evaluated and more police officers are needed. The city will only decline further if needs are not met.	9/5/2018 11:53 PM
159	Move the gangs out.	9/5/2018 11:47 PM
160	Unless we take Serious measures soon it is only going to get worse. People get assaulted on the bike paths near by me and now on the city streets around our neighborhood. These people know there is no long-term report for the actions that they take against others be a property crimes, violence, drug crimes, etc	9/5/2018 11:32 PM
161	Improve beltline delta intersection.	9/5/2018 9:22 PM
162	Endless new safety measure ideas are still bandaid solutions. Get the perpetrators,ie., vagrants/drug addicts out of this town, whether by bus, train or plane.	9/5/2018 9:14 PM
163	Add foot patrols in downtown areas of residential buildings	9/5/2018 8:50 PM
164	Homeless Petty crime...so much diversion programs, maybe that's why the are frequent flyers...give them long sentences in order to deterr	9/5/2018 7:53 PM
165	IT'S GONE TO HELL AND EVERYONE KNOWS IT YET NO-ONE WANTS TO BE THE ONE TO SPEAK THE FUCK UP ABOUT IT FOR FEAR OF BEING MEANY OL' NASTY POOPY MAN CUZ YA KNOW,,,,, FEELINGS AND ALL THAT??????	9/5/2018 7:36 PM
166	There are u housed people who feel very unsafe. I wonder how many of them are able to complete this survey.	9/5/2018 7:28 PM
167	You have to do something! I bought a gun and now have a concealed weapons permit. I stopped biking to work because the west Eug bike path has become too dangerous. Please do something about it!	9/5/2018 7:24 PM
168	Much community work to educate Oregonians to the need to change laws to finance mental health programs and hospitals, including addictions to meth etc.	9/5/2018 6:27 PM
169	Let he police be police. Follow Springfield's model of strict enforcement. If you don't address this they will soon surpass Eugene as a destination to be.	9/5/2018 5:51 PM
170	I felt much safer in Manhattan...at all hours.	9/5/2018 5:40 PM
171	Start with the homeless on every corner of the streets begging for money. Do something about them downtown. When a tax paying citizen walks down the street and gets approached by a homeless person asking for money and gets told no why do they they have to be subjected to the crap that the homeless does to them but if the other person does it to the homeless person that isn't ok. The city council and everybody in a city job needs to pull heads out and do something instead of just talking about it do it.	9/5/2018 3:45 PM

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172	Some of the above questions, where I voted not sure. Need better. Explanations	9/5/2018 3:22 PM
173	Downtown Eugene is out of control- I no longer feel safe there. I don't take my children down there. I do not go the downtown businesses. There are not enough police downtown not enough jail space. What is the point of ticketing the kids & travelers, homeless when we don't have the jail space. I'll be visiting downtown Springfield.	9/5/2018 3:18 PM
174	We need more officers working	9/5/2018 2:25 PM
175	I value the work our police and social services do. More community awareness should be encouraged so that people know mental health services are available rather than police. Perhaps start meditation services to cut back on police non emergency calls	9/5/2018 2:16 PM
176	We are a lot safer here than media and pointed surveys like this one would have us believe. A fearful population is much easier to manipulate.	9/5/2018 1:16 PM
177	Community safety cannot be enforced by the populist. We need law enforcement, appropriate sentencing and consequences, and a no tolerance attitude to unsocialized and criminal behaviors.	9/5/2018 12:29 PM
178	Will not go downtown on weekends and evenings. Oakway mall is the new downtown.	9/4/2018 9:26 PM
179	Yes, an independent finacoaudotor was within the reach of the inept city Council. Whitaker did they do? Not a fraking thing. Thanks Clark-	9/3/2018 11:02 PM
180	Please continue the Bait Bikes program. Eugene is a great place to ride a bicycle, but I fear having mine stolen.	9/2/2018 8:51 AM
181	Budgetarily public safety (to include mental health) must take priority. Ordinances that control behavior in public need to be supported by staffing. The staffing problem for police is not a recent issue. It's been shamefully low for the 50 years I've been here. Fix that. Creative solutions required to address crime and livability should not continue to rely on resorces borrowed from other tasks. Crime fighting needs to be staffed appropriately, then add on livability programs. Fund it. Plain and simple.	9/2/2018 8:03 AM
182	Something has to be done about the homeless problem. There is no affordable housing. Many people that are working can't afford anywhere to live which increases the homeless problem.	9/1/2018 6:34 AM
183	Get a drug sniffing dog and take it to different parts of the city and parks, if the dog smells an illegal substance, like heroin, take the illegal substance and let the person go on their way. People won't come back to areas where they know they will have their stuff taken.	9/1/2018 5:33 AM
184	Eugene used to be safe. It can be safe again.	9/1/2018 2:13 AM
185	Let's invest to improve safety	8/31/2018 11:53 PM
186	That the situation is getting worse, not better. We need to address community safety before it spirals out of control.	8/31/2018 10:30 PM
187	The increased police presence downtown and at the downtown bus station does not increase feelings of community safety. The heavy police presence and the smoking ban within the downtown blocks is pushing people out of downtown into surrounding residential areas, which will increase the risk of crime in residential areas. With the police busy monitoring downtown, harrasing the homeless and already having a slow response time this puts more people living in the community at risk for being victims of violent crimes in their homes. Downtown is mostly comprised of businesses with staffing, cameras and security systems. The likelihood of crime occurring in the downtown blocks is lower due to these facts. I think the focus should be on the safety of people in the community, not people considered nuisances because they do not have homes or ride the LTD.	8/30/2018 12:01 AM
188	I support the one-way bus ticket out of town	8/29/2018 11:14 PM
189	Community safety is the single highest priority of local government. It is time for the counselor to begin to treat the Public Safety budget as priority number one, even if that means trimming the budget of the less essential departments such as urban forestry, environmental agencies, etc. It is also important for the city Council To be proactive in helping find ways to limit PERS outlays So they don't continue to consume larger and larger portions of local budgets.	8/29/2018 6:08 PM
190	Safety should be a top priority above all else. I like the proposal to put cameras downtown I think that is a good step in the right derection. I think extra funding should be given to EPD even at the expense of other services.	8/29/2018 4:39 PM

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191	Downtown is on the brink. It had improved for a while, now business leaders are discussing it, and while we remain committed to being downtown for now, it has become an issue that many are considering as an employee safety issue.	8/29/2018 2:29 PM
192	Yes, create programs and make laws to keep the transients from wanting to come here. You need to not only try to address the existing issue, you need to stop the flow.	8/29/2018 2:18 PM
193	It is out of control and the majority of people are tired of looking at garbage near the river, having bikes stolen off their porch and being unable to enjoy our parks and bike paths.	8/29/2018 2:16 PM
194	While I find it generally safe in Eugene, that is from a male perspective. I think females would have a very different perspective, and I know that for fact from my wife and daughter. Beyond safety, having people basically living on the streets of the down town core is not welcoming. It is holding back progress in developing the downtown core into the vibrant place it could be. Clean it up for crying out loud. Get these people away from the streets. Stop coddling them and treating them like they are your friends.	8/29/2018 1:56 PM
195	It is becoming so bad that we are considering moving.	8/29/2018 1:24 PM
196	There are so many reasons to fund public safety. I highly caution city leaders funding EPD at the expense of other city resources that make this community worth living in. (Recreation, Parks, Library, Community Events, Art and Culture) Not everything can be gained in a bond or supported through an ongoing levy.	8/29/2018 1:20 PM
197	More mental health options would solve a lot.	8/29/2018 11:23 AM
198	I don't like the military grade weaponry police have (assault rifles and shotguns). While there has yet to be a mass riot in Eugene it may happen, and a militarized police force will return violence upon them most likely. Would be sad to see people en masse being shot.	8/29/2018 11:11 AM
199	Hire more police....kinda obvious.	8/29/2018 11:10 AM
200	CAHOOTS is amazing and maintaining it should be a priority, as well as more preventative programs and resources. More training in mental health for officers, and non violent deescalation.	8/29/2018 11:04 AM
201	We need new ideas, bold leadership and real change.	8/29/2018 9:44 AM
202	EPD does a good job w what they are given. I do feel unsafe largley due to roaming vagrants digging through garbage or begging.	8/29/2018 9:38 AM
203	It's shameful how underfunded public safety is today. People have no problem complaining about EPD and response time but no one is willing to pony up the necessary funding.	8/29/2018 8:57 AM
204	I'm really tired of all the money and resources being spent on the growing illegal transient population. In the end, the more we give, the more the demand. Look for solutions that discourage and eliminate this behavior. They really need some "tough love" and to be held somewhat accountable for their behavior.	8/29/2018 8:18 AM
205	GET YOUR PRIORITIES STRAIGHT. Stop ticketing people for stupid new laws when you dont have even a decent response time for violent assaults.	8/29/2018 8:16 AM
206	No	8/29/2018 8:15 AM
207	I still feel unsafe and the idea of raising my child in this area is getting more and more worrying due to the crime, drug use and excessive dangerous homeless population	8/29/2018 7:56 AM
208	I think the problem is more of a perception of lack of safety than actual lack of safety.	8/29/2018 7:36 AM
209	The downtown area is getting a little better ive seen but with all the drunk homeless people or druggies on the streets it not the safest town. The thing is im always going around eugene and seeing this. I love this community and the police are fair and just doing there jobs. Ive seen disable people getting picked on and ive stepped in because i know alot about this community . I think we need a prohran that helps the cops like a community watch program something like it i love this community the cops are awesome here just shortage of them makes it impossible for them.	8/29/2018 7:32 AM
210	If you don't do something about the homeless it's going to become a cesspool in Eugene	8/29/2018 7:22 AM
211	Need more enforcement on traffic laws.	8/29/2018 7:01 AM
212	I believe the changes in UO's culture (from academic flagship to party/sports college) have driven many negative changes in Eugene over the last 20 years.	8/29/2018 6:57 AM

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213	Stop raising our taxes to fund a grossly over-inflated PERS system. You're robbing from Peter to pay Paul and our communities are suffering. And stop allowing the homeless to live here just so you can increase grant money from the Government to fund your social welfare programs. You're driving good, tax-paying citizens away.	8/29/2018 6:54 AM
214	Just returned from a trip to WA., ID, MT. Didn't see people begging and taking over the streets of their downtown areas. Have we become enablers? Hanging out on the streets of downtown has become a lifestyle.	8/29/2018 6:49 AM
215	Drug dealing houses need to be dealt with! There are so many houses in my neighborhood that everyone knows is dealing drugs- yet...nothing happens to them.	8/29/2018 6:00 AM
216	It's still a nice town, things are going downhill everywhere.	8/29/2018 4:43 AM
217	Drug addiction. Suicide Theft	8/29/2018 4:35 AM
218	Cahoots is a blessing, not perfect but still so cool. Community court is a joke. Mental health recourses are a joke. Cops need to be respectful and respected.	8/29/2018 2:47 AM
219	Broadway around Olive-Willamette is a total mess.	8/29/2018 2:30 AM
220	The tweakers and homeless people here make the "average" person somewhat uncomfortable. I mean really where else can you go buy your lunch and when walking back to your car see some homeless guy taking a shit in an alley in broad daylight? You guessed it!! Right here in good ol Eugene, Oregon!!	8/29/2018 12:19 AM
221	N/A	8/29/2018 12:15 AM
222	Add officers. We haven't had enough money for more officers in years.	8/28/2018 11:43 PM
223	A lot more needs to be done to greatly improve communications between public and police and vice versa. This survey is a transparent effort to generate public support for more spending on policing. You could construct a similar survey on mental health services in this city or county, which directly effects community safety, both of the mentally well and the mentally ill. And would GREATLY relieve the burdens carried by the EPD and LC Sheriff's Dept.	8/28/2018 11:01 PM
224	Can we contract with any other jails, in other areas, to avoid the in and out revolving door process?	8/28/2018 11:01 PM
225	I would feel more safe with the police patrolling more rather than seeing them wake the homeless. It isn't sleeping homeless that scare me, it is large groups of questionable folk blocking whole sidewalks (Mlk/Coburg rd/RR/downtown) There is no way I would walk past a large group like that with my children	8/28/2018 10:59 PM
226	Please improve relationships with Persons of Color. Many will badger you about the homeless & drugs yet will fail to acknowledge the grim reality of wealth inequality.	8/28/2018 10:52 PM
227	We need to keep criminals locked up and fund jail beds so we can stop matrixing out people who need to remain in custody. Concurrently the DA needs to prosecute all crimes.	8/28/2018 10:31 PM
228	When people look suspicious on bikes with backpacks in the dark no lights stop and ask what's up why are you here where are you going what are you doing do you need to go to jail?	8/28/2018 10:00 PM
229	I was happier living else where than moving to this city. The crime the drug use the sexual abuse and the homeless, the squatters and the lack of city officials taking a stand on these issues. is in excusable.	8/28/2018 9:58 PM
230	I would love to be able to enjoy the bike paths and feel safe. Safe from being attacked, stepping on needles and stumbling upon random sketchy camps full of trash.	8/28/2018 8:40 PM
231	The police need support so we can make Eugene great again. City council needs to get it together and listen to the tax payers.	8/28/2018 7:40 PM
232	Stop giving out needles for free or without a prescriptions because they can't dispose of them properly	8/28/2018 7:16 PM
233	Stop pandering to the homeless and drug addicted. People come across from across the country because they hear of all the handouts the city gives them.	8/28/2018 7:14 PM
234	A curfew would be nice.	8/28/2018 7:12 PM

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235	More about bicycle and pedestrian safety.alot totally thinks they rule the road and dont follow saftey rules with traffic.. also more traffic saftey reminders some people don't understand flashing yellow or red lights and arrows and bus lanes...merging...wish people could get reminded about driving safety.	8/28/2018 6:37 PM
236	i moved from one of the safest counties in the country- ventura county, CA. we had lots of plicie living there , which i think had an impact. if you increase the pay for police and give them the tools and training they need.... i work with folks- sometimes rhe homeless.just met a man who reports he was routed from Ogden, Utah and put on a bus to Eugene. of the first time i have heard that story	8/28/2018 6:30 PM
237	No	8/28/2018 5:40 PM
238	Eugene isn't perfect, but I think it's much better than most places. I think some people over-react to the homeless. I have never been fearful in our downtown.	8/28/2018 5:30 PM
239	I don't feel very safe at all compared to Spfld. I think Eugene could learn a lot through the model Spfld has created.	8/28/2018 5:10 PM
240	We should have more police patrolling around on foot and on bikes. You can't always see everything from a vehicle.	8/28/2018 5:09 PM
241	Keep up the good work our law enforcement does. They take so much criticism and they are only doing their best. More education in dealing with Mental health issues. Corvallis has an amazing program that should be modeled after.	8/28/2018 4:51 PM
242	Who do I call if my neighborhood has a "sketchy" house that sells drugs on the street and is a bike chop shop.	8/28/2018 4:46 PM
243	Use of available resources is a top propriety. Homeless should be made to provide service to the supporting community	8/28/2018 3:54 PM
244	I think for things like disturbances or someone "looking suspicious" involved. Cahoots is an indispensable service . We need like 6 of them. I'm unsure about the crime reduction thing because for violent crime and preventing sexual assault, absolutely. I'm afraid this could result in a crackdown on quality of life crimes, such as sleeping in public (I've had to lie down on public for a migraine and once because I was so tired I was starting to faint... was not allowed! I'm so poor a 2 figure ticket could wreck me); or profiling minorities or unhoused people.	8/28/2018 3:46 PM
245	Just do it.	8/28/2018 3:37 PM
246	There is a lot of low hanging fruit. Unsanctioned Homeless camps that are incubators for crime are ignored by police, despite much community complaining about the subject.	8/28/2018 3:26 PM
247	I grew up here and it's now terrible. I've seen it go so downhill here and am very sad about it. I hope there can be a resolution to stop the cycle.	8/28/2018 3:24 PM
248	There is far to much money going to enabling organizations such as White Bird and CAHOOTS, that could be used for housing. Why is housing off the table? not to mention the chained container gardens, smh.	8/28/2018 2:54 PM
249	The Eugene Police Department needs more resources. This should be a top priority for the City Council.	8/28/2018 2:28 PM
250	This is a nice town going through growing pains. We need more cops, but only a few. I have lived where there are many and it's not better.	8/28/2018 12:38 PM
251	The failure of state government to find solutions to the PERS is draining the resources of all public agencies in Oregon including the city of Eugene. Until a workable solution is found the safety of those living within the city of Eugene and most other communities in Oregon will continue to decline and crime will flourish. Citizens must learn how to protect themselves with the use of defensive weapons. The bottom line is police will never have the resources to protect the citizens because it's too expensive to hire and train individual officers.	8/28/2018 12:33 PM
252	There are problems downtown because they are tolerated. Both the community and the city need to be less tolerant of unacceptable behavior - sleeping in stairwells, laying on the sidewalk, trash in the alleys, aggressive panhandling, smoking marijuana, and even shooting heroin. Regardless of whether or not the "travelers" who are responsible are to blame for their circumstances or not, the behavior should not be tolerated.	8/28/2018 12:13 PM

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253	I appreciate all the great work that is being done in our community! We need to invest in our education systems and housing, and the results will have a positive impact on community safety in future years.	8/28/2018 10:53 AM
254	Downtown Eugene has an enormous, chronic, serious problem. Other towns in Oregon don't seem to have the problems Eugene has. Why? What are Corvallis, Bend, and Salem doing that Eugene is failing to do?	8/28/2018 10:42 AM
255	The police do a good job of making their presence known in the downtown area being on foot, bike or in a car. I do appreciate the work they are doing which is not easy.	8/28/2018 10:18 AM
256	I wish I had an solution to remove the derilects from the downtown so that it could flourish and be a fun place to go to.	8/28/2018 9:53 AM
257	No	8/28/2018 9:44 AM
258	Downtown doesn't have a homeless issue. It's a safety/criminal issue.	8/28/2018 9:38 AM
259	It seems Eugene has become attractive and inviting to people who choose to live as vagrants, and as a result tax dollars are being spent on programs that serve them, or 'improvements' Downtown to displace them. They contribute no tax revenue to the community, but use resources. There's an inherent inequity in the system.	8/28/2018 9:00 AM
260	Do something about our homeless population. I understand that some people are unhoused because of circumstance and are working hard to better their lives. Those people should receive services and help. The people who are not working to make life better, are drug abusers and dangerous to our community should be gone. We need to stop making it easy for them to stay. Springfield has almost no homeless (that I see while driving in town), why is Eugene's problem so bad?	8/28/2018 8:54 AM
261	Add task force or team to address sexual assault -women are no longer reporting. Avoid certain roads and businesses, information being shared by word of mouth rather than official EPD guidance.	8/28/2018 7:31 AM
262	I am grateful for the new police chief. It seems like he is trying hard to improve our safety. I believe we made a successful transition, which is often hard to do. Well done.	8/28/2018 7:13 AM
263	I'm in a position where I introduce many visitors to our community and I'm embarrassed by the changes over recent years. Our policies have made us look like a place with a very serious problem.	8/28/2018 7:11 AM
264	Thank you for the increased police presence downtown. City Events are ineffective in helping us, police presence does so much more.	8/28/2018 6:57 AM
265	I've lived here 21 years. I'm raising 4 children. My husband is a business owner in town. I've seen this town change for the worse the last 10 years. We've talked seriously of moving. I come from 4 generations of policeman. My father, grandfather and so-on. I'm familiar with how it works. It's not working well here. Response time is downright unsafe, crime (petty and otherwise) is out of control and for years it's just gotten worse and hasn't been addressed properly. It's time! People here are getting fed up.	8/28/2018 6:49 AM
266	i support early intervention programs like teen cort. i have mixed feeling about some of the other alternative programs. a tremendous amount of resources are put into a very small number of repeat offenders. the argument is that it is ultimately revenue possitive due to reduced costs related to those people down the road. that's great. the problem is that it doesnt address the need for effective solutions today. it does however divert available funds that could have a significant impact today. We're putting a new roof on a house with a crumbling foundation. if we dont stabilize the foundation, it wont matter that we have a 30 year roof.	8/28/2018 6:39 AM
267	If Oregon improved their dismal education system less kids would drop out and continue the cycle of poverty. The schools here are awful in comparison to other cities in the US. An uneducated society equals social problems.	8/28/2018 6:39 AM
268	The downtown community today is not for most of us. It us for people who choose to live on the street, are disrespectful, and cause problems and commit crimes and make people feel unsafe.	8/28/2018 6:25 AM
269	https://www.npr.org/2015/12/10/459100751/utah-reduced-chronic-homelessness-by-91-percent-heres-how	8/28/2018 6:09 AM
270	Increase punishments!!!	8/27/2018 11:30 PM

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271	More advertisements for CAHOOTS, had never heard of it. Public messages on how to appropriately respond to when a homeless individual does get angry or aggressive.	8/27/2018 10:49 PM
272	Focus on building more staff	8/27/2018 10:00 PM
273	I feel that city counselors want to use bandaied solutions like banning smoking downtown to increase livability, but let's put the people wandering the streets and camping out each block to work- get them a place to live and have them collaborate to better our community. Not be a part of the problem. Housing and mental health/substance abuse treatment should be made available. Proving BASIC needs for those who NEED assistance. This is pretty simple, and yet is not fully funded by the city counselors.	8/27/2018 9:42 PM
274	Deescalation training is essential	8/27/2018 8:55 PM
275	Support No Smoking in Downtown / A Good Step / Also Support the No Dogs / Seemed Threatening / Love Dogs - Sad that this has to be	8/27/2018 8:28 PM
276	Shoutout to downtown Redcaps, they are great! They need to have 2 more people to have more reach.	8/27/2018 7:51 PM
277	Don't know what 'enhance livability' or 'promote community solutions' mean in the context of policing.	8/27/2018 7:32 PM
278	Bike paths NEED nighttime bike patrols. You can't do it in a car. You actually need to put plain-clothes female cops on the bike paths late at night and early in the morning to see what we're going through and to clear out those who are depriving the community of legitimate use of the bike paths. No wonder we keep having fewer and fewer people riding bikes. Ditch the park ambassadors and put Community Service Officers on night patrol duty; I'm sure dispatch will roll a unit when they call in (unlike what happens when a mere citizen calls). Also, be near the bars when they close. I've never seen so many drunk drivers as I see in Eugene. Like shooting fish in a barrel, only it saves lives, watch them wobble to their cars and then pull them off the road pronto.	8/27/2018 7:28 PM
279	finding reasources for suspects is much cheaper, than rearresting them over and over. Our jail is not designed to rehabilitate.	8/27/2018 7:14 PM
280	I have considered moving because of the increase in crime, especially during the armed robbing spree earlier this year.	8/27/2018 5:02 PM
281	Add more bike cops in downtown Eugene please.	8/27/2018 2:04 PM
282	Programs like CAHOOTS are really valuable. It would be good to report on the facts of the homeless and transient population and find ways to help them (which is essentially keeping them out of trouble). Thank you	8/27/2018 11:39 AM
283	No	8/26/2018 10:35 AM
284	Not only do we need more police and 911 personnel, but we need to choose them wisely. Not everyone who wants to be a police officer would necessarily be good at it. Put hiring well above hiring fast. The City Council should understand police training, because officers seem, sometimes, to be criticised for doing as they were trained to do.	8/26/2018 9:48 AM
285	There seems to be a lot of anger in general. I notice it while I'm driving. People ride my rear end and try to force me to speed in residential areas. Traffic has increased and our streets can't seem to handle all the cars. There is an over abundance of landscapers driving big puckup trucks and pulling enormous trailers and they go at high rates of speed. Who hires these speeders to work in their yards? They show no respect for the neighborhood.	8/24/2018 10:10 PM
286	Eugene use to feel clean, safe, healthy and even consciously elevated. Now some days when walking or biking around town, I feel like I've entered a zombie apocalypse. I miss Eugene and the freedom I felt here.	8/24/2018 9:40 PM
287	Get it done!!! Our city council spends more money on studies for building a new city hall which could be used for public safety.	8/24/2018 8:24 PM
288	Start a dedicated traffic enforcement patrol in the police department.	8/24/2018 8:20 PM
289	I do not feel safe going to walk by the river by myself anytime of day. I wish the downtown was cleaner and wasn't full of groups of homeless on each corner.	8/24/2018 7:33 PM
290	Thanks for the smoking ban in downtown. It will be so much nicer. Start giving tickets to the bikes and skateboards on downtown sidewalks please. They're dangerous!	8/24/2018 6:57 PM

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291	I checked medium priority on almost everything because this survey added "as budget allows". The city should fit everything into its budget instead of asking us for more and more money.	8/24/2018 6:35 PM
292	Appreciate being asked.	8/24/2018 5:25 PM
293	I would support a bond measure to support the EPD	8/24/2018 4:34 PM
294	I'm pleased to be seeing lots of progress. Balanced with the fact that we are all humans, and should be respected as such. I think 'kids hanging out downtown' can be a really cool / vibrant part of a city's culture. And, public safety is important. The main thing that annoys me, is camps by the river. The noticeable effect my enjoyment of one of Eugene's most valuable natural resources. I think prevention should be emphasized, perhaps even more than enforcement. Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and please continue the conversation.	8/24/2018 4:16 PM
295	Preserve scarce resources by complying with city and state sanctuary laws--do not profile non-whites and make sure there are effective ways to discipline officers who DO engage in profiling/discriminatory enforcement.	8/24/2018 3:11 PM
296	It's time to actually do something. I'm tired of feeling unsafe and having zero faith in the local government. It's ridiculous that with all the visitors we have, the main impression they get is one of a town filled with drug addicts, homelessness, and petty crime. It's shameful. We should all be embarrassed that people can't go to so many part of the city without being harassed or seeing drug paraphernalia, people urinating and defecating out in the open, or full blown camps filled with people who make you feel unsafe because they scream and yell at you. The priorities of Eugene are extremely messed up.	8/24/2018 2:31 PM
297	Thank you.	8/24/2018 11:09 AM
298	Thank you for prevention efforts and being aware of the Impact mental health needs has on crime, and the livability of the city. I appreciate the effort you are currently putting out, and your willingness to ask for feedback from the community.	8/24/2018 10:57 AM
299	It seems many of the youth are picking the street life style. Hanging with friends, drugs, booze and no one to answer to. I think the focus needs to be on loitering and moving these people along.	8/24/2018 10:48 AM
300	When it comes to reducing homelessness, I really cannot stand when the homeless are shamed or when they are barred from certain areas or when laws are implemented to disproportionately affect those communities. When addressing homelessness, I think it's important to focus on the programs previously mentioned that help with getting and mainting affordable housing, mental health outreach, and drug and alcohol abuse treatment. Lastly, when it comes to hiring more staff it's VERY important to me that officers receive heavy training particularly around cultural competency and anti-discrimination policies. I appreciate the police and their services but I have a huge problem with the unease and danger people of color experience when in the presence of public safety officials.	8/24/2018 7:58 AM
301	More policemen and women; more patrol cars with two occupants for their safety; more canines.	8/24/2018 7:34 AM
302	This last section is to general. What my idea of "support efforts to deal with homelessness" is probably very different from another's.	8/24/2018 7:30 AM
303	Do something about the homeless taking over the parks & paths.	8/24/2018 6:52 AM
304	City officials are most concerned with developing and building and not at all concerned with livability. We should be thinking more about the safer of those who pay to live here.	8/24/2018 6:43 AM
305	Stop spreading yourself so thin. No you should not get more money because you are choosing to focus on a show of force downtown while neglecting the rest of Eugene. We had an evicted neighbor continually harass everone in the complex and threaten to kill everyone living there. It took EPD Almost 8 hours and 4 calls from different neighbors to finally show up.	8/24/2018 12:15 AM
306	It is deteriorating. Citizens will end up battling the street dwellers as they proliferate.	8/23/2018 9:22 PM
307	Educational programs on personal safety & anti-bullying tactics for school-aged students	8/23/2018 8:59 PM
308	It is a sad state to see the city of Eugene not understand the 'broken window' effect. In addition it is incredibly naive to believe that our revolving door jail policy doesn't advertise to criminals that it really does pay to engage in crime in this city.	8/23/2018 7:54 PM

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309	I work downtown Eugene, and have for many years. Walking Broadway/Willamette is a gauntlet of shopping carts, dogs, people-on-the-sidewalk and individual requests for personal funding. The problems in Eugene are not experienced in Springfield. City of Eugene staff has explained to me the 'Travelers' don't like it in Springfield and prefer Eugene. So ... maybe we go with a more Springfield approach of tolerance?	8/23/2018 7:47 PM
310	Research what's working elsewhere, like Corvallis. Emulate it.	8/23/2018 7:07 PM
311	How do we stop being a magnet for drug users and homeless?	8/23/2018 6:43 PM
312	Homelessness is a problem larger than the immediate community. The good will of the people of Eugene should not be 'rewarded' by attracting more homeless citizens. Eugene should work together with other governments in the State and PNW to find effective, supportive, and equitable solutions	8/23/2018 5:54 PM
313	As far as homelessness is concerned, I believe Eugene is headed in the right direction. I'm very impressed with all of the programs.	8/23/2018 5:39 PM
314	Control the homeless situation and run those folks out of town and it will go a long way to improving community safety.	8/23/2018 5:12 PM
315	Thanks and let's work together on this. When my son was little, the police had a "wave at a policeman" program and they went to schools. It wasn't cynical though, they really made an effort to get to know those they had signed up to "protect and serve." We can do more to reach out and understand a police person's life too.	8/23/2018 4:47 PM
316	The problem of homelessness is the #1 problem in Eugene. This is clearly not only a law-enforcement problem, but it seems like a two pronged strategy of increasing housing options and substance abuse help combined with an increase in police enforcement of no camping regulations would be a good combination of compassionate effectiveness.	8/23/2018 2:24 PM
317	Disallowing pan-handling downtown will help improve situation in downtown.	8/23/2018 12:08 PM
318	Eugen residents need to understand their role in creating a safer community. The City needs to create opportunities to appeal to residents to be part of the solution. We can't solely rely on EPD to create a safer community. We need a cultural shift for people to start acting toward community action in positive ways. Shift away from rants and blaming to creating a shared vision of a safer, happier way of life.	8/23/2018 11:51 AM
319	Install lights at intersections that automatically photograph vehicles, with license plates, that record red-light violations. Automatic payment of fines with increasing penalties for noncompliance. This is for vehicle and pedestrian safety.	8/23/2018 11:43 AM
320	I'm all for increased safety as long as it fits in the existing budget. Working poor cannot afford any increases at this time. That would just cause other problems to deal with. Thanks for your good work.	8/23/2018 10:40 AM
321	Clean the box, promote community, carry bear spray... nothing more from me!	8/23/2018 10:15 AM
322	I live in a bubble -- I am unaware of crime most of the time.	8/23/2018 9:32 AM
323	I think that we need to make homelessness, dignified shelter, and addressing addiction a priority in this city.	8/23/2018 9:01 AM
324	The City Council have allowed the homeless to take over and control the City.	8/23/2018 7:31 AM
325	This is a tough issue and it requires partnerships across agencies.	8/22/2018 1:46 PM
326	Hire more emergency and non emergency personel. Safety has to be a priority . Although a call may appear non emergency if issue isn't solved it can become dangerous.	8/22/2018 7:38 AM
327	Outreach is great but is alone not a solution.	8/21/2018 5:49 PM
328	I don't feel safe downtown.	8/21/2018 4:44 PM
329	The City Council has allowed the homeless situation to get out of control and the homeless now rule the City. The City needs to clamp down on the lawlessness on the city streets and parks. The homeless control the City not the City Council.	8/21/2018 3:43 PM

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330	I am concerned with the spreading out of transients and homeless into other areas of Eugene. The numbers have greatly increased in the Santa Clara area and we now see more transients with shopping carts in neighborhoods that once had none. I am no longer able to visit my local coffee shop without being asked for money and then yelled at when I don't give them funds. My visits to Fred Meyer and Albertsons are no longer a pleasant experience. I don't mind the Girl Scouts and cookies but I do mind the homeless problem we now have.	8/20/2018 8:17 PM
331	Reduce the number of homeless hanging up and drinking in all the parks and along the river in Eugene.	8/20/2018 4:53 PM
332	I'm interested in our loitering laws or regulations. Why do we allow people to congregate and take over spaces for long periods of time without requiring them to move on? We build gates around spaces such as Broadway and Olive to discourage that, but they move to another corner. I've lived in several other cities and never encountered the loitering that is allowed here.	8/20/2018 10:28 AM
333	We are losing our downtown. After all that has been invested, it is really a shame.	8/20/2018 8:28 AM
334	I was a city councilor and chair of public safety committee for years in Bremerton before I retired. I believe that too many people are expecting emergency response to non emergency problems and that non uniform response to non emergency problems should be considered including trained volunteer response. Many of the current problems are caused by increased poverty. The only cure for poverty is to initiate a jobs program connected to social services. Please remember that if your only tool is police then all problems will look like police problems	8/20/2018 7:43 AM
335	Our population of migrants is increasing because our policies support them and promote vandalism, harassment, tolerance of public intoxication and drug use. While social programs are important, they will continue to be overwhelmed due to the influx of migrants who come to Eugene in order to take advantage of the lax policies and ample resources of this community. These services have been in place for years and crime has increased. It is time to change legislation to make this community less hospitable to vagrants (many of whom by the way are able bodied healthy young individuals whom I treat regularly for IV drug use related infections and complications and who willingly choose to live on the streets), and spend money on enforcement. If we support vandals, IV drug users and vandals, we will continue to have a community full of these people. Choose to support the populations that will enable this community to flourish. Young people, students, children, elders, working age adults. Focus on a healthy, safe and prosperous downtown without smoke shops on every corner. Otherwise, if we continue to focus on the problem alone, we will have an even bigger problem. Put money into the solution.	8/19/2018 5:27 PM
336	Thanks for trying.	8/19/2018 11:29 AM
337	cracking down on the source of drugs and trafficking in our community!	8/19/2018 10:42 AM
338	cops do a great job in eugene under difficult circumstances.	8/19/2018 9:59 AM
339	NIMBYs don't help. Build social service programs everywhere, no matter what the neighbors say. Stop allowing redlining by disability or economic status. Stop treating people in need of residential programs like criminals. Stop treating ex-felons like pariahs. Need I go on?	8/19/2018 9:26 AM
340	Drivers and passengers in vehicles who take time to hand money and items to panhandlers are creating a distraction and hazard for other drivers and pedestrians in the area. They should be required to pull off the roadway to make these transactions. Springfield did it, and we can too.	8/19/2018 12:35 AM
341	What about emergency response? This was not mentioned in the survey.	8/18/2018 1:01 PM
342	Make it known delayed responses to non-emergency calls saves resources.	8/18/2018 7:44 AM
343	It is unfortunate that the police have become frontline in dealing with mental health issues in the community. Better training for all staff is called for, if this is going to continue to be where these issues are dealt with	8/17/2018 8:03 AM
344	This community urgently needs a better conversation on how we "be" community, how we rehumanize "all those others," and how to get out of our social silos and creatively engage people who are not just like us for a city that feels like home for everyone.	8/17/2018 7:26 AM
345	Downtown Eugene is a vibrant inner city. There is nothing to be afraid of. Awareness, yes. Fear, no. Having more people, and a diverse mix of people, downtown is good. Not allowing sleeping on the sidewalks at all times of the day and night would go a long way to making people feel more comfortable about being downtown.	8/17/2018 1:26 AM
346	I have seen and been the victim of white nationalist crime since the election of Trump. It's time to be very clear that our local gangs are mostly white neo-nazi gangs, and not kids of color.	8/16/2018 10:05 PM

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347	In addition to community support programs, top Council priority should be to increase the police budget and support police officers in their efforts to make downtown safe for citizens and businesses.	8/16/2018 4:51 PM
348	When the city is safe and clean lots more people -- particularly the elderly -- will come downtown to attend events, shop and generally spend their dollars there.	8/16/2018 3:35 PM
349	Continue to look for new ideas. Keep communicating with us through the paper and local news.	8/15/2018 3:30 PM
350	We are depending on our Eugene city leaders to meet the challenge of fixing PERS so that it does not make all the above impossible.	8/15/2018 9:10 AM
351	Why is it that in Springfield, you don't see a panhandler on every main street corner like you do in Eugene. It is because of tougher policing, their own jail which is no country club compared to ours and better decisions by their city counsel in passing restrictive ordinances on panhandling.	8/14/2018 3:02 PM
352	I think the Council often hears a skewed perspective at City Council meetings, etc about public perception. A vocal minority of people that enjoy the public spotlight seem to repeatedly speak and advocate for certain points of view. Realize that there is a vast amount of citizens in Eugene who do not support the same views but due to myriad reasons they choose not to make public statements.	8/14/2018 1:55 PM
353	The programs listed in this survey are great -- but, as an outsider, all they are doing is making Eugene more livable for the travelers. Why are we providing SO MANY SERVICES (at the cost to taxpayers and the professionals downtown) instead of focusing on how to get these people out of Eugene? I see the homeless every day -- and based on my interactions with them, the vast majority are homeless by choice. I fully support providing services to those in crisis, and who are not homeless by choice/want to help themselves/mental health issues. However, by providing community court, teen court, resources to the travelers and those who are choosing to inhabit the streets of downtown Eugene, the City is just reinforcing their behavior and making downtown Eugene a welcome place for them to spend time.	8/14/2018 7:54 AM
354	Maybe city sidewalks down town need to be closed by certain time at night. I have driven on downtown streets and have seen transits sleeping on sidewalks in the morning- not ok with this!	8/13/2018 8:12 PM
355	It is the responsibility of the city's governing bodies to protect its citizens from others, not people from themselves. 1. Cigarette smoking and other tobacco use, incl marijuana, should only be done where others do not have to walk thru or breathe it, let them have legal smoking parlors, smoke in houses they own or their cars. There is nothing worse for some of us to go to the grocery store, doctor appointment or pharmacy, have to walk thru their smoke, and then not be able to breathe okay for the next several hours - we should have no smoking allowed on the front and the left & right sides of any business or the open air of the parking lots open to the public. Not only that, street people approach these smokers for a smoke, etc. 2. How do we like it with the legal marijuana laws??? The unwanted nauseating stinky smell that comes into our back yards is horrible. How does one know what you are buying or renting, and what the problems will be in enjoying where you will live? 3. I am not opposed to the various organizations helping those in need, this is better than on the street problems. If we are going to provide shelter for drug users and alcohol abusers, do it away from neighborhoods, build a warehouse type shelter with a cement floor with heat coils in the floor, put partitioned individual stalls with built in beds and open shelves so the floors can be hosed - then put a community area great room with food cooking and electrical outlets, some washers and dryers, bathrooms and showers - it's minimal, but too much would require paid employees. 4. Leaf blowers should not be used for any other type of maintenance except blowing leaves. The chemicals, mold and moss spores, allergens, dirt, etc. that they are putting into the air is causing a lot of us to have respiratory problems that are the cause of life threatening ailments. It is time to make the use of these illegal in the city except in the fall, October, November. You should make yourselves fully informed about the health hazards of leaf blowers that is available online, it may shock you. 5. Too bad we decided to stop policing marijuana and decided to raise the smoking age to 21 - they are all going to smoke if they are determined to do it.	8/13/2018 6:30 PM
356	I feel safe here. In the day and in the night, walking on streets or in parks I'm not worried for my safety. My car belongings have a bit more concern and my house belongings are not threatened. I know I do have it easier being a 36 year old white male. I do feel worried when my 10 and 13 year old nieces go walking with their friends around the neighborhood or across parks to different residences or school. I feel this is a normal amount of worry and not caused by any bad stories they have told me about walking around. Cars are the biggest threat in my opinion. The city's goal to end road fatalities is noble and just. I am in full support of that program.	8/13/2018 6:05 PM

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357	Our downtown will not be a safe, thriving, area until we can reduce the large number of people loitering and harassing residents.	8/13/2018 3:27 PM
358	YES,if you discourage all new improvements and discourage more people from coming here,we won't have to have the county go thru bankruptcy as we are threatened with .If you keep raising the taxes,we will become just like California too expensive to live in.California in many counties have cut all services vital ones cause they are bankrupt and only the biggest rich can live there.WE ARE GETTING TOO EXPENSIVE TO LIVE IN NOW.ALL WE OLD PEOPLE CANNOT PAY OUR TAXES! NO NEW TAXES! DO NOT HIRE MORE COPS THAT IS A FUTILE ANSWER.STOP ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO MOVE HERE--WE ARE BECOMING CALIFORNIA, TOO COSTLY TO LIVE IN!STOP NEW TAXES, VOTE NO NEW TAXES IN FALL.	8/13/2018 12:29 PM
359	Eugene police have a reputation for not responding which has created an atmosphere in the community that people will continue to violate laws and rules because they will not face consequences	8/13/2018 11:50 AM
360	Safety here continues to get worse. I know that if my husband and I could move elsewhere we would in a second. He is from Alabama and cannot believe what the city tolerates. I have heard that other cities buy tickets for their homeless to come to Eugene, Portland, & Denver because we allow them to live on the streets and beg for money.	8/13/2018 8:24 AM
361	I-5 corridor drug and human trafficking is taking it's toll on Eugene. We have a massive meth problem that is ripple-effecting all aspects of quality living in Eugene. Simply put, Eugene needs to set expectations higher, put limits on behavior and enforce. Police must be adequately staffed, well led and community-based police would be most welcome with regular presence and cooperative work in neighborhoods. There will be great pay off in effectiveness, and immediate good will and respect built in communities for and with police.	8/12/2018 10:00 PM
362	Yes, how about limiting the number of concealed carry permits? Or at least ensuring those applying take a reputable hands-on training course, including range qualification before a concealed permit is issued.	8/12/2018 2:49 PM
363	Get the derelicts of the streets. Make it safe like 5th street Market .	8/12/2018 2:42 PM
364	We need a sales tax, and a good media campaign to explain the impact of not having one. Then maybe we could reduce property taxes so people could afford to have homes.	8/12/2018 12:55 PM
365	It is appalling how unsafe this town has become, there is no place in this town I would let my college age daughter go with out mace or some other form of self defense. You cannot expect people to love, and support a community that does not feel safe	8/12/2018 12:04 PM
366	expand the public areas (outside and inside)to prohibit cigarette and marijuana smokers	8/12/2018 10:17 AM
367	Outcomes described as "Align resources with needs" "Preserve livability" and "Promote community solutions" are vague and directed toward policy and long-term goals. I would prefer a focus on reduction in property crime in neighborhoods, downtown safety, and response times.	8/12/2018 9:55 AM
368	It is sketchy. Drug usage & resulting homelessness should be a priority.	8/12/2018 9:40 AM
369	I think increasing the "on the street" patrols would be good e.g. walking and biking police officers.	8/12/2018 6:58 AM
370	Thanks for not showing up when I finally called you after my third burglary. Lol	8/11/2018 9:53 PM
371	There seems to be no doubt that we need to add officers to the force whether by budget or levy.	8/11/2018 6:38 PM
372	Overall, I feel Eugene is a safe place to live. Granted, there are parts of the city that I don't spend much time in, and I acknowledge that as a significant blind spot in my perspective. Despite that, the most dangerous aspect of our community is an insidious othering of whole groups of people by other groups of people. People automatically categorize other people hanging out downtown that look a certain way as 'travelers,' who, they say, are not 'real homeless,' because they choose this lifestyle. People have eluded to me that these 'travelers' are just some sort of hippy trash the Oregon Country Fair brought in, and that folks in Eugene just wait until the rains come each winter to flush them out. That is cruel and likely incorrect. In recent years, we've seen that if those 'travelers' really do exist, they are small in number in comparison to the folks that did not make a choice to live outside or in a vehicle. Due to the economic policies of our society and our collective lack of empathy, most anyone—including myself—can fall victim to forces beyond our control. When that happens to me, I want to be able to reach out to my community for help, and we should all be able to do the same. I want to help people who need it, and as citizens who want the best for the people of our city, we too should want to help anyone who needs it.	8/11/2018 5:50 PM
373	It seems like there is no community safety. The number of transients in town is horrible.	8/11/2018 9:01 AM

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374	The police department needs a dedicated full time traffic team to address speeding, running red lights and distracted driving. Especially on residential streets and school zones. Right now if you drive the speed limit you are run over and tailgated.	8/11/2018 8:05 AM
375	The data show serious crime rates in Eugene are at historic lows and Eugene is one of the safest cities in the nation. The claims in this "survey" are very biased, misleading and dishonest. Please take money from the police budget and instead spend it on humane, successful social services to reduce crime through housing, drug, alcohol, mental health and job retraining programs. Thanks.	8/10/2018 10:12 PM
376	The preponderance of marijuana shops in downtown is not helping anything. I think we need to place a limit on the number of such shops that are allowed in a given area. In addition, as a non-consumer of such products who does not want them in my system, I am tired of walking by all these shops with the odor of their products wafting out into the public sidewalk every time I walk by. There are so many now that I quite literally cannot go about my daily routines without being exposed to marijuana, and I hate it. I am also disturbed by the fact that the City allows marijuana and marijuana edibles producers to be title sponsors of supposedly child-friendly City sponsored events like the City Streets events. How does this not constitute marketing these products to underage people?? I do not support it, and think the City should think carefully about their policy going forward, especially given the severity of the local and national drug addiction crisis, and the problems in our downtown.	8/10/2018 8:04 PM
377	How can we hire more high quality police when they are so badly treated in Eugene?	8/10/2018 4:56 PM
378	At this point, I rarely go downtown. Even if I'm with someone, I'm always looking over my shoulder or on lookout to see how much risk the homeless people present. I wish I didn't have such a negative view of the homeless people in town, but from what I've seen of the downtown population, no one wants to get better or improve their situation. They just want to do drugs and hang out. I don't see many using the programs/opportunities available and nothing seems to happen to them for not contributing to society, so they're just left there to be a risk to others.	8/10/2018 8:24 AM
379	As a young white female I feel safe in Eugene except around the campus area.	8/10/2018 8:24 AM
380	Move City offices to the old EWEB headquarters.	8/10/2018 7:59 AM
381	I want to see numbers of people (not percentages) in statements used in a document like this. When you say "68% of people....." that could mean six people or 600, give us the entire picture so we can determine the programs real value.	8/10/2018 7:53 AM
382	I would like to see police presence on the dike path especially in in the evening.	8/10/2018 6:28 AM
383	So many assets that could be capitalized upon. Public safety is a basic foundational element to a successful attractive city.	8/10/2018 5:07 AM
384	The issues with Eugene safety and issues surrounding livability have long been known by Eugene, residents, police, and Eugene councils. The responses to this survey (paid for with tax dollars) should be made transparent and available to all residents down to individual responses such as this. Aggregate data, though useful, loses cultural nuance and therefore impacts livability aspects that should also be paramount in what Eugene seeks to correct at this time.	8/10/2018 12:33 AM
385	Give the homeless bus tickets to go back where they came from and look after NATIVE OREGONIANS!!!!!!!!!!!!	8/9/2018 11:01 PM
386	The above issues seem a lot less severe in Springfield. Find out what our eastern neighbor is doing right and repeat it in Eugene.	8/9/2018 10:25 PM
387	more police patrols in west eugene are needed	8/9/2018 7:38 PM
388	It sucks	8/9/2018 5:54 PM
389	Need locked needle collection containers outside, maybe-fire departments, clinics, volunteering buisnesses. If you give me a job making some phones calls and trying to organize it, I'll give it a try. I'm sick of picking up used needles by playgrounds, bike paths, and residential side walks.	8/9/2018 5:14 PM
390	Make bicycles OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS	8/9/2018 5:14 PM
391	It's gone downhill and that is sad.	8/9/2018 4:17 PM

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392	Per this survey I learned CAHOOTS has existed since 1989. However, despite increased funding for similar programs, these problems have never been worse. We need more police on staff who are committed to enforcing the laws. Vagrants, drug addicts and trespassers are not victims. They make the city unlivable for the families responsible for paying the extremely high taxes levied by our local government. The true victims are my children who can't visit their father at work downtown without seeing needles, smelling human waste, or having to walk around visibly intoxicated humans blocking the sidewalk.	8/9/2018 3:58 PM
393	Distinguish the different homeless in need. Working poor or veteran homeless should not be lumped in with the criminal homeless.	8/9/2018 3:53 PM
394	my overall safety feel fairly normal, but theft and harassment seem to be major issues, at least from my point of view, others have different experiences than me. One project the city should investigate and look into is what they are doing in Albuquerque NM. they setup jobs for homeless, have them work to get off the streets. jobs like cleaning parks ect. they get paid to do it, lunch, and it builds working skills. It also prevents the city from paying high fees/taxes to hire companies to do this type of work. you could set up workshops on resume building, or soft skills. make it volunteer based, a lot of people would want to help, I would, i have a computer science degree and would be more than will to do a workshop for free on basic email use/computer use/ anything really. if something like this is possible i would love to be involved in anyway, and i know many others that would want to help out also.	8/9/2018 2:29 PM
395	Stop coddling those who choose to live on the streets. You have programs that identify and care for those who are truly homeless or have mental issues, the others are simply making a choice.	8/9/2018 2:23 PM
396	Isn't there a way to keep people from hanging out right in front of nice places like Barre 3, Noisette Bakery, the downtown cinema, the pizza place across the street from the cinema, Davis Restaurant etc? Who the heck wants to see that kind of activity when strolling in their own town, paying very high property taxes (\$8500 per year to live on a street with very simple, old and somewhat decrepit homes) and wishing to enjoy the benefit of the payment of those taxes? A woman spit on me because I told her to quit bellowing profanities (having a fight with her boyfriend). Love giving away \$708 a month so people can scream and yell and loll about with their grimy backpacks and then spit on me when I ask them to be quiet.	8/9/2018 2:08 PM
397	stop criminalizing homelessness	8/9/2018 2:06 PM
398	The homeless problem is out of hand. Please work toward banning camping or living in vans down by the river.	8/9/2018 2:05 PM
399	I really appreciate the hard work of the EPD. My hope is there will be some way to find funding to increase staffing and expand the services that help to steer individuals toward productive lives.	8/9/2018 2:05 PM
400	Right now the court/jail/prison/probation/treatment(s) system is set up to keep people in it, attempting to collect money from people at every step. If you get a ticket or arrested for pretty much anything you will end up with "treatment", after an evaluation of course (fun side note; I was evaluated and found to not need treatment, three days later received a call from that person's supervisor saying I needed treatment, it's all about the money) a lot of people find the treatments difficult and thus end up going back through court and getting more fines/fees, or charges added to their burden. Most people don't have a stable enough living situation and enough money to make it all the way through this system and eventually end up homeless or taking up jail bed space at taxpayer expense. . My point being the current system is making one of the problems bigger while feeding(\$) itself and making it's self bigger as well. . Fix the rearrest rate and "non"-mandatory treatments that contribute to the recycling of people through the courts. . When someone gets arrested provide them with opportunities to become a benefit to the community instead of a drain. - city or county run temp agencies to provide employment so "I can't find a job" doesn't get heard by the judge every day in court. Provide food, shelter, toiletries, communication, transportation, basic clothes, and some money as payment for working with the temp agencies. People would still have the ability to apply for jobs elsewhere just like always but now they would have the city run temp agency to rely upon instead of stealing or other criminal activity to meet their needs.	8/9/2018 1:58 PM
401	More people to help the police find out what their neighborhood is doing .	8/9/2018 12:15 PM
402	This survey, as indicated above, is useless. I have designed surveys, and this one has been designed to force answers, using emotive language, inaccurate descriptions, and questionable data. I am absolutely certain the results will either be ignored or misrepresented.	8/9/2018 12:09 PM
403	Consider the gangs that have moved in and do something about them. Make strict anti-gang laws. Take notes from LAPD	8/9/2018 11:44 AM

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404	You have a hard job. I hope that there is a way to achieve some progress with downtown safety. Thanks for the survey.	8/9/2018 10:59 AM
405	More patrol officers citing illegal driving behavior, particularly distracted driving and wrong way parking (a growing scourge which endangers other road users, especially bicyclists). Nobody seems to be taking either issue very seriously in terms of concerted action. Perhaps use technology aids to enforce driving and parking infractions?	8/9/2018 10:35 AM
406	I love living in Eugene. One of the reasons I love it, and that we chose to move here two years ago, is the level of community support provided to residents. I believe CAHOOTS, Community Court, and programs like it are ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL, are ground breaking, and are some of the things that set Eugene apart from other municipalities and make it a national leader. I would like to see those programs get more publicity and support. I also think that homelessness is not a crime, and homeless people should not be targeted or harassed. I do not want to see the mindset or policies towards the poor that are evident in Portland and other large cities come to Eugene. I think it is our responsibility to push our groundbreaking social programs to the bigger cities. I would gladly pay more taxes to increase the police staff as long as these programs remain in place, and the focus of the police force remains on serving all of the community, not just those with white skin and money.	8/9/2018 10:06 AM
407	With regard to program priorities, I don't understand how it truly is logical to have deemed any program "High Priority (Keep in place no matter what)" when it would seem that ANY program can only feasibly be kept in place if "funding allows." If crime has increased, police staffing has remained stagnant and police resources are already overtaxed, any excess applicable funding needs to go towards addressing that issue foremost. There is NO logical way of keeping additional community programs in place "no matter what" (even if funding doesn't allow.)	8/9/2018 9:14 AM
408	Eugene needs an anti loitering ordinance for the downtown area to increase public safety as well as the perception of safety.	8/9/2018 9:11 AM
409	We need to preserve the safety of residential communities and find way to resolve the homeless situation without making Eugene enticing to homeless people in other cities that might flock here for various services. San Francisco and Seattle have had these issues.	8/9/2018 9:07 AM
410	For me the Bottom line is we do not hold people responsible for their actions. I know some people fall through the cracks, but others choose to be this way for various anti-social reasons. To completely ignore that and assume everyone wants to change is insane. It is incumbent on community members to take responsibility for their actions, a severe lack of education is exacerbating this problem, yet I see no discussion of that here. Denial will not help solve these problems.	8/9/2018 8:34 AM
411	Community safety has decreased drastically over the years	8/9/2018 8:21 AM
412	While I feel safe, I worry about my teen daughters' safety, especially as it relates to sex trafficking in the area (such as when they go to the Valley River Center mall, take the bus when it requires them to transfer at the downtown bus station, etc). Also, I don't see this survey posted on the City's website (homepage) or the EPD homepage. I found it through a link with KEZI news (in case you want to make sure you get community involvement).	8/9/2018 8:15 AM
413	Ok I'm not fully informed about this so I could be misunderstanding, but I regularly see what looks like huge numbers of Eugene police on duty managing traffic and crowd control during the U of O's football games (a regular and frequent occurrence). Can the city not require the UofO to spend more of their own huge sports budget to hire security guards to patrol traffic at their own sports events? Maybe the people I see are actually UofO security guards and not Eugene police. But if it's truly Eugene police- wow, what a waste of professional officer time to be regularly containing sports events...	8/9/2018 8:08 AM
414	I've noticed an increase in police in my neighborhood and around the city. While most of these seem to be patrol vehicles, I think having more officers on foot or on bike will increase community interaction and eventually increase community support.	8/9/2018 7:37 AM
415	Police officers have become more and more military in appearance. Get rid of the dark vehicles, the all black uniform that make cops look like thugs, the pseudo-military gear with heavy gloves and sunglasses they wear to intimidate people. Teach them to actually respect members of the public. We want public servants, not a bunch of angry pricks looking to pick on the homeless kids.	8/9/2018 3:22 AM
416	Never go out alone in Eugene.	8/9/2018 12:59 AM
417	I feel as though this survey is implying that, dealing with the homeless and providing them services is the reason for staff and resource shortages. There does not have to be one or the other.	8/9/2018 12:50 AM

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418	The police department should be tasked with public safety and not with social services. The city needs to do a lot more to address the homeless situation and not expect the EPD to carry so much of the load.	8/9/2018 12:21 AM
419	The community needs a solution for the repeat arrests/crimes committed by methamphetamine users and other drug addicts.	8/8/2018 11:22 PM
420	Working downtown is unsafe - moving here from much larger - statistically more dangerous - cities, I am often left wondering what the city is actually doing to increase public safety because it feels like the lowest priority. For a community that is projected to grow as rapidly as Eugene is in the next decade city council needs to figure out a way to manage these issues. Surveys are a great idea but it's like looking for diamonds in the sand - you have to consult experts with experience who have ethics in mind - a police state is not the answer	8/8/2018 10:31 PM
421	Given how poorly law enforcement has responded to me when I was the victim of someone ignoring traffic laws, I am glad that I do not live nearer to the university with its fraternities and young idiots. I was a student at UO almost 50 years ago, and I will never forget being casually and brutally tear gassed as I walked by a protest on my way to class by policemen in riot gear who didn't even make eye contact with me as they sprayed toxic chemicals into my eyes.	8/8/2018 10:21 PM
422	Raise taxes if you need more money. I will always vote for higher taxation if the funds are used to enhance livibity here at home.	8/8/2018 10:13 PM
423	While dangers posed by bears and mountain lions are obvious the solution should not be to kill the animal. Tranquilizing and relocating animals should be the first option. It has been done with great effectiveness in other states. Our wild resources should be guarded not destroyed.	8/8/2018 10:05 PM
424	get rid of/ do not accept more military hardware	8/8/2018 9:49 PM
425	See above. I would advise less tolerance for aberrant behavior- an increased police presence, more community support to decrease vagrancy, etc. Eugene has become an attractive nuisance for ne'er do wells..... build it and they will come. I'd prefer to make them uncomfortable to the point they choose somewhere else to stay.	8/8/2018 9:45 PM
426	I have lived here for almost 20 years and feel very sad that this town has so much crime and vagrants. I truly appreciate the efforts made by the Parks dept. and other agencies in Eugene to try and bring positive events to downtown but the same problem remains year after year - and seems to be getting worse. I never want to invite out of town friends to come for a visit because it feels embarrassing to drive around downtown and just see so many people being allowed to hang out, pan handle and camp on the sidewalks. It just doesn't seem attractive and clean. Springfield's downtown feels much more comfortable to walk around - it is clean and doesn't feel dicey.	8/8/2018 9:21 PM
427	I perceive our biggest problems as those related to mental illness and substance abuse. And the resulting homelessness that goes with these problems.	8/8/2018 9:11 PM
428	There is no community safety. There is not an area left that is safe.	8/8/2018 9:10 PM
429	Invest in our community & not only will people stay but people will want to come here to live, & visit. Question above should be RESTORE livability.	8/8/2018 8:32 PM
430	spend some money on policing instead of city hall	8/8/2018 8:17 PM
431	Every interaction I have had with the Eugene police department, the officer made a good impression. I take the bus and whenever I see a transit officer interacting with the public it appears the officer is polite and professional.	8/8/2018 7:56 PM
432	Be proactive and work toward outcomes. That will reduce repeat offenders.	8/8/2018 7:29 PM
433	Take away the police budget and invest that money in schools and housing.	8/8/2018 7:29 PM
434	By and large I feel safe in Eugene. I'm unhappy with recent decisions made by the council to restrict smoking and the presence of dogs downtown. Such policies are a distraction, and the man-hours devoted to enforcing them are a waste. I want to add, I've had only very positive experiences with EPD officers, but I don't approve of the way I've seen EPD officers mistreat street kids and homeless people downtown.	8/8/2018 7:20 PM
435	I think that the city of Eugene often caters to the needs of the homeless in a way that enables them to continue their lifestyle	8/8/2018 6:52 PM
436	HIRE MORE OFFICERS! HIRE MORE OPERATORS! It's not that complicated you morons.	8/8/2018 6:20 PM
437	help for those who need it so they don't become violent or repeat offenders.	8/8/2018 5:14 PM

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438	Generally I feel safe.	8/8/2018 5:11 PM
439	Wow. The phrasing of these questions seems really biased. "Reduce crime"? What does this mean? The statement that crime has increased 18% over the past few years is also concerning—how do we define our terms? Do you mean reported crimes? Arrests? Convictions? I realize this survey must be simple to get people to respond but public safety is complicated and requires a strong balance of prevention and response. Just adding more police officers without sufficient training and efforts at prevention is not the correct answer.	8/8/2018 5:02 PM
440	Anything that can be done to reduce the number of guns and other explosive devices. The general public has the right to go to public places and not have half the people carrying concealed weapons, legally or not. Guns are the problem, not the solution, in most cases. I feel the least safe when I know or suspect someone near me in a public place has a gun.	8/8/2018 5:00 PM
441	Why are you doing this, you know what needs to be done, just do it. The City is missing out and have been repeatedly told what the tax payers want but it never changes, keep favoring the homeless and transiate population and you will continue to ask stupid questions on how to fix it. Get tough on crime and run these lawless people to another city.	8/8/2018 5:00 PM
442	I feel I made a mistake buying a house in Eugene instead of Springfield. Springfield has come to feel safe. Why can't we be more like Springfield. I have been told Eugene is the superior city but seems to be consistently losing ground.	8/8/2018 4:59 PM
443	Let's get the community involved. I appreciate all these programs which are trying to address the issue instead of putting all of these people in the system. With better promotion and activation I would be willing to donate my time or money to supporting them. I think other Eugenians would as well because we also have a highly compassionate population.	8/8/2018 4:53 PM
444	The Red Cap or Eugene Guide program is a good one and should be kept. My husband and I are seniors, and do not feel safe enough to go downtown in the evening. We are quite wary, but rarely go there.	8/8/2018 4:45 PM
445	Knowledge about safety issues in the city is not readily or obviously available to the public. Possibly adding some online or SMS alert type resources to help keep Eugene resident informed about safety issues in their area would be helpful.	8/8/2018 4:44 PM
446	I'm glad we are paying attention, I hope this doesn't result in study with no action.	8/8/2018 4:39 PM
447	I'd rather see my tax dollars spent on programs you describe above rather than on city auditors, big new city hall, & other programs that seem excessive. Again, if I'm naïve to the situations, then I need some better education on the issues.	8/8/2018 4:31 PM
448	Solve the homeless epidemic.	8/8/2018 4:05 PM
449	I know many people, including myself that have given up on calling in incidents because of no response by the police. It's unfortunate that the previous police chief created this problem but I hope this can be turned around. Can we look into successful pilot programs to deal with the homeless issues (pay minimum wage to clean parks, etc.). The travelers just need to go. The aggressive behavior and harassment from them needs to be dealt with soon! It really sucks to work downtown.	8/8/2018 3:54 PM
450	n/a	8/8/2018 3:48 PM
451	Hard to believe these are the only alternatives. How about looking at what other career fields have done. For instance Doctors now have Physicians Assistants which do not try to do everything but do more routine items and can still write prescriptions. They are also now treating people for minor items over the internet. Could something similar be done and at a better price. No discussion of any next best alternatives or what they might cost.	8/8/2018 3:11 PM
452	crack down on illegal drug use	8/8/2018 3:00 PM
453	I think I already answered that at #18	8/8/2018 2:18 PM
454	face it, we have the eugene mission in town, any one on the streets can use it at any time they need. i speak from experience, i was once homeless, enforce the law!	8/8/2018 2:17 PM
455	The safety issue in Eugene is the number one reason to move.	8/8/2018 2:03 PM
456	Stop encouraging homelessness! The area near W.11th and Oakpatch, are a prime example. My teenage granddaughter has to walk in this area to school and to the bus. She doesn't feel safe with all of the homeless campers lying on the sidewalk and all around the area.	8/8/2018 1:52 PM

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457	More Police presence is needed.	8/8/2018 1:41 PM
458	Keep property taxes low; stop pricing us out - many of us are on fixed incomes.	8/8/2018 1:28 PM
459	The rights of those who are not utilizing these programs and support services mentioned are being violated --- Don't we have the right to live peacefully with little to no intrusion by others? Yet we are and will continue to pay for the rights of those being lab-rats for our local government.	8/8/2018 12:48 PM
460	I understand that my answers to this survey indicate fully supporting and expanding just about every program identified, which is not realistic without an increase of actual budget dollars. I am a homeowner and I typically vote to support just about any ballot measure to increase funding to municipal and emergency services. There are many homeowners who see such measures as only a tax increase and reject them outright. I wonder if there might be a way to do some public education to help more people recognize that a small increase in property tax can have big returns in the quality of our community overall. Also, the issue of bike theft is a big deal to me. I've had multiple bikes stolen, even when they were locked up.	8/8/2018 12:19 PM
461	This is a very poorly written survey. Most questions are phrased to elicit a desired response by the designer and approvers. Stays used are only to favor certain programs and their continuance rather than if they are truly addressing issues. If the stats of all these programs are so great, why has the number of issues grown? Why has perceived safety gone down? I believe the effort to survey is good but a poorly designed survey is worse than no survey at all. We have the University in town. There are those there that specialize in this kind of effort. Could we not use them as a neutral resource?	8/8/2018 12:18 PM
462	I won't use the bike trails or take my kids out on hikes along the river or hike the Buttes for fear of repeated threatening by offensive people. The news reports if violent incidences are validation. Better to be safe than victom. Last year I called the hot line to report hate crime graffiti in my neighborhood I feel like I was heard on that matter.	8/8/2018 11:49 AM
463	Go visit downtown boise idaho. The transient street people and the unsocialized dog issues are under control in the down town core. It is an example of an inviting downtown.	8/8/2018 10:50 AM
464	As a person in a multiracial family, I have serious concerns about Nazis and other white supremacist/hate groups here in Eugene. I also have concerns that the inflated cost of housing is going to result in mass numbers of people being homeless, which will breed more crime and attacks on the vulnerable, especially the very young and very old.	8/8/2018 10:44 AM
465	I do believe the police are doing the best they can considering current staffing levels. I can't understand why it takes 18 months to hire a police officer and then another year to train them. It's hard for me to understand how it's come to this	8/8/2018 9:26 AM
466	I have lived in Eugene for half my life. I have seen it in the ebbs and flows of growth. I know that Eugene is capable of being a beautiful place, and I love it dearly, but it is becoming almost unlivable and I am, for the first time in almost 20 years living here, considering moving to Springfield FOR MY OWN SAFETY... That is just upsetting deeply to me, an adopted Eugenian...	8/8/2018 9:18 AM
467	I just don't go to Eugene anymore because it's not safe	8/8/2018 9:10 AM
468	I would love to be able to come to work early without being fearful for my safety; I would love to be able to bike to work without biking through puddles of urine and through unruly crowds; I would love to know that my belongings are safe when they're locked and hidden; and that I am safe when I am home alone.	8/8/2018 9:00 AM
469	Get the homeless out of the city. Prevent begging on every street corner in the city.	8/8/2018 7:58 AM
470	Post more information in the community about jobs with EPD and how go about qualifying. Really be a presence at job fairs for kids in High School too. Be engaging with them.	8/8/2018 7:19 AM
471	Yes, Cars parking on both sides of street by park making it very difficult to proceed safely thru area as small children do run into street. (Parking on one side of street would HELP.)	8/8/2018 7:19 AM
472	Please fix the issues downtown. I go there because I have to. I would never take my family.	8/8/2018 5:18 AM
473	exclusionary and punitive petty regulations solve nothing and don't contribute to livabiity. Housing first, community and mental-health programs and no more catch & release on property crimes/theft.	8/7/2018 9:36 PM

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474	Downtown is getting awful. People are becoming afraid to go downtown. Their is too much loitering, drugs and worthless wonders of the world down there that are allowed to be there based on the cities rules and regulations. We can't take a puppy downtown however we can have 8 people living on kiseys corner selling meth and heroin to teenagers- good philosophy.	8/7/2018 8:42 PM
475	Please address concerns regarding downtown safety. Having worked downtown and asked people who frequent downtown who seem to be homeless, I now understand that Eugene is a Mecca of sorts for that population and people from outside our community are travelling here because they know they can freeloader. Having 2 or 3 red hat security guards circling Willamette Street is not effective.	8/7/2018 8:36 PM
476	Feeling unsafe is not the same as being in danger. Connecting community members with people from different backgrounds can help people understand others' experiences. Prevention programs and supportive response teams like Cahoots are what we need to focus on.	8/7/2018 8:12 PM
477	It's still a wonderful place to live and work. And I love all the creative art and music programming (and lunch-time events in the park blocks) the Dept of cultural services provides!	8/7/2018 7:56 PM
478	With the Summers getting hotter and we have so many fires,I would like to see neighbors trim they'r tall fur trees and keeping our homes safe from Fire, on 18 street there are homes overgrown with bushes and Trees a Fire hazard,cant see the House its been that way for years	8/7/2018 7:53 PM
479	As a member of the Rotary Club of Eugene (Downtown), I am admittedly partial to what Rotary does regarding peacebuilding in the local and world community. I think it would be great if a representative from the City of Eugene were selected to become a Peace Scholar and bring back great tools for us to use. Here's a video which includes the big picture I envision. Cheers! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7U5Ole_Q_oU	8/7/2018 7:36 PM
480	Let law enforcement do their job. Why do we have multiple standards?	8/7/2018 7:17 PM
481	Public safety should be the first priority in our budget- full stop. Once police and fire are fully funded, then we can look at other feel good programs. Ask the cops- they'll tell you that people don't offend as much in Springfield because they don't want to do time in their jail. If we're tougher on crime, many of these problems will go away. I get that a lot of our problems come from the mentally ill, but a lot of them don't- people make choices, and they should be held accountable.	8/7/2018 6:58 PM
482	We are too tolerant of meth users, vagrants, gun possession - they know they can get away with crime and there is little consequences so they keep coming to Eugene. We don't want them here.	8/7/2018 6:31 PM
483	Educate the public about what is happening for the unhoused. I live in an area where I encounter them daily. They are people who have had shitty things happen in there life and it is hard to criticize someone who doesn't have a place to use the bathroom or store their stuff. It is easy for us all the say pick up after yourself and what not but let's be real. Also...if you all could do something about the dipshit that got elected as president that would be great as well...but we all know the limits of law enforcement. #voteoutthehate!	8/7/2018 5:41 PM
484	I have lived here a long time and now own a alarm system , weapons and mean dogs.	8/7/2018 5:02 PM
485	I feel that the Eugene Police Department needs more funding, as well as increased staffing. As a Eugene home owner, I would support a bond measure to increase public safety funding.	8/7/2018 4:48 PM
486	No	8/7/2018 4:13 PM
487	The programs you explain in the survey all sound worthwhile. Keep up the good work and let us all know about each one somehow. Maybe the R-G would write the monthly article I suggested above. Also, maybe set up a volunteer coordinator for the programs so some of us in the public could assist in some way. The professionals should figure out how or brainstorm with a small number of volunteers. There are not enough volunteer jobs in this town to keep the huge population of retired people doing worthwhile things. Initiate finding ways we can help.	8/7/2018 4:06 PM
488	I've lived here all my life (40+ years) and it's turned into an infestation of homeless and disrespectful people. I refuse to go downtown. This is NOT the proud city I grew up in. I'm embarrassed to say I live in Eugene.	8/7/2018 3:56 PM
489	This survey is unhelpful and the questions are too vague. "Promote community solutions" means nothing. And what does "preserve livability" mean? This is a waste of time.	8/7/2018 3:35 PM
490	Cahoots is imperative services	8/7/2018 3:09 PM

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491	There are places that should get more attention by police, like the Fern Ridge bike path. But that means we need more officers. Let's get our staffing up sooner rather than later. Hire more police--they are the first line of defense.	8/7/2018 2:59 PM
492	When visiting downtown without fail there is usually some type of harassment by transients. The downtown should be a place to feel safe.	8/7/2018 2:52 PM
493	it need to keep up with the rising population NOW.	8/7/2018 2:25 PM
494	We need more police officers, and have them available to address what comes up. I can't even count the number of times I've seen police officers drive right by things that should be addressed. Perhaps they are on their way to another more important call, but if they could radio ahead to get another available officer to the area, it would be very helpful. Nothing is ever going to change as long as we keep enabling people to get away with things, and provide more handouts.	8/7/2018 2:08 PM
495	The council needs to make it a priority to address the loitering of homeless drug/alcohol addicts and the problems they are creating. Possibly implementing and enforcing no loitering/camping laws. The amount it would take to enforce these items can't be any more than the cost of cleaning up the mess after they've moved on to another area within Eugene	8/7/2018 1:48 PM
496	Training in schools for people about how to treat women, disabled, crisis for general population as well as school age	8/7/2018 1:30 PM
497	For once, care about the citizens, their tax burdens, and their safety, rather than the burgeoning number of drug addicts and other bums who burglarize us and make us feel unsafe to use what we are funding.	8/7/2018 1:10 PM
498	Send a committee to Corvallis. Find out what they have done, and continue to do, to make their downtown feel save and inviting. Duplicate those protocols here. Amen.	8/7/2018 12:55 PM
499	Many non life threatening calls not resolved or responded to in my neighborhood as well as workplace.	8/7/2018 12:32 PM
500	I believe the community safety will continue to get worse as long as we cater to the homeless!	8/7/2018 12:24 PM
501	While CAHOOTS is a valuable service, their response to the outer parts of the city seem lackluster and almost 'Keystone' cop-ish. Between the time it takes to respond and not engaging with reporting community members to gain information about the situation, it is hard to have much confidence in the service.	8/7/2018 12:20 PM
502	I appreciate that the city is now taking some notice and perhaps getting ready to address the issue with this survey being sent out. I'm glad for that and hope it turns into positive changes coming in the near future to increase the efficiency and size of our police force.	8/7/2018 12:07 PM
503	Get help for the homeless to get money or jobs or mental health help.	8/7/2018 11:57 AM
504	The liberal city council makes Eugene an unsafe place to live.	8/7/2018 11:57 AM
505	Be firmer with offenders. Quit the "hand holding".	8/7/2018 11:55 AM
506	Many people I know have to arm ourselves to protect ourselves from the criminals at the risk of being punished for defending what is our lives and property because apparently criminals have more rights than us hard working taxpayers. I would rather have a say as to which city and county service my tax dollars go toward. More to police and fire. none to services I don't use at all library and bus tax just to name a couple.	8/7/2018 11:32 AM
507	Eugene feels safe. For the most part the homeless and mentally ill are treated with compassion. Far better than other places I have lived. Keep up the good work and we can do better.	8/7/2018 11:18 AM
508	I appreciate that it's a concern enough to start this survey. I'm glad for that and hope to see real solutions in the near future!	8/7/2018 11:11 AM
509	Clean up downtown so we feel safe attending Oregon Community Theater shows or dining in that area.	8/7/2018 10:50 AM
510	Has not improved and who brings their families down at and that's the reality	8/7/2018 10:36 AM
511	Downtown will remain as is until our attitudes change and we make a day center away from downtown.	8/7/2018 10:09 AM

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512	Proper staffing for the police department and paying the firefighters a fair market value will attract and keep police and firefighters employed here. This improves the quality of life for all residents and should be the top priority.. I've lived here for 43 years. in the last 18 years this community has really suffered when it comes to public safety.. it's a shame.	8/7/2018 9:57 AM
513	We are in trouble and we need to take care of this ASAP	8/7/2018 9:54 AM
514	Quit letting the petty thief's get away. The window smashers and bike stealers know what they can get away with and will continue to do so.	8/7/2018 9:51 AM
515	There is no leadership on this issue in the City.	8/7/2018 9:43 AM
516	Two things stand out in my mind. One, aggressive panhandling seems to be getting more and more common with them being in the roadway and yelling obscenities at people. Eugene needs to adopt a similar ordinance as Springfield with regards to people in cars handing out money, etc. to panhandlers. Two, the, "Travelers", and youth have taken over downtown. LTD downtown is a mess at the corner of Broadway and Olive. Something should be done about that, not sure what though.	8/7/2018 9:37 AM
517	The hypocrisy in this survey doesn't seem to be that hard to see. You ask us for input in this survey but all the while you're supporting these behaviors by 1. Being a sanctuary city. 2. Allowing homeless camping. 3. Wanting to "feel good" by wasting tax dollars on people who have chosen to live on the streets. 4. Encourage homeless people to come downtown by offering to "watch their stuff" for them, yes I know that's a St. Vincent program, but you allow the storage container to city on city property. 5. instead of putting people through the real legal system have things like the "Kangaroo" court. When if you sat in the line and listened to the people talking BEFORE they go in you'd know what's really going on. 6. Allow people to smoke dope in public and when you call an officer that someone's doing in plain site and within 1000 Ft. of a school... Nothing. So thanks for making me feel like my input is requested when at the end of the day....the results of the feedback mean nothing.	8/7/2018 9:15 AM
518	We have created a homeless collecting system here in Lane County/Eugene, and are now reaping the results of enabling that type of behavior.	8/7/2018 9:09 AM
519	Create more of an environment like downtown Bend or Boise. Eugene could be such a great city. We've masked that by what we've settled for.	8/7/2018 8:24 AM
520	There is a perception that the police protect only the rich, white people and neighborhoods and not other areas or people of color. I've friends living in the Whitaker neighborhood that tell me they live with less safety and higher crime than those in Cal Young neighborhood. Crimes that police respond to in areas like Cal Young and by the University are ignored in Whitaker and West Eugene; I tend to agree. Policing should be universal and equitable, the perception (and thus the reality) in Eugene is that it is not. This is something the city should address.	8/7/2018 8:13 AM
521	Yes more visible police patrols in back roads.	8/7/2018 8:08 AM
522	Have needed to call cahoots several times but sometimes one cannot get through to anyone. So the person we were calling about moves on, I helped, so farther down the street perhaps someone can call and get through.	8/7/2018 7:17 AM
523	GET THE BUMS OUT! Reverse Sanctuary City policy. Protect the citizens and taxpayers!	8/7/2018 6:54 AM
524	There is not enough funding for emergency services yet these [services] are the first to be cut because they are most visable. NOT A SOLUTION!	8/7/2018 6:46 AM
525	Public parks in downtown and west Eugene should be checked nightly for people camping. As well, people camping throughout the city should be cracked down on. I have noticed that Springfield has much less of a problem in this regard, we should consult with them to see if we can apply their solutionsite to our city.	8/7/2018 6:45 AM
526	put in place laws that address the violent actions of those downtown and the fear that most people have living in a community that is unable to respond to 911 calls	8/7/2018 6:28 AM
527	Continue to work on safety in our parks so we aren't afraid to use them.	8/7/2018 6:17 AM
528	Tired of working hard and struggling to get by, just to keep seeing the city give away the farm to any moron who squats on our streets with a drug problem.	8/7/2018 5:56 AM
529	Increase funding for prevention and shift some of the wide range of responsibilities of the police to more specialized professionals.	8/7/2018 4:41 AM
530	Eugene is unsafe right now. Governor Brown is only making everything worse. She needs to go!!!	8/7/2018 4:10 AM

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531	Grow up. Get tough. Lose rep for enabling opportunistic grifters (aka "homeless")	8/7/2018 3:49 AM
532	If there were weed bars, maybe the drunk people downtown would mellow the eff out.	8/7/2018 3:25 AM
533	More security downtown and more police to help combat the vagrant situation	8/7/2018 2:57 AM
534	Our service averse traveler problem is out of hand. Time to make them less welcome. Blatant criminal activity is not what we want to be known for.	8/7/2018 1:47 AM
535	Need more police officers and more visibility in neighborhoods.	8/7/2018 12:03 AM
536	EPD needs to start focusing solely on law enforcement; furthermore, the City of Eugene can and should levie a 911 tax, similar to those by the State, in which each call cost an additional \$0.25 to be used to fund these and other services. Currently, all monies taken by the State for 911 calls go directly to the General Fund (68% of which goes to the Oregon Department of Correction) instead of back to local law enforcement, which is what it was originally intended for.	8/6/2018 11:58 PM
537	My neighborhood and immediate surrounding community is safe and I feel safe. However, when I drive around Eugene, there are far too many homeless people hanging around all manner of places, begging! City Council needs to put a permanent stop to this practice, period! Follow Springfield's lead and start citing people who give these beggars money. We recently visited Downtown Albany for an evening outdoor concert in Montieth River Park. We spent several hours there prior to the concert and walked all over the Downtown area and did not see a single homeless person. In fact, we never saw a single homeless person begging on street corners either, that would never happen in Eugene! There are a lot of things wrong in how the Eugene City Council has kicked the van down the road instead of getting a backbone and truly fixing these problems!	8/6/2018 11:51 PM
538	Get rid of illegal Drugs and Illegal People. The homeless of other cities come to lane county and our homeless people have doubled. Some are involved in crime. You are spending on stupid laws like no smoking downtown. Spending money on homeless. Quit playing politics with tax payer monies. We don't like it.	8/6/2018 11:30 PM
539	We are tired of our money getting thrown away on your raises and liberal bullshit.	8/6/2018 10:51 PM
540	Give the police more support.	8/6/2018 10:14 PM
541	Disperse the camps of loiterers downtown. Make it safe for the citizens of Eugene, not a haven for the "travelers."	8/6/2018 10:06 PM
542	Priorities need to be on protecting the law abiding citizens, and not those who don't abide by the law. I'm tired of the excuses by the city council.	8/6/2018 10:03 PM
543	Need more police visibility on bike paths and in our parks.	8/6/2018 9:53 PM
544	Police need to patrol streets more	8/6/2018 9:53 PM
545	All the programs sound nice but without any numbers to back up outcomes it's hard to rank priority. I'm looking for the best ROI of my tax dollars.	8/6/2018 9:49 PM
546	I hate going downtown day or night, especially with my family. I feel more citizens should openly carry firearms and stand up to the druggies and homeless and make them feel unwelcome. City hall is to blame for the stagnant police force staffing as they like to waste time and effort on other worthless programs	8/6/2018 9:41 PM
547	Police & Fire should have priority. Stop spend tax dollars on the homeless. Run the out of town. A tax paying citizen can't even visit without being harassed by druggies and drunks.	8/6/2018 9:35 PM
548	It's scary here!	8/6/2018 9:34 PM
549	When I had jury duty in Eugene last year I was scared to walk to the Lane County Courthouse as there were men yelling and fighting in an alley and swearing that you would not want a child to hear. I was frightened to walk to my car parked in the Hult Center parking lot. These men were jeering and obnoxious. Not a good feeling at all. Next time I will pack my gun.	8/6/2018 9:30 PM
550	This community would be safer if we didn't cater to the homeless, mentally ill and illegal citizens. Feed the gulls and they will flock to the free handout. Refrain from feeding them and the will move on.	8/6/2018 9:06 PM
551	Yes, accountability within the department both in behavior and financial is needed as bench mark.	8/6/2018 9:05 PM

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552	Animal Control is very important, and so, so easy to burn out of-please take care of you Animal control officer(s), hire properly, staff according to need, provide vacation time, give them some priority so the leash issue is taken care of-not downtown, in the parks!not transients, homeowners with serious entitlement issues that are only allowed by a burnt out animal control officer unable or unwilling to enforce the law.	8/6/2018 8:59 PM
553	This should be a top priority and the taxpayers should have the strong voice. City Council does not represent the majority opinion.	8/6/2018 8:54 PM
554	Being asked for spare change is not an attack. It is a question. People often describe being accosted by panhandlers, but seem to forget that they are able to (and usually expected to) say "No," without any repercussions for doing so. Also, the kids downtown that are often referred to as the 'homeless' are generally residents of this town with places to go that choose to engage in loud, crude banter which many of us who work down there may find extremely distasteful. Even so, I don't consider my safety to be in danger because of their presence. They can be ignored, declined, or, if they seem like actual travelling kids and not just teenage hoochies, recipients of my hard earned spare change.	8/6/2018 8:49 PM
555	The very presence of police deter crime. Bicycle patrols, cruisers, whatever. Do more of it.	8/6/2018 8:45 PM
556	Yes. When the Legal System (Judges & Courts) FAIL to keep Criminals OFF the Streets. Financially Punish the Judges OR Court Officers. (District Attorneys). My Job is Contingent UPON my doing the WORK, or I lose my Job. Reduce Plea Bargaining, say by 50 Percent. It is too often used to "close Out cases" and often happens with no concerns for Prior or Future VICTIMS. MAKE OUR CITY SAFE, AGAIN.	8/6/2018 8:19 PM
557	My last comment would be that I want to see more of my tax dollars invested in public safety! I'm looking at relocation to Junction City or Cottage Grove, despite increasing my commute, because I feel like they take the safety of their citizens seriously and are willing to invest in public safety, something that I think has been seriously lacking in Eugene.	8/6/2018 8:13 PM
558	I'd like to see an increase in officers. I would like to see officers respond and contact even if it is a minor issue. Due to what feels like a blind eye to my complains because there's no life safety issue I have stopped calling.	8/6/2018 8:11 PM
559	The cops should be getting the drugs off the streets and the users	8/6/2018 8:11 PM
560	The need for more police officers is a must - the city is growing.	8/6/2018 7:58 PM
561	The city core area is not safe to visit and all parks have been taken over by the bum and thieves,	8/6/2018 7:45 PM
562	We need more cops with the freedom to be cops. Stop hamstringing our police.	8/6/2018 7:21 PM
563	Prohibit lying down and sitting and sleeping on public sidewalks and alleys continue dog ban in the downtown high traffic area for Public Safety.	8/6/2018 7:05 PM
564	I'd happily pay more in taxes for more public services.	8/6/2018 7:02 PM
565	Please remove the homeless. Eugene has become a laughingstock because of the homeless situation. I am embarrassed to say I live in Eugene. The homeless community is prevalent and Eugene has become very unsafe.	8/6/2018 6:58 PM
566	Keep funding programs that work, continue to find ways to hire additional police officers and involving the community so we can hear about the progress, I was pleasantly surprised to read about these programs but we definitely need to continue them to maintain success and shrink the homelessness/crime in the community.	8/6/2018 6:57 PM
567	Cameras at crosswalks and stop lights	8/6/2018 6:52 PM
568	More police meet and greets, when they aren't in uniform. More help making people aware you aren't just cops, you are just like everyone else!	8/6/2018 6:52 PM
569	I am pretty tired of the liberal approach to this problem, nearby towns are doing more than Eugene. I feel sorry for our officers for whom no backup to control this social problem is given	8/6/2018 6:50 PM
570	Eugene feels safe to me. At the same time, there has been a steady increase in annoying behavior demonstrated by certain populations that includes aggressive panhandling. I believe that these behaviors lead to some people feeling the community is less safe. Until we as a community in general, and the elected officials specifically, decide that it's time to more aggressively manage these behaviors, we will continue having these discussions with no resolution...	8/6/2018 6:50 PM

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571	If our housing crisis wasn't in effect, we wouldn't have so many individuals without housing and on the streets, subsequently leading to a healthier and safer community	8/6/2018 6:44 PM
572	Had to put in alarm system as had bike stolen from house	8/6/2018 6:38 PM
573	do not allow homeless to sleep in public	8/6/2018 6:32 PM
574	Downtown Eugene has become known as a haven for drugs and free medical help clinics. It's disgusting. It used to be so nice. I avoid downtown	8/6/2018 6:23 PM
575	I should be able to feel safe in my own (nice) neighborhood.	8/6/2018 6:22 PM
576	Fire all people in the City of Eugene government making more than \$100,000.00 per year. We can't afford it.	8/6/2018 6:19 PM
577	Wish we could adopt the law that they have in Medford where no handing things from vehicle to pedestrian.	8/6/2018 6:19 PM
578	Na	8/6/2018 6:16 PM
579	Overall Eugene is a nice city to live in but I hesitate to go downtown because of the homeless problem, young adults hanging around (bad language, inappropriate behavior, etc.) I think it ironic that the city, UO, etc. is putting beautiful murals, new Sequoias, etc. for the 2021 track event, but these won't attract people/visitors to come downtown, etc. with the problems Eugene has with homeless and disruptive people hanging around. It is not a pleasant atmosphere!	8/6/2018 6:13 PM
580	If you can't place someone, can't get them in rehab, can't this, can't that, then arrest them.	8/6/2018 6:13 PM
581	I stress the above. More population and reduced police has been happening too long.	8/6/2018 5:47 PM
582	Head shops in Eugene sell lots of meth pipes! They're under the cash register! You have to ask for them wink wink.	8/6/2018 5:42 PM
583	There is no safety in downtown Eugene! Period! It's not rocket science, get rid of the homeless, look at it! Who wants to pay for/own a business & deal with this and Eugene's un-business attitude!	8/6/2018 5:30 PM
584	I won't let my wife go there alone anymore. It's just not safe, and it's not from a lack of throwing a pile of money at it.	8/6/2018 5:29 PM
585	Having an increase of law enforcement isn't going to happen until there is more money appointed for an increase of staff. So the safety of the city is at risk.. my granddaughter lives downtown and I'm appalled at the activity outside her door.. she was broken in 2 week after she moved in..she now has a security system installed..I found a broken pipe in the grass in her front door.	8/6/2018 5:28 PM
586	There are residential areas in my neighborhood (the Circle K on 13th, 12th & Mill) that have very large numbers of people congregating, actively using drugs (smoking, IV, etc) in broad daylight that make it difficult to access certain businesses without harassment	8/6/2018 5:27 PM
587	We obviously need more police officers. It would appear, based upon the amount of people that are speeding in their cars, trucks and motorcycles that are fairly easy source of income would be to increase the number of motor units for ticketing. Collectively drivers know that they can speed with impunity. Before it gets any worse, like speeding on Los Angeles freeways, let's get a handle on it.	8/6/2018 5:26 PM
588	Everyone who drives for LTD knows the city cares NOT for what is going on at the Eugene station, it's a joke, this city wants to tout the bus system, but it does nothing to insure the safety and environment of Eugene Station, 10th and Olive	8/6/2018 5:23 PM
589	Remember to preserve the wonderful eclectic quality of acceptance that is a hallmark of Eugene.	8/6/2018 5:23 PM
590	We have laws don't we that should be enforced againsts "travelers", (who came up with that name!) and panhandlers. I am very aware that there are people that are in sad citations not of their doing. That's different. They are not the ones hanging on street corners and scaring and robbing others.	8/6/2018 5:23 PM
591	As a small business owner, I'm primarily discouraged by the damage to my business. I'm also discouraged of the lack of police presence in my area.	8/6/2018 5:21 PM
592	Being harrassed downtown for moeny all the time ensures I avoid dosntown.	8/6/2018 5:17 PM
593	This is a great city, but it has declined greatly over the past decade. The level of filth downtown is sad. I do not encourage my visitors to explore the downtown area.	8/6/2018 4:58 PM

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594	Eugene provides too many services to those who choose to be homeless, and not enough services for the mentally ill.	8/6/2018 4:55 PM
595	Enforce the laws. There is too much misdirected sympathy for chronic self-inflicted homelessness. Call them what they are. Such names like "travelers"? What happened to loitering, vagrants. Help the ones that need it. We are being taken advantage of, we are, using the old term "suckers".	8/6/2018 4:49 PM
596	Reduce homeless population	8/6/2018 4:41 PM
597	I don't feel safe anywhere I go in this town. I can't go for walks on the bike paths, I can't go to the parks, I can't go to downtown to shop or walk around. No matter where I go or what I do I have to make sure I have someone with me and I shouldn't have to live like this.	8/6/2018 4:40 PM
598	Bike paths need to be patrolled regularly. possibly a security company contracted for that reason.	8/6/2018 4:25 PM
599	As long as the city center is full of idle young people, I will continue to avoid it.	8/6/2018 3:41 PM
600	You can either make this city livable for the taxpayers or the criminals.	8/6/2018 3:35 PM
601	Get rid of the illegal immigrants Get rid of the drug addicts Make Eugene an undesirable place to live for those types of people	8/6/2018 3:33 PM
602	We need more police presence downtown and remove offenders from downtown. Too many carrots and too few sticks. This survey is all about carrots, carrots, carrots.	8/6/2018 3:22 PM
603	I don't expect guarantees of anything from life but from my local governing representatives I expect honesty in taking credit and immediacy in accepting blame.	8/6/2018 3:05 PM
604	Bring back an idea from the past when Counties used to operate a "Poor Farm" and they would take the people out of the city and house them at the farm where they would work to produce their own food and get job training and mental health help.	8/6/2018 2:56 PM
605	I remember when it was safe to walk the streets and no homeless. Eugene caters to druggies and homeless.	8/6/2018 2:50 PM
606	Get the homeless out!!!	8/6/2018 2:46 PM
607	CAHOOTS is such a valuable service- the city and county should work together to make sure their funding is secured.	8/6/2018 2:39 PM
608	Homelessness is a huge piece of the current issue.	8/6/2018 2:18 PM
609	Invest in resources for poor and unhoused. Day programs, laundry, showers and storage. Refurbish the former LCC Building for these purposes.	8/6/2018 1:58 PM
610	I was unaware of any of these statistics, so public information would be helpful. I read the registrar guard regularly, so maybe have missed some important articles.	8/6/2018 1:42 PM
611	More severe penalties for repeat offenders.	8/6/2018 1:40 PM
612	Many who feel unsafe, I think, feel so unnecessarily. They fear homeless people and folks with mental illness because of inaccurate stigmas and conservative viewpoints. City Council needs to do what's right for humanity, regardless of the financial desires of downtown businesses.	8/6/2018 1:35 PM
613	Police presence and response truly matter, Eugene Police work hard... let's support them!	8/6/2018 1:27 PM
614	Maybe it's time for neighbors to create their own vigilante groups, walk the streets at night for their own neighborhood protection.	8/6/2018 1:11 PM
615	Thank you for y'all's service and help to the community.	8/6/2018 12:23 PM
616	I don't think Eugene needs new laws as much as enforcing the ones we already have	8/6/2018 12:20 PM
617	I do NOT feel safe using the downtown bus station, but I take the bus to and from work 5 days a week, including some nights. I would feel a lot safer as far as health goes if you would get rid of the smoke we have to wade through to get to the busses! Mostly those kids are just posturing for their own show, but there was at least one occasion on which shots were fired. Someone needs to find something for those folks to do beside hang out, smoke, and curse at the library and bus station.	8/6/2018 12:14 PM
618	I find it interesting that this survey is necessary. All the city council and mayor need to do is spend more time downtown and the problems are obvious. It seems apparent based on the actions of the past few years that there is not felt to be an imperative to solve the obvious problems. Some of the others are more nuanced.	8/6/2018 11:35 AM

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619	I wish the community could be held more accountable for community safety. Too much is placed in the hands of the police instead of handled by the community. Truly, I don't know what you're going to do about property crime. Drugs increase, and from my perspective that's way out of police control. You have my sympathy for this one.	8/6/2018 11:07 AM
620	Make the Fire Dept a district.	8/6/2018 10:53 AM
621	Thanks for asking and for the information provided here.	8/6/2018 10:33 AM
622	Decrease number of people camping on the streets, downtown, and bike paths	8/6/2018 10:07 AM
623	The trails are not safe for anyone and neither are many of the parks. Areas with high crime needs more patrol and better lighting.	8/6/2018 10:03 AM
624	Homelessness is a huge problem and requires our attention. However the term is overly broad. We also need to recognize that there are homeless people in real need of help, and there are criminal elements who happen fall into the same category of homelessness. We need tougher policies to remove the dangerous elements from our city and especially our less visible areas (bikeways, under bridges and riverbanks).	8/6/2018 10:01 AM
625	Police vehicles are intimidating and don't invite contact btwn police and the public. I would like to see more officers on foot and on bikes.	8/6/2018 9:59 AM
626	I used to love going downtown - now,, not at all. I do frequent the library and the Metro movie theater, but always with trepidation.	8/6/2018 9:59 AM
627	We have now a fostered culture of letting aggressive, dangerous groups of people take over space. While we need to consider their humanity, health and dignity we also can't let them define the culture of areas of our space. This is a difficult challenge, but we cannot forget to hold those accountable for their actions - esp. violence.	8/6/2018 9:52 AM
628	"Livability" means different things to different people in the community. I'd like to see the City veer away from this term as it results in miscommunication. Let's all say what we mean-- be specific!	8/6/2018 9:49 AM
629	Disaster preparedness is avenue for public engagement in the general health of the community. Promoting a culture of preparedness will reap multiple benefits.	8/6/2018 9:30 AM
630	I dare the mayor and city council to sit for an hour in Kesey Square at 10 on a Friday night without armed escort... this is why we can't have nice things!	8/6/2018 9:25 AM
631	The community doesn't like solutions that are too Draconian...we are a compassionate community. The global economic situation is also part of our problems, so we need solutions that address bigger issues than our local ones when we put them in place (not just pushing people to other locations, for instance.)	8/6/2018 9:07 AM
632	Increases in early intervention, low-income housing and Housing First homes, unarmed community responders, and programming for acute needs and vulnerable populations make me feel safer in Eugene, knowing that everyone in my community, not just the people who are able to own property or pay high rent, are being valued and taken care of as people with dignity and rights.	8/6/2018 9:01 AM
633	Wish there were more of it!	8/6/2018 8:48 AM
634	Address homelessness and prioritize safety overall	8/6/2018 8:34 AM
635	The City Council doesn't listen to the residents of the city. For example a new City Hall. Most city residents would suggest the old EWEB headquarters, but NO the City fathers would rather waste millions of dollars on a small place where the homeless can hang out.	8/6/2018 8:21 AM
636	Move City Hall into the EWEB building.	8/6/2018 8:08 AM
637	It's getting bad out there... my college student daughter lives by herself and I fear for her safety every day. Prioritize theft and safety crimes, and make them regret it so they don't do it again. Let people do what they want until it severely affects others, then bring the hammer down on them.	8/6/2018 8:01 AM
638	The homeless population on hwy 99 and Roosevelt area is becoming a hazard. To the point of stopping traffic and locking the doors at red lights. U always have to be extra careful driving thro there, u never know if someone is tweaking and gonna run across the road	8/6/2018 7:35 AM
639	The situation in downtown Eugene has not improved. I do not like walking in the downtown area. I think businesses deserve better as well as those who reside in Eugene.	8/6/2018 7:20 AM

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640	Homeless shouldn't be able to sleep anywhere. Get these kids back into their homes, let their parents punish them. Screw this bullshit about how they have a right to run away and not go to school. Enact truancy laws and have police focusing on forcing kids back into school and into their parents homes (provided the environment is safe, you may not like your parents but that doesn't mean they're abusive). I'm sick of seeing kids on the street asking for money when they should be in school, there is literally no fucking excuse for this shit and it just promotes the cycle of homelessness. These kids will never get off the street if they drop out of school and then the homeless and drug problems never stop. I know kids on the street who have kids themselves and they definitely shouldn't have custody of their kid. Get your shit together Eugene, stop placating the homeless, they choose it!	8/6/2018 7:15 AM
641	I'm not quite sure what it will take however there are other cities that are really clean and that do not have the transient problems that we have. Sometimes I get the feeling that people are drawn to Eugene because of the social services that are available at all of the handouts on a regular basis. I'm not saying that we need to cut those out completely however it becomes a welcoming place for people who take advantage of those types of services. These folks tend to hang out on the streets which makes it more unpleasant for people who visit to want to come downtown.	8/6/2018 7:10 AM
642	arrest illegal campers on the spot. Put up billboards to say your actions are not welcome here and the community will do something about you.	8/6/2018 6:51 AM
643	Eugene really needs to make panhandling illegal like Springfield did. All of them are here now and it's messy and unsafe for myself and my children.	8/6/2018 6:51 AM
644	Stop attracting bums from everywhere	8/6/2018 5:49 AM
645	Paths are not safe. Eugene is not safe. By not taking actions that get this solved, these problems will continue to fester.	8/6/2018 5:04 AM
646	Gang / organized crime task force	8/6/2018 3:33 AM
647	Longer jail stays, homeless services should only be for local homeless, no travelers.	8/6/2018 1:32 AM
648	See above. Make the homeless not so comfortable. They're lazy mofos that don't want to work and want to prey off everyone else.	8/6/2018 1:19 AM
649	No	8/6/2018 1:16 AM
650	My main concern is the wait time between when a report is made and an officer responds and the fact that the number of calls where an officer does not respond is increasing	8/6/2018 12:50 AM
651	Don't allow kids to smoke cigarettes downtown because it's not legal.	8/6/2018 12:35 AM
652	I feel safe all the time, but I am also a white, upper class male. This survey should be distributed to people of color and low income neighborhoods if possible as they are likely more affected by police processes.	8/5/2018 11:49 PM
653	There is no community safety in eugene. Traffic speeds on most roadways are ridiculous with no worry of legal repercussions. Town is filthy and full of trash from the homeless issues. If I ever needed to the last thing I would do is call EPD. I would be dead long before arrival.	8/5/2018 11:15 PM
654	Again, drug use and homelessness need to be addressed. Diversity is important, but not in the case of adding literal criminals to our community. Downtown has become a no-go zone after dark, and our parks and natural spaces are no longer welcoming to families and children. It is important to realize that Springfield, once mocked by Eugene for being low class, dirty, and dangerous, is becoming more family friendly than Eugene, despite our continued use of resources. What we are doing now is not working, and this town, once vibrant and beautiful, is becoming unlivable.	8/5/2018 10:56 PM
655	I really appreciate our police, EMTs, firefighters, librarians, cahoots and more. I've seen many of them working, handling difficult situations and appreciate their service.	8/5/2018 10:55 PM
656	The homeless/juvenile crime and community downtown and elsewhere is so awful and continues to get worse. Juveniles are allowed to run the streets and parents have no authority or control because our community caters to them and protects them by allowing their bad behavior and providing a safe haven from home. Parents are not longer given any contr over their kids and so on!!!!	8/5/2018 10:53 PM
657	Community safety increases when you have thriving businesses and affordable neighborhoods. The City MUST become more business friendly and expand its urban growth boundary to encourage more house building to bring prices of homes down!	8/5/2018 10:42 PM
658	The revolving jail door is not keeping residents safe. The criminals know it's a joke.	8/5/2018 10:22 PM

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659	It needs to change. People start taking the law into their own hands. Junkies and homeless people are everywhere! They know cops don't do anything.	8/5/2018 10:22 PM
660	Befing up staffing and equipment for the fire department. As in build toward a class 1 independant fire district	8/5/2018 10:17 PM
661	Let the police do their job. Get rid of this homeless friendly idea Eugene has	8/5/2018 10:11 PM
662	Stop coddling the General homeless population. Many are homeless due to bad choices regarding drugs, alcohol, or dropping out of school. People who make good choices are expected to pay our tax dollars to support people who made bad decisions. I have no problem with helping mothers with kids, but find another way with the majority. Develope a Work force so they earn their way, but do not expect the taxpayer to foot the bill !	8/5/2018 10:05 PM
663	It is a hostile environment when people are constantly protesting your candidates and points of view and you fear violent reactions at having a different view from the more dominate louder voices.	8/5/2018 9:58 PM
664	I feel like this is a safer community than most. It's hard to keep the problem people out.. more money on mental health should be a priority.. I'm sure the police waste tons on time and energy dealing with the mentally disabled...	8/5/2018 9:55 PM
665	Stop letting everyone here	8/5/2018 9:52 PM
666	More police and give them the ability the deal with the crime that the homeless are doing. Stop begging on the street corners all over twon.	8/5/2018 9:46 PM
667	Get rid of the homeless.	8/5/2018 9:27 PM
668	Enforce the laws stringently. Crack down on drugs and homelessness.	8/5/2018 9:21 PM
669	Downtown homeless situation creates an unsafe environment.	8/5/2018 9:18 PM
670	Would love to see community policing in areas with homeless and drug activity. A cop who knows who "belongs" in the hood with low risk for crime and in need of services would be amazing. Focus on the transients, drug dealers, and people out to commit a crime.	8/5/2018 9:09 PM
671	Drug dealers and drug users are a big problem, Added with homeless who do drugs are violent.	8/5/2018 9:06 PM
672	Ban panhandlers!!!!	8/5/2018 9:06 PM
673	Thank you for doing the survey. I appreciate your hard work on these important issues.	8/5/2018 9:05 PM
674	I appreciate EPD. I work with them on a regular basis in my job and know they are doing the best they can. This community needs to work harder to fix the problems that create the crime instead of expecting our police officers to do all of the work.	8/5/2018 8:57 PM
675	Community safety should be a priority and should be considered much more important than building an expensive City Hall!	8/5/2018 8:56 PM
676	Yes....never go downtown.... and get rid of the Sanctuary state.	8/5/2018 8:43 PM
677	No	8/5/2018 8:43 PM
678	More volunteer assistance	8/5/2018 8:29 PM
679	You break into my house or steal from me. There will be extreme consequences. You could possibly never even have the chance to step off of my property alive!	8/5/2018 8:26 PM
680	There should be smaller task forces made up of police and community members that work together by meeting once or twice a month to discuss working together to reduce crime and keep Eugene safe.	8/5/2018 8:21 PM
681	More patrols!!	8/5/2018 8:17 PM
682	It needs to improve!!!	8/5/2018 8:10 PM
683	Kick the bums out - not just the transients, but the entire city counsel that created this mess.	8/5/2018 8:08 PM
684	Traffic is a NIGHTMARE. Speeding cars are the worst. The flashing yellow lights at crosswalks are not as effective as you might think. Sometimes hardly noticeable.	8/5/2018 8:05 PM
685	It is a s@\$" show. We have been broken into 3 times in the last year we don't even bother calling to report because nobody and do anything about it. I don't wish this "middle class" life in anyone	8/5/2018 7:55 PM

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686	Stop the revolving door to the Jails.	8/5/2018 7:51 PM
687	It is a community responsibility - we have to help law enforcement and mental health workers in addressing the situation. Give us some guidelines- enlist the help of the general public...thank you for allowing us to see give some feedback.	8/5/2018 7:41 PM
688	I'd like the bike paths to feel more safe. I shouldn't feel limited to daytime use just because I'm a woman.	8/5/2018 7:38 PM
689	Do something about downtown Eugene.	8/5/2018 7:37 PM
690	The homeless/druggie issue is out of control. I for one am sick of it.	8/5/2018 7:30 PM
691	Some areas of town seem really safe, others, not so much.	8/5/2018 7:15 PM
692	More patrols in neighborhoods and around town. We never see any police officers unless downtown.	8/5/2018 7:15 PM
693	Spend less money on consultants for "livability" projects, wasting thousands of dollars that could be used to hire more police. Stop constantly "developing" pie in the sky projects until you fully fund our police!	8/5/2018 7:13 PM
694	Stricter bicycle regulations. If bicycles are viewed as a vehicle they should obey by similar rules as that of a car (required lights, some type of licensing for identification of theft or traffic violations).	8/5/2018 7:08 PM
695	The neighborhoods will always have their fair share of criminal activity. Downtown is an embarrassment and it gives a good indication that city government really has no desire to solve that problem. I don't believe it is the police department's fault but those who dictate where the police department resources are used. I would suggest the Eugene city hierarchy talk to Springfield about how to fix downtown problems.	8/5/2018 6:58 PM
696	Stop making Eugene a Bum friendly town.	8/5/2018 6:55 PM
697	Aggressive support of homeless encampments. Supply and service porta potties and dumpsters to reduce impact on surrounding neighborhoods.	8/5/2018 6:48 PM
698	Sitting at a red light, slammed into from behind by driver distracted. Both cars are driveable and no injuries, so no police response. Next time there will be an injury.	8/5/2018 6:21 PM
699	I believe community safety is a top priority for the city government, both police & fire. Other areas of the budget should be prioritized after the police & fire departments are adequately funded.	8/5/2018 5:48 PM
700	It is very poor and getting worse. If you don't get in front of this thing we will be in real trouble with the increase in gang and drug activity.	8/5/2018 5:45 PM
701	Not only is downtown Eugene unsafe, so are the beautiful river trails. Step one, make sure the river bank greenery is not a welcome hideout for "campers".	8/5/2018 5:43 PM
702	We may be past the point of no return. It's completely out of control. It's anarchy and enabling bad behavior. As a tax payer I'm pissed I can't enjoy my city because it's inundated with escalating crime. Go somewhere outside of west coast and you will quickly realize what third world country Eugene has become. Stop the madness.	8/5/2018 4:21 PM
703	Don't try to make things perfect, just offer the homeless a better reality than what they have now. We don't pass parks bonds so more homeless can sleep in the parks, you need to address the homeless situation - which is tied to not only crime, but also the fact that so many of the homeless have co-dependent issues. I'm not convinced that someone who is schizophrenic and lives on the streets is really better off than they were before the "patient rights movement" permitted them to depart institutions and decline behavioral healthcare. Great strides have been made in bringing behavioral healthcare to the jail, in housing vets, youth and expanding temporary shelters. Oregon is not a wealthy state, we can't afford to fix everything, but we could do better. Is it more costly to hire and train more police, or to create alternatives?	8/5/2018 4:08 PM
704	I actually live in Springfield where it feels much safer on the streets of downtown than Eugene. I'm glad I moved from Eugene to Springfield	8/5/2018 3:49 PM
705	I don't go downtown. Parking, vagrants and panhandlers are a hassle. If I can't get it locally outside of downtown I order it online.	8/5/2018 3:38 PM

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706	I think w the population growin, we need to focus on getting people out of their cars. My observation is that people are driving bigger vehicles and are more aggressive. If people would slow down, walk, bike, take the bus, maybe it would feel calmer. I also feel like something needs to be down about the population of travelers downtown. And people need to be cited when using phone and driving.	8/5/2018 3:24 PM
707	Quit talking about it and just do it!	8/5/2018 3:09 PM
708	We would have more funds for community safety and associated programs if the Council would develop a backbone and call the bluff of developers and corporations who claim they need tax breaks to complete their proposed project. If they won't pay their fair share and invest in the livability of the community, they are not the players we need in Eugene.	8/5/2018 3:03 PM
709	I REALLY WANT to feel safe here... and i want my daughter and grand child to feel safe as well. PLEASE keep Eugene safe!	8/5/2018 2:31 PM
710	Thank you for asking.	8/5/2018 1:49 PM
711	This survey is probably intended to justify yet another bond measure...(I know that sounds a little cynical, but...) there have already been two in the past six months and another one proposed for the November ballot. The city is giving away tax dollars with MUPTes to luxury developers, but can't meet the cost of basic services. There is something WRONG with this finance/budgeting/management model. Population growth and expanded services should be correlated with revenue forecasting. If the city can't afford expansion of basic necessary services, then stop giving tax relief to millionaire developers!! If you keep depending on bond issues instead of prudent planning and budget management, you will end up taxing fixed income and lower income working families out of their homes.	8/5/2018 1:43 PM
712	Far more community involvement in safety, and far less lawyer involvement.	8/5/2018 1:37 PM
713	Increase police or trainees if budget will allow.	8/5/2018 1:33 PM
714	It has not been clear from newspaper articles how much danger a caller could report and be usually sure of a quick police response, nor what the cutoff is for decisions not to respond.	8/5/2018 1:17 PM
715	it is all of the citizens job to contribute to public safety, not just the trained police force	8/5/2018 1:13 PM
716	Stop with the revolving doors at the jails. Mostly driven by high crime.	8/5/2018 12:50 PM
717	Other than the west university and downtown neighborhoods after midnight, Eugene seems like a reasonably safe community.	8/5/2018 12:10 PM
718	zoning and other laws should be strengthened/enforced to reduce homeless and derelict/temporary housing encampments. Repeal laws allowing temporary living in mobile homes in residential areas - or at least limit them to weekend/short term visits.	8/5/2018 11:51 AM
719	I said I feel "somewhat safer" in the past 12 months, but to get there I had to endure a 911 call that was not responded to when I reported a belligerent neighbor making death threats. I feel a little safer knowing that despite a lack of response or police protection, nothing terrible happened.	8/5/2018 11:38 AM
720	The above question 16 is vague. Support efforts to address homelessness What avenue is this addressing? "Address" ? More support for homeless? More programs? OR does "Address" mean: hold the homeless accountable for the laws of the city? Making new ordinances to limit their impact on the city and the citizens? Increasing law enforcement to uphold the laws/ordinances when not followed by the homeless?	8/5/2018 11:36 AM
721	The community is not safe . Downtown is unsafe. The parks are unsafe. This is disgraceful. Repeat criminals are put back on the streets. Drugs are everywhere.	8/5/2018 11:32 AM
722	I've lived in Eugene intermittently for about 20 years, 1st for undergrad, 2nd for masters, and now for PhD. This place isn't recognizable. If I would have spent time here this year I would have never applied for the doctoral program and would have looked elsewhere. I am frightened to attend night classes and am considering arming myself. I'm thankful we live deep in the south hills, or else I would leave and not return. Mental health is a crisis in Eugene.	8/5/2018 11:30 AM
723	Enforce the laws for drivers of motor vehicles who blatantly disobey. The number of drivers who run stop signs and red lights is out of control and a real safety concern for pedestrians and other drivers. Please consider cameras and automatic tickets for those who disobey the laws.	8/5/2018 11:27 AM

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724	It's factually correct that the majority of homeless in Eugene, are from Lane County. The word majority however means just 51%. Studies show that between 10% and 49% of homeless come from out of the area (Google "homeless last known zip code"). What this means is that under the current national model, local social services programs, including shelters, will likely always be at capacity no matter how much money is allocated to them. It is prudent then to match increased funding to social services, with proportional increases to public safety funding.	8/5/2018 11:11 AM
725	People have a tendency to forget the issues are not just about the City of Eugene. There needs to be a better collaborative partnership between the cities of Eugene and Springfield to share resources and assets (like we did with Fire and CAHOOTS) to address the issues.	8/5/2018 11:10 AM
726	Enforce the god damned crosswalk laws, and answer your 911 calls. Stop blaming the poor for a crappy society.	8/5/2018 11:09 AM
727	I would like to see Increased training & awareness of safety responders in interacting with hard of hearing & late deafened (non asl) citizens. Hearing loss makes it harder to maintain personal safety. Would also like outreach efforts on how to build personal safety.	8/5/2018 11:05 AM
728	Currently, not adequately addressed.	8/5/2018 10:54 AM
729	Get a dedicated traffic patrol unit which will increase revenue due to Oregonian's sense of entitlement and inability to drive. Push for mandatory driver's training in high school before one can be licensed. Tell police to stop screwing off so much - constantly see them parked window to window bs'ing. Once initial swarm of incident is complete and code four given; get their butts back in service instead of slapping each other's butts in congratulations and talking about how cool the take down was.	8/5/2018 10:37 AM
730	Until Eugene gets serious about cleaning these out of area dregs from our streets, crime will continue to increase	8/5/2018 10:32 AM
731	Get off your seats and do something other than talk and delay action.	8/5/2018 10:31 AM
732	The city should reallocate resources to increase the number of sworn officers and should not fritter away its money on such useless frills as eliminating train whistles at grade crossings. The City should reallocate its priorities so that we at least meet the national average for sworn officers.	8/5/2018 10:23 AM
733	I want the police to have the resources they need to train replacements for members who don't meet high standards for accountability and safety.	8/5/2018 9:48 AM
734	It's disappointing when you can't go to a major public common space (Alton Baker Park, downtown Eugene, Skinner Butte, etc) and not feel safe or comfortable.	8/5/2018 9:46 AM
735	I'm glad I'm moving out.	8/5/2018 9:46 AM
736	i could see where this city was going over 15 yrs ago, but the govt here is so insular, they refuse to see they have a problem until it is too late. this city council needs to get real & start addressing their problem	8/5/2018 9:43 AM
737	I visited Bozeman Montana a few weeks ago and felt very safe everywhere i walked while i also noticed how very clean and exceptionally litter free and homeless free the city was. Here in Eugene and surrounding areas i now feel like i live in a litter bin by comparison. The number of homeless new to the area may explain a lot of the litter so maybe the number of homeless can explain a lot of the crime also. It's either that or the city council of Bozeman take map.litterati.org very literally. See also: https://www.bozeman.net/government/garbage-recycling/cleanup-bozeman-program	8/5/2018 9:25 AM
738	Teach parents to discipline their kids	8/5/2018 9:17 AM
739	In the last six months I have never seen an officer issue a citation for any traffic violation - and believe me there are plenty from following too close, cell phone use and speed.	8/5/2018 9:12 AM
740	We need laws to keep people from sitting on sidewalks all day.	8/5/2018 9:07 AM
741	Without community safety there is no community, we simply become fearful, reactive individuals.	8/5/2018 8:59 AM
742	Start helping those who want and need to enforce safety thus helping the good people of this community and stop enabling all the parasitic transient behavior!	8/5/2018 8:47 AM

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743	The second choice above "added if the budget allows" needs to be viewed in a large context. While I agree that all of the above issues should be addressed I do not necessarily agree with the spending priorities of the city of Eugene. For example, tearing down the old city hall and pushing for a new city when there are other viable options seems foolish. In addition I see no reason to continue to give businesses property tax breaks at the expense of home owners. While we do need a prosperous business community there should be a balanced tax base.	8/5/2018 8:46 AM
744	We need the police to be more visible on the streets. There are far to many speeders, signal light runners as well as bad driving habits. More visibility will also lead to a decrease in crime and faster response to emergencies. More police on bikes in downtown and on bikes paths would be helpful.	8/5/2018 8:40 AM
745	I would literally vote for Satan himself before I vote to approve one single solitary dime in addition to the already over-bloated city of Eugene budget that is being wasted on non-citizens and homeless people instead of our actual tax paying citizens. Focus on the 99%.	8/5/2018 8:15 AM
746	Do something about it.	8/5/2018 8:07 AM
747	IMHO, the City must begin to deal with the transients, the open drug use, the blatant criminal behavior and the predators who victimize the youth and citizenry. The streets, sidewalks and bike paths need to be safe for community use. Failure to do so will result in the business sector leaving the downtown area for other more functional areas in the County and/or other communities.	8/5/2018 8:02 AM
748	Start arresting homeless for being vagrants and make them work. No work and we'll hassle till you move along. Panhandling should not be a career.	8/5/2018 7:58 AM
749	Eugene doesn't have a safe community. City leaders turn their back on its' citizens and bows down to the bums on the city streets.	8/5/2018 7:47 AM
750	It is very achievable to clear out the bums	8/5/2018 7:41 AM
751	Put the travelers to work for clean up as part of any infractions including setting up make shift tents etc on paths and parks 100% illegal and requiring their clean up or community work. If they are mentally incapable find a way to hospitalize and house them to reduce their suffering and inflicting their problems on the public. It is time to pressure the state and feds to provide mental health laws and funds to do so.	8/5/2018 7:17 AM
752	Much of the problem we see is the result of too little being done at the National level, so the city is limited in what it can actually do.	8/5/2018 6:32 AM
753	No	8/5/2018 5:38 AM
754	Our downtown must not be treated as an open air mental health clinic. The social experiment is over. We must reclaim downtown Eugene. Politicans not on board with prioritizing safety and lawfulness will be replaced.	8/5/2018 12:21 AM
755	I would be extremely disappointed to see the city council use our current programs in place as "hostage" for other services. Lane county holds public safety hostage whenever there is a budget shortage or issue. That is not right. We need the programs currently in place to stay as well as be enhanced if at all possible.	8/4/2018 11:04 PM
756	The police do all they can, but it seems like their hands are tied by "feel good" politics.	8/4/2018 10:28 PM
757	Stop giving so much to the "travelers" it just opens the door to others	8/4/2018 9:32 PM
758	Pass a no panhandling law like Springfield. Outlaw sleeping on sidewalks and other public places and enforce these laws. Enforce no loitering laws. (add them if they don't exist)	8/4/2018 8:38 PM
759	We need affordable housing.	8/4/2018 8:28 PM
760	People respond to incentives. If you incentivize transients to be downtown, their numbers will increase.	8/4/2018 8:25 PM
761	Stop Feeding the Bears	8/4/2018 8:07 PM
762	That this survey is written in a way that it only dictates either give the city more money, you don't care, or you are ignorant. ie this survey leaves a lot to be desired and to make any conclusions based off it leaves a lot more questions thanks answers.	8/4/2018 8:00 PM
763	Why is it that "poor" people always have money for beer, cigarettes, and weed, but not enough money to pay "market" rent?	8/4/2018 6:45 PM
764	#17 says it all. I'm supportive of EPD and hopeful the new chief listens carefully to views like mine and partners with enlightened veterans on the force and in the police union.	8/4/2018 6:36 PM

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765	Get rid of thug cops! Like Officer Davis on campus	8/4/2018 6:35 PM
766	Please save our downtown neighborhoods. Put the resources where they are needed	8/4/2018 2:56 PM
767	Thanks for asking for our opinions. Thank you for the hard work you already do. Hoping the new police chief will continue to meet with community members. Come to the Friendly Market in the Friendly Neighborhood outside business hours so we can meet you!	8/4/2018 2:34 PM
768	With all the programs that indicate such good results, why are we seeing such an increase in transients everywhere?	8/4/2018 2:14 PM
769	I feel unsafe because of the Eugene Police Department. Please acknowledge and solve problems. Please make them have integrity.	8/4/2018 1:35 PM
770	Prevention and rehabilitation is essential and most effective in the long term . "Crime" is a vague word to use for decision making — shoplifting vs rape? Stealing a bike vs murder? If violent crime has gone up 18%, I wonder 18% of what? From 10 to 12? From 100 to 118? We should know how big our violent crime problem is before asking us to decide how to allocate the budget in terms of "catching criminals" vs prevention and rehabilitation.	8/4/2018 12:10 PM
771	It all matters. Police should be part, but not all the solution. I've had mostly positive interactions with our police officers, but I've heard horror stories. This matters. Trusting the Peace Officers to do their jobs with integrity and skill is not the same as trusting in Police to do theirs. While I believe we need both in different situations, I wonder if we can have both in the same individuals.	8/4/2018 11:27 AM
772	It appears to me that there are different responses depending on the neighborhood. For example, I'm certain that a van with loiterers and a bike chop shop that showed up on Fairmount Blvd. would be investigated immediately. In Whitaker, they are commonplace in very busy, high traffic areas. I understand historically there have been tensions between the police and the residents of Whiteaker, but I believe most of us, at least the home owners, would like a stronger police presence. All of my interactions with the police have been positive; it just seems to me that open illegal activities are allowed to take place here when they wouldn't be tolerated elsewhere in the city.	8/4/2018 9:30 AM
773	I think that, much as people don't like to pay taxes, if they know the money will go to more police/better response they would be willing to pay more. People will want to see specifically where the money goes and what the effects are, though.	8/4/2018 7:41 AM
774	Definitely! W Eugene is a ticking time bomb for residents and making them feel as if they don't matter and have to take threats or dangers and safety into their own hands.	8/4/2018 5:00 AM
775	Hire more officers	8/4/2018 12:08 AM
776	Bring back vagrancy laws!!!!	8/3/2018 11:39 PM
777	Downtown is not safe and won't be until the transient problem is addressed and taken seriously.	8/3/2018 11:12 PM
778	Do we still have the 2 young security guards on bikes who patrol along the bike paths? I'd like to see more young people in those positions---perhaps interns from UO Human and Family Services programs. Young people know how to connect and get results fast. I know. I teach high schoolers.	8/3/2018 10:07 PM
779	thank you for all you do. This hard work.	8/3/2018 9:52 PM

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780	<p>My one friend I am trying to help wanted to get back to work and decided to return home to Oregon. She had not lived in Lane County and only moved here because she knew me. Her shades don't cover her windows because the place is sinking. The neighbors have stolen her mail, broken in and taken items from her home and at one point even lifted her cell phone and had the property manager return it to her. Nobody would tell her who turned it in. She is awoken at night and can't get back to sleep for fear that it is a neighbor using her water or peeking in the windows. She and her son are uncomfortable at the Eugene Public Library downtown because of all the homeless that are allowed to hang out there. There is no longer free parking anywhere near things downtown even if you have a disabled permit like she does, so she often can't afford to take her son anywhere. They come to our house weekly for fun and that's just sad. She was not allowed to look at the apartment before she signed the lease. Before you say that is her problem for signing without seeing, realize that the property manager held her off from signing the least for 30 days. By that time she only has another 15-30 days to get moved in or Loses her Housing Voucher! So she had No Choice. There were no other openings in Eugene. The property also makes Absolutely No Repairs. How would you feel if your toilet never flushed? I would be appalled. Even if she goes to the City Building Code folks and they see that she is clearly living in mold and water-damaged bug infested my windows only need a jiggle to unlock place, they would put her out. That would be awesome, except, where does she go then? Oh, so that won't work. Let's see. Housing won't help. She's living on \$1,000 a month with a beautiful boy so how is she going to hire a lawyer to help? Well, that's probably exactly what the property owners/managers and the agencies are counting on. How is somebody supposed to Get Better in a place so horrible that it is making her sicker all of the time and how can we have a Housing department that doesn't support clean living? How can nobody be overseeing a Federally funded property? If the city council doesn't know that people are On the streets because there are 1) No case workers here to help low-income people with mental illnesses like there are in other counties in Oregon, 2) Housing in Eugene does not take care of their people unlike other counties in Oregon, and 3) That is exactly how people end up on the streets, then I think you should be informed. Some say that Eugene doesn't have much money. I don't understand that as I am behind somebody in line at Market of Choice (I only shop there periodically because I can't really afford it) who spends \$500 without blinking an eye and then I pull out of the parking lot in my 8 year old car behind three newer model Mercedes Benz's? So, what is the problem? Where is that money going or not going? I am so disgusted with Eugene and Lane County in this matter, I cannot express myself. How about if we fix the problem at the core - where people are not being taken care of properly? Then we would spend less money on the cleanup.</p>	8/3/2018 7:20 PM
781	<p>We need MUCH better traffic enforcement - speeding, running red lights and blatant cell phone distraction is turning our streets into a danger for everyone, not matter their choice of transportation.</p>	8/3/2018 6:42 PM
782	<p>Junkies throwing garbage and dirty needles everywhere. Police won't do anything.</p>	8/3/2018 6:25 PM
783	<p>Stop the revolving door. Send arrestees to jails in other counties that have openings</p>	8/3/2018 5:55 PM
784	<p>There has been an increase in security patrols downtown and I support it fully, though the limit of their capability is no more than the average citizen. They do act as a deterrent but they are less useful than a trained police force. Funds should be placed into training more officers instead.</p>	8/3/2018 5:54 PM
785	<p>I see too many instances of vagrants breaking laws downtown and even nearby police do nothing to stop it. Even if it's as minor as smoking right next to a non-smoking sign, it's starting to feel lawless in Eugene.</p>	8/3/2018 5:24 PM
786	<p>Unthank St is brimming with trouble. Might want to check it out.</p>	8/3/2018 5:22 PM
787	<p>What community safety? The in-then-out in 24 hours scenario occurring with homeless criminals - they literally have camps within 1/4 mile of the jail on the butte. Asking sidewalk campers in front of businesses to pack up and move on before business hours gets you retaliated against with no recourse. On both of my most recent trips through downtown / library area there was literal human shit sitting in plain view on the sidewalk within 10 feet of patrolling volunteers being ignored.</p>	8/3/2018 4:13 PM
788	<p>When you change "I" In illness to "we" it's becomes wellness. You should be a part of the solution in knowing that every single person IS your problem and not just someone else's. Time to step up Eugene! It's time to start working together and not pushing it off on someone else to deal with.</p>	8/3/2018 3:56 PM
789	<p>Strategies and actions that prioritize prevention programs should be a high priority. It is the least costly way to ensure our community safety today and into the future.</p>	8/3/2018 3:34 PM
790	<p>I'd like to see cameras added to lights on the bike paths. This would better enable police to review repeat offenders.</p>	8/3/2018 3:14 PM

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791	Nothing at this time.	8/3/2018 3:12 PM
792	We need more police, and more Cahoots, more counselors, more addiction treatment programs. Regardless of cost, we need those things.	8/3/2018 3:11 PM
793	I am a liberal but I think the time has come for us to no longer tolerate those that choose to use our yards, our parks and our businesses as toilets. Our river fronts should not be full of homeless camps with drugs and other crimes being committed. We need to support our families that struggle but not to provide a haven for those that are choosing behaviors that are bad for our environment. They should not be welcome here. Unfortunately we have substance abuse and mental health issues that need more help/attention rather than just being tolerated.	8/3/2018 1:55 PM
794	I am very much in favor of expanding the bait bike program.	8/3/2018 1:26 PM
795	Traffic safety is a huge concern with high impact on people's lives and personal safety, and I am disheartened to see this topic not even mentioned or called out in a survey on public safety. It's a huge public safety concern, especially for those more vulnerable populations in this community.	8/3/2018 1:25 PM
796	Push neighborhood watch and such. Force offenders to do extensive community service to make up for their offenses. Diversion for first time offenders who have a hope of being reformed.	8/3/2018 12:56 PM
797	It is poor. We do not adequately punish crime in this city and as a result it is an incentive to motivate more crime.	8/3/2018 12:46 PM
798	The Whiteaker has a history of being the place to go for drugs, partying, camping, etc. but it has changed & i don't feel fear like i did when i first however the memory of the past that comes here to get high is still lingering & we need the EPD to take notice...however, i can say that Chief Kerns did come out & other officers & we are beginning to build communications, connections & support now that Kerns is gone Chief Skinner is coming to get to know us & hopefully build bridges, again, i sure would like to know what becomes from these surveys? thanks again	8/3/2018 12:26 PM
799	I feel safe overall in Eugene. The downtown/Broadway area is the main problem for me (dealing with people, crazies, etc).	8/3/2018 12:24 PM
800	My house downtown has been broken into twice in the last 8 years. The police response was fast and fabulous-- the officer was so sweet -- but the downtown area doesn't feel safe. So many people with mental illnesses and drug problems. They need help. If they are unwilling to get help, they need to move on. Rambo is coming to mind...	8/3/2018 12:17 PM
801	We are no longer a small town. We have big city issues. Eugene is being slow to respond and this does affect our quality of life. I love that Eugene is respectful of the homeless and I applaud the efforts of all the resources being funded to deal with people's lives who live on the street - I think the city should take on even more of this financial burden and help out, but I also see a city that sometimes is too bogged down by what feels more like liberal appearance than what is practical and good for the entire city. The public spaces at the park blocks and at kesey square which takes staff and public money - is that a band aid or a real solution? My hope is that more funding will be given to the police department and that city council take their cues for how to deal with crime from the police who know it best - who deal with it day to day and not only from the administrators in the police department. We all know that offering people the basics; health care, good schools, affordable housing, jobs is essential for a healthy community. So another concern I have which does affect safety is with all the new buildings being built why isn't there more affordable housing mandated? So people feel welcomed. I live in the Friendly area - been here for close to 30 years. Why are permits given to town houses going for half a million dollars? Long-term that means my neighborhood will no longer have a diversity of people who live here. Gentrification is also a big city issue, that breeds resentment and folks feeling disenfranchised but being that Eugene is smaller than more big cities, I'd have hoped that we could do it better here and not ghettoize people based on economics. We can't just be thinking about those who can afford to move here, students, and folks who are homeless. The city needs to be putting more planning effort into housing for real working people.	8/3/2018 12:13 PM
802	Regarding the survey Q about awareness of "crime up 18% in recent years" -- this is counter to what I heard Chief Kerns state at a public meeting in the year he retired. I thought he said property crimes were up, but violent crimes flat/down.	8/3/2018 11:01 AM
803	I feel incredibly safe in this community. Thank you to all of the City personnel that help make this City great.	8/3/2018 10:44 AM

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804	Please stop hiding your agenda to push homeless and people in need out of this city. I see what's happening with the homeless. While I applaud your efforts such as tiny housing opportunities and cahoots, the homeless are being marginalized more and more by a community that is in fear of anything or anyone who is different. It doesn't help to see four police cars responding to a call on one homeless or mentally ill person.	8/3/2018 10:38 AM
805	Safety in Eugene has decreased drastically compared to even 10 years ago. It's a problem when you don't feel safe even walking in a neighborhood anymore.	8/3/2018 10:35 AM
806	Focus on prevention vs. enforcement. Enforcement should be focused on impactful interventions, not low level crimes.	8/3/2018 10:09 AM
807	get rid of the nazis	8/3/2018 10:05 AM
808	Moving from the Whiteaker to South Eugene has been an eye opener. In Whiteaker, there were no parks I felt completely safe using and absolutely never let my children visit the parks without supervision. And even then, I would usually deem the parks unsafe. In South Eugene I live within walking distance of two parks and have never once seen a homeless person, drug user or even a full garbage can. I can only guess if I ever did see something of that nature, one phone call would result in swift action. We all pay taxes. We should all receive the same level of services from the PD and City.	8/3/2018 9:51 AM
809	You've said it, increased violations across the board. We need to act swiftly to provide safety to the residents of Eugene!	8/3/2018 9:33 AM
810	Lots of talk anout it, nothing changes. It's getting worse.	8/3/2018 9:26 AM
811	Police stretched too thin. Greater budget. Less militaristic response. Prefer community policing. Some of the public does not understand how their disregard for others contributes to lawlessness. Improved relations. Police providing resource info to those in need while they interact is great, but the public needs to redirect as well rather than reinforcing unwanted behaviors. Traffic dangers are only get worse if there are not enough consequences frequently enough to discourage bad behavior.	8/3/2018 9:23 AM
812	Banning dogs and or smoking in the city core means that there will be a wall of banned activities ringing the area where the ban in is place. This is what happened when UO banned smoking. All nonsmokers must pass through a wall of smoke to enter campus, increasing the amount of smoke exposure.	8/3/2018 8:00 AM
813	It seems that there is a need to hire more police staff and volunteers.	8/3/2018 6:39 AM
814	Stop the police from randomly pulling me over at 1am fishing for a DUI charge. Focus on the tweakers and vagrants ruining downtown instead of wasting police resources on pulling everyone over for simply driving at night.	8/3/2018 2:14 AM
815	I would be more than happy to pay more property taxes to provide better safety resources for our community.	8/2/2018 10:41 PM
816	Homelessness is a growing, all encompassing problem. We need to focus more expertise & funding on long term solutions with community volunteer support to make it work.	8/2/2018 10:30 PM
817	Thank you for at least discussing this issue and for the opportunity to comment. This is an embarrassing issue for the city but it is resolvable. I'm not convinced that typical liberal solutions will work. Please expand your horizons and seek out solutions from other communities even if they don't fit your polital agenda.	8/2/2018 10:00 PM
818	Services for homeless seem to be focused on the downtown. There is need in outlying areas such as Delta Oaks where there is a near permanent homeless community despite the appearance of suburban well being.	8/2/2018 9:38 PM
819	Downtown does not feel safe, and it does not feel like Eugene has the resources to enforce these bans that we keep putting on the books (smoking, dogs, not blocking sidewalks, etc.) So let's either commit to getting the resources (my vote) or stop kidding ourselves. I was not aware of the challenges the city is facing regarding public safety, and it is very concerning. Please figure out how to communicate these needs to the public.	8/2/2018 8:29 PM
820	We have a safe community but there is a tendency to over dramatize those incidents that do occur.	8/2/2018 7:13 PM

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821	Since I don't trust the City and have lost all faith in its transparency, I assumed the blurbs about the different programs were whitewashed and simply untrue. This is what happens when there's no independent auditor overseeing everything, and trust has been eroded to be almost nonexistent. After years of watching poor City decisions support the rushed destruction of old trees and buildings, and instead support rampant cheap and ugly development implemented by out-of-state developers, I believe nothing that the City Council and especially that the City Manager has to say about anything. It just makes me want to scream with frustration.	8/2/2018 7:03 PM
822	Increase property taxes or implement a temporary transfer tax on real estate to get more dollars for policing. As a property owner, I would be supportive of paying higher property taxes in exchange for more money going to hiring and training more officers.	8/2/2018 5:33 PM
823	For crying out loud get more police officers. And get the homeless people out of downtown. Every ballot you have a tax levy for the parks. All the money in the world for parks and wetlands. It's infuriating. I think police and education is SO MUCH MORE IMPORTANT. We need more school days. Oh and city representatives: make some goddam decisions already. You only sit in your ass and debate all day, no action ever.	8/2/2018 5:18 PM
824	The survey is inadequate for the task. I will not vote for any city services based on a survey monkey poll without full knowledge of the team creating the survey and it's motive. Guess you won't even see these comments unless I answer the poorly and biased questions.	8/2/2018 4:37 PM
825	no	8/2/2018 3:30 PM
826	I appreciate that the city of Eugene is considering holistic community programs that can prevent people from going to jail or prison. The last thing we need is more people who must rely on extralegal means to support themselves because they can't find employment with a record.	8/2/2018 3:11 PM
827	Like it or not, the the type of people who voluntarily adopt a homeless lifestyle are the same type that have no issues committing crime (stealing, vandalism, etc.) This is because they have no "skin in the game." They have no reason to respect a community that they do not belong to. These are the people that do not require mental health assistance or other programs, but just want a free handout and have no problem breaking the law to get by. We need to start discouraging this in earnest. We can start by passing an ordinance prohibiting the passing of objects (money, etc) from cars to pedestrians. Stop feeding the bears and the bears will lose interest. Community safety is tied to the kind of people we attract to live in our community.	8/2/2018 2:54 PM
828	The amount of bums (different than homeless in my opinion) is excessive and makes me feel unsafe. They don't care if they get arrested because they won't pay their fines and don't have anything to lose. Please actually make laws to address this rather than punishing your actual citizens by doing things like banning dogs and smoking in the downtown area. Thanks.	8/2/2018 2:52 PM
829	I work downtown and the issue of vagrancy is a constant concern. It's obnoxious, but not necessarily dangerous, to be hassled for change or leftovers every time you exit a restaurant. It is dangerous, though, to have disgruntled vagrants harass your female coworkers. It's dangerous to have drug paraphernalia (I'm talking about discarded heroin needles, not weed) lying discarded in alleys and parking lots. It's a public health concern to have feces and other bodily fluids along the majority of the walkways.	8/2/2018 2:41 PM
830	It is clear that certain areas attract more undesired behavior. The Whiteaker to HW 99 are problem spots. I will be leaving this area after 13 years because I can no longer live amongst this stuff. The population of drug users has increased, to the point where I am finding needles in my own front yard, people have used my yard as a bathroom, I regularly pick up piles of garbage and there are many people living out of their cars, piling up everything they have on the street. This would never be allowed in downtown Eugene, so why is it allowed here? We could really use a second and or larger shelter.	8/2/2018 2:38 PM
831	It's not EPD's fault that people are more afraid of policemen more than ever. Or at least more vocal about it. But I think we'd all feel safer if we knew that our local policemen being hired had adequate mental health assistance, were thoroughly screened for things like domestic violence in their past or present, and were extensively trained in the use of non-violent reactions and using deadly force as a last resort. Proactive transparency is great. Overall though, my personal experience with the police has been good, and we have had several constructive/productive interactions. I want to make sure I express that because I've been heavy on the criticism with this survey. :)	8/2/2018 2:11 PM
832	I just want to believe the police are there to help people of color. I think there is a lot of harassment right now by people down town and we need support. I just want to know that a police call will work against hate crimes	8/2/2018 2:09 PM

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833	We should mirror the laws and efforts on homelessness that the city of Springfield currently has.	8/2/2018 2:01 PM
834	Please tell the district attorney's office to stop please bargaining serious crimes down to minor offenses and turning repeat offenders loose.	8/2/2018 1:40 PM
835	Thank you for the steps and programs that have already been taken and created.	8/2/2018 12:55 PM
836	Our community is safest when we are strongly bonded together. House the homeless, support the un- and under- employed, and give desperate people help and hope.	8/2/2018 12:28 PM
837	I just want to be able to walk from the parking garage to work without be hassled, sometimes multiple times, on each trip. I never know if the person is going to start screaming and following me since that's happened more than once. Sidewalks should not be a place for people to just hang out and beg. We have parks to hang out in.	8/2/2018 12:21 PM
838	The police I see are always courteous and professional.	8/2/2018 11:56 AM
839	I feel threatened far too often in this town, and that's why I'm leaving. If you cut the homelessness, you will cut the crime, and people will feel safer. Period.	8/2/2018 11:55 AM
840	I think this is a very safe and beautiful place to live. I am frustrated with the high rate of property crime and would like to see something done to solve it.	8/2/2018 11:27 AM
841	I havent felt safe for a long time	8/2/2018 11:24 AM
842	Being a sanctuary city and allowing homelessness to take over our streets is contributing to the problem. If laws will not be enforced, they will be flouted. This will end up costing the taxpayers more, draining the local economy.	8/2/2018 11:09 AM
843	Please address these issues. This town feels more dangerous than when I move here about 10 years ago.	8/2/2018 11:02 AM
844	Start with the homeless population and go from there.	8/2/2018 10:59 AM
845	More fire, EMS and police resources please.	8/2/2018 10:54 AM
846	The current Eugene police force is full of friendly and caring officers. Please keep the same caliber of officers when expanding and training your force. It is much more pleasant to live somewhere that I feel like police officers genuinely care about the public and community, especially after moving from Texas, where police officers created an atmosphere of fear and domination.	8/2/2018 10:52 AM
847	Discouraging elective homelessness is vital, y'all!	8/2/2018 10:46 AM
848	build a city jail.	8/2/2018 10:41 AM
849	This entire survey was written in a very biased way, hire someone without an agenda, i.e. a third party, to write it next time. The way you phrase questions and ask for people's initial reactions on information they just learned is horrible.	8/2/2018 10:30 AM
850	The community needs to prioritize the safety and wellbeing of lawabiding people and particularly that of families with children over transients.	8/2/2018 10:22 AM
851	It's sad that I now feel the need to carry a firearm wherever I go here in town. At least we're saving money since we no longer patronize local businesses downtown due to the high risk. Hopefully we'll save enough to leave this shithole town for good.	8/2/2018 10:11 AM
852	n/a	8/2/2018 10:09 AM
853	Not really	8/2/2018 10:07 AM
854	I generally view the police in Eugene as being much better than police in other communities in which I've lived- or that I've read about in the news. While I don't want to take any credit away from the individual officers and leadership, who from what I've seen are extremely professional, I also credit the fact that we have an auditor and civilian review board that seem to be actually empowered to provide oversight.	8/2/2018 10:07 AM
855	Jail tweekers and any travelers with outstanding tickets.	8/2/2018 10:05 AM
856	?	8/2/2018 9:50 AM
857	I don't feel safe in parks because of trash, needles and ruffians.	8/2/2018 9:34 AM
858	I love Eugene and our vibe, but we have gone off tje cliff in terms of what is and isnt acceptable behavior.	8/2/2018 9:08 AM

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859	I think the police have low staffing and resources which makes things more difficult for them, but I also am aware of some bad practices within the force that gives me concern. For instance, officers will decline to fully investigate certain crimes, particularly drunk driving and domestic violence crimes, which involve a high level of officer activity and a low level of payoff in terms of crimes prosecuted. Please worry more about these types of crimes, which significantly affect our community.	8/2/2018 9:03 AM
860	Lots of garbage and biohazards around town.	8/2/2018 8:58 AM
861	Get a clue Eugene! Quit giving handouts to losers with huge criminal records just hanging out here because they've heard on the criminal circuit it's an "easy" city to be a criminal thief loser!	8/2/2018 8:50 AM
862	Yeah, actual safety. I don't want to raise a family here because if i take them to the park I have to worry about the rampant drug use and needles every where only to go home to find my stuff has been stolen. But don't worry, the person that stole my stuff are able to safely store it downtown in a storage locker to protect it, so it won't get stolen.	8/2/2018 8:31 AM
863	It's the safest city I've ever lived in by far. I would walk down the street at night holding a bag of money anywhere at any hour. That is safety privilege. Let's not pretend it's worse than it is due to a growing population - some percentage of crime is inevitable and of course it will increase with population. Don't overreact - but preventative measures and early intervention are most useful for long-term success.	8/2/2018 8:12 AM
864	Less than 10% of the homeless are responsible for more than 90% of the crime. Focus on a viable solution to deal with them.	8/2/2018 7:07 AM
865	See above	8/2/2018 7:06 AM
866	Stop spending my money on homeless people. The majority of homeless people here CAME HERE TO BE HOMELESS.	8/2/2018 6:58 AM
867	I moved here two years ago and this is the most filthy downtown I've seen. Not to mention unsafe, even where I live. my roommate had his car broken into twice this year. It's pathetic. I lived in a city twice the population and the crime rate was LITERALLY half. I know I have no impact or ability to change things here but someone needs to.	8/2/2018 5:25 AM
868	This is vital and as long as response time is compromised people aren't going to call and people are gonna start dealing with it themselves. Hire enough staff and train people in area's that can assist in area's where it doesn't take time or interfere with our law enforcement to be able to respond to calls	8/2/2018 3:12 AM
869	I have been harassed, felt threatened, and feel very uncomfortable walking or biking alone, especially downtown and on the bike paths. I used to ride on the Fern Ridge path a lot but don't anymore because I don't feel safe.	8/2/2018 12:31 AM
870	Watching police officers forcefully evict homeless people form areas makes me feel unsafe.	8/1/2018 11:49 PM
871	There must be sufficient legal housing and shelter locations, so that no one is criminalized for being in Eugene without housing/shelter. The locations and options must be spread throughout all the neighborhoods.	8/1/2018 11:48 PM
872	Put those who live here first. Don't tolerate aggression of any sort.	8/1/2018 11:41 PM
873	Break out of your weird progressive hypocrisy and truly look at what works.	8/1/2018 10:30 PM
874	Crosswalks west of Jefferson on 5th Street!!!!	8/1/2018 9:35 PM
875	As senior citizens age, they often aren't as brave as they once were, and feeling timid is just evaporated by the appearance and professionalism of your downtown officers. They are a joy and we appreciate them!	8/1/2018 8:44 PM
876	Transients are not helpful to the community and put a bad name on those people who are in true need of services. Limiting smoking and pets downtown is a good start and I appreciate the ideas.	8/1/2018 7:51 PM
877	Very aware of used syringes around the whole town! Often see some at the parks! So dangerous! And we, as normal citizens, often lack of the knowledge how to handle them! There are kids around, always at the park!	8/1/2018 7:34 PM
878	I feel resources are being used downtown that could be more useful elsewhere.	8/1/2018 6:28 PM
879	Police don't make communities more safe.	8/1/2018 6:23 PM
880	It's getting worse and I no longer feel safe in this city.	8/1/2018 6:23 PM

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881	I would love to see more patrol in the golden gardens neighborhood due to increased traffic that the bike path has created.	8/1/2018 6:01 PM
882	There has been an increase in police downtown which seems to be helping, but it is at the detriment of police being available in our neighborhoods.	8/1/2018 5:12 PM
883	What is the current budget for public safety in Eugene? Is it enough meet the needs of the city? If not, why not?	8/1/2018 5:02 PM
884	It seems like people calling on each other's help is currently more effective than calling the police.	8/1/2018 4:47 PM
885	How about we don't cut mental health services and close mental hospitals. How about funding the jail for crimes, rather than being a holding area for mental health crisis. How about we stop attaching the funding of public safety issues to public school bond measures. I'm sure nobody is opposed to funding local police, fire, jail, and mental health services. What people don't want is to vote for bond measures that come attached as a packaged deal to a bunch of other money pit programs that the voter isn't interested in funding.	8/1/2018 4:13 PM
886	We seem to be a beacon for unproductive members of society because we are so Tolerant and generous to them. Springfield doesn't seem to have anywhere near the problems Eugene does because they don't tolerate it.	8/1/2018 4:07 PM
887	Our community is repeatedly on the national and international stage. We need to support our emergency services so that we do not fail to protect the public	8/1/2018 4:01 PM
888	The city of Eugene needs a municipal jail, such as the one Springfield built. The revolving door of local offenders through the county jail is non stop. People are not held accountable for the crimes they commit in our community.	8/1/2018 3:56 PM
889	We need more police officers, because crime is everywhere!	8/1/2018 3:32 PM
890	Hire more good cops like the ones we have.	8/1/2018 2:51 PM
891	Homelessness is a problem and will continue to be a problem as long as you do not address this issue. Stop turning a blind eye to homelessness and crime in our city.	8/1/2018 2:48 PM
892	Prioritization is key. I'm gathering the Eugene Police dept. is responding to calls that would be better served by a different agency.	8/1/2018 2:22 PM
893	I have lived here since 1996 and the community is vastly unsafer since I arrived.	8/1/2018 2:06 PM
894	The city manager and councilors should be ashamed of these numbers. Public safety (police and fire) are a necessity. Drug addicts in the park should not get more park funding while we are understaffed. The city can survive without more parks. If you take police and fire away or limit the ability for them to Do their job then it's bad.	8/1/2018 1:38 PM
895	It's extremely important to address the increasing issue of racism in this area. My Latino partner has encountered multiple people openly expressing their displeasure at our being an interracial couple in the past month alone. As liberal as Eugene has the reputation of being, it is also extremely lacking in diversity.	8/1/2018 1:33 PM
896	I feel much less safe now as a 40 year old than I did as a kid. I worry about the safety of my family. I feel that Eugene currently prioritizes accommodation of travelers far above the care of law abiding and contributing citizens. Please fix this	8/1/2018 1:30 PM
897	I would like to say that given the resources our first responders have to work with, they are doing the best they can. I place my utmost faith our first responders. I am sincerely grateful for their willingness to put themselves out there to protect our city.	8/1/2018 1:17 PM
898	How long can you not have essential services at top priorities. Things need to change and move these to the top of the list	8/1/2018 1:09 PM
899	This survey looks like a first step in gauging support to ask for a new operating levy for increased police staffing.	8/1/2018 12:58 PM
900	Probably easier to move than fix Eugene's ongoing staffing issues in public safety	8/1/2018 12:54 PM
901	The homeless are destroying the community and you continue to encourage their arrivals diminishing public safety resources to deal with it.	8/1/2018 12:51 PM
902	Homelessness, mental illness and drug abuse are going unchecked. We need to reel it in. No easy answer but something needs to be done.	8/1/2018 12:42 PM

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903	Eugene could be great but hard decisions will need to be made. Neighboring Springfield that has a lower economic constituency enjoys better public spaces and a police force that is respected by its constituency and is an effective force in maintaining order, unlike EPD (mostly dueto officer insecurity with administration backing)	8/1/2018 12:36 PM
904	It is getting worse do to lack of funding. Let's support those who are working on these issues by providing financial support. Sales tax? Property tax? Just get it done!	8/1/2018 12:34 PM
905	easier conceal weapons for law abiding Folk	8/1/2018 12:23 PM
906	Our community needs to address the housing crisis before it slips into chaos. This is a real issue that effects every citizen	8/1/2018 11:15 AM
907	The cops support an unsafe environment. You like Nazis. That does not help keep our community safe. You promote the idea that houseless people are dangerous. That does not help keep our community safe. You show up at Queer and Trans events, WITHOUT AN INVITE, just to intimidate us. NONE OF US LIKE YOUR QUEER COP, QUIT SENDING HER AS A TOLKIEN. That is a waste of time and resources. Stop harassing people and start supporting your community.	8/1/2018 10:45 AM
908	Mostly people are friendly, and most times understanding about the homelessness and other things contributing to those issues that are unfortunately increasing nation wide. However there is a longstanding community of people, inside the bigger community who are being treated inhumanely, or less than human due to the cause and effects of a mentally and physically debilitating disease. The bigger community could use an encouraging initiative to support drug addiction as the disease that it is, rather than using it against people, quite similar to the act of hate crime and discrimination...when these people start being accepted and treated like human beings vs criminals and savages, active drug addiction with support can become manageable... Google this: Support, Don't Punish harm reduction initiative	8/1/2018 9:46 AM
909	Based on this survey's questions, it appears there's been several issues identified but no real or at least effective solutions have worked. Crime has gone up. Police have gone down. Local government is more worried about feeding turkeys and administering rat abortions. Until the incompetent people that make up our local government support the local police or other crime prevention programs the results won't change. Why can't they propose some viable solutions rather just debating everything to death? For instance, ride share programs are in demand here in eugene. Taxis suck, their response time is horrendously slow during busy times, and not having ride share programs increase the number of DUI's and thus take up more resources like police time. To help the underfunded police why wouldn't eugene introduce and allow a ride share program but add a city tax. From every ride share transaction that tax would go toward funding additional police or additional training or SOMETHING. The ECC always seems to be problem-based and rarely seems to be solution-based...but that's Eugene for you! It's sad because there could be so much more progress.	8/1/2018 9:32 AM
910	In my interactions with police, it seems like they have an attitude that they are separate from the community, rather than a part of it. I think this impacts how they interact with people and contributes to a lack of accountability. This needs to change. It makes me much less likely to contact them for help because they sometimes make situations worse.	8/1/2018 8:15 AM
911	get the street people out of downtown, please.	8/1/2018 7:46 AM
912	I absolutely love this community. I don't live here out of habit, I live here because it's exactly where I want to be and I appreciate the efforts that are made to keep it wonderful and even make it better. Thanks.	8/1/2018 6:29 AM
913	Increasing arrests for quality of life type crimes (camping, loitering, tresspass, etc) are short term solutions. Interventions like CORT get at the root of the problem. I understand that people feel unsafe downtown and some parks because of the homeless population. However, there are more humane and effective solutions such as housing first that will have a positive and lasting impact in the entire community.	8/1/2018 5:56 AM
914	I am really sick of having to watch my back all the time here. I am sad that I no longer feel safe on the bike paths. I honestly feel like I'm under siege by the meth and heroin enthusiasts and by the severely mentally ill and by the homeless criminal guys who act like they own the town. It's depressing and I wish I could afford to leave.	7/31/2018 11:49 PM
915	I see people openly dealing drugs on West 11th after getting off the emx next to KFC. I see panhandlers sleeping all over the place in from of CD world and behavior nd walmart. I want a police force that harrasses these people until they go away. I am sick of living in a haven for the homeless lifestyle.	7/31/2018 10:23 PM

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916	No, just fix it because it sucks.	7/31/2018 10:22 PM
917	Deal with the out of state homeless. Deal with the tweakers!	7/31/2018 10:22 PM
918	We aren't safe. You have failed us. And I am someone who takes all precautions because I know unless i'm raped and left for dead, you probably aren't coming!!	7/31/2018 10:19 PM
919	Police aren't getting what they need. Funds are getting diversified too broadly in community programs that basic policing isn't able to occur. And, there isn't objectivity in monitoring how city resources are being used.	7/31/2018 10:15 PM
920	Fight to keep Oregon a sanctuary state	7/31/2018 9:12 PM
921	The city of Eugene no longer feels safe. There are always tweakers scouting neighborhoods on bikes, trolling driveways looking for things to steal. They run in teams and often have someone following in a car. I feel I can't even take my kids into a local store after dark, and often in the day.	7/31/2018 8:54 PM
922	We need to fund more police.	7/31/2018 8:47 PM
923	I was personally attacked by a random derranged man with a knife in an alley way on campus. CAHOOTS and local police responded, with police making little to no effort to find the guy responsible. However, CAHOOTS made me feel human. As someone who deals with PTSD, it was nice to not be treated as a sick or crazy person, and just as a person. Nothing more traumatic than telling someone who is having a panic attack that they made the entire thing up in their head. FUCK YOU EPD!	7/31/2018 8:37 PM
924	Safety should be for everyone, not just those who can afford security people.	7/31/2018 8:37 PM
925	Increase in police officers or CCTV	7/31/2018 7:55 PM
926	EPD needs to change models from a law enforcement model to a keeping the peace model. Not every idiot law passed by the state legislature or the the US Congress needs to be enforced if it does not contribute to or degrades the safety of the community. As well, EPD needs to assess how it uses resources. When a kid with a puppy shows up on 13th and Kincaid the EPD response is two police cars, the neighborhood foot patrolman, and at least three bicycle cops (eye witness on that one).Get beat up on 13th and Kincaid, they may get to you tomorrow (other folk's accounts). EPD management seems to have a problem assessing and prioritizing allocation of resources.	7/31/2018 7:52 PM
927	I love that our community has compassion but things are tipped way out of favor for business people and residents in downtown/ midtown. It is very dangerous and really unfair to the the average citizens in Eugene (downtown Eugene). I think if and went the new Riverfront area is developed downtown Eugene is going to be even worse and that would be tragic for all the people that risk so much trying to make it work dtw.	7/31/2018 7:43 PM
928	I think continuing to support neighborhood associations. I am not sure if there is a neighborhood association that includes the downtown core - I know of FAN and West Jefferson Neighbors, and east university but I don't think any of those encompass the downtown core.	7/31/2018 7:42 PM
929	Abolish ICE, burn down the prisons, return equality to the people, and reparations	7/31/2018 7:39 PM
930	Homeless people around campus really needs to be solve for students' sake	7/31/2018 7:37 PM
931	People who are homeless in Eugene are not safe. They are subject to hate crimes by the housed, harassment by EPD, criminal behavior by predators among them, and mistreatment by service providers, including hospital emergency room staff. When you ask about "community safety" do you have those who are homeless in mind? They are objectively way more unsafe than housed people who say they avoid coming downtown, which helps to explain why unhoused people on average live twenty fewer years than those who are housed.	7/31/2018 7:37 PM
932	As a woman, I do not feel safe in Eugene, especially after dark. I also fear for my 17 year old son's safety.	7/31/2018 6:57 PM
933	No..... We LOVE Eugene and Oregon	7/31/2018 6:56 PM
934	I work downtown this area is experiencing lots of challenges. The community needs a plan to address the challenges of mental health, substance use, and homelessness that impacts downtown safety in a compassionate way that offers people services and shelter.	7/31/2018 6:55 PM

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935	Many people do not consider police as allies. This starts young. It would help if police visited schools as guest speakers, especially those in higher crime neighborhoods. Most children have never spoken to an officer or asked a question. More female officers would be a real plus. That would mean changing the culture of the police force. Imagine how many more girls might consider a career in law enforcement if a female officer talked to their school. Changing culture is slow, but if you don't start you never achieve change. Lets have the first police force in the US that has more women officers than men!	7/31/2018 6:49 PM
936	I'm sick of watching crime increase on the west side of Eugene. The city has shoved the homeless toward this area. I'm tired of being afraid to walk out my front door knowing that there may be trouble with a homeless or meth addict. I'm tired of the stores suffering from the theft and having to endure the homeless problem the city has invited and shoved down the taxpayers throat. Enough is enough.	7/31/2018 5:48 PM
937	I mostly feel very safe in the city, and I appreciate community events like Sunday streets that bring us all together.	7/31/2018 5:45 PM
938	It's a shame that it's become such a pit. I get people need help. I don't get why they are allowed to have more rights than I do when I am the one paying the taxes and can't even expect to be able to walk downtown without getting accosted or propositioned.	7/31/2018 5:12 PM
939	Outlaw curbside panhandling!	7/31/2018 5:12 PM
940	Patrol and remove loitering from city parks!!	7/31/2018 5:06 PM
941	Put God back in schools, teach more respect , and respect the police!	7/31/2018 5:06 PM
942	Data collection for this survey appears to be thorough. Is it really so that the solutions must follow the format: identify the problems and fund solutions? Many of these issues were not surprising to me.i imagine they are not surprising to many in the community. Must we dedicate dollars to discovery of what is already known instead of focusing on practical, real world techniques to combat the issues?	7/31/2018 5:04 PM
943	Repeat offenders keep committing the same crimes over and over again. They are placed on probation and they get a slap on the wrist. Something needs to change.	7/31/2018 5:01 PM
944	I would like to see the city less welcoming to down and out junkies that show up for a free ride on the taxpayer dollar.	7/31/2018 4:56 PM
945	Bike path patrols	7/31/2018 4:54 PM
946	I think a wider police presence downtown, police actually walking around talking to people, getting to know the people that hang out down there whether they are causing problems, business owners, customers, locals, just everyone that is down there on a regular basis, the more they will know about how downtown functions. We need to get back to that "Friendly Neighborhood Cop" feeling, that way it's a mutually beneficial relationship. I already see this happening and I think it is wonderful!	7/31/2018 4:29 PM
947	Clean up the town	7/31/2018 4:21 PM
948	The future a d livability of our city is connected to crime and safety that pur resident's feel.	7/31/2018 4:18 PM
949	In general, Eugene is an awesome place to live. But after 10 years of being here, I've seen major increase or decreases in some of these areas mentioned in this survey. With population continually growing, these rowing concerns and needs need to be met and taken seriously or Eugene's livability and safety will decrease.	7/31/2018 4:16 PM
950	Every person I go to school with has been stolen from at least once and it's not encouraging	7/31/2018 4:13 PM
951	the police can't do it all. it has to be a cooperative effort with community so let's work toward that.	7/31/2018 4:12 PM
952	Give residence of Eugene a break on the county jail Levy and put money towards City of Eugene jail beds.	7/31/2018 4:10 PM
953	Glad I don't live in Chicago or Oakland, California.	7/31/2018 4:00 PM
954	no	7/31/2018 3:44 PM
955	I very much appreciate the police. Please see my comment in a previous portioyof this survey.	7/31/2018 3:06 PM
956	Why do we enable the junkies? Why does no one actually stay in jail here? What is the point of an arrest if they're let out 2 hours later. We need better enforcement.	7/31/2018 2:47 PM

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957	Not sure about existing programs enabling homeless teens or families to contribute to community based activities (building or land maintenance, community gardening, volunteering at the library reading to children or elderly) in exchange for credits toward housing?	7/31/2018 2:41 PM
958	Our system is clearly not working right now. I think the out of the box approach such at COURT/teen/MH court are so valuable to our community and do increase resident safety. Please please continue to fund these outlets for individuals who need the support and are willing to accept it.	7/31/2018 2:32 PM
959	Clean up downtown so taxpaying citizens don't feel threatened. Consider the quality of life for the rest of us.	7/31/2018 1:16 PM
960	Overall, I feel somewhat safe in Eugene in most parts of town. But I do avoid downtown because of the homeless that loiter there. And although I really want to, I do not take visiting friends or family downtown for the same reason. This is sad.	7/31/2018 1:06 PM
961	Expand Cahoots with mental health specialists so Police have more time to deal with more violent issues	7/31/2018 12:57 PM
962	Stop allowing panhandling on city streets. That money feeds the drug trade.	7/31/2018 12:43 PM
963	Well done.	7/31/2018 12:38 PM
964	Our community is safer when we provide services to people in need - we need a day center and a real homeless shelter	7/31/2018 12:22 PM
965	No	7/31/2018 12:09 PM
966	Obviously tax dollars would help. I believe this is a matter of educating the public to help shift their understanding of what drives these types of services, how, and why.	7/31/2018 12:08 PM
967	Protect those of us who are law abiding. There's compassion and then there's enabling. Eugene has crossed that line.	7/31/2018 11:51 AM
968	I hope you will consider more ways to prevent troubled people from larger cities like Portland and San Fransisco from settling here.	7/31/2018 11:15 AM
969	It's hard to balance the tolerance of others with enjoying where you live. But at some point, once it's a safety issue, an issue of not feeling secure downtown or along the river, that the city needs to step in address the issue. Thanks for offering community input.	7/31/2018 11:13 AM
970	Whenever I've actually encountered Eugene police, they've been great, but police-related staff & city officials have been difficult to work with in dealing with trespassers & vandalism, so perhaps some of the effort should be in those areas as well. I was also sad to see the human trafficking prevention team disbanded after a successful bust several years ago. Please support efforts to reduce trafficking.	7/31/2018 11:07 AM
971	As a young female, I feel extremely unsafe when visiting many area in Eugene. It's concerning to know that if anything were to happen that it could take hours for police to arrive.	7/31/2018 11:01 AM
972	Provide training (both directed courses and public service announcements) for everyone for how best to interact with homeless folks.	7/31/2018 10:55 AM
973	The police are faced with an impossible task as long as the city council is comprised of idiots. Downtown is unsafe and uninviting. People are finding alternatives.	7/31/2018 10:54 AM
974	We need staffing!	7/31/2018 10:49 AM
975	This survey is very black and white for a very grey situation. Sure, I support the programs that are described in here, but that is without knowing details. What are they doing in actuality? Should this be the government's responsibility, or should they be partnering with other organizations? Are these early intervention programs a necessary part of a community safety department? How do people who have taken part in these programs view them? I do not know enough information to give my full support.	7/31/2018 10:17 AM
976	I would like to see the kids not hang out on that corner of 10th and olive by the bus station. And those like my brother who have crimes against him to go to jail. I shouldn't have to fear being able to go to my appointments but I do because of my brother.	7/31/2018 8:52 AM
977	We really need more programs and supports in place to help folks that are homeless.	7/31/2018 8:49 AM
978	Downtown is horrible.	7/31/2018 8:45 AM

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979	I am strongly against criminalizing homelessness. There have been initiatives (not allowing dogs downtown, removal of people/tents and fencing off completely unused land) that obviously target the homeless population. People need help connecting with social services, not harassment by overworked police.	7/31/2018 8:34 AM
980	The park ambassadors seem to be a waste. I see them regularly and they are usually swerving down the bike path (right side of the path and hands on bars for folks that don't have good control is a good idea) seemingly oblivious to the smoking and drinking bums in the parks. Those drinking men are more likely to be problematic later. Also why are the ambassadors doing their parades in the daylight hours. The main issues people are having are at night and those issues are preventing people from taking jobs where they would need to get across the path and are preventing women from using the path to get home.	7/31/2018 7:59 AM
981	I think people would feel safer, even if crime rates remained the same, if there were fewer camps in town. I think that while police staffing is an issue, priority should be placed on the housing crisis. The cost of renting and owning a home in Eugene is artificially inflated and creating more housing instability. Until there are places people can afford to live, homelessness will continue to rise. And, as has been the case, crime rates will rise because homeless people have to break the law to survive.	7/31/2018 7:36 AM
982	More officers and more punishment (put the fear in criminals) for those repeat offenders. Follow through with the laws in place such as overnight camping on our neighborhood corners. See camp on corner of River Rd and Bellline. Clean up the bike paths so families can feel safe using them again. So much more. Follow Bend's model.	7/31/2018 7:02 AM
983	Our neighborhoods need to be safe for families and children. It needs to be the most important thing. Without hard working good citizens to live in the town to pay the taxes you won't have the money to fund the programs and to pay your paychecks. If people fear living here they aren't going to stay and you'll be left with all the crime, the addicts, and people that will take the handouts but not help fund the programs or work to pay their taxes.	7/31/2018 4:35 AM
984	All police personnel and dogs should be wearing body comes that have hd video and audio.	7/31/2018 12:42 AM
985	I think City Council should be mindful of the implications decisions to remove funding from social services that are provided to our most vulnerable. Many people focus on the "liveability" of our town from the perspective of privileged, affluent visitors of downtown, without the consideration that many of these decisions negatively affect unhoused and vulnerable individuals who inherently have less power and voice. For example, the dog ban in downtown actively discriminated against homeless individuals who keep dogs for companionship and safety. Rather than punish unhoused individuals and their pets for existing, why not shift focus to solving the systemic issues that push this people into the streets in the first place?	7/30/2018 11:47 PM
986	I think we do a great job overall. We can always do more for our homeless, youth and elderly	7/30/2018 11:05 PM
987	Build some homeless shelters (away from the Mission), and provide for lawful camping (away from the Mission, the river and the Fern Ridge path), then enforce the no camping and park curfews. Additionally, there simply must be night-time plainclothes cops on the bike paths to catch the thugs who lay in wait for innocent victims. We've allowed the bike paths to become lawless zones (jungles) after hours. While we're at it, let's return the bike paths to their original designation as roads so we can keep the underpasses clear.	7/30/2018 9:49 PM
988	I am very aware that the homeless issue is happening throughout the nation. However, we need to rebuild the police force so they can appropriately respond to calls and concerns throughout the city.	7/30/2018 9:36 PM
989	Whatever gets people who are unstable, have criminal tendencies, are openly destroying the city environment, and generally posing a threat out of the area and into a better situation gets my vote. I know it's difficult but we must find a way to improve the situation.	7/30/2018 9:21 PM
990	If officers patrolled the intersections at both 6th and 7th and Chambers and issued citations to drivers who routinely run the red light, I would feel much safer driving that route. Plus you could add a LOT of revenue to the coffers from the resulting fines	7/30/2018 9:16 PM
991	rvs and homeless and squatters are a major problem and safety and cost concern.	7/30/2018 9:05 PM
992	Yes - we are moving out of Eugene in two weeks, after 28 years - and it's because it is no longer a pleasant or safe community. It is sad, and frustrating, and disgusting. We cannot wait to leave.	7/30/2018 9:04 PM
993	Would like to be able to walk down the street with my son and not have people sitting on the sidewalk drinking alcohol and doing drugs.	7/30/2018 8:48 PM

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994	Educate yourselves and every officer on the FACTS of being homeless. Not long held beliefs that no longer represent the truth. Around 80% of our homeless became homeless, right here. Most, from health and rising shelter costs, not drugs. They deserve to be treated like you would treat a U of O Alumni. Some are alumni. I have witnessed and taped officers treating our homeless like dirt. That needs to stop.	7/30/2018 8:32 PM
995	There is only a false sense of safety in downtown Eugene	7/30/2018 8:13 PM
996	The community needs more truly affordable housing. This will address the homeless issue which will address a lot of the crimes.	7/30/2018 8:10 PM
997	As someone who works with the homeless in my church's (First Christian) outreach programs I'm very aware of how important effective social services are in our community.	7/30/2018 7:50 PM
998	Perhaps businesses with repeated need for police services could be tax at a higher rate or fined in some why? I know that police cannot be everywhere and I vote yes for police budgets every chance I get. But the funding needs to come from somewhere.	7/30/2018 6:56 PM
999	It's important to refrain from fostering a police state, however, low enforcement is fundamental to maintaining and enhancing public safety. I'd be willing to pay higher taxes to go toward public safety measures. But the measures must be sound, non-extremist, and realistic. I am frankly tired of people acting as if there are no public safety issues downtown, that all unhoused people are kind, all you need is love, etc. It is the opposite end of the extremist spectrum to that of those who seek to demonize or blanket criminalize all unhoused people. Such perspectives (on both ends of the spectrum) and respective approaches do nothing to foster a comprehensive system to prevent and address crime or other social ailments. We must work on measures that both address and prevent crime. Law enforcement belongs somewhere on the spectrum of address and prevent, and their services and resources ought to be adequate. Given some of the stats I've seen in this survey, it is evident that local law enforcement is lacking resources and capacity, which is far from adequate.	7/30/2018 6:31 PM
1000	I feel safer in downtown Springfield than in eugene.	7/30/2018 6:21 PM
1001	The downtown core is in crisis!	7/30/2018 5:26 PM
1002	Get rid of the traveler's ASAP. They are NOT welcome here.	7/30/2018 5:11 PM
1003	Considering the size of Eugene, crime is high. I feel most resources are being committed to the homeless downtown, so let's get them housed, off the streets, and get feeding centers away from downtown and populated areas,. Enough is enough, the number of Eugene homelessness is an embarrassment.	7/30/2018 4:52 PM
1004	I don't understand why officers are being pulled out of neighborhoods and concentrated downtown. I have never felt unsafe downtown, but I've had my car broken into in my driveway half a dozen times. Houseless kids sitting on downtown street corners do not seem like any particular threat to me. Nor do their dogs.	7/30/2018 4:51 PM
1005	I feel like more family-friendly and community-friendly businesses downtown will help people give it another chance. Also, better-connected neighborhoods with MORE SIDEWALKS will encourage residents to be out and about, increasing awareness and safety.	7/30/2018 4:44 PM
1006	Entirely too much law enforcement effort has been spent on managing the homeless, and the police department has not done enough to address the issues of property crime in particular.	7/30/2018 4:24 PM
1007	If we make it difficult for the travelers to occupy our town, we will all be better off.	7/30/2018 4:06 PM
1008	I wish the area around Oakway could become a higher priority. A lot of money has gone into this area, and so often there are big groups of homeless people routinely hanging out under the bridge overpasses, near the 7-Eleven, etc. It's not as comfortable coming home late at night with people sleeping on the grass on Rustic Place, for example.	7/30/2018 3:43 PM
1009	I appreciate the conversations that the new chief has started and am more than willing to pay a little bit more in taxes to feel safer. Eugene has so much going for it, and if we don't address the safety issues now we'll have an actual mess to clean up a decade from now.	7/30/2018 2:52 PM
1010	Police and First Responders are priority. If they are staffed and trained we will all feel safer and the other needs will be met.	7/30/2018 9:38 AM

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1011	Make a case for fixing it, let us know how much it will cost (I can see through this approach as can most of my neighbors ;-) you know) and let us decide how we'll pay for it. PLEASE do not try to leverage public safety against other services! Library. Parks. You tried that before and the community (thankfully) saw through it. Give us credit for being intelligent, caring and creative. Be transparent and genuine about your intentions. We may suprise you.	7/29/2018 10:00 PM
1012	Support efforts to help homeless but educate the public about the many who are really "travelers" that is, people passing through. I think a large majority of youngsters, at least in downtown Eugene, are really choosing a street lifestyle as a temporary experience.	7/29/2018 8:34 PM
1013	I've never felt more unsafe anywhere else.	7/29/2018 7:52 PM
1014	Cahoots is a gem.	7/29/2018 6:00 PM
1015	Increase the use of volunteer police patrols and emergency assistance	7/29/2018 5:30 PM
1016	It's very safe for me. I feel like the criminals here are cowards and foolish people. It's a priority to train officers to track the foolish people and stop standing with their arms crossed.	7/29/2018 2:36 PM
1017	It needs to be addressed! I feel unsafe a lot of the time	7/29/2018 2:08 PM
1018	We need designanated bike patrols hours that the parks are open.	7/29/2018 11:43 AM
1019	It would be terrible to add more places for them to change phone shower we have that already doesn't work wik will just attract more homeless	7/29/2018 11:17 AM
1020	As they are understaffed, EPD needs to better prioritize what law enforcement they can do. Case in point: There WERE a small group of (mostly) homeless folks who used to hang out in the park directly behind the BiMart on 18th. I never saw any of them drunk, hassle people, dump trash, panhandle, .etc. So, pleasant, harmless guys (mostly) who really didn't bother anyone. At some point one officer (apparently) decided to start ticket them for open containers (beer). One of the regulars was give a ticket for "repairing a bicycle" in the shade of a tree in the park! Now, none of these folks are going to pay the tickets -- they can't afford a place to sleep, let alone a beer of bike fine! Very poor prioritizing on the part of EPD -- it is the 'low hanging fruit' approach to policing.	7/29/2018 6:42 AM
1021	It is very upsetting to know of the increased problems in Eugene. Parks are over run with people camping, streets too. It's not inviting for enjoying Eugene. Constant car break ins and houses as well. High property taxes squeezing homeowners budgets. It's time for new revenue sources. Sales tax? Must teach the people why we need sales tax.	7/28/2018 7:10 PM
1022	it should,be taken more seriously	7/28/2018 5:56 PM
1023	The only thing I would add is that I am concerned enough about increased crime in Eugene that my husband and I have considered relocating.	7/28/2018 5:12 PM
1024	A lot of the perception of lack of safety in Eugene comes from fear of "others" - transients, chronically homeless, etc. Some of these people are unsafe but most are more endangered than dangerous. Improved relations and understanding would be helpful.	7/28/2018 4:31 PM
1025	I know police do their best. They need good training to de-escalate situations without force. Expand Cahoots. They are awesome.	7/28/2018 3:46 PM
1026	Improve police officer caliber through training and requirements such as: Police officers should all have a 4 year college degee and 2 years prior socia service experience or 6 years of prior social service experience with positive references.	7/28/2018 2:23 PM
1027	Install CCTV and surveillance cameras throughout our City. Huge priority!	7/28/2018 11:34 AM
1028	As a homeowner, I am fully willing to pay increased property tax in order to provide funding for better policing in our community.	7/28/2018 9:03 AM
1029	Make it safer to walk and bike around town. Make it more difficult to drive and park a private vehicle by shifting funding away from those programs and capital spending (do we really need a publicly-owned garage for entitled wealthy individuals?) to those programs and capital improvements that benefit the entire population.	7/28/2018 2:05 AM
1030	Police cars should be visible, not dark colored. That our city police vehicles are dark is dangerous, and stupid. Also, the cops in our city speed. And it really pisses me off. Tell them all, obey the speed limits, and to stop speeding. They are not above the law. Safety first.	7/27/2018 10:18 PM
1031	We have excellent cops! But their hands are tied. They are told by City council to NOT clean up downtown which is absurd. We need anti loitering laws, firm enforcement AND proper services to authentic homeless folks.	7/27/2018 9:16 PM

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1032	Community safety has reached dangerous levels and the morale of my neighborhood has sunk to an all time low. My car was tagged with graffiti and it was in my driveway. Other neighbors can't leave anything in their front yard without chaining it down. A woman overdosed in front of me, right on the street. I have been spat at and harassed while trying to cross the street downtown to go to the bank and get a coffee. It's almost unreal and I can't believe parents still trust this city with their children as a college option.	7/27/2018 7:11 PM
1033	I understand that high tech toys and munitions attract young recruits but I'm not certain that too much money is being allocated to these tools	7/27/2018 7:04 PM
1034	Listen and consult with local businesses in Eugene. I know several who are considering alternative locations due to the crime and theft hurting their business. If local businesses start moving away it is an indication that there are serious problems that need to be addressed.	7/27/2018 7:00 PM
1035	I realize that funds are limited and that city officials face difficult decisions regarding where to focus their efforts. Educating citizens so that we can give better input is a good idea--such as this survey.	7/27/2018 5:32 PM
1036	Other cities do this. Eugene just doesn't seem to want to.	7/27/2018 5:31 PM
1037	More walking police officers downtown	7/27/2018 5:30 PM
1038	The questions about CORT, CAHOOTS, and the various "courts", were presented in a very logical manor during this survey, and provided a clearer picture of all aspects of public safety. The "court" that did not appear in this survey is the Veterans Court, but it also serves to keep a large number of non-violent offenders out of prison. The Veterans Court may not have been appropriate for this survey because it is a Lane County Program, but it could be useful to make sure the City Council is aware of the program when they are weighing all aspects of public safety.	7/27/2018 5:06 PM
1039	Eugene's police force still needs additionally training in cultural competency and issues around mental health.	7/27/2018 5:06 PM
1040	Four years ago before the crime rates took such a sharp increase we needed more police. We need to hire more police in step with the growth of our population, at the bare minimum. We really really need police who are walking the neighborhoods, getting to know neighbors and what issues exist. I can't even explain to you how angry everyone I know is about this.	7/27/2018 4:35 PM
