

Q3 Please share any other thoughts about your feelings of safety in Eugene.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The vast majority of areas within the city feel generally safe, and it is just a few problem areas that stand out.	9/11/2018 7:51 AM
2	Too many aggressive panhandlers downtown. I quit shopping there all together	9/11/2018 7:28 AM
3	It's horribly unfortunate that when my 14 year old child goes to Eugene's beautiful Washington Jefferson skate park he can't use the restroom there because people are shooting up or bathing in it! He & his friends know that you don't leave the park or fear extreme harassment, don't leave your sweatshirt on the ground should you get hot while skating or it will be gone, etc. The homeless & transient population has escalated so much in the past 5, 10, 15 years. I know it's a multifaceted issue that isn't easily solved. Something has GOT TO BE DONE though. It's embarrassing to have friends visit from out of town. I feel for businesses downtown, we certainly don't spend our money downtown as much as we'd like to. Please listen to your taxpaying community members.	9/10/2018 10:28 PM
4	I am concerned about white supremacist activity and excessive use of force by police.	9/10/2018 10:16 PM
5	I have many homeless folks in my area which is adjacent to the Amazon Creek at Grant Street just west of Chambers. This has become more of a problem with litter, sometimes groups of homeless folks block the walking path area along the creek, and I have found a lot of litter including hypodermic syringes. I have three homeless individuals, sometimes more, literally up against my property outside my fence camping there for over two months and sometimes this not only interferes with my sense of privacy [they are right next to my hot tub] but also the sense of safety for my family and neighbors to enjoy the amenities of the naturalized creek which has actually provided a visual screen from the bike path on the other side of the creek so the homeless feel they can be there with little observation by the public. I also have been frankly embarrassed to ride or walk through the downtown area with visitors from out of town, down Broadway especially, with many itinerant people sitting, laying, sleeping, or spare-changing on the street. It is not just "safety" it is also about feeling comfortable and at ease in my own downtown and in my neighborhood. I no longer have young children but I feel anxious about children in the neighborhood being able to safely enjoy our own environment.	9/10/2018 9:38 PM
6	Too many social svcs supporting homelessness and meth and heroin trafficking	9/10/2018 9:35 PM
7	I think the city should fund CAHOOTS COMPLETELY AND PUT AT LEAST ONE MORE STAFFED TRUCK OUT ON CALL AT ALL TIME! It is a money saver to have these folks handling the kind of no law enforcement issues as a first post of contact for non violent situations	9/10/2018 8:40 PM
8	Things would be safer if we could set up some actual permanent housing for the homeless.	9/10/2018 8:39 PM
9	The homelessness in the Eugene area is concerning. When riding my bike on the river bike trails, city streets and outlining areas, I have observed homeless people passed out, high on drugs and camped out in both residential and business areas. I have also observed garbage dumped along the river path, in addition, to graffiti on the path. I would like to see consistent police safety patrols both on the bike trail paths and city streets.	9/10/2018 8:30 PM
10	I feel the city welcoming Uber/Lyft is a significant positive step towards increasing safety. Cab companies in town seem to have shared negative reputation for taking too long to pick up passengers, potentially leaving some in dangerous situations.	9/10/2018 8:26 PM
11	The biggest property crime I've experienced in the past decade has been bike thefts - sometimes a whole bike, more recently just a wheel.	9/10/2018 8:00 PM

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12	I am really frustrated how crime is tolerated in Eugene. Why are things like stolen bicycles and broken windows tolerated? I judge a community by what it tolerates. I've lived in eight states, including the cities of Atlanta and Washington D.C. In terms of security, I feel no more comfortable and safe in Eugene than I did in bigger cities. At least there, the police responded in force, and took burglary and theft complaints more serious. Having a prized \$2000 bicycle stolen off the top of a locked car rack on 5th Street in broad daylight with people passing by in cars and the sidewalk? Let that be a testament to how comfortable criminals are in this town. As for personal safety, I have obtained a concealed weapons permit recently and now carry a sidearm when downtown. I have had too many encounters with questionable individuals approaching me from the shadows. I heard the message from the police chief loud and clear; I will definitely not be deterred by shady, unlawful individuals. And if my life or my wife's life is threatened, I have no reservations in addressing said threat with deadly force.	9/10/2018 7:46 PM
13	Specific concerns and feelings of personal safety will vary with age, socioeconomic level, gender / sex, where we live in the city and the areas we visit as well as cultural issues including skin color, sexual identity Etc. All of these will affect the needs of the community. When I worked on the mall 15 years ago I actually felt very safe despite the panhandlers occasionally seen, and it's not now the number or visibility of people hanging around and possibly homeless that contribute to my insecurities. It's more that I've had my home and my property invaded, my car stolen and know of others who had the same I had an increasing level over the last few years. There's no easy answer, but we all have a responsibility to step up, speak out in support of those in need and against those who would take advantage of others.	9/10/2018 7:44 PM
14	I am extremely concerned about the number of individuals living on the streets of Eugene. I have had some using my front yard as their toilet. I am sorry for the unhoused, but that type of behavior is unacceptable and the police can do nothing about it unless they see it in person.	9/10/2018 6:53 PM
15	I am concerned about police use of force against the disabled and people of color. I am concerned about white supremacist and transphobic activity in Lane county. I am concerned about the lack of support for social services for the most financially and physically vulnerable.	9/10/2018 6:46 PM
16	The visibility and presence of police is absent in our community.	9/10/2018 6:35 PM
17	I'm sick of having to fend off gutter punks downtown.	9/10/2018 6:25 PM
18	downtown is getting scarier and scarier to walk around in. I really wonder why there isn't a loitering and or a panhandling law. People hanging out, lying down, sleeping on the sidewalks, panhandling - they aren't particularly friendly, they make it look like we don't care about our downtown. I no longer bring visitors from out of town into the downtown area - for fear for their safety. I have seen people doing drugs on the street, I have seen needles lying around, barf and urine on the sidewalks; I have heard heated arguments and crass name-calling. I go to Springfield for work - it's much more respectable and comfortable in downtown Springfield.	9/10/2018 6:14 PM
19	Don't feel safe going downtown with small children	9/10/2018 6:10 PM
20	I live near 19th and Harris in South Eugene near Campus. We have had many things stolen from our yard and vehicle prowled multiple times. I only made a couple of Police Reports because no call-backs or requests for information were made by the Police department, so in subsequent thefts and trespassing events, I just learned to use more chains to lock up my BBQ, propane and other items that have been taken from our yard since we moved to Eugene. We occasionally have homeless/transients camping in our yard, who get passive-aggressive when they are confronted and asked to leave. In general, the neighborhood seems to be getting worse regarding appearance due to excessive trash left around when transients rummage through the trash cans. Transients have been knocking on our door lately asking for cans and bottles as well. Unfortunately, our elementary school aged child does not feel safe at the local parks due to the campers and beggars, and the associated human defecation and trash that is associated with the homeless behavior. Also, several parents at Edison Elementary, where our child attends school, are discussing their concerns about the homeless who are near the school rummaging through the nearby trash cans and asking people for change. Also, while I was on campus the other day using a ATM machine (Alder & 13th), I was approached by a concerned parent of a new UO student who asked me how often the homeless are camped out on the corner and harassing students for change. He was very concerned for his daughter. I wish I could have told him it was rare, but I had to be honest and advise him that it was the norm in the area. In addition to the aforementioned, downtown is a very unpleasant place to be due to many of the corners are full of transients and addicts who do not respect those around them and especially the business owners, who I have concern for. The issues facing Eugene can be managed if the policy makers take action and understand that the myriad of small crimes add up and eventually lessen the overall quality of life in the town.	9/10/2018 5:55 PM

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21	<p>There seems to be enough emotional and mental instability on all sides of the spectrum coming from the homeless and the intolerance from the housed. Appears to me that patience and compassion needs to be at the forefront of all this. It would be more beneficial if people could learn to diffuse a situation without adding fuel to the fire when a fire may not even exist. An example: a person who had our permission to collect bottles and cans from our recycling bin was confronted by an Angry neighbor and told to leave which resulted in a HEATED shouting match and an unnecessary call to the police. (this was in broad daylight) We told our neighbor we had talked to him weeks ago and he was only trying to make some \$\$\$. He was friendly and posed no threat which we tried to convey to our neighbor. Sadly, it had a chilling effect on our relationship with said neighbor. This person posed no threat but our neighbors hostile reaction resulted in a shouting match and a call to the police.</p>	9/10/2018 5:53 PM
22	<p>It seems to me that there is a growing number of people who seem disconnected and under the influence wandering around town. I love the library, but don't go downtown to use it because the environment downtown varies from unpleasant to unsafe. Ditto with shopping downtown, or using the Downtown LCC campus. I live near Tugman Park and there has always been groups of mostly men that gather in the shelters there. Mostly, they seem OK, but lately, there has been camping by the creek there and the creek smells of feces. As a person with an increasingly lower income, I cannot continue to bear the increasing burden of taxes that are ever more necessary to maintain safety and pick up garbage left by people who are needing great amounts of assistance to become functional members of the community. I know there are many complex problems at hand, including addiction, lack of affordable housing, lack of skills for entry-level, living wage jobs. I've lived in Eugene for over 30 years, and have a professional position. I volunteer in neighborhood emergency preparation (why doesn't the City support this better??). I volunteer at Centennial Elementary school. I used to love Eugene. Now, not so much, and I'm not sure I'll be able to stay here when I retire, due to a combination of affordability and safety.</p>	9/10/2018 5:32 PM
23	<p>An EPD dispatcher resisted dispatching officers when homeless people barred my entrance to my workplace, after dark, at a somewhat isolated door. He told me to just step over them and "Just because they're homeless doesn't mean they're going to jump you." This was a few years ago, but I haven't seen anything to assure me that I am any safer in a neighborhood near downtown.</p>	9/10/2018 5:19 PM
24	<p>Clean it up. Send the kids under 18 away. Put up cameras.</p>	9/10/2018 5:19 PM
25	<p>I have lived in the downtown neighborhood for 6 years and seen many issues that have made me question my level of safety--particularly at night. There have been two violent crimes in my area within the past two years, one required that I assist the victim and remain on scene until assistance arrived--this occurred 100' from my door. That said, I also feel concerned for the safety of the citizens on our streets who are homeless, hungry and desperate, and advocate for an approach that provides them with assistance rather than one that shuffles them elsewhere.</p>	9/10/2018 5:19 PM
26	<p>I feel extremely anxious on the fern ridge bike path and most places in and around downtown at night. The degree to which people are constantly milking about and public ally doing drugs (like injecting and smoking crack non marijuana) in public is absolutely unacceptable and difficult to explain to my children. I have recently seen people smocking crack in front of Safeway on 18th and injecting something on the bike path by Cesar Chavez school. We have lived in three different houses around college hill and have found needles on or by our property, have had cars and garages rifles through, and had transient people either walk into our yard or up to our house while kids are playing. When we have participated in neighborhood watches, the police officers who came to meetings have applauded our organizing and expressed deep feelings of sympathy, but made it clear that there is nothing that the eugene of can do to help with the issues we are experiencing (primarily related to public intoxication, petty theft, unsanctioned camping, damage to personal property, and indescent exposure). Anything the city can do to increase police presence and discourage public camping and drug use would be greatly appreciated.</p>	9/10/2018 5:18 PM
27	<p>I often take the bus downtown to the library, to shop or to transfer to buses to other parts of the city. Having grown up in NYC, I feel that I have a good sense of knowing my surroundings and of how to keep myself safe. That said, and having lived in Eugene for the past 43 years, I am concerned about the homeless population in the downtown corridor. I frequently have to walk around people sitting, laying or sleeping on the sidewalk. This is very disconcerting to me as a 66 year-old woman.</p>	9/10/2018 5:16 PM

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28	I feel safe in Eugene. The only time I do not feel safe is when walking or biking in areas without appropriate infrastructure. More bike lanes and sidewalks would encourage more community members to spend time outside exploring their neighborhoods, making everyone safer. I would also like to voice my hope that public perceptions of 'safety' or lack thereof are not used to stigmatize people of color or people experiencing homelessness. Sometimes people can let unexamined biases influence their feelings of safety when an actual threat does not exist and I hope that any new safety initiatives would take an anti-racist, community-centered approach.	9/10/2018 5:11 PM
29	Appreciate the increased police presence downtown.	9/10/2018 5:10 PM
30	I live adjacent to the wetlands at 18th S. Berrelsen Rd. There is inadequate speed limit signage. Myself and neighbors have removed animal carcasses including but not limited to squirrels turkeys Birds and a cat that could other wise have been spared if people were not exceeding and or racing on 18th between South bertelsen and Willow Creek. I have my name on a list which may or may not happen to learn how to use a radar gun. I have called epd and reported this. I have talked talk directly to sergeant Sean who is in charge of officers that do ticketing. I have called ODOT and numerous agencies and try to find out what I as a citizen can do to help with a situation. I've gotten nowhere to date. The situation on 18th between South bertelsen and Willow Creek is terrible especially at morning hour commute time and weekends as well as evening hours when most folks are trying to escape the traffic lights on West 11th. The posted speed limits from bertelsen Road on 18th to Willow Creek make absolutely no sense especially bertelsen to Willow Creek where myself and others in the apartment complex in which we live cannot walk jog ride a bicycle walk their pets xcetera without feeling vulnerable to the crazy driving.	9/10/2018 5:01 PM
31	There have been many reports of theft in my neighbor news (SE Neighbors) and the downtown continues to be terrible (filled with people living on the streets to the point that you don't even want to go there).	9/10/2018 4:39 PM
32	Thirty years of living without fear in our community due to no personal experience of unsafe feelings, close calls, or adverse events. I have had all of the above in other areas, but not here.	9/10/2018 4:34 PM
33	The surge of homeless people and/or those needing access social services has reached such a high level that nearly every block, street and corner I walk by in my neighborhood has somebody occupying it. They are either sleeping on cardboard, in a pile of blankets, or in a car,	9/10/2018 4:33 PM
34	There are some areas of our city and my neighborhood that could use better lighting at night. I have also noticed excessive tailgating while driving in the Eugene and Springfield in the past few years.	9/10/2018 4:25 PM
35	I want to feel safe but sometimes feel outnumbered by folks that I am not certain of their mental stability, their sense of anxiety, or despair which could end up being communicated or demonstrated at me. I understand how hard it is to get by at this particular time and it brings me to tears most often to see folks sleeping anywhere, looking hopeless. I wish I knew what to do.	9/10/2018 4:14 PM
36	Police do not seem to respond to many calls at all, or in a timely enough manner to take care of peoples concerns.	9/10/2018 3:51 PM
37	The homeless people sleeping in the sidewalk meridians seems to have increased. I bike everywhere and have sometimes felt vulnerable, especially when I have something in the basket on the side of my bike.	9/10/2018 3:43 PM
38	We need faster police response/intervention in situations where people with drug or mental health issues are making a public disturbance. I live in the Lane Tower apartment building, and this happens sometimes two or three times a week. Another sore spot is bicycle us to do not obey traffic laws, even the most basic when such as stopping at red lights and stop signs. My wife was hit by a bicycle list who ran a stop sign after my wife had already pulled out into the intersection, and I nearly killed a girl who ran the stop sign on 12th and Olive. The week before that, a young man traveling at a high rate of speed on his bicycle, in the dark with no lights at all, tried to blow through the red light at 13th and Charlton were several cars were stopped. He did this by getting between the two lines of cars that were stopped and racing into the intersection where he was almost hit and killed by the driver of another car who had no way to see him coming.	9/10/2018 3:35 PM
39	Downtown is a mes. Worst I have seen it in 50 years. Homeless are camping everywhere, you can't even use the sidewalks in some areas.	9/10/2018 3:23 PM

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40	The area of downtown Eugene feels very unsafe. While walking down the street I have observed many people with long knives strapped to their side while gathering in large groups on the sidewalk. I have to walk on a small narrow part of the sidewalk or in the street to get around large gatherings of homeless individuals. I have witnessed individuals yelling out loudly on street corners and smoking in front of the public library. While walking in the downtown area I have had homeless people yell questions at me from their seated position on the sidewalk, I have to rush by them in hopes that I am not followed. While walking to Full City coffee shop I have walked by multiple people sleeping with their dogs and belongings spread out all over the street sidewalk on Pearl St. I had to walk in the street to avoid the sleeping dog. I do not like the congestion of homeless in a downtown area that is already small and compact for cars, cyclists, and pedestrians.	9/10/2018 3:23 PM
41	I don't feel safe going to Downtown Eugene.	9/10/2018 2:55 PM
42	The bike path we have is so lovely, but unfortunately I don't feel safe riding my bike myself down there (I live in West Eugene near Churchill). There are frequent news stories of attacks down there, and I often see people loitering in groups in a way that makes me feel unsafe. I would love to commute to work via bike (to downtown) but I don't feel like I can safely. Would love to see more police presence all over the bike path.	9/10/2018 2:51 PM
43	We avoid the downtown area as much as possible for entertainment or dining.	9/10/2018 2:46 PM
44	I live right by Maurie Jacobs park and work across the street from the downtown central bus station. The river paths seen more homeless, drug users, and crazy people, more vandalism, trash, arguments, assaults, and fights. Downtown is full of beggars, street kids, trash, and dogs.	9/10/2018 2:09 PM
45	I don't feel safe downtown. There are always large groups of people hanging around, usually seated and sometimes standing, and the behavior of these individuals is often unpredictable. It definitely deters me from visiting local businesses there, and that's a bummer because downtown has a really vibrant environment and attractions.	9/10/2018 2:00 PM
46	I avoid downtown completely, especially in the Summer. If I don't feel personally threatened by some undesired interactions, the level of vagrancy is reason enough to stay away. The fighting, pan-handling, cat-calling, piles of trash, animal and possibly human excrement, drug use, etc. really ruin the experience.	9/10/2018 1:12 PM
47	I wish I did not have to "think and look twice" walking around downtown Eugene. I feel hesitant having my teenager take LTD bus and transfer at the downtown station. I also hear (though NextDoor app discussions) about a lot of property crime and trespassing in certain neighborhoods.	9/10/2018 1:03 PM

I am a lawyer with an office right downtown. I often get asked for change or am told passive aggressive, sarcastic things by people sitting on the sidewalk like "nice suit." I am a man in my mid-thirties and reasonably fit, so I don't fear much for my personal safety. My personal background is such that if I needed to defend myself physically or outrun an aggressor, I would likely be able to do so. However, I can think of two specific incidents over the past couple of years that cause me to be concerned for the safety of my clients and employees (mostly women), most of whom have to walk to get to my office. Once, at between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m., I was crossing tenth avenue on my way to court, my mid-twenties, female client walking with me. A person who would probably be described as a "traveler" was walking toward me. He yelled something unintelligible at me (or both of us, perhaps). I ignored him. We continued toward one another in the mid-block crosswalk. He raised his arm and pointed his index finger at my face. I stopped at that point. He continued toward me and half-circled around me to pass me, with his finger remaining inches from my neck, arm fully extended. He didn't touch me or my client, and didn't say anything else. We continued to court. My client (a physically smaller woman) was more upset than me. Needless to say, neither of us needed the additional stresser that day. I was embarrassed that my office was in the location it was in. More recently, I was walking to court with a female client dressed in a court-appropriate skirt and top. It was between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. In front of what was Scan Design, we passed a handful of young men--again "travelers." One gave a loud wolf-whistle at my client. Another made a cat call, and although I can't remember the exact words, I recall that they were lewd. In my experience a wolf whistle and/or cat call is not an uncommon experience for women in downtown. What made this event unusual is that one of the young men stood up and began following us for several steps. I stopped, turned around, and simply said "no" in a commanding voice. He said something smart to us and went back to his group. My client was frightened, embarrassed, and somehow embarrassed that she was grateful to me for stepping in (hard to explain). I was embarrassed again that my office was downtown and that I had had to expose her to that. As I mentioned, I don't fear for my personal safety. I also suspect that I am not the target of inappropriate and aggressive behavior. I suspect, based on the experiences I describe above, and others, that women typically are harassed more frequently, and in a more sexually aggressive way than men. Certainly more than I have been. I really appreciate the new, large planters that have gone in near the Davis and Buy 2. Those have helped a great deal in disbursing the groups of travelers, or at least displacing them. They also are attractive. However, I will note one recent experience I had. An older, clearly vagrant woman picked herself a bouquet of flowers from one of the planters. A pleasant city worker, who was caring for the planters, approached her and said something to the effect of "you can't pick those flowers, they're city property, they belong to everyone." I thought his approach was correct and respectful. She continued picking and said something smart. He said something like "if you don't stop, I'm going to call the police." She said something like "go ahead, they won't come before I'm done." I had to continue on, so I'm not sure how this interaction ended. I appreciate it when police officers and/or "red hats" stand nearby or sometimes in the middle of the large groups of travelers. I notice that the travelers' inappropriate behavior is certainly minimized in those circumstances. I recognize, however what a true waste of resources it must be to have a police officer (or 2 or 3) stand in the middle of a group of travelers. I appreciate the 6:30 a.m. leaf blowers and power washers that I can hear blaring outside my office window when I'm in early trying to get work done. They're terrible to listen to, but they get travelers up and moving in the morning. I appreciate the City's rec department frequently having programs in the park blocks and Keasey Square (or "Skeezy Square," as I call it). Those areas are far more inviting during those events than when they are overrun with travelers. This next comment is somewhat flippant, but is certainly not incorrect: The people who call themselves "first amendment rights advocates," or "homeless advocates," or "right to sleep advocates," or whatever else, need to spend more time downtown. They need to walk around downtown with their teen daughters, or mothers, or elderly grandfathers, or even some of my clients who are going through some of the most difficult periods of their lives. They need to listen to peoples' descriptions of happens downtown with open ears and compassion. I suspect. No, I know that their advocacy strategies would change if they did this, even if they remained steadfast in their overall world views. As long as we all choose to live in a liberal, well-educated, pacific northwest college town with a temperate climate, as I have done, and as I will continue to do, we will have to strike a balance about what kind of behavior we tolerate downtown. To me, the balance is off. Downtown is not as safe as we all deserve it to be. It should be and could be an area where all people come for social and economic reasons, without the risk (certainty, really) of harassment. And by harassment, I'm not talking about the unpleasantness of being asked for change or having to step over the occasional pile of litter, or sleeping bags. After that soap-box, I'll also point out that I'm glad I don't have to be the person who has to figure out how to strike that balance, given the constitutional and criminal limitations our policy makers and law enforcement officers must operate within.

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49	I am a single late-60s white woman, without a car, and living at the east edge of downtown Eugene, which means I rely on walking and public transit. I regularly walk downtown, and look forward to friendly and encouraging interaction with "my peeps," people whom I have befriended through conversation and buying the occasional sandwich or cup of coffee. I love my downtown.	9/10/2018 12:16 PM
50	Stop making laws aim at controlling the homeless population- No dogs, No smoking, No sleeping, etc. How much money and time is taken to enforce this stupid vague message of if your homeless get out of our town or we will take everything from you and put in you in jail? Create a place for them to go!!! Think about it, The officers can then direct them to that place, and they would be out of sight from the public and the public would feel safe again, this is not rocket science.	9/10/2018 12:04 PM
51	Survey issue...i feel somewhat or reasonably safe AND somewhat anxious at the same time. This is a poorly constructed survey when this happens. I live somewhat in the country..no parks nearby, there should be an NA response category. Overall, thought, the downtown, homelessness problems is a serious problem and I'm glad someones trying to do something about it.	9/10/2018 11:47 AM
52	Property theft is one of my concerns as it appears that if you make one mistake (leave a door unlocked, personal belongings attended) that someone will take what is not theres. I would like to see more consequences for driving violations such as running stop lights, not using signals etc. I bike a lot around town and see violations all the time. I go downtown and refuse to be intimidated by those that hang around and ask for money. I'm happy about the smoke-free downtown efforts! Thanks	9/10/2018 11:30 AM
53	I do not feel safe as a woman walking alone, particularly in the evening hours, no matter where I am in town. I shy away from even going down town both in the daytime and in the evening as I am fearful I will be accosted or yelled at. Yesterday, I was yelled at while sitting outside of a building having lunch with my family. It is very disconcerting. To be honest, that was in downtown Springfield, but, that does not help me wanting to go down town Eugene where there are even more people just milling around.	9/10/2018 11:28 AM
54	We must get a handle on the homeless situation, and one of the biggest issues there is getting a handle on the huge drug problem in Eugene. We need a proactive solution an I believe we should contribute tax dollars toward this.	9/10/2018 10:37 AM
55	Erratic homeless require vigilance in every commercial area.	9/10/2018 10:20 AM
56	The downtown area would be so much more inviting if there weren't so many homeless and transients. I know often they have no where else to go, but I know as a fact that I and most of my female friends don't feel safe walking to their car after a concert, for example. I avoid downtown Eugene because of the increasing population of homeless and transients that just make me feel unsafe.	9/10/2018 10:19 AM
57	Since a street person slammed a woman's head into a restaurant window several months ago, I avoid downtown. I never know when someone will escalate from merely annoying to violence.	9/10/2018 10:10 AM
58	do not feel safe downtown	9/10/2018 10:06 AM
59	Eugene is just NOT safe!!	9/10/2018 9:55 AM
60	It doesn't matter where you go, it seems there are homeless lying around on the sidewalk edges, at parks, etc. and does not give a warm, secure feeling. Eugene seems to be embracing and making vagrancy acceptable. You can't even walk in the rose garden without seeing garbage, encountering people yelling at you, etc. Eugene is making it too easy for people to just lay around, toss their trash around, defecate wherever they want...it is getting ridiculous.	9/10/2018 9:46 AM
61	I often don't lock my doors at night.	9/10/2018 9:35 AM
62	I live off of 17th and Charnelton, and homeless people, drugs addicts, etc have been dropping garbage on our lawn, including a security light broken off of a nearby dental office and a used heroin syringe in our garbage can. This, coupled with not being able to walk downtown without being harassed by homeless people, has made me fun uneasy.	9/10/2018 9:30 AM
63	Unruly persons and unlicensed/unvaccinated dogs are frequently encountered. One family member was bitten in August by dog during a walk to a downtown restaurant from north Eugene. Some paths and sidewalks are essentially owned by vagrants who discourage residents from walking or bicycling.	9/10/2018 9:25 AM
64	I live within walking distance to the Patterson slough and river paths. As a female who walks alone, I often encounter transients on the path and also camp sites with discarded stuff. It can be scary and a couple times I have had to turn around and walk on my neighborhood streets instead. Those paths should be safe for everyone!	9/10/2018 9:21 AM

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65	Downtown needs a lot of work still. There are still way too many aggressive homeless and travelers who aggressively panhandle and cat call. In my neighborhood, the biggest safety concern is distracted driving and speeders. Far too many people on their phones behind the wheel and people drive 40+mph on Donald where it is 25 and we have a lot of kids. I would like to see much more enforcement of both issues, especially the distracted driving.	9/10/2018 9:09 AM
66	The continued influx of people living on and taking over the street in various areas of town is continuing to be an issue. I have a 14 year old daughter and do not feel safe letting her ride a bike by herself around our neighborhood and would never let her go downtown without extremely close adult supervision.	9/10/2018 9:03 AM
67	I avoid Downtown due to the debris, lack of order and the need to walk over bodies on the sidewalk and business entries. Downtown does not feel welcoming to me.	9/10/2018 9:02 AM
68	The phrase, "Where's a cop when you need one?" often comes to mind.	9/10/2018 9:01 AM
69	Homelessness is ridiculous in Downtown. Not even safe to walk anymore. Our home was broken into and police informed us that there was nothing they could do because of the lack of manpower. Monroe Park, near our home, is a haven for drugs and homelessness	9/10/2018 8:58 AM
70	I've lived in the Westside Jefferson neighborhood for almost 30 years, love our neighborhood and my neighbors and would like to do more downtown but there are more transients / garbage pickers etc. hanging around and they are more aggressive than ever. I don't even like to visit the library, which used to be a great place to be. It doesn't feel safe and I'm tired of navigating through groups of "travelers" and their dogs. Enough already.	9/10/2018 8:54 AM
71	My sons have both been mugged on fern ridge bike path and although live near Mccornack elementary, my house been burglarized twice I. 30 years. Just a couple months ago the cars in driveway were ransacked and items stolen.	9/10/2018 8:45 AM
72	There are a lot of very dark streets in South University neighborhood. It doesn't pose as much of an issue over the summer when there are longer hours of daylight, but certainly contributed to all of the issues faced last winter and spring. The lack of response and follow up from city officials is also rather problematic.	9/10/2018 8:43 AM
73	Would like to see more public safety presence downtown. Bike paths, especially in west Eugene, feel very unsafe. I know of several women, myself included, that won't use those paths.	9/10/2018 8:38 AM
74	Thanks to our cops and downtown association!	9/10/2018 8:32 AM
75	Make Eugene not a sanctuary city	9/10/2018 8:23 AM
76	The homeless encampments taking over business lots on the green space is ridiculous. Blocking ADA routes, chasing customers away from our business. Get us and urine on the side of our building. Drug paraphernalia left in our flower beds, I won't even go downtown after work or on weekends anymore. Cesspool streets and parks.	9/10/2018 8:22 AM
77	Downtown, specifically Broadway between Oak and Charnelton, and the Park Blocks as well, are ridiculous. I feel sorry for the business owners in this area. The loitering is completely out of hand. Can police officers not keep people moving instead of letting the same people sit in the sidewalk all day? I've lived in Oakland, CA and San Francisco, and I've never felt as unsafe as I feel on this area of Broadway.	9/10/2018 8:19 AM
78	Safety in Eugene is great. Some who are new to the community may feel differently, but, I think with long conversations with those new community members, their feelings have more to do with the fear of our booming, and mostly harmless transient population who are a visible mainstay in the community.	9/10/2018 8:16 AM
79	I feel somewhat unsafe at my home park (Tugman) because of the homeless that camp and live along the creek. I felt unsafe on a Saturday morning at 7 am with my toddler when we ate voodoo and played in Kesey square because we were surrounded by homeless people. I wish there was a police booth or something where a policeman was stationed centrally so that downtown felt more protected. If an increase in taxes is considered I would vote yes to increase staffing.	9/10/2018 7:46 AM
80	Perceived safety may change drastically based on demographic data - which you haven't requested as part of this survey. I find that to be a flaw in survey design. I am a middle-aged white woman, and I feel very safe here. My friends who are people of color do not.	9/10/2018 7:43 AM

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81	I do not feel safe in this community, we need more police presence and less tolerance of drug related crimes and those who commit them. The city seems more concerned about the rights of "travelers" and meth-heads than the safety and rights of the tax payers. It will drive people like myself out of Eugene	9/10/2018 7:35 AM
82	I understand we have a large homeless population and if I can I help sometimes but I feel it has gotten completely out of control and we regularly have people digging through our personal garbage cans, we have a neighbor who rents Air B&B when there was a problem with a tenant we couldn't get help from police for so long, I was scared for my neighbors. I don't feel safe letting my 10 year old ride her bike 1 mile to school but 5 years ago I let my eldest ride bike to school. My son wants to be a police officer and I very much respect our police department but I feel they are stretched to thin and clash with city council.	9/10/2018 7:23 AM
83	There are areas I would feel watchful in, just because it is night and I am a woman. Normally so.	9/10/2018 7:14 AM
84	Downtown is a very uncomfortable place to go.	9/10/2018 7:07 AM
85	Weaving through people sitting & lying on downtown sidewalks is very uncomfortable & comments are threatening.	9/10/2018 5:55 AM
86	realize how vulnerable - live near a bus stop, that civility is losing something, people are abusive in public to one another	9/10/2018 5:14 AM
87	I am concerned about the increasing number of homeless people along the river bike paths. Especially the area between the valley river bridge and the water treatment plant has a deserted feel and makes me uncomfortable. I walk and bike alone (female) in the morning hours and often feel uneasy, especially on work days when there are fewer other residents out. Some kind of regular (hourly) roving patrol (on bikes, segues, etc) would make a difference.	9/10/2018 5:09 AM

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88	<p>I will first say that I love, support, and defend our police officers here in Eugene and around the United States. This is something that I believe needs to be said because a situation I've personally have witnessed has happened before and I don't want to see again. This is also something that our city council I believe needs to hear. Hire more police officers. Hire more community safety officers. Hire a private security company to take over some of the high crime areas around town to patrol. Where I work is no longer safe for my staff. Homeless and criminals keep coming around and break into or take stuff out of their cars or trucks and my place of business to steal whatever they want and get away with it. You need to get your hands un-tied from the political correctness that our city council has to offer and do the job that we need you to do. People are starting to lose faith in your department because it take 20 minuets to 6 hours later (sometimes never) for someone to respond. The power of the homeless and the criminals that infest our city outweighs the power of the people whom work and live here. The homeless and the criminals sleep, eat, deficate, piss, steal, rob, deal drugs, do drugs, leave their trash including needles, all around town on private properties and you do nothing because of political correctness. We call you, and when you respond, you either don't take a report, arrest them for the crime they committed, you write citations or summons to them, or let them go because you'll "get them later for another bigger crime" and they go off to continue their stupidity elsewhere. You have also been known to cite and arrest those who call you for service because it waists your time and let the criminals go completely. A few years ago I've personally witnessed your department arrest the wrong guy. I was dumbfounded that you would arrest a citizen whom called you, reported a crime, your department responded, arrived, he showed the officers that he was the one whom called them, thought he lied, never talked to the other witnesses and told them all to disperse and to go away, arrested him, and took him to jail. Then realized 2 days later that he told the truth due to a camera that you had access to when you got to the property in the first place but didn't think about it at the time of the incident. The reason I know that is because after this all happened, I saw him a month later and talked to him about what happened. Do you think that would impact him? Yes. How about the 20 people whom witnessed that whole thing go down? Yes. Do you think they'll think twice before calling you? Yes. People stop calling you because nothing is being done or we get in trouble ourselves for what? Calling you? Waisting your time and resourses. What good is a police department if all you do is nothing to the people whom commit crimes all around town? Yes. Through the years you have gotten better and do a better job but the city doesn't help you at all. Hey city council, this pertains to you and the incompetence of your decisions. Something needs to be done about the homeless issue and the criminals whom infest this city with everything they know how and do. The people would like to feel safe in their homes and at work rather than feeling concerned about their property or business. To the Eugene City Council, Crime is on the rise and all you care about is statistics and numbers rather than the plea of the people. Are you serious? I dare you... I challenge you to take a ride with these officers and see what they have to put up with day in and day out due to your incompetence and the gravity of the situations that you put our town through. Maybe then you'll understand why we are fed up with your political nonsense. To the Eugene Police, I still love, support, and will defend you. With other situations lately, I have seen great things happen that bring you department to a higher level. I have seen your officers do great things with some of the people that you are sworn to protect and serve. I believe your department needs more personnel and resources for what you are being put through. Hopefully the city council will see and understand that if they take a ride with you for one night. The thin blue line is getting thinner everyday and with every moment that passes I pray that god helps and guides you while your on duty or off. We the people still love and support you.</p>	9/10/2018 1:50 AM
89	Downtown I do not feel safe and know if something happened that the police would not be there fast enough	9/9/2018 11:34 PM
90	I live near campus. Last spring's armed robberies and rapes have caused me to take new precautions. So much theft and crime. Today I walked 4 blocks and saw 6 homeless men who have taken up residence on the sidewalk. I don't feel safe, so many are mentally ill. I feel extremely uncomfortable downtown. The last time I drove down, there was a man doing heroine on the sidewalk. All the loitering is unacceptable. I feel harassed when I say no to their panhandling.	9/9/2018 10:56 PM
91	The drug inspired problems of homelessness, theft and vandalization are increasingly unnerving.	9/9/2018 10:40 PM
92	It imposible to walk around DOWNTOWN without being ask for a cigarette or money and sometimes they get atreviste when I say no sorry. I try to don't make eye contact especially at night	9/9/2018 10:39 PM
93	My commute by bike takes me over the ferry street bridge heading north. It is,at times, Many times,a complete home for the homeless. It never really improves. A blind spot in community problems? Thanks for asking.	9/9/2018 10:09 PM
94	Continues to get worse and worse	9/9/2018 9:36 PM

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95	The number of people camping on the sidewalks in downtown makes me feel very uncomfortable when I pass by. It's definitely a deterrent for me to spend time downtown or take family or friends who are visitIng Eugene to that area. The care that is put in to the beautiful foliage and flowers is appreciated, but not as enjoyable since I'm too busy scanning the sidewalks for potentially dangerous situations.	9/9/2018 8:54 PM
96	I don't like the panhandlers downtown and all the people on sidewalks.	9/9/2018 8:52 PM
97	Downtown homeless is been bad lately	9/9/2018 8:49 PM
98	Many parks tend to be unusable given the homeless. Property owners pay for the parks and often hesitate to use them. Why should we pay given this issue. The nicer the parks the more the homeless will live in them.	9/9/2018 8:10 PM
99	Downtown is off limits to myself and grandchildren due to drug use, obscene language, panhandling and people blocking the sidewalks or lounging in public spaces.	9/9/2018 7:14 PM
100	I think that we tend to focus too much on the impact of homeless people downtown, who in general are not causing a safety issue, and not enough on the real safety issue of alcohol abuse by people of all ages and backgrounds, which is why I avoid downtown and the university area in the evening. The dog ban isn't addressing any problems, and makes it harder for people of all economic classes to be downtown. We need to do more to support folks in having safe places to live that are stable and consistent so that they can be ready to use support services. We need police officers who are compassionate towards those who are unhoused, rather than authoritarian and suspicious. It would make a huge difference in how safe we all feel and are. Police officers need to have more training in dealing with people who are having mental health crises, and more anti-bias training. I have friends and family who feel less safe in Eugene because of our hard-working officers lacking the training and life experience that would allow them to better serve all of us in Eugene. I am supportive of our police. Give them the tools that they need to be able to do their jobs better: More training and more compassion for those with less privilege in our very privileged city.	9/9/2018 6:22 PM
101	We have a serious serious homeless problem. I'm sick n tired of being approached while doing business. You have turned downtown in to a highrise Meca	9/9/2018 5:59 PM
102	My property has had things stolen from it multiple times (Bethel area) & we still feel vulnerable to theft. Vacant houses have squatters. Field by house has needles found in it regularly. Transient pop that comes & goes trashes our community. Graffiti is horrible.	9/9/2018 5:31 PM
103	It is very unfortunate, as it has been for a long time, that the downtown area of Eugene is constantly overrun by folks who think it's ok to camp out on the sidewalk, beg for handouts, and harass passersby. It is often the main reason that I avoid patronizing downtown businesses. In general, Eugene feels like a mostly safe city and it is unfortunate that the downtown area is so unwelcoming to community foot traffic.	9/9/2018 3:39 PM
104	Lots of homeless people in the Gilgamesh neighborhood. Increase this summer over other years	9/9/2018 3:25 PM
105	The amount of needles I find in UD and downtown makes me extremely cautious when working from 0300-0800am. Not to mention the amounts of dogs unleashed, the smell of urine downtown and how yesterday during the Saturday market a women took a dump adjacent the county court house by the sidewalk and no one batted an eye. It's to the point I don't even call the cops when something is stolen or I see someone biking with another bike frame next to them because nothing is going to happen. Our police force is over stretched and apparently unless it is a violent crime they can't even be found to make a police report over a stolen bike.	9/9/2018 2:35 PM
106	I see that the City has been trying to address problems, and the police and support teams are wonderful. But the problems are serious and ongoing, and Eugene does not feel pleasant or safe or happy. It feels chaotic, volatile, unpredictable. I hope it can change.	9/9/2018 2:27 PM
107	The only area in which I feel unsafe is downtown when the police are present, dealing with something.	9/9/2018 2:01 PM
108	I've become more aware of trespassing crimes and theft due to the NextDoor, which has been very helpful but also scary how some people have become so brazen in their efforts to steal. For example, going right up to people's front doors or into their backyards while their home. Not sure if something changes or if I'm just more aware of it.	9/9/2018 12:16 PM
109	I find the homeless are harassed and the heron and meth are the true problem as well as treatment for alcohol	9/9/2018 11:46 AM

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110	There are laws in place to fight the downtown problem. Littering, smoking, aggression, dogs, stolen grocery carts, and theft. If you see someone pushing a carry it's most likely not their's. I watched a guy steal a bag of groceries from Albertsons on Coburg Road. Nobody did anything. I asked the manager and they said it wasn't worth it. It made me mad because my grocery bill goes up because if it. What kind of message does that send every day? If the city wants to get rid of the problem making the violation punishment more trouble than having the problems is the solution.	9/9/2018 9:51 AM
111	We've had night time car theft in our area, so that makes me uneasy. Biggest concern is Trafficking.	9/9/2018 9:29 AM
112	I have felt threatened by "travelers" while biking on the Fern Ridge path and no longer bike due to safety concerns. I ride on the LTD busses typically 2-3 days per week and always have to remain aware of my surroundings. I am looking to get a job in the evenings/at night and location (not downtown) is a big factor in where I am applying.	9/9/2018 8:45 AM
113	Our cars have been broken into at least 4-5 times in 2 years	9/9/2018 8:26 AM
114	The transient population has increased quite a bit in midtown Eugene, many are clearly drugged and do not respect private property boundaries. They set up camps on sidewalks of side streets. I cannot let my teen walk to the bus stop or bus station, even in broad daylight. While some transients are kind and wouldn't cause harm, I do not trust one who is high, strung out, or flat out drunk.	9/9/2018 8:23 AM
115	The safety and level of anxiety is very much due to crime that is associated with the transient homeless population here. This concern comes most often at night and my personal property at home.	9/9/2018 8:20 AM
116	More homeless people hanging around downtown. They are quite rude sometimes as well as crude.	9/9/2018 8:07 AM
117	Midtown Eugene seems to recently have an increase in transient population, many of them clearly drugged and don't respect private property boundaries. I do not let my teen walk to the bus stop or the bus station, even during the day, for fear of her safety.	9/9/2018 8:06 AM
118	Homeless are very aggressive wanting money	9/9/2018 7:51 AM
119	Walk with confidence and the ability to hold your own while using common sense will deter many issues. Don't be prey, know how to use technology against low level crimes. If you show you have something to be taken away and act demure with no knowledge how to talk to a person with mental health issues you will indeed get into an altercation.	9/9/2018 7:24 AM
120	There is no safety in Eugene, this is a filthy, crime driven, disease ridden dump, where even children's events are centered on alcohol. I regret buying a house here, this is not a place worth calling home.	9/9/2018 7:12 AM
121	Downtown homeless must be stopped. I don't walk around very often and have been confronted for money every single time. We own a service oriented business and keep iur door locked and only let in people with appointments. This is a deplorable situation and we feel the city government doesn't care about the women, kids, families and businesses. Eugene should be ashamed.	9/9/2018 1:24 AM
122	My biggest concern regarding safety is traffic speed in residential areas, lack of sidewalk access, and narrow to nonexistent right of way when it is necessary to walk on a road.	9/9/2018 12:54 AM
123	Please allow concealed carry on all college campuses. They are shooting hotspots and to disallow carrying for law abiding citizens hinders our ability to protect ourselves and our peers.	9/9/2018 12:51 AM
124	Concerned about bike and tire theft. Nervous at night downtown	9/9/2018 12:38 AM
125	My main concern would be the increase of transients and illegal campers that camp on the residential streets and along the bike trails. Kudos to the city for cleaning up near VRC and Maury Jacobs Park. Nice to see zero tents and garbage near the footbridge.□	9/8/2018 11:04 PM
126	Downtown is a mess day and especially at night. Totally unsafe.	9/8/2018 11:00 PM
127	I use bike paths a lot. Really disappointed with criminal types, sleeping along bike paths and taking over Eugene. Also very sad for the mentally ill that aren't taken care of. Feel like a sitting duck on the bike paths not safe at all. Thank you.	9/8/2018 10:08 PM
128	Police cars are always going above the speed limit, failing to use turn signals. Generally dissatisfied citizen.	9/8/2018 10:00 PM

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129	I live by the owasso bike bridge and the homeless have taken over the whole area camps everywhere, stealing everything, and leaving the river a mess why do we continue to let this happen in this town i mean really you get my property taxes every year thats for sure . Tax payers don't dare use the river paths when it gets dark that would be suicide, we are kept captive in our homes by the mentally ill homeless in this town	9/8/2018 9:00 PM
130	We need to have greater police presence in Eugene. Which means an increased police force.	9/8/2018 8:56 PM
131	I feel safe and protected. But as a woman, I would never go to parks or side streets at night.	9/8/2018 8:55 PM
132	I no longer feel comfortable going to some of my favorite parks or places in Eugene due to increased crime like drug use and reported assaults and robberies.	9/8/2018 7:27 PM
133	There has got to be a way to keep sidewalks safe and free of "campers". Pushing them from place to place just leaves a trail of trash. The other huge issue is the auto and trucks driving into the river by Delta Gravel. It's unsafe and horrible for the environment. We need to fund more officers and support staff!	9/8/2018 7:02 PM
134	I feel safe where I go, I avoid the downtown area as a rule because I don't want to deal with the population there and the situation	9/8/2018 6:55 PM
135	There are too many homeless people in the Eugene area that have come here for services. They are not people who have been Eugene residents who have become homeless. They are people coming here to take advantage of our services. That needs to be remedied. All of the homeless folks that congregate in the Coburg Road area underneath the bridges and on the bike pathways needs to be cleaned up. I feel unsafe riding my bike from my Coburg Road area home down to the bike path because I have to weave my way through hordes of homeless people. We need to get the homeless folk that are not local returned to the communities they came from. We need increased Mental Health Services for children through adult age that are readily accessible. So if you're having a mental health crisis, you can see a provider that same day. The Downtown library needs to be a library, not a daytime homeless shelter. Aside from the children's area, it is a filthy and dangerous place to even go look for a book! The last time I went up to the adult section, every single desk was taken up by a homeless person sleeping and their bags. This is just unacceptable! A library needs to be a place for study, gathering, and learning. It should not be a homeless shelter. Homeless people have every right to enjoy the library, but there needs to be a better policy on how they spend their time there. Every time I have called the Eugene police, I have always been impressed with their courtesy, professionalism, and good advice. I appreciate our police force and wish that the budget allowed more police for better coverage so they weren't spread so thin.	9/8/2018 6:53 PM
136	Drug use downtown has increased, making it seen less safe. Staffed centers for safe drug use and paraphernalia disposal would be helpful.	9/8/2018 6:52 PM
137	I have seen a lot more homeless/mentally ill individuals camping closer to my home in Maury Jacobs park. Some are harmless but a few are very vocal and appear more aggressive. One woman had lopers in her hand while yelling at me as I was passing. Many homeless persons seem to have very nice bikes. Personal property has been stolen in and around my neighborhoods. Increased boldness in parking on streets and camping.	9/8/2018 6:11 PM
138	People are not driving the speed limit on all roads in front of the school in 25 zone 55zone etc not a police officer in sight ? People are acting angry at stores in public ???	9/8/2018 6:04 PM
139	Eugene is becoming a hub for crime. And we NEED to address the homeless problem. That contributes to the safety and well being of people in this city. We should help these people as much as we can to get back on their feet. Downtown is being run amuck with homeless people. And not the down on your luck kind, the kind that constantly drinks, pisses and causes issues where ever they go. I used to live downtown and couldn't WAIT to move. We felt so unsafe even in our own home. Our first night there we had our stuff stolen off our porch! We need to fund programs to help these people get off drugs and alcohol. Dont just push them out, PLEASE ACTUALLY HELP THEM! They contribute (the violent ones) to the city not feeling or being safe. Cahoots can only do so much. We should also expand Cahoots. They are a wonderful company and help tons of people.	9/8/2018 5:52 PM

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140	I live in S Eugene and have the advantage of a safe neighborhood. I don't feel safe walking in parks along the river, downtown, University area, or west Eugene alone. I will bus/walk to appointments downtown alone during the day, but am not comfortable with the panhandlers. I appreciate the smoking ban and am interested in seeing how that works out. I follow the crime report in the RG and track the types of crimes that occur and in which areas they occur. Other people will look at that map and see where crime is concentrated. FYI, In the last year I have become medically disabled/retired and less able to protect myself, also with one-quarter of my income. It is clear that the new chief is seeking an expansion of the department which I support, but as mentioned lack the funds to personally underwrite. How can we create a plan to protect Eugene that is financially equitable?	9/8/2018 5:45 PM
141	Personal property incidents are not a priority for police. On the property owners to deal with through insurance claims and out of pocket expenses.	9/8/2018 5:23 PM
142	I worry a bit more about property crime after a few incidences around our neighborhood, but haven't had any major problems myself.	9/8/2018 4:54 PM
143	Keep thieves in jail. It's like a revolving door and they are back at it again.	9/8/2018 4:38 PM
144	With todays technology start camera patrols and generate income	9/8/2018 4:23 PM
145	I live near Westmoreland Park (the frisbee golf park). Used to feel safe to walk through it anytime.for a while, the homeless population was there day and night. I actually called Eugene police to complain, and was told they couldn't or wouldn't do anything about it. That they could stay there during the day but not sleep there at night. I'm not sure what happened, but apparently the homeless are now being told they can't stay in the park at all. I heard they are being ticketed (loitering?). Which is what should have happened a long time ago. The parks are for the use of the majority, not to give the homeless a place to hang out.	9/8/2018 4:00 PM
146	Would like more police presence enforcing traffic/motor vehicle type laws. It has, for at least the past 10 years, felt like a lawless mess of drivers doing whatever they want, knowing there aren't police to ticket them. Also, seems homeless/travelers are relocating from the downtown area (where they are still concentrated, of course) into outlying areas like River Road and Santa Clara - all the way up to Spring Creek Rd. Downtown is just a mess, and the more things like surveillance that can come in to "self-regulate" better behavior would be welcomed with open arms.	9/8/2018 3:10 PM
147	I love this city and its people. I would love to know more about how we as community can rally together to keep folks safe, make it even more livable, and get resources to those that need help that are a part of the more vulnerable part of our population.	9/8/2018 3:04 PM
148	We need less racist cops, and a department that takes the nazi presence seriously. . More sexual assault awareness/training. Stop stealing houseless people's property. The illegal theft of the vehicles of houseless people is sickening. Existing is not illegal. Sleeping is not illegal. I was entirely responsible for building the rape case against my police officer ex boyfriend. Victims need support, not the responsibility of holding their attacker's accountability.	9/8/2018 1:53 PM
149	Downtown is not safe near Kesey Square	9/8/2018 1:42 PM
150	I have lived in big dangerous cities (Chicago). My key rings carry a whistle. I have been trained in the importance of posture/walking gait/refusal skills. I think self reliance training would be helpful. I just saw a little kid (age 3-4,) wearing flip flops, jumping around in landscaping near the library. I stopped the parent and reminded the parent that there might be sharp items in the landscaping. The parent thanked me. Eugene is not 'street smart' and we need to focus on community education. I am 70 years old, most of my friends are afraid of street people but they have not learned refusal skills. They give money to the unhoused, they will give people the sandwich they just bought. These acts (of kindness ?) mark them as vulnerable on the street. They become identified and then constantly harassed.	9/8/2018 1:41 PM
151	House next to mine has what appears to be drug activity.	9/8/2018 1:35 PM
152	In my neighborhood, there was a killing over drugs and stealing. The drug dealer is taking over our freedom. The police have talked to several neighbors about this but aren't doing anything about it.	9/8/2018 1:10 PM
153	I'm getting more and more nervous about the downtown area and aggressive pan handlers and blatant criminal activity. I seldom will go there in the evening anymore and am ultra cautious even during the day. I so enjoy many favorite restaurants, shops and the library but often feel unsafe to get out of my car.	9/8/2018 12:59 PM
154	I do not feel safe most areas near downtown including campus, downtown, Whitaker, 5th Street area and nowhere along the River corridor.	9/8/2018 12:34 PM

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155	Kick the bums out!!	9/8/2018 12:08 PM
156	I live near the bike path, and it's sad that I don't feel safe enough to use it. I would love to take my kids on bike rides there but I'm too worried because of attacks that have happened. We've recently added motion lights and security cameras to our home, hoping to help deter crime. Our neighborhood lacks street lights.	9/8/2018 12:06 PM
157	Living in Santa Clara, I see way too many darkly dressed young male(18 to 25) homeless looking guys with back packs, riding bicycles either towing a trailer full of gear or holding onto another bicylce next to them on the residential streets.	9/8/2018 11:17 AM
158	I do believe if we can push the homeless out or at least some restrictions and welcome a more family friendly vibe to the downtown area could do wonders for the city of Eugene.	9/8/2018 11:15 AM
159	The rampant drug use, revolving door at the jail, and unchecked property crime has made Eugene a nightmare. The prior mayor kept inviting the people responsible for this to Eugene with no services or plan to take care of them. Nwe're all left with the fallout. I'm afraid every night that I'm at work in Eugene.	9/8/2018 11:01 AM
160	The city leadership seems more interested in being politically correct than providing safety.	9/8/2018 9:58 AM
161	The number of transients/street people and uncertainty over whether they are merely down on luck or rather bad at heart keeps me on constant vigilance when I rove the city and watch my property. Every year we experience thefts/trespass and every few years break ins. I've lost over \$10,000 in bikes and bike equipment in my 18 years in Eugene. As a major pedestrian and bicyclist, I am fearful for my and my children's safety every day. The traffic speeds and driver unawareness of neighborhood users and ped/bike rights is daunting.	9/8/2018 9:03 AM
162	Recently went down town for lunch. The beggars for money were obnoxious. I won't go down again.	9/8/2018 8:58 AM
163	Transients and their garbage, tents and obvious drug use are taking over the City. Clean it up. Be more like Springfield.	9/8/2018 8:50 AM
164	I recently went downtown for lunch and probably won't go back. The begging and cackling for money is really obnoxious. I don't know what the solution is but I stay away from downtown restaurants.	9/8/2018 8:45 AM
165	Transient type people used to be run out of town. Nowadays, they're left to intimidate, steal rob, loiter, and leave tons of garbage anywhere & everywhere. It seems the laws are not for decent people.	9/8/2018 7:35 AM
166	I heard the police speak at a Eugene Greeters event yesterday. The level of understaffing is terrifying.	9/8/2018 7:28 AM
167	Our elected officials aren't interested in our safety. The police can't do anything because of this lack of backup. The parks and the libraries are for the homeless not for the rest of us. You enter public areas at your own risk. Mentally ill and drug people do as they please in public areas including sidewalks. This is backed by our elected officials so nothing can be done now. A change in attitude is needed. The system is broken. Eugene is a magnet for drugs and the mentally ill now and they come to this safe haven from everywhere, but we have no money to solve their problems as we are a small poor town that government makes poorer with lack of incentives for job creation.	9/8/2018 7:25 AM
168	So many homeless, panhandlers, and drug users. Lots of travelers. Graffiti, trash, dogs, raged drivers, unsanitary conditions. Eugene is way too permissive and inviting to people without a sense of community or respect of others.	9/8/2018 7:16 AM
169	I have worked downtown for years and definitely feel like it has improved overall. But I am amazed at the number of people who are literally on the ground, sleeping or hanging out. Some of those are faces I see everyday. And they set their stuff down in the middle of everything. Which leaves an impression of dirtiness, neglect and reduced safety. It seems that should be addressed. People should not be able to have signs there and continuously asking for money. As the daylight starts to get shorter, I must admit that walking to and from my car in the parking lot will be more concerning. Hoping that lighting, safety and patrolling of the area remains a priority. Thank you for the positive police presence downtown. I hope that continues.	9/8/2018 6:56 AM
170	We just recently moved from North Eugene to a small town outside of Eugene. My answers are based on my most recent experiences from living in North Eugene. In the past year there has been increased crime in that area, including house break ins, and frequent car break ins, as well as what appears to be drug trafficking activity that Eugene PD has not addressed. My feelings of safety have decreased significantly as a result.	9/8/2018 6:47 AM

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171	The fear of being on the side of street walking has more to do with college kids who act aggressively because they're not from around here, or folks who are older males in the community who go around harassing women, and less to do with the homeless and folks who are travelers, those people I've come across tend to be more polite honestly.	9/8/2018 6:06 AM
172	It is true that I do not feel like the police would be responsive or able to assist, esp with property crimes.	9/8/2018 4:09 AM
173	I have really appreciated the noticeable increase in police presence downtown. Some corners that were typically full of (generally harmless) homeless people are now cleaned up. Thank you!	9/8/2018 2:33 AM
174	#1 Things in downtown have gotten better since adding the Ambassadors they help move people along, are friendly, and follow rules without taking up the police's time. You need to seriously consider extending funding for that position. #2 with all the new growth in the River rd area many streets that use to not be opened all the way through are now. These are straight shots and lots of close calls are happening near parks because drivers are going way too fast... I have noticed near pedestrian misses on Hyacinth and Mackin #3 as a driver with the new marijuana laws too many civilians are driving high and it has increased the seriousness of accidents we really need to look at this as a city. Up the DUI patrols, education and be hard on offenders. #4 we have a huge drug problem bring back the interdepartment drug team! Like SWAT it's so useful in the community and having a handle on the drugs allows you to have a better handle on crime.	9/8/2018 12:14 AM
175	We live by a city park with some homeless issues and also some mental health and crime issues. They aren't too frequent but when they do occur and we call a policeman rarely shows up or if they do it is hours later	9/8/2018 12:08 AM
176	I used to walk regularly on the bike path for the past 18 years. My route was around the loop of Maurine Jacobs Park, Owasso Bridge, and VRC, but this last year or so I no longer feel safe. There are many more homeless, crimes, and sketchy people hanging around. It's not how it used to be, which makes me worry more. I miss my walks.	9/8/2018 12:01 AM
177	The transient population has not helped. We should not roll out the welcome mat for folks that choose to be homeless.	9/7/2018 11:01 PM
178	Downtown is a mess. I work at Broadway/Willamette and so am there daily. It's impossible sometimes to even cross an intersection to the other side bc of boards of people who are scary. They taunt, they swear, they sit and sleep on the sidewalk in the middle of the day. It's embarrassing and frustrating. I'm not convinced homelessness is the issue. It's either addiction or laziness. Also, for more citizens to WANT to come downtown (which would help to balance the mess), we need businesses down there they want to visit. Right now it's all going to Oakway Mall and 5th St Market.	9/7/2018 10:59 PM
179	It's disappointing to call EPD for assistance. Only to be told maybe.	9/7/2018 10:51 PM
180	I feel like with the amount of break-ins in the last few years there should be a better response and action between Eugene Police and Lane County Sheriff Dept. And living in the River Road area doesn't help. I have lived in this area all of my life and it is sad what our town has become.	9/7/2018 10:23 PM
181	It's hard to feel like my property is safe when there is so much theft.	9/7/2018 10:14 PM
182	City governments refusal to deal with criminals is causing safety in Eugene to plummet.	9/7/2018 9:48 PM
183	I see more harassment of homeless people by authorities. I have also seen more hateful graffiti and white power stuff and would like to see police do more enforcement at crosswalks on bike routes like at 15th and Jefferson or 18th and Friendly	9/7/2018 9:23 PM
184	I have never lived anywhere I felt less safe at night	9/7/2018 9:02 PM
185	High risk of finding drug needles. I will not take my child to any park. Parking structures are unsafe and have fecal matter in them. The stairwells	9/7/2018 8:15 PM
186	I wish you would budget enough for adequate police and fire. Don't ask for more in a bond measure. Find funding in your existing resources. It's the city's top priority.	9/7/2018 7:53 PM
187	Santa Clara has very little police presence, but a lot of crimes	9/7/2018 7:51 PM

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188	I feel that the City has made a valid attempt trying to clean up the down town area but the problem has had a hands off policy for so long that it is impossible to fix. I work downtown and my wife is uncomfortable bringing the kids down I the evening time due to the "clientele" that allowed to park on the sidewalk and harass people and make lewd comments. It's the young transient population that refuses to work not the people who are actually in need that are the issue. It's time to stop handcuffing the police in this town and allow them to do there job.	9/7/2018 7:42 PM
189	HOMELESS PEOPLE!! Eugene HAS to address this - as did Springfield!! Eugene is BEGGING for this!! Enforcement of fines to people who give homeless money or goods. Where are the homeless people in SF? (That's right.. Eugene!!)	9/7/2018 6:33 PM
190	There are some really rough people downtown and in West Eugene-especially 4 Corners. Not just homeless people but really gnarly violent and unpredictable people. I've lived in big cities and travelled and can honestly say parts of Eugene are pretty scary.	9/7/2018 5:59 PM
191	Please fix the tweaker problem in eugene. Especially that of 4490 Royal Avenue. The house is abandoned and a burden to the entire neighborhood due to the drug use and squatters it brings. One of the people to frequent this house is an unregistered sex offender named Thomas. I should not feel unsafe in my home I've lived in all my life due to someone squatting in a house owned by the bank. Calling the police does nothing, they treat you as a burden rather than their role of a public server.	9/7/2018 5:21 PM
192	The police fail to respond when called about crimes. They waste the resources they have and leave residents to deal with crine on their own.	9/7/2018 5:04 PM
193	Not enough police officers, they don't come to a lot of the non emergency calls which creates a much bigger problem, downtown is scary and I never want to go down there after dark.	9/7/2018 4:39 PM
194	For the most part, I feel secure about my personal safety when out in Eugene. However, we've had many incidents of property crime, home invasion, car windows broken, theft etc. over the two years I've lived in Eugene that it's hard to feel secure in my home.	9/7/2018 4:28 PM
195	Thieves know the response time and know they'll get away with it.	9/7/2018 4:26 PM
196	My son and I were attacked by a car (while at a stop light, in our car), so my answers will skew toward anxious. Cars are dangerous, and as a city, we should take all the "traffic-calming" steps we can to make our city safe, especially for pedestrians and cyclists.	9/7/2018 3:50 PM
197	I live in the Whittaker neighborhood near Sladden Park and Maury Jacobs Park. Over the last couple years I have felt increasingly unsafe in those parks. I never go to the parks at night and as a woman don't even like being alone during the day. I have similar feelings about downtown Eugene. I had a need to contact the police and they did not arrive until the next day. We badly need more police and public safety in our town.	9/7/2018 3:30 PM
198	Downtown core Campus Both unsafe	9/7/2018 2:53 PM
199	I do not feel safe walking downtown. It is not a comfortable situation with all of the travelers laying across the sidewalk with their belongings. is particularly uncomfortable because it is not just one person or two people but it is gangs of people. The other thing that I don't feel safe about is the amount of graffiti that is showing up all over this town. I live in South Eugene I feel very safe in my neighborhood, but there are many places in town that do not seem safe to be in or desirable any longer.	9/7/2018 2:42 PM
200	I work downtown and visit establishments downtown several times a week and feel perfectly safe. I wish there were less homeless kids hanging around though.	9/7/2018 2:41 PM
201	I live in the Westmoreland Village Apartments. It's very peaceful and quiet here. My only complaint in homeless people going through the garbage areas. I liked the way EPD and other agencies have increased security in and around LTD and the Antrim building. All thanks to your current police chief. I suffer anxiety problems and wish there was more mental health services.	9/7/2018 1:51 PM
202	It seems like me and my family are seeing more unstable mentally ill folks hanging around. Not just downtown but all over.	9/7/2018 1:49 PM
203	I do not feel that it is appropriate for people to loiter or lounge on the sidewalks downtown. There's also a lot of people that text and drive. This doesn't make me feel safe biking.	9/7/2018 1:08 PM
204	Most situations that make me feel uneasy or unsafe can be avoided by crossing the street or something.	9/7/2018 12:40 PM

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205	Street people. The situation seems out of control. The obvious mental illness lends a sense of risk to outings and errands.	9/7/2018 11:46 AM
206	There really needs to be more community interaction with officers. Those who develop a positive relationship with neighborhoods, and I don't mean just focusing on kids, but business owners, elderly, the sick and afflicted, the "aliens" and perhaps even the weirdos, are going to have a much more positive followup interaction. Knowing who a police officer is, in or out of uniform, makes even some of the most difficult people feel proud to know them and want to protect them. I have always felt the more people who know who you are and what you stand for, the more likely they are to help if you're in trouble. I hope that makes sense. Anyway...	9/7/2018 11:35 AM
207	Don't feel safe going to downtown area of Eugene. There are too many travelers/transient people there begging.	9/7/2018 11:27 AM
208	Feeling safe has decreased dramatically for downtown, along the river bike paths, and Alton Baker Park and Skinner Butte Park.	9/7/2018 11:27 AM
209	The hostility from the transients that have taken over the parks in the whiteaker neighborhood has made it near impossible for my children to go use them safely.	9/7/2018 11:23 AM
210	Monroe Park always has homeless camped...hanging hammocks and living there. I am 66 and haven't walked there in several years because of this. I empathize with them but this feels bad and not safe. I know police are on it...but this park needs more frequent coverage. Broad daylight is bad...not just nights and twilight	9/7/2018 11:16 AM
211	Large groups of transients gather on corners, reeking of tobacco, dope, and alcohol. Some rant and follow you around, others make crude sexual or violent remarks. There is so much potential for Eugene to be vibrant and fun, but the crowds and straggling transients - some I've seen shoot up in public - make the whole area feel seedy, alienating, and dangerous. I feel bad for Eugene Police, who are stretched.	9/7/2018 11:03 AM
212	I feel that given the limited resources, EPD does a decent job patrolling downtown during the day and I see added patrols in the suburbs at night. As a driver, I don't feel constantly "targeted" by the police like I have in other places. The bike trails are scary, especially at night.	9/7/2018 10:01 AM
213	Walking to work daily (Olive Street) has gotten worse over the 5 months I've had this job. Homeless and garbage everywhere.	9/7/2018 9:18 AM
214	There have been a lot of breakins over the past 2-3 years in our neighborhood. It does not appear to be improving. The downtown area, Washington-Jefferson park area, and skimmers park area needs to be cleaned up. Too many loiters, panhandlers and campers. This makes our family feel unsafe to be business patrons and park visitors. Yet I see so many wonderful things that tax payers have paid for that my family can not utilize due to safety issues. Ex. Skate park @ Washington-Jefferson, skimmers kid play area, other play areas and even "family friendly businesses" like sizzle pizza, voodoo. Yet the atmosphere around these businesses are NOT family friendly.	9/7/2018 8:58 AM
215	The words "safety" and "Eugene" do not go together. As a matter of fact, oil and water mix better than safety in Eugene. The tolerance of homeless people and the downtown juveniles shows that the City of Eugene is actually tolerating crime, instead of trying to resolve and prevent it. Last year's string of robberies and the lack of arrests following them show that the Eugene Police Department is understaffed and has been stretched too thin by the City Council. You have neighborhoods with amazing lots of properties, only to be littered by the transients that prowl the properties when the occupants leave for their work and travel.	9/7/2018 8:37 AM
216	Please have more police patrol the bike path near river road at night	9/7/2018 8:21 AM
217	Not enough police to keep managing everything ...	9/7/2018 7:46 AM
218	Way too much theft, breaking into cars, stolen cars, drug use, and homeless people everywhere. I live next to a bank which has been robbed twice in the past few months. Suspect fled on foot.	9/7/2018 5:45 AM
219	Cannot wait to move out of Lane County and Oregon. Call EPD or SPD and nobody does anything. Recently called a detective as to a person was arrested, etc. Pedophile , I was informed. However, this person had a key to my home and as serious as this was and is. One would think a Detective would return a call regarding a key, safety issue. Huge! Lack of Dignity and follow through for a possible mom and child as to a key to their residence. Also, this county is just falling apart. So many drugs, so much violence, lack of careers, lack of protection and genuine concern for people, their rights, and safety.	9/7/2018 12:56 AM

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220	I don't feel safe on my own street (city view) we have people on foot and bikes going threw our cars, our trash cans, and breaking into homes/ stealing cars and other possessions in our yards. I just recently had my vechile stolen and was threatened by the people who had stolen the vehicle. I learned it will takes months for finger prints to be processed that came off of my stolen vehicle and police have not answered my calls in regards to this. I no longer feel safe walking at night without a group of friends or my family and even at times that not even with them. I find a lot of drug use in the downtown area and along the bike paths and popular river spots. This has made me in easy about walking alone during the day and night and unsanitary with discarded needles and drug related paraphernalia. Beyond that the drug use bring theft and other unsafe and unwanted crimes all over the city of Eugene. I understand some of these issues are unmanageable and can't be eliminated but sometimes I feel a lack of support and security from the police department. My main concern as of recent has been the theft occurring on my street and how difficult I find it to receive help from the EPD I. All that said I do appreciate the hard work and amazing officers we do have in the town, I wish we had more out on the streets.	9/6/2018 10:51 PM
221	We have had recent car break-ins at night about three times, in our neighborhood in the past three weeks. This past spring, there was an adolescent girl from our neighborhood walking home by herself in the evening and she was approached by an older male in possibly a blue hatchback who made inappropriate advanced. I would never let my preteen child walk alone anywhere in Eugene during the day and especially not at night. In the Friendly area, there are homeless people who search through homeowners' recycling bins every week. The presence of homeless people on several street corners throughout Eugene make a neighborhood seem unsafe to me, because I believe most homeless people have psychiatric and substance abuse issues that raise risk for violence within a community.	9/6/2018 10:21 PM
222	I feel that the police do not respond well at all to safety concerns that have been communicated to them. I've called multiple times regarding legitimate safety concerns amd feel that there is absolutely no follow through.	9/6/2018 9:51 PM
223	This town is becoming more and more unsafe. We have meth addicts living in a car on our road and people breaking into our cars and homes nightly. The police are unable to answer or even visit our neighborhood. We have several neighbors who patrol the streets at all hours but it's not helping. We need a larger police presence.	9/6/2018 9:09 PM
224	The homeless population is out of control. I don't know what to do about it, but going to East 12th and Mill area results in you getting yelled at by crazy and wasted people. I hate pointing our problems without suggesting solutions, but this one has me stumped.	9/6/2018 8:29 PM
225	Our neighborhood (Riverview Rd./Augusta St) seems to be frequented by homeless people and property theives. Neighbors are frustrated at the lack of options available when these folks are technically not doing anything illegal (rummaging through trash cans noisily, camping in wooded areas and leaving behind trash) but make us feel nervous. I rarely go downtown anymore (e.g., Broadway) because I don't want to deal with the hassle of fending off panhandlers.	9/6/2018 7:52 PM
226	Cars getting broken out. Spray painted on. No lights on commons rd. Nobody stoos at the 3 way stop kinsrow/ commons. Druggies finding needles My jeep was messed with in our parking spot at my apts. Mangement says its the police job even with a report. Cars racing on commons rd. This area is not safe. Kinsrow and commons. Im actually scared to go outside. My ptsd acts up	9/6/2018 6:50 PM
227	I moved from a large metro area (4 million people) about a year ago. I have to say I felt safer in Phoenix than I do in Eugene. I am surprised by this.	9/6/2018 4:50 PM
228	I think over the last year or two as I have been approached by pan handlers and homeless in the parking lots of grocery stores, malls, etc., I have become very wary. I walk daily and am increasingly not wanting to do so. The River path that I walk weekly is becoming very sketchy.	9/6/2018 4:17 PM
229	The number of vagrants has increased significantly in the last 6-12 months... Lots of drug activity...	9/6/2018 3:29 PM
230	Eugene attracts transient people at a rate disproportional to the size of our city. Especially during the summer, a number of these people are homeless by choice. We lack common vision around community standards, so people eat, sleep, beg, poop and harass others, particularly downtown. A number of these people have untreated mental health and addiction issues. I'm not against helping them. I'm against allowing them to live in our streets and act aggressively in our public spaces. I'm incredibly frustrated by the pervasive property crime and the lack of enforcement of people stealing bikes, stealing from cars, and doing drugs in public spaces in broad daylight. This is a community issue as much as it is a policing issue. I'm tired of having bicycles stolen and seeing bums ride around on stolen bikes carrying frames, parts, etc. And tired of being harassed downtown by "travelers" here for the Oregon Country Fair. We need to build regulations around standards and enforce them.	9/6/2018 3:20 PM

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231	Take care of the homeless and get them away from the bike paths. Build a city jail and put criminals to work improving our trails and landscaping. If the homeless will not obey the law, jail them, and make them work outside to pay for time. And...,retrain those who cannot find work. Provide lower rents for seniors. Investigate bike thefts and vehicle break-ins. Thank you!	9/6/2018 3:10 PM
232	My neighborhood is fine. I have friends in other parts of Eugene who feel rightfully very unsafe due to ongoing illegal activities of which they have received no relief from despite many calls to authorities. More needs to be done !	9/6/2018 2:57 PM
233	I would feel safer if there were public restrooms available in parks and other high traffic areas.	9/6/2018 2:52 PM
234	Eugene has a homeless problem. More needs to be done to keep transient individuals from camping in parks and in the side of a road. It isn't just an annoyance, it's a safety risk.	9/6/2018 2:30 PM
235	It's too bad my wife and kids doesn't feel safe on the river bike path. Growing up in eugene, I spent most my childhood along it.	9/6/2018 2:18 PM
236	I live in the Whiteaker with my 12 -yr -old. Her dad lives in S. Eugene near Tsunami Books. She said " I can go places by myself at dad's house, I can't at my mom's because of all the sketchy drug people." Needles, feces, transients, brazen/open drug dealing, litter, people sleeping on curbside greens, trespassers, screaming people off their meds and/or high...my child can't leave our yard. Can we please, please increase police visability in the Whit and simultaneously disperse services? Thanks.	9/6/2018 1:51 PM
237	Homeless people need to stop loitering and panhandling! Springfield got rid of this. Why can't we?	9/6/2018 1:46 PM
238	My feelings of safety in my neighborhood at evening & night time was Greatly Diminished when the city put in the new street lights. The new ones shine well on a spot below them but the light does not extend outward the way the old lamp style did. The new lights leave our neighborhoods probably 50% darker. The evening they were installed I walked outside & thought the electricity had gone out. I used to be able to look the whole ya up the street/sidewalks & be able to clearly see the neighborhood & keep an eye out for myself & our neighborhood. Now with the newly lights I can barely see across the street & would not be able to identify whether a person was standing there or not, let alone identify who they are & if they live there. I'm sure the thieves, gangs & vandals are enjoying the darkened neighborhoods. We & several neighbors had vehicles stolen or broken into that following summer. A neighbor down the street saw someone in our truck & came down to scare them off but because the neighborhood was so dark they could not identify them or the other vehicle they were driving & could not give info to police to help. I appreciate the city trying to save \$ on the new LED bulbs & that they might not shine into homes windows as much, but more light poles need to be installed to extend to the darker areas or go back to the old style to better brighten & add light into our neighborhood at night. I think the police officers are doing great & the best they can with the resources they have to work with. I wish the city would stop wasting \$ on unnecessary or less important things and better apply that \$ to safety, helping our elderly, & schools. I like the new programs implemented by the police Dept that are explained in the upcoming pages of the survey. I strongly agree that they are High Priority & they need to stay in place, but the "no matter what" phrase connected to the High Priority concerns me. That would depend on what other resources they were competing with.	9/6/2018 1:26 PM
239	The numbers and aggressiveness of transients has increased in the last 6 months...both downtown in out Ferry Street neighborhood. I prefer turkeys and rats, at least they don't break windows and steal bikes.	9/6/2018 1:12 PM
240	I see crimes(mostly theft) almost daily on West 11th. I do not feel safe leaving work without being escorted or with pepper spray.	9/6/2018 12:56 PM
241	The increased police and the blue shirts down town make me feel less safe. I feel as though I am far more likely to be harmed by them than anyone else.	9/6/2018 11:58 AM
242	In the 5 years I've lived in Eugene, my feeling of unsafety has increased exponentially this last year. I am a 23 year old female. I can't visit downtown Eugene without being followed to work or harassed just sitting in the park blocks, every single day. I've been chased into my work building by someone with a drug addiction who is violent and is still allowed to be downtown every day. I understand there's a limit to what law enforcement can do, but I don't feel there's really much being done to combat this. Ultimately I am planning to move to a different city to get away from it.	9/6/2018 11:22 AM
243	Fix the damn roads because us bicyclists almost die regularly. Stop letting heroin junkies roam around. Keep drug users in jail for more than 12 hours. Get rid of Kate Brown.	9/6/2018 11:13 AM
244	Thank goodness for CAHOOTS!	9/6/2018 10:44 AM

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245	Feel unsafe because of concerns over use of excessive use of force by officers in past years Feel unsafe because of concerns over the plan to shorten the hiring time for new officers to increase the numbers on the force--having people on the force who may not be mature or ready enough concerns me greatly, relating back to my concerns about the use of excessive force by officers feel unsafe because of long response times to calls Feel unsafe because of concerns over racial profiling Feel unsafe because of concerns over use of bait bikes and pilot programs for camera surveillance of public areas that don't actually make us safer--we can't police our way out of social problems Feel unsafe because of the lack of affordable and permanent supportive housing for people that are unhoused Feel unsafe because of dogs that are allowed be at large	9/6/2018 10:34 AM
246	Depend on self and personal vigilance. Being smart with choices, where to park, when to walk	9/6/2018 10:31 AM
247	I live outside of Eugene & don't go into Eugene unless I have to. Tired of being accosted for money or cigarettes	9/6/2018 10:30 AM
248	Can't even go the library anymore.	9/6/2018 9:43 AM
249	Lots of transients and drug use which drives property crime and an unstable community.	9/6/2018 9:34 AM
250	Eugene OR is literally the safest city I have ever lived in. My biggest complained is lack of pedestrian lighting at night--it's the only reason I ever feel unsafe at night. I am visually impaired, so walking in eugene is very difficult for me at night. I was recently in Seattle, and was reminded how great it is to walk around at night when there is proper lighting. In terms of crime, I would say petty theft is the biggest problem. We avoid leaving things in our car because of break ins, and I always lock up our house when I'm gone for fear of the same. I don't understand anyone who would feel unsafe walking the streets of Eugene--the sidewalks at least, drivers are another story. This is an extremely safe city, and I've lived in many, all over the country. The policy of forcing homeless people out of downtown is short sighted. I volunteer with Egan, and have had many interactions with the homeless population. We need better services for them, rather than having police harass them for simply existing. Perhaps the city should focus more resources on improving the life of our homeless citizens, rather than on hiding them from tourists. I understand the city has limited resources, so the focus should be on prioritizing services to the benefit of everyone--not just the upper and middle classes. I would like to see real commitment from both the city council and the police department to improving the lives of our most vulnerable citizens. This improves safety for everyone because fewer desperate people means fewer crimes of desperation. We need a treatment plan, not a band aid. Thank you for the opportunity to share my views.	9/6/2018 9:20 AM
251	The main reason I feel unsafe at times is because of the amount of meth & heroine users in our city.	9/6/2018 9:18 AM
252	Focus on the panhandlers in just about every corner around town!!!!!! Make them move along. The same people day after day. They are NOT "Travelers"! Enforce existing laws PLEASE! Quit inventing new rules, dogs, smoking..... Move them along.	9/6/2018 9:15 AM
253	Keep bicycles OFF sidewalks & in the lanes provided	9/6/2018 9:05 AM
254	I used to love coming downtown, but recently I have become so anxious that I decided not to move to an apartment near the heart of downtown that I was accepted to. I knew there was a huge chance that my U-Haul would get broken into. I have been physically attacked and called names by people downtown. One time a drugged up man shoved his bloody hand in my face. I think downtown Eugene has a lot of potential, but until the general level of safety and security is increased, I will avoid the are.	9/6/2018 8:17 AM
255	Please do something about the homeless situation. Run them off, something. There is a certain subgroup that is using drugs and alcohol to excess and causing some real problems. I watched a, for lack of better words, gang of homeless tweaked completely decimate the parking lot of Walmart in west Eugene.(thieving) Going so far as to steal a generator out of the back of a pickup and walk off down the street dragging it. Not all homeless people are criminals but something needs to be done!!!!!! This has gone too far!!!!	9/6/2018 7:53 AM
256	More and more I hear of cars getting broken into in my Santa Clara neighborhood, and I don't see a police presence there at all. I don't think the city responds quickly or does enough to discourage sleeping on the streets and city parks. I believe panhandling should be made illegal in the city. It is a safety issue.	9/6/2018 7:46 AM
257	Lack of prompt response to illegal camping, which often also involves other illegal activities such h as drug use and littering	9/6/2018 7:41 AM
258	I call the police department non emergency number and after getting thru phone tree sit on hold for 12 minutes 43 seconds before I got pissed and hung up.	9/6/2018 7:24 AM

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259	We have an extremely under-managed transient problem. This is complex, multifaceted. We need higher community standards for behavior, not just more services. Criminals should not be welcome here, nor should people intent on living on the street, in cars, in parks.	9/6/2018 6:54 AM
260	People breaking out car windows on street. Nobody stops at the 3 way stops. I had someone try brake into my jeep park in my complex and mangement says she cant do nothing. Even with police report. Empty city field behind obar. That dont get cut down. Speeding on commons rd. Wished there was a light on this road. Homeless tweekers living under bridge. Ive call when i found needles.	9/6/2018 6:50 AM
261	Even though the homeless or those that just hang out downtown may be perfectly fine people, I still feel uneasy because of the unknowns. Are they on drugs are they drunk... I end up shopping online instead of going downtown just to avoid this.	9/6/2018 6:48 AM
262	There are lots of transient people in our neighborhood as we live near the bike path. I feel extremely anxious having to cross river rd to get to the Dari mart by our house. The pedestrian crossings around town don't feel safe because a lot of drivers don't stop. The foot bridges would be a safer option, like the one on 30th and the one between SEHS and the old civic stadium.	9/6/2018 6:43 AM
263	Less police, more cahoots would be nice.	9/6/2018 6:42 AM
264	I hate going downtown to resteraunts, etc. People laying on the sidewalks blocking passage and aggressive panhandlers have ruined what could be a fun and robust downtown.	9/6/2018 6:22 AM
265	I feel extremely safe in my neighborhood (north Gilham) but I work downtown and I feel pretty uncomfortable walking around downtown even during the day time. I've been yelled at, cat called, harassed, etc on a pretty regular basis	9/6/2018 6:20 AM
266	Ever try riding a bike in the Barger neighborhood?	9/6/2018 6:16 AM
267	I feel I cant rely on the police for safety for when I do call them. They cant make it.	9/6/2018 6:07 AM
268	The river bike path feels more unsafe, I often avoid using it if on foot. I feel strongly that it is necessary to make changes so that ALL of our communities can utilize these resources we have safely.	9/6/2018 6:00 AM
269	I have a business off of Oak and 16th and the number of incedents and police calls I've had to make has increased dramatically. Downtown has so many more people but it still does not feel like a very safe space. The drug use in particular seems to have really increased.	9/6/2018 5:46 AM
270	I feel that there needs to be a lot more done bout the drugs and tweakers in eugene. Its getting ridiculous.	9/6/2018 4:36 AM
271	if you have any problems on the outskirts of town it's up to you to handle it yourself!!	9/6/2018 2:34 AM
272	I think the safety of our streets reflect the current permission to be arrogant from the top down. the "take care of your fellow person" has begun to erode even in our little neck of the woods. schools and businesses are being short handed and folks who like to take advantage of that are embolden to do so. first time in decades a person yelled at me at a stop light about "he was ok with me being there but it's their time, now" (he was a older white male in a smaller white pickup truck on west 6th down by Mc Donald's and i am a person of color) i think the police force is over burdened with the governments financial cuts and trying to like the teachers do more then they can optimally handle. the police schools are cranking the young cadets out faster then they are really ready to be on the force or streets. mistakes are being made out of ignorance and fear of demotion. the city governments hands are forever tied on dealing with the homeless population. will some of the empty business building could be converted sooner to places that can provide services and resting stations, yet the folks who use the places have to work to earn their keep, help them realize they can contribute to our community. and those individuals who chose not to participate can be moved on, non violently. i do think having officers filling quotas is non productive. like, my taking my daughter to her International High School classes at Sheldon and our being stopped and lectured at 7:30 am by a motorcycle policeman (officer schwartz) about how our seat belts were too high up to fit us properly and the officer reaching in and adjusting my minor daughter's belt without asking if he could demonstrate. i tried to inform him we had to get her to her classes but he said if i didn't want a ticket i needed to listen to his instruction. she was late for her first class that day. Tardiness is frowned upon in IHS. we had our seat belts on, going the speed limit with other school children on the sidewalks heading to their bus stops for elementary school and he stops us to adjust our seat belts which were proper height for our bodies. she had some problems with that for a while. she has personal space issues, we had to walk thru with her counselor about the motorcycle policeman reaching in. she doesn't to this day trust police personal since then.	9/6/2018 1:25 AM

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273	I feel like an increase in services for people down on their luck (homeless) would be more helpful than policing then more	9/6/2018 1:09 AM
274	Seems to be a lot more homeless people wandering the neighborhood streets at night. Car break ins and minor thefts such as car or bike thefts are considered so common place EPD doesn't seem to even care. I've installed security cameras and alarms and still feel like my vehicle or house could easily be broken into. I've never had an issue down town—and I'm there frequently for business. I used to feel safe on the river bike path but not any longer—too many incidents of homeless men trying to grab me or follow me while biking or walking in broad daylight.	9/6/2018 12:45 AM
275	In September of last year I was hit by a truck on my bicycle. I was stopped at the stop sign on Arrowhead @ Irving awaiting traffic to pass so I could cross, when suddenly a truck turned in and caught me, throwing me under the truck. I had both arms and hands run over. An officer arrived, and even though he stated himself that "you are injured you're just in shock" he said because "it's non injury I won't be filing a report." This never showed up on the call list online and as far as I am aware, reports are always to be made. That's why I don't feel safe - because when you are hit by a vehicle, even when they are at fault, apparently nothing is done. I was injured - not severely - but I was, and absolutely nothing was done. That is why I now have a lawyer. I still have numbness in both hands and arms, primarily in my left, and past nerve damage in my leg and right foot have returned. The only report made at all, was by Lane Co Sheriff and they never even reported to the scene.	9/6/2018 12:31 AM
276	Some times I feel all the police activity down town almost makes people more agitated and aggressive and it's sad down town Eugene was such a wonderful place to be and sit on benches that use to be there now if u sit any where there are people in blue shirts that harrass people including me when I was just trying to take a brake from pushing my child the homeless are not the prob it's how every one is dealing with them is the prob	9/6/2018 12:26 AM
277	We need to fund more police well trained police in order for more safety.	9/6/2018 12:21 AM
278	Violent crime seems to be going up and I see multiple police responding to minor problems like a homeless woman sitting in front of a business. The resources are not being used effectively. there is no reason for 5 police to harass a homeless woman, while property and dangerous crimes are occurring elsewhere. The police need to be trained properly to de-escalate situations.	9/6/2018 12:15 AM
279	There's more noticeable crime then when we first moved here.	9/6/2018 12:09 AM
280	I don't feel safe being the first at a stop light at a lot of the intersections downtown. There are some very aggressive panhandlers. Also, I don't feel particularly safe on the bike path near River Ave. I've never seen security or police there but I have seen a lot of people smoking (not cigarettes), drinking and hiding in the bushes on the path.	9/6/2018 12:06 AM
281	Barger area has too many vagrants, stealing, breaking into cars, stealing gas, going through dumpsters at my apartments. It's awfu	9/5/2018 11:53 PM
282	My vehicle was broken into a year ago and I had my identity stolen from the thief. He was subsequently caught and arrested. Within days he was out on the streets and back in the neighborhood (even though he had plenty of prior arrest) within the next year he was arrested multiple times for identity theft and possession of meth. He is still roaming the neighborhood!	9/5/2018 11:46 PM
283	My family has lived in Eugene for almost 40 years and the last 3 feel noticeably different with regard to feelings of safety. I will not go downtown at night, I am always worried about my car getting broken in to, and I worry about my home and property. I used to run every single morning at around 6 am and as a woman, I no longer feel safe doing that. I also used to ride my bike to work every day when it was not raining and I will no longer travel the bike paths alone. When I take my kids to the parks, I remind them to be aware of what to do if they see a needle etc. Our city feels increasingly unsafe and my impression is that our law enforcement is unable to address the growing list of problems and concerns. Moving has become a real possibility for our family.	9/5/2018 11:40 PM
284	I have been hurt by polices officers that violated the ADA Laws that protect against cohesion, aggressive and brutal behavior and many other things. No one has tixed this. I have not been made to feel safe. I have not been made to feel I won't be hurt again for not doing anything wrong. Twice this has happened to me. So I have spent a few years in fear for my life due to the actions of the Eugene police department. It's very sad and very painful. Not at all what I read about before moving here.	9/5/2018 11:36 PM
285	A lot of illegal activity (drugs/guns in the parks, people scoping out homes to burglarize) go unchecked due to lack of patrols	9/5/2018 11:27 PM

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286	<p>The chronic homeless drug are truly affect ing our livability. They know they are a low priority for response and prey on our neighborhood. We call constantly on the burnt out house around the corner that continuously attracts the same group of people that shoot up and leave their needles for anyone to step on or children to play with. They blatantly taunt my family and I that there's nothing that we can do to get them away as the city will do nothing. My wife called because the foreclosed burned out house had the door open for several days. No one came to board the house up or the door in that instance, and now the house had a serious fire again last night. It is always the same group of people and they know that there is no recourse. They steal our packages and our mail, they defecate anywhere they choose and steal our belongings after they are done crapping in our yards. How will we ever get this back to a better Society in our city? I'm a business owner that employs six full-time employees and I am seriously contemplating leaving Eugene even though I've been born and raised here I have never left this is too much for my family and I. Sometimes when we call the non-emergency number the person is very sincere and you can tell that they care, however increasingly we are treated like we are causing a problem or burdening the system by calling to try to take care of this issue of these homeless people. But we can't do anything about them on our own, we can't board the house up on our own, and we can't have any type of neighborhood patrols that are actually effective because they have to involve police for anything that we see, but then the police are never able to arrive. I just wonder how this adds up to a safe City and neighborhood for my family and others in general?</p>	9/5/2018 11:22 PM
287	<p>Downtown is not family or kid friendly due to loitering and panhandling. We rarely frequent restaurants or shops there because we are concerned with our safety.</p>	9/5/2018 9:32 PM
288	<p>We put in a security system, leave out side lights on at night & joined a neighborhood watch group. There are a lot of car break ins, house break ins and trespassing in my area, NE Eugene. There are people littering the streets downtown, yelling, smoking etc but if you move them out of downtown they infiltrate the neighborhoods, and do criminal acts. I would like to see less money spent on murals and more money budgeted toward better police protection. Also why is it these drug dealers have all kinds of rights that prevent them from being arrested? Why does it take so long to watch them on survailence before arresting them? What happens when a bike thief is arrested? Are they let go?</p>	9/5/2018 9:11 PM
289	<p>Downtown Eugene is not a place I like to go, especially with my child. I have real reservations about the riverfront development. I just see it as another place for the homeless to land. Eugene should take some notes from Downtown Springfield. Whatever they are doing there is working. The homeless situation has gotten extremely out of hand. Another reason I don't feel that secure. Besides a safety concern, the trash and debris and tents make our town plain ugly. Im so sick of seeing that everywhere I go. My heart goes out to these people as I know many are suffering from mental illness or addiction (which also relates to the safety issue) but let's get them off of the streets and public lands. It's no good for them either.</p>	9/5/2018 9:10 PM

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290	<p>I constantly report illegal camps along the river. I report bike "chop shops" along the river. Often there are as many vagrants on the bike path as others. There are scary areas, such as between the Washington/ Jefferson river crossing and Ferry Street Bridge on the north riverbank: people camping right at the bike path, chop shops; lots of litter and tagging. There is a large area of trash by the water that I keep reporting to ODOT (technically their area) but is still there. Parks finds needles in the gutters of Lambs Cottage. They find needles stuck above the doors, so they will fall on the person opening it. They find knives, with the blades pointed upwards, at the bottom of the slide at Skinner playground. You waste thousands on a POD to hold vagrants items. You say this is because citizens don't want to walk around these items. Meanwhile, the vagrants are still sprawled out on the sidewalks. We don't want to walk around their stuff OR THEM. Make an ordinance: No laying on sidewalks. The flowers downtown in baskets and planters are gorgeous. But these workers who water and care for them find needles in them and have to work around vagrants sprawled besides them. The library is often a disgrace, full of vagrants and stench. I reported two of them, who had obviously urinated on themselves and in the upholstered chairs. An officer told me recently that one vagrant from Oklahoma told him he came to Oregon because it gave out the most free benefits. I'm sick of paying for these freeloaders. I spoke with two tourists from the Netherlands last week, who had rented the new Peace Health city bikes. They were on the Greenway Bridge. They asked me why we let people lie all over the sidewalks downtown. I told them that the citizens are fed up with it. I told them that the blame is directly on the mayor, city council and city manager. I said that they all need to be replaced. Stop wasting our money on bandaaid solutions that cost a fortune: more police, more jail cells, more lighting, and more events that only briefly displace the vagrants who have destroyed the quality of life in our favorite areas, such as parks, bike paths; the library. I own a condo off Goodpasture. These drug addicts come off the bike path and burglarize here. They are camped on the islands across from the water plant nearby, besides along the river. Stop enabling them. They could get help at the Mission. Many don't want help to improve their lives. They want the taxpayers to provide services while they burglarize these same taxpayers. I had worked years in nursing at a county jail and at a methadone clinic. This is a lifestyle for many. Taxpayers take care of them with healthcare, mental health, food, etc. And clean up their messes, such as at river cleanups. Meanwhile, they destroy everyone's quality of life. And this appears to be sanctioned by our city leaders. Pull these vagrants free services. Get them bus tickets and get them out of here. Make Eugene "unwelcoming" to them. Maybe then Eugene will feel "welcoming" to those of us who foot the bills.</p>	9/5/2018 9:01 PM
291	<p>Late night in 8th and Washington is rife with screaming fighting drunken people and obvious drug dealing I.e. people getting on and out of cars passengers side as cat idles curbside for extended periods of time . If I see these things , why don't police?</p>	9/5/2018 8:43 PM
292	<p>There have been more homeless in our neighborhood driving around on bicycles breaking into cars.</p>	9/5/2018 8:11 PM
293	<p>Police will not act against homeless doing drugs, homeless camps at kids parks...no major crimes but homeless junkies Petty crimes... Used need les in the side walks....it's sad that down town is this way and deteriorating SO FAST</p>	9/5/2018 7:35 PM
294	<p>Concerned about acts of discrimination/hate</p>	9/5/2018 7:28 PM
295	<p>I don't believe an increase in police presence is what's needed. No more money for policing! What we need is a solution to our housing and opiate crises. How can you help with those issues?</p>	9/5/2018 7:23 PM
296	<p>I don't go downtown anymore, I have seen/witnessed/read of so many incidents where people are threatened, including my daughter (spit upon by a homeless person). We stay home and don't go out as much as we used too. So many homeless beggars and street people that yell and threaten us...every street corner. PLEASE DO SOMETHING!</p>	9/5/2018 7:18 PM

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297	<p>The TWEAKERS/BIKE THIEVES, CAMPERS ALL OVER THE PLACE 2-6 TWEAKERS/DRUNKS/BIKE THIEVES ALL WITH 2-4 BIKES EACH, (SOME OF WHICH ARE VERY EXPENSIVE AND OBVIOUSLY "HOT"??? ALL IN THE WHITAKER??????? WHY IS THIS BEING ALLOWED????? MY 15 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER AND HER FRIENDS CAN'T EVEN GO TO 7-11 OR RED APPLE FROM OUR APT. ON 1ST. AND LINCOLN WITHOUT BEING ACCOSTED AND/OR POTENTIALLY ASSAULTED, PHYSICALLY/VERBALLY???? I'M 6"2" AND 205 LBS. I GET HARASSED FOR MONEY-CIGS-ETC.??? NOT TO MENTION FINDING HUMAN SHIT AND PISS IN MY PARKING LOT WHEN I LEAVE FOR WORK EVERY MORNING AT 3 AM. (AND HAVE TO TELL THE TWEAKERS TO GET THE FUCK OUT OF MY WAY AND OUT OF OUR TRASH CANS/DUMPSTERS SO I CAN BACK OUT WITH OUT HITTING ONE OF THEM???? IN FACT, ONE OF THE FILTHY PIECES OF SHIT T-BONED ME IN MY WORK VAN RECENTLY AND GUESS WHO ENDED UP PAYING A FINE TO THE DMV.??? ME!!!! EVEN THOUGH THE 2 COPS THAT SHOWED UP AS WELL AS MY BOSS WHO I CALLED IMMEDIATELY BOTH SAW THE VIDEO FROM THE DAIRY MART SEC. CAM. AND SAID I WAS NOT AT FAULT AND TOLD ME I COULD GO. I STILL ENDED UP WITH A SUSPENDED LICENSE 2 MONTHS LATER AND HAD TO PAY 120.00 BUCKS TO FIX IT AS WELL AS LOST HALF A DAY AT WORK??? ALL BECAUSE SOME TRASHY ASS TWEAKER, (IN A DRESS, WIG, AND MAKEUP) T-BONED ME ON HIS STOLEN BIKE??????? PUT A BIG FOREHEAD SIZE DENT IN THE SIDE DOOR OF MY WORK VAN TOO???? AND WE, THE PEOPLE ARENT ALLOWED TO QUESTION ANY OF THE FILTHY BASTARDS AOUT WHERE AND WHY THE ALL SEEM TO HAVE NEW AND/OR EXPENSIVE BIKE EVERY WEEK OR SO???? AND I KNOW THEY DO BECAUSE,,,, I KNOW BIKES! AND I SEE THE SAME FILTHY BASTARDS EVERY MORNING ON MY WAY TO WORK AT THE 7-11 WITH DIFFERENT ONES AND/OR COMBINATIONS OF OTHERS IV'E SEEN THEM WITH???? GO CHECK OUT W.2ND AVE BETWEEN NINKASI AND THE SHELTER??? THE LIL' ROADSIDE TENT CITY/BIKE CHOP SHOP???? THOSE FUCKERS EVEN HAVE THE SHIT O R G A N I Z E D !!!!!!! THIS SHIT NEEDS TO STOP??? AND B T W,,,,, STOP CATERING TO THE FUCKERS IN THE PARK AT 5TH AND WASHINGTON???? IF THE BLEEDING HEARTS WANT TO DO THAT SHIT???? DO IT IN THE SOUTH HILLS???? BETCHA SOMETHING WILL HAPPEN THEN HUH????????</p>	9/5/2018 7:17 PM
298	<p>Lived in Eugene all my life. Have been living in Portland for work for the last year - Will return home soon. Portland is a NIGHTMARE. And I see Eugene heading this way. We must provide compassionate care for the homeless who want help, but a FIRM boot for those who would destroy our community in spite of the offered help. Do not let passion get in the way of keep8ng eugene safe.</p>	9/5/2018 6:58 PM
299	<p>I think there's an overwhelming lack of awareness and I don't think it honestly has anything to do with the knowledge being given, because it's out there. Unfortunately as someone in the rental personal 9/10 for car break ins (just for example) we get the following, "my car was broken into, but I left it unlocked with my purse, labtop, etc in the car" so I mean either the person didn't care or didn't care to be aware of the fact that nowhere should you ever be leaving your valuable items left unattended in your vehicle. Some people will just never get it, and I don't believe that's eugenes fault. I've lived here my whole life. I always tell people moving here that if you don't leave your things in your car and don't interact with the crazy homeless that threaten to knife you on the street while they're 50 hits in to their meth binge. Maybe this is just me, but I love Eugene and I think it's very safe. With all this being said, it does seem like our city is getting to be known for its voilent crime, we are really being put on the map. I had a conversation with a coworker the other day who told me that our violent crime rate is than Portland. I was not able to fact check but that's surreal to me just because I knew or thought there was a lot of gang activity there, which would lead me to believe there's also more voilent crime. Long story short, I think the problem is awareness. I think Eugene is a wonderful place and I've loved being born, growing up and living here my entire life. I don't see myself ever leaving.</p>	9/5/2018 6:34 PM
300	<p>I moved to Eugene from wilmington NC, where a much higher % of city budget was on police. It was no safer. Eugene seems to have it much better balanced.</p>	9/5/2018 6:32 PM
301	<p>I never go to the downtown library, the atrium, or The Kiva anymore. I miss out on fun performamces but I do not feel comfortable in that general area at all now.</p>	9/5/2018 6:18 PM
302	<p>Homelessness is killing our city. I saw in WSJ park yesterday a new camp of 10 tents under the bridge. I don't feel safe around the homeless. They aren't only downtown. Is they are everywhere. I saw a homeless couple have a hammock in a park the other day while walking my dog at night. This issue has to be fixed.</p>	9/5/2018 5:48 PM
303	<p>I feel safe during city events downtown and in neighborhood parks held in the evenings. That encourages me to try other evenings, but I'm still uncomfortable where large groups congregate as the sun sets downtown.</p>	9/5/2018 5:45 PM

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304	When we moved here in 2006 I never had any concerns about my safety, day or night, biking or driving. Now I do all the time. I no longer ride the bike path except near Valley River Center area in the daytime. I take River Road instead. I no longer feel comfortable taking my bike and leaving at Fred Meyer Division Ave or most places. I had to pick up dog food my vet left under the bench for me last night about 9 pm, just off River Road. I took my 75 pound dog with me for safety. I have installed Comcast Home Security as I do not feel safe here any longer.	9/5/2018 5:35 PM
305	For me in the 3 am or in between need more patrolling.	9/5/2018 5:17 PM
306	there is way too much property theft happening. Too many bikes being stolen and bicycle parts for bicycle chop shops. The bicycle chop shops need to be eliminated.	9/5/2018 4:18 PM
307	My safety concerns are for the animals of the community. The animal control person that is what my concern is all about. He is a liar and it has been proven and yet he still has a job. He is just straight up rude and I have seen this with my own eyes. As for the officers of the community they do a job that not many can do and do it well. If they would lock up even the petty criminals and leave them in jail even if it is 4 or 5 to a cell maybe they would get the message that crime doesn't pay. I personally have been a victim of a crime and in the end nothing was done with my case and the person got away with it. That isn't the officers fault the system just sucks for the good law abiding citizens is all. We get the shaft while the criminal gets our personal bell things and our sense of being safe in our own homes.	9/5/2018 3:38 PM
308	Homelessness in the Eugene area is quickly becoming a health and hygiene problem. The mess these "campers" leave behind is intolerable. There are areas I no longer walk through or go to for fear of running into a group of campers asking for money or behaving in ways that incite fear. It is such a shame that this problem is worsening in an area that has so much to offer.	9/5/2018 3:32 PM
309	I think bike paths in certain areas are sketchy. Not sure how they could be made more safe though.	9/5/2018 3:31 PM
310	I think they need to clean downtown up of the loitering	9/5/2018 3:28 PM
311	Feel there is still racial profiling in Eugene	9/5/2018 3:16 PM
312	I used to enjoy coming to Downtown Eugene, but that feeling of enjoyment has decreased substantially over the past few years, to the point where I am always on edge. I've been attacked and harrassed by drunk people and the some homeless people. I feel sad saying that, but downtown and Eugene doesn't feel as safe as it once did.	9/5/2018 3:16 PM
313	I worry about the homeless camps close to schools. Like in the small woods directly behind McCornack Elementary. Also the ones along the bike path. The bike path DEFINITELY does not feel safe; dogs, garbage, junk, and loitering people are always blocking the path.	9/5/2018 3:03 PM
314	The city needs a better way to deal with the mentally ill. I think this population is ignored and so adds to the problem. I also think pan handling should not be allowed in the city limits. I know there were recent court cases in support of allowing people to sleep in public spaces, but I also wish for "camping" to be minimized as much as possible.	9/5/2018 2:55 PM
315	3 times in the last year there have been violent crimes committed downtown in an area where I was 30 minutes prior.	9/5/2018 2:26 PM
316	I feel safe walking on city streets. I do not feel safe walking by myself on the bike paths. I miss walking there.	9/5/2018 2:19 PM
317	I am feeling increasingly anxious and scared by hate crime and speech from white supremists and nazis. They are allowed to walk freely in Eugene & Springfield and several people I know have been accosted	9/5/2018 2:09 PM
318	Tôo many homeless people around downtown and LTD stations. I would like to take the EMX to work but don't feel safe doing so.	9/5/2018 1:05 PM
319	I Community television I heard the new police chief say that it was the Citizen's duty to come downtown and to speak to people who are blocking sidewalks and exhibiting other inappropriate behaviors. I was extremely offended by his attitude that it is our responsibility to mitigate behaviors of indigent people. We are being too accommodating to transient peoples. Also the revolving door at the jail does not help. perpetrators know they are unlikely to be incarcerated for any amount of time and the consequences are not sufficient enough of a deterrent to prevent criminals from repeat Behavior. The city politicians need to support law enforcement.	9/5/2018 12:23 PM

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320	I won't go downtown in the evening. I work downtown and park behind greyhound station and walk two blocks to work and routinely pass three people passed out. Sleeping or asking me for money Something has to change	9/4/2018 9:17 PM
321	The amount of people loitering on the sidewalks asking for money and showing extreme agitation due to mental illness & drugs is unbelievable.	9/4/2018 12:57 PM
322	Safety means the police brutality and abuse of power too. Transients are a big problem too from 18 down to 2nd streets Willamette, Oak, High and Olive.	9/3/2018 10:56 PM
323	I realize that it's a very difficult and complicated situation, and I appreciate the hard work and efforts of our police force and community leaders in finding a solution.	9/3/2018 1:01 PM
324	The more our parks are used , the safer they feel. Parties in the Park and Sunday Streets are great ways to bring our community together.	9/2/2018 8:40 AM
325	Downtown has a high degree of issues that make it feel unsafe. Groups of people loitering (travelers, chronic homeless, people suffering mental illness) are singularly responsible for this feeling. I have quit coming downtow, but my wife and daughter work there and we all share this angst. Additionally, sidewalks are extremely dirty - I expect that the ownership issue for sidewalks contributes. Business owners in other cities where ownership is less vague don't have this problem.	9/2/2018 7:46 AM
326	I am constantly worried about leaving anything in my car at anytime. I am terrified to go walk to my car when it is not light outside. I don't like walking downtown because I get harrassed by homeless people and if I say no some of them they get really mad and yell and I feel very threatened and that my life is in danger. I just feel really uncomfortable downtown because there are so many homeless people loitering every corner it feels like.	9/1/2018 10:20 PM
327	I've worked in restaurants in Downtown over the last 5 years and I feel like that area and the immediate surrounding areas have become exponentially more unsafe every year. The beautification projects don't cover up the fact that one can't walk half a block without being yelled at for money or attention or whatever by 3 different people. I would feel safer if Eugene would actually take a harder approach against the multitudes of people sitting on the sidewalks harrassing others and not do things like providing storage for them. Please consider making this city more inhospitable, and not a paradise, for those that are harrassing and committing crime against the people who actually work and pay taxes here.	9/1/2018 3:12 PM
328	Pan-handlers at intersections are increasing in numbers across the city, some of them aggressive.	9/1/2018 11:09 AM
329	It's hard to feel safe when homeless people sleep outside of my house near the University	9/1/2018 6:53 AM
330	I appreciate the cleanup every morning downtown, but the needles, trash, harassment, and smells still get worse. Working downtown I have seen this get progressively worse, and I'm not the only employee asking management to explore relocating to a safer area and building.	9/1/2018 6:49 AM
331	The homeless problem is huge. Homeless all over the streets. Laying on sidewalks, leaving trash everywhere. I can't even take my family for a walk on the paths by the river without running into homeless messes everywhere and constant beggars asking for things. Have lived here my whole life, 43 years and sad to say my wife and I have discussed moving away because it is getting worse not better.	9/1/2018 6:28 AM
332	I really wish the beat cops were more nice to the general public downtown. All of my interactions with the beat cops have been negative despite doing nothing wrong. The most egregious interaction I had was having a cop harass me for my student ID while eating lunch, after my class, on a bench outside of the LCC building downtown. I dress normal and am a very nice person, however if you start a conversation with "What are you doing?", you miss the opportunity to have a civil conversation. I highly suggest that the beat cops downtown just say things like "Hello" or "How's your day today" to people walking around, sure some people will be annoyed, but it gives you a sense of security when people are nice to you.	9/1/2018 5:18 AM
333	I feel in the last year or two that downtown; especially the college area, has gotten much worse in terms of robberies and theft. While standing on my porch i can watch someone disappear in an alley and reappear 20 minutes later with bike pieces in tow. If you try calling the cops, they won't be there before the thief is gone, so there's no point. It feels like the wild west sometimes. Better lock your doors and ignore what's going on outside, and hope your car is in one piece come morning time. I love this city, but I feel unsafe in my home and helpless to do anything.	9/1/2018 2:01 AM
334	We need to rework how we address mental illness. CAHOOTS does a wonderful job, but the system falls flat after that.	8/31/2018 11:41 PM

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335	Homeless everywhere and the police do nothing. It's a free-for-all.	8/31/2018 10:26 PM
336	I don't feel like anyone is going to cause me bodily harm, but I can't trust that nobody is going to break into my home when I leave.	8/31/2018 7:38 PM
337	I feel that what I have learned about a few Eugene Police Officers compromising basic integrity in their treatment of female colleagues does not make me feel safer as a general citizen in this community.	8/31/2018 4:14 PM
338	Ya' All don't make me feel safe, if that's what you're asking.	8/30/2018 7:56 PM
339	we need SHARPS containers in high traffic areas like the Whiteaker Neighborhood as a business owner I deal with this safety & biohazard concern daily	8/30/2018 2:19 PM
340	Feeling unsafe is not the same as feeling uncomfortable. I rarely feel my personal safety is threatened, but I am very annoyed and made uncomfortable by people being passed out on the sidewalks and in doorways, being panhandled to daily, and large amounts of litter. Also so many sidewalks and street crossings are in disrepair, causing a falls risk.	8/30/2018 12:42 PM
341	Why do the Police let transients put down a blanket on a sidewalk and let them stay there??? They're breaking the law, obstructing pedestrians. Enforce the law or get a new chief.	8/29/2018 9:16 PM
342	In regards to question one, I will avoid going downtown day or night. If I do go, even if with friends, I'm constantly aware. It's impossible to relax and enjoy myself which is sad because we have so many cool new shops and restaurants. I also avoid going to the library, if I want a particular book I order it and pick up at Sheldon. I live in the Cal Young neighborhood and always felt safe until the last 6 months or so. There have been increased sitings of creepy guys riding around on bikes (I live in a culdesac) and hanging around Brewer park. I walk my dogs every day and always see some person that looks sketchy, and sometimes they'll make a rude comment. I want my safe neighborhood and city back :(8/29/2018 8:52 PM
343	I feel that the Whiteaker is in need of a stronger police presence. There are used needles scattered all over, bike chop shops moving block to block, people urinating and defecating behind our dumpsters, garbage piles lining the streets, cars getting broken into/stolen. The Whiteaker appears to become an acceptable place for these things to happen due to the lack of response or response time by police. Please create a stronger police presence in the Whit so those of us who love our neighbors can live in peace and not in constant anxiety. Thank you.	8/29/2018 6:58 PM
344	I feel thatthe Whiteaker neighborhood is blatantly ignored ona regular basis. Similar activity in other neighborhoods are dealt with in a much more timely manner. There has been SO MUCH more theft in the neighborhood, on top of way too many bars or pubs and dispensaries in a small area. Parking remains an issue for people visiting those venues snd theres a palpable and visible lack of respect for the neighbors who live here.	8/29/2018 6:58 PM
345	I'd feel safer if the cops protected citizens from things rather than harassed people who were doing stuff by themselves	8/29/2018 6:04 PM
346	We are one of the more "under-policed" medium sized towns in America. Shamefully, our courts are forced to take up the slack — when criminals are finally stopped and convicted, local courts impose extremely harsh sentences due to multiple offenses by criminals that should have been stopped much earlier if we had adequate public safety.	8/29/2018 5:57 PM
347	To many homeless, unlisted sex Offenders, pan handles, stalkers, aggressive panhandlers and people down town. PEOPLE BEING EXTREMELY AGGRESSIVE POLITICALLY AGAINST CONSERVATIVES AND VETERANS. Im getting my conceal carry because of the aggression here.	8/29/2018 4:07 PM
348	The downtown area is particularly frustrating for young women. I work downtown and receive comments about my appearance or requests for food/money nearly every day during lunch. These comments are usually from the folks who sit on the sidewalks outside. Although I wouldn't characterize all of these interactions as a threat to my physical safety, it creates a very uncomfortable environment and causes me to change my walking routes, avoid certain people or areas, and generally feel discomfort.	8/29/2018 3:57 PM
349	The mental health, drug addiction, and homelessness is outrageous. I do not feel safe in Eugene at all.	8/29/2018 2:32 PM
350	I work downtown, and in the past 12 months, the presence of "travelers" seems to have grown and they have become more aggressive in panhandling. It does not make for a safe environment, especially for my female employees.	8/29/2018 2:22 PM

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351	It is not the town it once was. So much theft and homelessness. Something needs to be done downtown and the bike paths so everyone can enjoy, feel safe, see clean and not feel threatened	8/29/2018 2:07 PM
352	I know many people are intimidated by the number of homeless/transient people congregated downtown. Though I don't think they are an imminent threat to personal safety, and most are benign, I understand how many people would be turned off and frequent downtown less because of them. We need a compassionate way to deal with the situation, as local businesses and residents suffer. I realize there is no easy answer, but we need a safe place for these people to congregate that doesn't interfere with local business and residents.	8/29/2018 2:05 PM
353	The prevalence of homelessness, mentally ill and drug addiction on our streets seems to have increased dramatically. Its horrible where I work, (6th and Chambers area). They sleep, defecate and leave garbage all over day and night. They disturb our customers. The compassion I used to feel for these people has diminished because it's gotten to be such a burden both personally and in business. We had bicycles stolen from our backyard, (fenced with dogs) just a few weeks ago. I am terrified we will be robbed. I have given serious thought this year to moving out of Eugene.	8/29/2018 2:04 PM
354	I think the City has a significant problem with people loitering on the streets in the downtown core. These people have "crossed the line" in terms of their behavior toward others - I cannot even walk home with groceries without being asked if I would give them some. Many are harassing me and my wife as we walk by. They are often taking drugs. They are often having fights and/or loud arguments in the alleys. None of this is conducive to creating a friendly, inviting environment in downtown for the people who live and work here. By the way, we own a company downtown and plan to open a large office downtown - if the situation is not addressed, you will be hearing from us frequently. In addition, we currently live downtown, but the situation has forced us to move out this fall...it is a regrettable decision, but one we had to make due to the problems with people on the streets.	8/29/2018 1:48 PM
355	I live in the Friendly neighborhood and feel relatively safe. I do not experience much crime outside of crimes of opportunity. It does bug me that I can expect my car will be rifled through if I forget to lock it, and yet, I do still feel safe. I do not experience this same level of safety along the bike paths or in some parks. I feel I must be on my guard when going to certain areas or as people approach me while biking. There have been too many close calls or acts of violence that I have seen in those areas along the river paths, downtown at night, and around some parks.	8/29/2018 12:47 PM
356	not enough fore thought in handling mentally chalanging pople	8/29/2018 12:35 PM
357	I used to enjoy going downtown with Friends. Not anymore. I have been harassed and yelled at and at times I have been borderline threatened for money. The only time I go downtown is if I have a concealed carry pistol on me. The Eugene Police do seem to have a decent presence there but as soon as you go around a corner it is back to normal. I think cameras with mobile units would dramatically help. I feel relatively safe everywhere else in Eugene except for some parks.	8/29/2018 12:24 PM
358	Eugene's liberal politics are making the area a cesspool of bad people, preying on the unsuspecting. The drug problem is totally out of control.	8/29/2018 12:09 PM
359	Uninvited interactions make walking in Eugene core uncomfortable	8/29/2018 11:38 AM
360	LEOs are severely understaffed. The homeless/ addiction crisis is the root cause of many many problems in Eugene.	8/29/2018 11:36 AM
361	Too many suspicious types lingering around downtown. Homeless, transients, other "undesirables".	8/29/2018 11:17 AM
362	I never feel anxious walking around unless its at night, in which case I usually feel anxious if I see an individual walking towards me.	8/29/2018 11:07 AM
363	Do something about the panhandlers at the lights and all the aggressive beggars on the sidewalks and bike trails.Life would be soo much better	8/29/2018 11:06 AM
364	A lot of homeless people.	8/29/2018 11:06 AM
365	We live on 5th and Madison across from Grays and people drive way too fast down Madison - lots of kids and Beer Garden goers and pets almost getting hit. Many near collision at the 5th intersection. We could really use a speed bump or something. Washington Jefferson park has improved a lot this past year, but could still use some work, especially a lot of drug use in our alleys near by.	8/29/2018 10:51 AM

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366	I think that the Officers in Eugene are doing there job, however they could stop and think about what the other person has been through or not to jump to a conclusion and end up an arrest for nothing. I've been dealing with cops in Eugene for years and they seem to have this scare tactic that if They're standing there, That's them telling you telepathically not to stand there. Eugene is home of the hippie and stoners and nothing is going to stop them from doing what they want in their life.	8/29/2018 10:26 AM
367	Please help the homeless they are a big problem.	8/29/2018 9:40 AM
368	I wont even go downtown. during any hours. The amount of homeless and agressive pan handling is crazy. one cannot even sit outside in the good weather and eat a meal downtown. i know this is not EPD fault, rather city councilor policy and focus on wrong issues and being pc. too bad. years ago Eugene weird downtown was eclectic. now its downrighy dangerous.	8/29/2018 9:31 AM
369	I feel safe in my neighborhood but not in downtown, where I work. I've been robbed (car broken into from my work parking lot), sexually harassed, spit at, cursed at, verbally assaulted and insulted in front of my kids who often come to work with me. I do not feel safe walking by myself most times of day and are required to walk to meetings frequently for work.	8/29/2018 9:28 AM
370	We live in a culdesac in a "nice neighborhood " and people on bikes and foot will come down our street looking around slowly. Its disturbing as we have been burglarized. I just don't trust people in general anymore. There's a lot of sketchy looking people on the streets everywhere anymore. We always appreciate seeing police driving through our neighborhood, but we need more. Bless them. I Can't imagine what they go thru. ♥ Thank you.	8/29/2018 8:54 AM
371	The homeless population downtown had made me no longer go down there. The amounts of car break ins and thefts is frightening. I will not take my children to Alton Baker park as the homeless and drug users frighten me. I'm worried about dirty needles at all the parks. Eugene is becoming over run with drug users and dealers. It feels dirty and unsafe.	8/29/2018 8:35 AM
372	I live in the Whitaker and work downtown. Things have gotten considerably worse over the last few years, to the point where I now carry a weapon and avoid walking alone as much as I can. My company was considering expansion but has been discussing reconsidering because they are afraid for clients to visit. I cannot walk down the street for lunch without being verbally accosted to give up my leftovers or my groceries, and that's on a good day. Harassment, catcalling, and being followed by transients/homeless are all part of my daily experience as an employee downtown.	8/29/2018 8:24 AM
373	Maybe instead of focusing on ticketing citizens for such ridiculous things as smoking downtown, you could actually, you know, arrest real criminals. If you are ticketing smokers, I shouldn't have over a 2 hour wait when calling 911. You all say you dont have enough officers to do your jobs well. I think maybe you just have your priorities in the wrong order.	8/29/2018 8:10 AM
374	I feel anxious because there's rarely a response to a non-life threatening call. There are way too many "druggies", drunks, mentally unstable on our streets. Our city leaders enable their illegal behavior without looking for solutions. We may or may not need more law enforcement resources but we definitely need to quit coddling these criminals.	8/29/2018 7:54 AM
375	The amount of dangerous transients that are allowed to camp anywhere and use drugs and alcohol any where in our area is the main reason I feel unsafe. I understand that some people are just down on their luck but many of these people don't care to change their lifestyle due to addictions that they are not willing to seek help for. These people agressivly approach people downtown and at many other places. They think it is ok to walk on to my property and go through my trash and recycling as well. If I were to call I feel that nothing would be done about it therefore I either have to handle kicking people off of my property on my own which is unsafe or letting them continue to go on my property which is also unsafe. I also love the many amazing bike paths that our city has to offer but I am afraid to use them due to them being overrun with transients. There are some places near ferry St bridge in particular where you can't even ride through the path because so many people are sitting there or have their junk there. Let's clean up this city and make it safe again!	8/29/2018 7:50 AM
376	Fix the homeless issue downtown	8/29/2018 7:21 AM
377	We dont feel safe to go to parks because of needles and drug use at them. In three years we have seen all the cars in our neighborhood be broken into. Most concerning is if you call the police you have to wait a minimum of an hour for someone to come. I do not feel safe downtown with all the homeless drug users sitting around asking for stuff when we walk by and getting aggressive.	8/29/2018 7:20 AM
378	The homeless is out of control	8/29/2018 7:14 AM
379	There is just alot of people ive seen on drugs around eugene.	8/29/2018 7:12 AM

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380	I never go out alone after dusk anymore. I stopped riding on the section of bike path between Owosso Bridge and Maury Jacobs alone. The homeless population and drug activity precense is horrible and doesn't help either because I'm cinstatky approached.	8/29/2018 7:10 AM
381	The homeless bums own this city. Thanks to the non-action of the City Fathers & Mothers.	8/29/2018 6:55 AM
382	Increasingly feel unsafe, especially in downtown area, where I can't walk without getting accosted by someone begging or acting disturbed. Beggars are getting increasingly aggressive, too.	8/29/2018 6:51 AM
383	The zombies are over-taking the city.	8/29/2018 6:47 AM
384	I think that we need to follow Springfield and get rid of the pan handling from cars.	8/29/2018 6:42 AM
385	I work downtown, and the increased presence helps but the problem exists. The street people smoke weed, scream, approach you. They have to be dealt with.	8/29/2018 6:39 AM
386	Homeless in the tunnels/overpass area increasing. garbage in those areas increasing. Very unsafe and unpleasant.	8/29/2018 6:36 AM
387	I moved from Portland last year because of the increase in the hostile homeless population. When I first moved here it was nice, the homeless here where fewer in numbers and generally more pleasant. I'm not sure what has changed, possibly the influx of people/drugs after the country fair, but there seems to be more aggressive people wandering around lately. I don't want to ride my bike anymore for fear of it being stolen even if I'm just stopping in a store for a few minutes and locking it up out front. I hope this helps get more funding to this once beautiful small town. I came here for the small town life, less populated, slower paced, clean and safe, and a homeless population that could be friends and neighbors if the community worked together to help.	8/29/2018 6:28 AM
388	Traffic safety is awful. I know two people hit by cars on their bikes. People constantly speed through yellow/red lights. Install red light cams or increase traffic patrol.	8/29/2018 6:23 AM
389	I started doing this survey once and got booted. I wrote a crap ton of stuff in this section already. I live by the service station on hwy 99. This area is horrible. Overrun by homeless 24/7. Nothing is safe here. Drug houses and homeless sqatters in every place u look. Tweakers on bikes with trailers- stealing everything that that can. I own my home and I am stuck here. I hate it.	8/29/2018 5:49 AM
390	I'm old and I don't go out at night. In the daytime I walk to DAC and feel safe doing that.	8/29/2018 5:48 AM
391	I live by "The Service Station" on Hwy 99. I have owned my home for 20+ years and the area has declined tremendously. There are homeless people on bikes with trailers 24/7... Always riding up and down the streets , looting the neighborhood.If u have anything outside- it will be stolen immediately. Gilbert park is overrun with people partying all day and all night. There is no place for kids anymore- no park is safe. The bike paths are scary now- that used to be my most favorite thing to do- riding along the river paths are now not recommended...you will be accosted. No place is safe.	8/29/2018 5:44 AM
392	Transients talking over parks. Do not feel comfortable taking my child to needle ridden places full of crackheads and old sleeping bags. And forget the bike path. Why did I even teach him how to ride a bike? So we could get jumped by someone lerking and asking us for my phone?	8/29/2018 5:24 AM
393	It's not too bad here that I've seen, I just don't feel really safe anywhere anymore.	8/29/2018 4:39 AM
394	I work in the downtown area and park in the Broadway garage. It scares me when people roam through the garage. When I'm walking in or out of the garage I anticipate an attack. People hang out on the steps drinking or sleeping. They also gather in the alley next to the garage.	8/29/2018 4:37 AM
395	We don't need more police, we need BETTER police. Restricting dogs and smoking from downtown doesn't make me feel SAFER, and cameras? Welcome to the police state!! No thanks. I'll just stay home with my dogs.	8/29/2018 4:31 AM
396	With so much drug abuse, theft and homelessness in our community I don't feel safe being out in my own neighborhood. I live in a nice area of Eugene and daily I see more and more transients moving in. I have stuff stolen from my driveway and my porch if I leave anything out - this summer they even stole my flowers I had planted. So NO I don't feel safe and honestly considering moving.	8/29/2018 3:33 AM
397	EPD for the most part is better than anywhere I've ever been. They are more rational and less in a hurry to be violent than Portland or Springfield. They are overworked underpaid and unappreciated by most. I believe that here, we foster a culture that our police Dept is a reflection of. It's our fault we have drugs and a homeless epedenic out of control, not theirs, yet somehow its become their problem, as well as the scap goat. LCSD AND SPD could use Eugene as a model.	8/29/2018 2:41 AM

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398	I am not sure that I feel unsafe downtown, just gross and anxious about finding my car windows smashed in or my wallet stolen. And the smoke, so gross that it goes on after the ban.	8/29/2018 2:27 AM
399	I don't go out late anymore but think I wouldn't feel safe downtown or in some neighborhoods after dark.	8/29/2018 2:09 AM
400	I would not walk anywhere alone after dark. I lived in the same apt for 17 yrs and 1 yr ago gave notice to move... I had no clue how difficult finding an affordable place to call home would be. I continue to look but struggle with giving up. My kitty and I have been without a home for 14 months now and everything frightens me. This is the most difficult issue I have had to deal with my entire life. Life was never easy I was a single Mother of two daughters who never were in trouble...graduated frm high school and have been married nearly 30 years to the same men. I have much to be happy about but much more time wasted trying unsuccessfully to secure a place to live I may give up.	8/29/2018 1:29 AM
401	Make pan handling illegal. Every corner has a drunk or tweeker sitting there wanting a handout. Drug addicts stumbling around and moaning like they are extras from the walking dead! I work in Eugene and would NEVER consider living in this city. I have never seen as many homeless camps as I do in Eugene. Kate Brown has this as a sanctuary city, well I think it's time that we as Americans start helping our own, get the mentally disturbed the care that they need, the drunks and tweakers the rehab that they need (if they are truly going to follow thru with it). The ones that are truly homeless and are just on hard times, hell let them work cleaning up parks, sidewalks, bike paths or whatnot.	8/29/2018 12:01 AM
402	I see you arrest the same scumbags multiple times a month.	8/28/2018 11:38 PM
403	More police funding.	8/28/2018 11:37 PM
404	The tweakers/junkies are the majority of the 'homeless' issue. Not the old bums that have been homeless forever, but the young people hooked on drugs. I just got a job in Springfield and I can tell you I wish I lived there because there is nothing there like the problem we have here. I'm sad for my town that I have grown up in. My bike (which is my main transportation) isn't safe, and my home isn't safe. It sucks.	8/28/2018 11:29 PM
405	Drugs, tweakers, thefts amd gangs pervade all areas. Feeling safe is a thing of the past. Police need far more money and officers to make Eugene safer.	8/28/2018 11:27 PM
406	I am very concerned about theft and burglary, including that of mail home, auto, and other personal property. I also regularly see traffic violations such as people consistently driving through stop signs (especially at Storey and Lorane) without any traffic officers or devices to monitor such actions or deter it by its presence. More police visibility as well as personnel, especially 911 calls and dispatch, is necessary for our growing community. We need to fund our growing needs for law enforcement and improving emergency response time, so lives are preserved. Thanks for caring enough to have this survey.	8/28/2018 11:26 PM
407	Get the homeless campers out of the city parks it's not safe for children it's not safe for adults	8/28/2018 11:25 PM
408	I have heard the police are understaffed due to money reasons, and that response time is longer, up to 20 min on emergencies. I suggested in my Active Bethel Citizens group that maybe they could contract with Lane Couny Sheriffs Dept, like my old city did. That was Riverside County Sheriffs. People responded that LCS is tight on budget and men too. I just feel we have too many people wanting hand outs. They come in to my job at FedEx and charge their phones, use restrooms. Some tell me they are traveling from Cal, Utah, Ariz, etc. And heard how easy to get free things. Also needles are everywhere. Parks, in the river, etc.	8/28/2018 10:55 PM
409	This is a very safe, friendly, and neighborly city. Neighbors talk to each other, and have their eyes open. There is little crime. I have lived here almost 20 years, my elderly wife visits downtown frequently, to the library, Kiva, sometimes early in the AM, and has never had any problem of any kind whatsoever. But then she says, "Good morning, how are you?" to people she encounters. Whether they are well dressed or look like they've been sleeping rough. No one has ever hassled her. We do not secure our home completely when we go out, and have never been bothered. We have had our car tossed once (nothing taken), had a truck stolen (never recovered), but except for deer nibbling our tulips in front, we have not been bothered.	8/28/2018 10:51 PM

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410	I have a 5 year old and a 7 month old. I'm afraid that my 5 yo is going to step on a needle in our town, we see them a couple times a year, the trash and human waste we come across when visiting downtown is also a concern as a parent. Cahoots response time is ridiculous, and the phone line for them is too. You shouldn't have to listen to a long message when you need assistance from them (for people not needles). Seeing police officers direct traffic on game days seems like a waste of resources. We need our officers on patrol, a construction crew is equally capable of directing traffic. Seeing the same faces on arrest records over and over and knowing that our jail system is catch and release is concerning. We need to figure out a different system and I don't think community court is helping.	8/28/2018 10:41 PM
411	The actions of downtown security while visiting the area has often been more threatening than those of the homeless. Had a security guard follow my young children & I in an intimidating manner. We neither fit any profile nor cause any sort of disturbances. Both my children were scared - not of the transient groups but of security personnel who followed about 12 inches behind us for the distance of a city block or two. It made us feel very intimidated and unwelcome.	8/28/2018 10:35 PM
412	Eugene is now a free range mental asylum.	8/28/2018 10:29 PM
413	Seems like there is zero traffic enforcement and drivers are distracted and running redlights is rampant. Bike rides along the river and out west Eugene are exercises in avoiding intoxicated and agitated individuals. Zero faith in police (and i'm A former officer) either don't respond at all or way too late.	8/28/2018 10:25 PM
414	Too many people too many homeless too many people moving here	8/28/2018 9:52 PM
415	I feel the increased drug use and watching the crime reports as well as the community neighborhood watch post of burglaries and duii's have increase to a point that I feel a need to have increase surveillance systems in place. It concerns me that a child's basketball hoop was stolen from my front yard. and it concerns me that the response time for reported crimes are taking nearly 2 to 3 times longer to respond to due the nature of what is considered an importance of the crime. I do not even go to downtown Eugene at any hours of the day due to the increase of homeless population and increased interaction of that population with community members. Reading the news of the devastation that homeless camps leave in various communities leave me feeling uncomfortable. To have someone walk on to my property and rummage thru my garbage without any regard makes me feel like there is no order within this city. The vehicle break ins, bike thefts, property crimes have increased ten fold over the last 10 years with little to no response due to man power.	8/28/2018 9:45 PM
416	The big safety issues for me in the past year have been property crime (always been an anxiety in Eugene, but recently I had the seat sawed off my securely locked bike and multiple cars near mine with the windows broken in) and the increasing numbers of mugging, robberies, and assault near the UO campus area (this was one of the reasons I moved to a new place farther from campus).	8/28/2018 9:22 PM
417	Lots more gang activity. Don't feel safe going to parks. It would be great to have the parks patrolled at least driving by more frequently.	8/28/2018 8:52 PM
418	I would like to see local parks patrolled more in the evening. Lots of problems in our local park at night.	8/28/2018 8:42 PM
419	It's a horrible feeling knowing that you don't and can't feel safe really anywhere. Always in fear of having your personal belongings stolen even at your own home on your own property. Having to be hyper vigilant in watching where you walk to make sure that you don't step on an uncapped drug needle, even at the park that you are supposed to be able to feel safe letting your children play. This drug and homeless epidemic, combined with the lack of policing and holding criminals is getting a bit ridiculous.	8/28/2018 8:00 PM
420	The homeless that are on drugs are a big issue. They have no morals, only an addiction. To get their fix, they will do anything. It is very sad to not feel safe in our town and to the point that I won't let my wife and kids ride their bike on the Amazon path. There have been too many muggings on the path. Eugene is not safe and I am looking to move elsewhere.	8/28/2018 7:46 PM
421	Theft has increased out in the river road area and that makes me feel uneasy. I also don't feel comfortable with all of the homeless living along northwest express way.	8/28/2018 7:33 PM
422	Downtown teens- parents need back up to keep them at home. If they have unsafe homes- I'm sure some do-they need an alternative placement or support their families. Teens who have homes to be at should be sent home if loitering.	8/28/2018 7:17 PM

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423	I feel that claims were not taken seriously under Pete kerns, and that he focus more on the politics aspect of being a chief rather than actually impacting the communities which created a hum for transient and homeless individuals to gather. He cared more about taking care of those who did not want help, and neglected the tax paying community members who begged for help	8/28/2018 7:09 PM
424	I have had things stolen from my yard, I have been approached by not friendly people on the bike path, I have witness drug transactions at local parks, on the side walks while driving past, and see needles everywhere. I don't feel safe for my child to run around at the parks, I don't feel safe walking alone day or night	8/28/2018 7:08 PM
425	I'm seeing more people late at night and early morning traveling through the neighborhood with no clear purpose. There is a lot of digging through trash...there is a section over by Royal and Beltline where a population lives and comes out and sleeps under the overpass and whatever else they do. The neighbors have had more people stealing from their property.	8/28/2018 7:04 PM
426	Too many addicts and homeless stealing. Too many panhandlers. Clean up the city so tax payers can enjoy their homes.	8/28/2018 6:51 PM
427	Too many tweakers. They need treatment n housing. Springfield seems to be handling this better.	8/28/2018 6:32 PM
428	I just wish I could feel comfortable downtown,gets asked for money,cigarettes. Or get stared at in hope they can get something from you.....	8/28/2018 6:27 PM
429	i have always felt safe downtown at nighr, but realized recently , that is because i usually have my 6 foot 1 hubby with me. had to be solo one night and walked by 4 homeless men who were talking to themselves and one seemed agitated.i moved across the street. i now avoid being downtown unless accompanied by hubby. i went to my hair dresser on a sat morning.two homeless men had pooped on the property next to hers when i arrived .they were fairly aggressive when she told them to leave. again concerning	8/28/2018 6:22 PM
430	im more concerned about my physical property. ibe always felt physically safe	8/28/2018 6:10 PM
431	very concerned about juvenile crime and drug use downtown and the lack of a response from the juvenile department	8/28/2018 6:09 PM
432	Downtown needs to be cleaned up and the rigraf needs to be gone I will not take my family to downtown eugene due to the homeless using the restroom on the sidewalks and sleeping out in front of restaurants asking for money or cigarettes the drug use is unbelievable downtown and when you call eugene PD to report it there always to busy handling priority calls if some meth head is selling drugs right out in the open were my children are eating dinner that to is a priority eugene PD is a joke	8/28/2018 5:56 PM
433	I work down by the University District Hospital and there are constant homeless asking for money and when you tell them you don't have any and then they start cursing at you, it really makes me feel somewhat anxious that it may beome more aggressive.	8/28/2018 5:43 PM
434	Not feeling safe! Specially bike □ paths	8/28/2018 5:35 PM
435	Pervasive, petty property crime attracts aggressive travelers	8/28/2018 5:34 PM
436	Downtown is horrible. People yelling about raping 9 year old girls in the presence of 9 year old girls. The bike path is #2 most dangerous. I've had men jump out of the bushes yelling at me, blocking the path, etc. I now carry pepper spray and only ride in the morning or early afternoon. Do something PLEASE	8/28/2018 5:29 PM
437	I grew up in Eugene (I'm over 50 years old and male) and I don't go downtown or use the bike paths due to the vagrants.	8/28/2018 5:27 PM
438	Eugene feels like the safest place in America! I have traveled extensively and Eugene feels safer than anywhere else!	8/28/2018 5:23 PM

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439	I like to go on late night and early morning walks, jogs, and bike rides. When I first moved to Eugene 2 years ago I felt safe doing so and I was unbothered. I recently stopped going on them because my apartment got broken into at night, I got harassed and grabbed by a stranger at a bus stop, and I had people coming up to me every time asking me for alcohol, asking me for drugs, asking me for cigarettes, asking me for money for drugs, cat calling me, or asking me if I needed drugs or asking if I wanted to hang out to do drugs together. I have also had people follow me to where I had to race home and get inside and shut my door and lock it and check my peep hole to see if they kept following me, they always stopped following but now I don't feel safe to walk at night. I have also heard about the stories of the person who was shot, the stores that were robbed, the house that was robbed and the guy who was stabbed right by my apartment. I don't feel like I will be able to go on my night walks anymore.	8/28/2018 5:00 PM
440	The town is over run with drug activity. Everywhere I walk I have to look out for needles. They are laying around all over the place. The drugged out people are selling drugs, doing drugs and sleeping around businesses and leaving trash and human body waste. I own a business and about every day I have to pick up trash that has been left during the night around my business so my place of business doesn't look like a dump. Just yesterday I had to once again tell people to leave the premises because they had camped out over night, were on drugs, had trash spread over the sidewalk and were playing really loud music with obscene lyrics (cussing, etc.). I told them that it wasn't appropriate and they had to leave. They verbally threatened me and I told them I was calling the police. I walked away while calling the Eugene police, they saw me and packed up quickly and left so I decided to end the call and get back to my business. But as a business owner I never thought I would have to do this as part of running a business too. I'm just crossing fingers that the families who shop at my store will not experience this bad stuff right outside my door and feel unsafe to come shop. It is really very sad that this town has come down to not feeling safe enough to be able to go for a walk with your family.	8/28/2018 4:46 PM
441	I love Eugene but feel that violent crimes are continuously on the rise. I don't feel safe taking evening walks or early morning walks anymore. Too many homeless camped out everywhere.	8/28/2018 4:43 PM
442	I observe symptoms of a widespread mental health, drug abuse, and homeless crisis in Eugene that are getting worse. I am especially saddened by the incidents on the river bike path that make me feel unsafe to use the path at any hour of the day. I will not bring my child to the two closest parks in my neighborhood because of rampant needles and feces, and frightening interactions with unstable individuals. I have had my house burgled and also found human feces and needles in my front and side yard. I am extremely grateful for CAHOOTS.	8/28/2018 4:39 PM
443	The average citizen is unable to enjoy the city center of bike paths due to homeless, travelers and unsanitary conditions. Increased population growth from out of state residents has increased road rage, aggressive driving and tail gating especially on I-105 and 126. Need more traffic patrols. Legalized marijuana is out of control. Went to Whole Foods and several individuals just sitting out front at the table and chairs opening up in public. The smell is noxious and people should not be subjected to that everywhere they turn.	8/28/2018 4:14 PM
444	We have allowed derelicts to roam at free will, camp on public and private property at very high cost to the tax payer. Maybe homeless need the badges.	8/28/2018 3:45 PM
445	Too many tweaker bums.	8/28/2018 3:38 PM
446	Downtown Eugene is beginning to look and feel like downtown when the mall existed - very unsafe, particularly at night. There are too many vacant buildings with unlit entrances for attackers or vagrants. I lived in Eugene from 1973 to 1985 and saw it become a place not to go. I regret moving back and will be leaving next year.	8/28/2018 3:32 PM
447	I've gotta be honest, sometimes cops make me feel more scared than anyone else around. I know one of them could kill me if they wanted and possibly get away with it and anyone else would not. The only people who make me more scared are belligerent mentally unstable men because they could have a delusion I wronged them and kill me, but I come across them less often than cops, usually I'm scared when in badly lit areas at night while walking alone.	8/28/2018 3:22 PM
448	Crimes against property are ubiquitous in certain areas of Eugene. I bicycle every day on the Amazon Creek bike path, and there are regularly people disassembling (presumably) stolen bicycles without any concern of being interrupted. Bicycle theft is ubiquitous across the city. Police services are disproportionately provided to wealth areas (South Hills, etc) while other areas (Whitaker) are ignored by police.	8/28/2018 3:22 PM
449	No response from EPD unless it's a call saying they can't make it. Officers lazy/overwhelmed with all the work they are needing to do.	8/28/2018 3:21 PM

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450	My greatest sense of insecurity comes from vehicular violence. Eugene's streets are functionally obsolete, there is essentially zero traffic law enforcement, and there is a significant portion of the driving public that is absolutely out of control reckless. All other quality of life issues such as homelessness are chump change in comparison.	8/28/2018 3:21 PM
451	To many street people everywhere now. When I moved to north Gilham there were none. Now, they are all over crescent, Coburg road and old game farm. The street people will not hesitate to steal your belongings to sell cheaply to get high. Need less street people so the city can flourish.	8/28/2018 3:20 PM
452	I definitely avoid certain areas of town due to tweakers and aggressive homeless people	8/28/2018 3:19 PM
453	I live in Thurston so my personal property is very safe but the mentally ill in Eugene make it difficult for my 3 daughters to want to go there.	8/28/2018 3:03 PM
454	Both traffic, especially, left turns across crosswalks, and also people who live on sidewalks, who approach and ask for everything from money to cigarettes. Why our tax money pays organizations to help but not a cent to housing, smh!	8/28/2018 2:46 PM
455	Downtown and midtown hotspots (like the White Bird Clinic and surrounding areas) really need consistent patrols.	8/28/2018 2:17 PM
456	This town is safe in general, even though you're gonna lose a few bikes for sure... I do wonder about people that complain- have they lived elsewhere? There is no part of this town I would fear walking alone at any time. If you're not in the drug scene, you're fine. The exception here is homeless people. They are harassed and have their stuff stolen a lot. That has to end. It's a crisis to be out there on the street, the last thing they need is to be beat and pushed from one place to the next. Would be great to get the dog ban back though. It was great to not see pit bulls on every corner when downtown.	8/28/2018 12:27 PM
457	With all of the police resources now serving downtown Eugene, I now feel less safe in city parks and on biking and walking in and around Eugene. Downtown is still not a desirable place to be during the daytime and nighttime. The city council is still makes it desirable for the homeless and travelers to hang out in downtown Eugene. With a backbone the council could change that situation.	8/28/2018 12:11 PM
458	The city seems to be less and less a community. In a community, everyone is looking out for everyone. Eugene seems like everyone is just looking out for themselves and not those around them.	8/28/2018 11:59 AM
459	I feel mostly safe only because I'm careful and male. My wife feels unsafe. She gets verbally accosted often.	8/28/2018 11:47 AM
460	Downtown Eugene is an obvious safety concern. It is filthy, sometimes difficult to walk on sidewalks, and unsuitable for the safety of children or the elderly. Many areas are occupied by "travelers" in groups with possessions stewn about. They have effectively taken over areas. I would like to use the businesses in the downtown area, but am uncomfortable with the sidewalk blockage, trash, urine, and lack of available seating for us local citizens.	8/28/2018 10:54 AM
461	I observe that the City is doing a lot to ensure greater safety in downtown Eugene which is greatly appreciated, as someone who works downtown. I love the investment in services that are being offered to our vulnerable populations (bag drop off, Occupy Medical etc, getting information about services to people downtown).	8/28/2018 10:47 AM
462	Mentally ill people frequently trespass in our private alley. They defecate, urinate, vandalize, and dump trash on a weekly basis, every month of the year. The number of homeless people lying on the sidewalks of Eugene outnumbers the people simply trying to walk through downtown. The situation is way worse than it was even a couple years ago, and seems to be continuing to get worse. I can't even use a public toilet in downtown Eugene without being harrassed, and confronting used needles, vandalism, filth and other disgusting things. Every single elevator in the public parking garages stinks of urine.	8/28/2018 10:35 AM
463	While there is a lot of police presence in the downtown area, there also sections of downtown where groups of people feel like they own the space and make it difficult to get past their space.	8/28/2018 10:09 AM
464	The traveler kids on the mall are a bit of a nuisance but don't seem much of a threat but I notice more "hard core" types and folks who look like gang guys or older tough guys. I work downtown and am around the area daily. I think the smoking ban might help.	8/28/2018 9:52 AM
465	Downtown is getting worse with "travelers, homeless and panhandlers. The travelers and panhandlers are aggressive and make walking downtown uncomfortable and it feels unsafe.	8/28/2018 9:45 AM

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466	The kids that hangout downtown, near bus station and Kesey Square make it so I avoid those areas. Particularly when I have company in town.	8/28/2018 9:40 AM
467	I work downtown and walk around the heart of downtown (Willamette & Broadway) virtually everyday. Downtown is a mess during the day. I don't come downtown at night because it's way too unsafe.	8/28/2018 9:31 AM
468	I love Eugene and want to be able to walk around downtown with my kids and feel safe and not be harassed or walk through pot and regular smoke.	8/28/2018 8:49 AM
469	My neighborhood feels safe, but Downtown does not, and many other parts of Eugene do not feel safe. Homeless people seem to be everywhere in Eugene, and many seem to be more emboldened to accost people, steal, destroy property, and generally trash the environment they live in. It is frustrating to see a proliferation of programs, homeless camps, rest stops and shelters that are supposed to lessen the problem actually cause an increase in the problem because people from outside of Eugene come here to take advantage of the resources, overburdening everything. Perhaps Eugene should take care of Eugeneans first by offering services to people who have lived and worked here for a year or more and are down on their luck and need help. Quit having an open door policy to any vagrant in the world.	8/28/2018 8:46 AM
470	Downtown, especially on Broadway, West of Willamette looks like one large homeless camp during the day, most days. We've had multiple instances of cars/trucks cruising several blocks in front of the garbage trucks each week, picking through the recycle bins and scoping out front yards. Several neighbors have had property stolen. Nobody bothers to call EPD any more because the calls are all judged "lo-pri" and there is no response.	8/28/2018 7:39 AM
471	The "traveler" community is causing a large number of problems downtown. Gloves off, get tough. They need to go. We're allowing them to run this town into the ground. The focus on the riverfront project is honestly disappointing as well. It's like when a child gets a new toy and then forgets all about the other toys he has, leaving them to neglect. That's how it feels with downtown, as though the city will subsidize and support all this new development and leave us behind. Be careful, this is the same action that killed downtown to begin with. Valley River gets built, downtown crumbles. 5th Street Market gets built, downtown struggles. Oakway flourishes, downtown is crippled. Please solve the problems downtown, don't just band aid them while chasing the next big thing. Also, this town has beautiful bike and pedestrian paths, which you use at your own risk. We've had at least two suspicious deaths in Amazon Creek out in West Eugene this summer. For such a small city, that's nuts. No women want to ride their bikes or run on the homeless-clogged parts of the paths, and everybody knows to avoid going under the bridges. Finally, you know what you almost never see downtown? Children. The parents of our community clearly feel unsafe enough that they don't bring their children into the heart of our town. Thank you for your efforts. Double down and get it done!	8/28/2018 7:08 AM
472	Our homeless problem is not the same as our traveler problem. We need better policies to protect our people and businesses from travelers who have no regard for our community.	8/28/2018 7:02 AM
473	I work downtown on the corner of Broadway and Oak. I feel safe when the area is patrolled.	8/28/2018 6:51 AM
474	I live in South Eugene and just this last week 2 neighbors have had car break-ins. Downtown is DISGUSTING. I've been harassed more times than I can count. My husband and I won't bring our kids there. There is no reason any downtown should be the way it is. It's not that I don't feel "safe", I can hold my own, there is just no reason a town shouldn't be able to take care of a HUGE problem like the vagrants that hang out downtown. GET RID OF THEM! Springfield did it, I think we can, too! (and this is coming from a peace loving liberal!!)	8/28/2018 6:35 AM
475	We moved here from suburban Chicago two years ago and I'm amazed at the lack of police presents, the heavy meth use, the homeless all over the city, and the poverty in the area.	8/28/2018 6:34 AM
476	i work downtown and it has seen some improvement. The dog ban made a huge difference and i hope the new smoking ban will too. with that being said, its still dirty, dangerous, and miles from family friendly. i wish members of city council cared as much about the rights of the people who live, work, and shop downtown as they do about the rights of the transients who are destroying it on their way up and down I-5.	8/28/2018 6:22 AM
477	I work downtown and never feel safe there. I don't want to bring my kids there.	8/28/2018 6:20 AM
478	Downtown is a serious problem. I work downtown, run daily during the week from downtown. I am used to it and for the most part the loitering population is non-threatening. When visitors come to town that's typically the first thing they mention and it is not comfortable for them and I totally understand.	8/28/2018 6:02 AM

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479	Too many homeless people. Please follow in Springfields foot steps and ban giving items from cars!	8/27/2018 11:24 PM
480	I do not go downtown at night because I feel strongly that it is unsafe.	8/27/2018 11:07 PM
481	First moved here in February, the last few months have had several anxious encounters with aggressive and yelling homeless individuals, when no money was given to them. Have had to threaten police presence with individuals living outside our residence in vehicles and using our house water line.	8/27/2018 10:36 PM
482	My purse was stolen out of my husband's car downtown. That made me feel slightly less safe in town and more worried about my property. That said, I still frequent downtown and enjoy many of the things there.	8/27/2018 10:21 PM
483	I deeply resent being continuously approached and harassed by panhandlers throughout Eugene. Downtown is the worst but they're in all the alleyways and corners throughout south eugene.	8/27/2018 10:01 PM
484	I feel so unsafe, took gun classes and carry. Sleep with loaded gun. Lived here a year.....walk around homeless sleeping on the sidewalk/under bushes several times a week walking into work, locked up bicycle was stolen, my car was broken into.....I live at The Boulders.....a nice complex. I don't go out after dark unless it is well lit and with a crowd.	8/27/2018 9:53 PM
485	I work in downtown Eugene and I feel very unsafe walking down the streets and parking in the garages. The transient population is out of hand, I am constantly asked for money, and, quite often, there are unsavory characters in the garage where I park (Pearl Street Garage).	8/27/2018 9:48 PM
486	I think the primary issue is downtown but there are areas on 11th and 18th that now seem compromised. Route 99 going from Garfield toward the airport absolutely looks like a junk yard	8/27/2018 9:33 PM
487	There's always been backlash with policing downtown, but there's a huge issue there. 6:45am on a weekday, I work at a prominent tech company. I heard a man yell "those fucking guys are shooting up in there!" I turn to looks and it's a manic guy riding a bike. When we made eye contact, he pointed to me and yelled, "I'm gonna shoot YOU in the head!" Now, I know he wasn't and he was just trying to get a rise out of me, but not a great way to start the morning. And what if he wasn't kidding? I watched my 6 quite a bit for a few days after that. I'd love to feel safer just getting to my place of employment.	8/27/2018 9:32 PM
488	The homeless presence and violent acts seem to be increasing.	8/27/2018 9:21 PM
489	I feel unsafe for my biracial/black daughter as she has experienced being called a Nigger by an adult man in North Eugene and there have been an increase in hate crimes in the last year. I also want to make sure our police understand deescalation strategies when working with communities of color and those with mental health issues. More police do not make me feel more safe. More money needs to go towards CAHOOTS and other services like that so trained mental health professionals are involved in situations needing them.	8/27/2018 8:51 PM
490	The bike path is a problem area and I see a ton of needles and hear about attacks	8/27/2018 8:38 PM
491	Down Town Has Gotten Very Disturbing / It is Dirty - Litter All About - Not Safe The Real Homeless People are being given a Bad Rap by the Abusive Delinquents Posing as Homeless	8/27/2018 8:14 PM
492	I am a Hispanic woman living in Eugene, a very white community; in the last year's we have seen increasing white supremacy activity in Eugene and Lane county, I feel more anxious about being alone. I also work downtown, walking around is not very pleasant sometimes. This very morning for example a group of homeless people in the corner of Starbucks got kind of rude and loud when they asked for money and I said no.	8/27/2018 7:45 PM
493	I no longer visit downtown at night, not worth it. Too many folks on drugs, begging or with significant mental health issues.	8/27/2018 7:41 PM
494	Too many drugs and homelessness. Not necessarily one and the same.	8/27/2018 7:33 PM
495	Lighting and the presence of larger numbers of other people makes me feel safer vs walking alone on a dark block and encountering another single person. I do walk alone downtown day and night but rarely walk alone in my neighborhood at night. Partly because there are no sidewalks in my neighborhood so it's not safe to walk in the dark with cars passing.	8/27/2018 7:25 PM
496	There are a lot more white power/patriot prayer/proud boy types harassing people these days. I'm a white guy with a short hair and tattoos, they assume I'm friendly, but they're in the faces of lots of the local population: lgbt, Black people, Mexicans. They're looking to provoke fights.	8/27/2018 7:21 PM

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497	Wife, son, employee and myself all attacked multiple times on the bike paths, near the bike paths and downtown. In no instance did EPD respond to our 911 calls. One assailant attacked all four of us in two separate instances and was finally sent to prison for other armed robberies. It's gotten so bad on the bike paths I'm considering open-carrying a gun, which means I'm considering taking my business to another city.	8/27/2018 7:18 PM
498	Thank you Eugene Police Dept for the great job you do.	8/27/2018 7:14 PM
499	Walking along the river path around river road use to be enjoyable but as of late it has felt increasingly unsafe with more needles near the river, illegal camping, increase vandalism, as well people acting suspicious (for example following single females on the path).	8/27/2018 5:43 PM
500	I live near the bike path and would like to use it more but feel uncomfortable in the early morning and evening.	8/27/2018 4:56 PM
501	We need more bike cops.	8/27/2018 1:58 PM
502	Certain parts of downtown have had more homeless activity. I used to live on 11th and high and last year we had a lot of incidents with homeless. I worked on 10th and high and we noticed more vandalism activities and incidents, found more needles on the street, etc. Also, noticed an increase in people engaging in suspicious activities over near Skinner's Butte. Thank you for all you do and I hope that we can find a solution to these problems.	8/27/2018 11:33 AM
503	I've heard people scream "faggot" and scream "go back to California", while driving alone in my car. I've also had other people literally just scream at me into my open window on 3 other occasions. I have only moved to Eugene recently and have not got new Oregon Plates for my car. THIS doesn't make me feel confident in my complete safety here in my new city that I've moved to.	8/26/2018 7:48 PM
504	I feel least safe in the downtown core area, including the library, as well as in the Whitaker neighborhood when visiting restaurants and other commercial establishments due to transients and "travelers" lurking and panhandling.	8/26/2018 10:18 AM
505	911 calls from cell phones don't get answered as quickly as landlines. I don't have a landline, so my safety has become second class. I guess citizens like me need to legally carry guns.	8/26/2018 8:24 AM
506	In my area of the city we have seen increased thefts and people camping out more and more in the trees and leaving trash, starting fires and general loitering. I would appreciate more responses from EPD when this occurs.	8/26/2018 8:20 AM
507	Safety in Eugene depends a lot on the time of day, and the area of the city you are in. An example would be that an increased number of parents pick their kids up from school if possible, it used to be that kids safely went all over Eugene with a bicycle or walking, I would never want a grandchild out and about by themselves any more. I also like shopping where there are parking lot security cameras.	8/25/2018 9:32 PM
508	1. Drivers tend to not come to a complete stop at stop signs. 2. Teens use the intersection of West 29th / Randy Lane as a racing lane. 3. My car was egged by teenagers and they egged my neighbors' driveways. 4. Lots of door-to-door sales/solicitation. 5.	8/25/2018 1:49 PM
509	I appreciate the efforts being made downtown. I liked when the police had an info booth around the lunchtime.	8/25/2018 1:10 PM
510	As a woman, I wish that I felt safe using the river trail and surrounding city trails alone, but I do not.	8/25/2018 12:47 PM
511	Theft and vagrants have increased in the Laurel Hill Valley area so much we moved to Brae Burn Dr	8/25/2018 8:02 AM
512	I drive to the parking lot next to the Cambell Center and park there so I can walk my dog. There are cars, vans and motorhomes parked there sometimes with people sleeping in them at 8:00 a.m. Always, I see trash in the parking lot, in the bushes, on the sidewalks. There is a garbage can less than half a block away but it's hese people don't use it. It's a very uncomfortable feeling to see this disregard for the community. It doesn't feel safe to be in the company of people who behave this way. I think it's an indicator that they know they can get away with trashing our community. I wonder what else they think they can get away with?? Also, I have noticed an increase in speeding vehicles and running stop signs and yellow lights. There doesn't seem to be any law enforcement around. I see people drive by my house looking down at their phones as they approach the intersection. I feel sorry for our officers because I think they are understaffed. Unfortunately, our property taxes are so high I don't think people want to support any more increases because they know our taxes will go to supporting PERS retirees who have plenty of money to travel, improve their homes and live a financially carefree life while those of us who are retired and don't get PERS are struggling.	8/24/2018 9:58 PM

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513	I have lived her for 34 years now, and Eugene feels far less safe when I came up for college. There are a lot of unpredictable people on Meth etc. and lots of used needles in our green spaces and neighborhoods. Crime in general is up and people feel more violent.	8/24/2018 9:14 PM
514	Do not feel safe in downtown Eugene after dark. Too many street people asking for money b	8/24/2018 8:15 PM
515	The homeless have control of the city and the Council has done nothing to correct the problem. The police department needs a traffic team that does nothing but ticketing speeders, running red lights, school zones, tailgating and cross walks.	8/24/2018 8:11 PM
516	There is more panhandling and obvious drug use throughout South Eugene.	8/24/2018 7:25 PM
517	Remove the homeless from downtown and I will feel very safe.	8/24/2018 6:48 PM
518	I think that the increasing number of homeless and transients in Eugene are making a lot of people feel unsafe. If Eugene would pass an ordinance like Springfield did against motorists giving handouts, we would not have them camped out at all of our busy intersections.	8/24/2018 6:27 PM
519	I worry about neo-nazis and alt-right folks.	8/24/2018 5:21 PM
520	A bit of discomfort downtown where many people are gathered / would not feel safe by myself in the evening downtoen	8/24/2018 5:03 PM
521	I'm not overly concerned about violent crime (at least not more so than I would be in any city), but there seems to have been an uptick in petty crime, including in SE Eugene.	8/24/2018 4:35 PM
522	I don't feel confident that police would be able to respond to an incident, which makes me feel less safe.	8/24/2018 4:05 PM
523	I have had some fear, for the first time, on bike paths, and in certain areas of downtown. Nothing bad has happened to me per se. I am dismayed / frustrated by the amount of camping that seems to be happening next to the river, an area I like to recreate in.	8/24/2018 3:52 PM
524	I get a little anxious in the downtown area around Broadway and near the bus terminal--I don't like to judge people who are less fortunate than I am, but they are sometimes aggressive and often have their dogs with them. Not sure if there's really anything you can do, other than enforce leash laws and be a "presence" to avoid personal altercations.	8/24/2018 3:05 PM
525	Eugene doesn't feel safe at all. Harassment by the transient and addicted community is practically encouraged because nothing is done about it. Laurel Hill Valley is overrun with people who steal and openly use drugs and camp everywhere and anywhere they can. Parks don't feel safe because of needles and constant badgering. Downtown is an absolute joke and an embarrassment. I grew up here and it breaks my heart that there is so little pride shown for this community. Money and energy is spent to build up the track community, but meanwhile the rest of the city is falling apart. What town of this size doesn't have a city hall or functional downtown? You literally step over feces and get verbally abused just trying to go to the library. If you're not addicted to meth, homeless, or visiting for a track meet, you're out of luck. I feel awful for the kids of this community because it's just not safe for them. My 9 year old daughter has seen male genitalia at least 6 times just driving down the street and needles in parks and on sidewalks are a regular occurrence. Pretending there is any interest in improving the safety is laughable. We all know nothing will happen.	8/24/2018 2:23 PM
526	Downtown area has a much more threatening feeling during the last 12 months. More suspicious people are becoming present in other areas of City as well.	8/24/2018 1:35 PM
527	Generally speaking, I feel very safe in Eugene. I don't go out much in the evening at this point. The primary place I feel unsafe is when biking on city streets. There is a lack of education about the "sharrows" and about the legal expectation that bikers be treated the same as cars on such streets. I have been honked at, yelled at, and followed way too closely - even when I am more or less keeping pace with traffic. In addition, the intersection at 17th and Pearl is a disaster during busy times. 17th is a major through-way for cyclists. Cars constantly block the intersection when the light at 18th Ave is red and they often fail to notice cyclists crossing Pearl because they are fixated on the light at 18th turning green. I was nearly hit one day and I've witnessed others have close calls as well. It would be great to figure out how to address traffic flow on that street to provide additional safety for cyclists crossing east-west.	8/24/2018 11:05 AM

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528	It is a little sad to say but every time I noticed an increase in people who are transient living in or around my neighborhood there happens to be an increase in crime. It makes me concerned about the safety of my children walking around the neighborhood. And we have recently experienced a break until one of our cars, which is concerning. I do not bring my children downtown for the specific reason that I am afraid they will be harassed or be scared. My children have been exposed to people with different mental health needs, and people with disabilities, and they are very open and accepting people I do not bring my children downtown for the specific reason that I am afraid they will be harassed or be scared. My children have been exposed to people with different mental health needs, and people with disabilities, and they are very open and accepting children, However what we're running into downtown is harassment. It is a slew of inappropriate words, it is erratic seemingly unsafe behavior.	8/24/2018 10:53 AM
529	A friend of mine was visiting from a big city. We went downtown for a bite to eat. She was shocked to see all the homeless in the city blocks. We were asked for money a few times and there was one guy who seemed to be having a mental episode. Yelling and swearing at everyone in close proximity. My friend said she was shocked to see this and did not feel safe. We left and grabbed a bite at a restaurant in Oakway. Someone needs to reach out to other cities our size who have done a good job maintaining a clean downtown area. Perhaps start with Walla Walla.	8/24/2018 10:39 AM
530	There has been an increase in crime in our neighborhood documented by postings on our shared facebook page Laurel Hill Valley Citizens group.	8/24/2018 9:51 AM
531	My neighborhood particularly has an awful crime problem. I don't feel comfortable parking my car on the street and feel somewhat anxious at night time. We have reached out to Eugene Police many times and have basically received zero response. I understand how understaffed the department is but it just seems ridiculous.	8/24/2018 7:48 AM
532	Personal crime is out of control in our city, and the criminals know that nothing will be done about it.	8/24/2018 7:22 AM
533	It's really sad. 30 years ago I could walk, drive or bike anywhere in and around Eugene and feel confident that I would be safe. That has all changed.	8/24/2018 7:21 AM
534	Eugene downtown is not safe. Homeless are all over the area and continually harass people walking by. Especially women.	8/24/2018 6:45 AM
535	Transients and travellers rights are prioritized over citizens. I felt very unsafe when working downtown last year. Also, theft and trespassing are rampant in all neighborhoods.	8/24/2018 6:37 AM
536	There seems to be a lot more crime- car break-ins, people high wandering around, going through people's trash, illegal camping in the Laurel Hill Valley area.	8/24/2018 2:04 AM
537	i see 15+ cops all patrolling downtown during the day. Yet they only show up to 1 in 3 calls for the whole of Eugene. The EPD are too saturated during the daytime in downtown and leave the rest of Eugene unprotected. I live in the Laurel Hill Valley and we are forgotten. We have a Sex offender in the neighborhood who is also a career thief. When he is arrested for theft he is right back out the next day. Dwayne Dubard. He has felonys times 10 and a sex offender that continually does not register. Still isnt and hes back living up Augusta street. Yet he is free to roam the streets and make everyone in our area feel unsafe. Please do something.	8/24/2018 12:06 AM
538	I live in the Laurel Hill Valley neighborhood and while 'supposedly' it's one of the safest neighborhoods we have lots of transients living in the brush right next to homes. We are afraid they will cause a fire in our heavily wooded and densely populated hills. There is a LOT of drug use. Needles are found when we try to clean up the camps. We have one person in particular one who continues to be released back into the neighborhood and almost immediately car break-ins begin again. He was released from custody about a week ago and yesterday a wallet was taken out of a car and within a few hours over \$10,000 was fraudulently put on a stolen credit card. He is terrorizing all of us. The revolving door is not working for us here.	8/23/2018 11:33 PM
539	Seen a lot of folks on drugs wandering around my neighborhood and am hearing about increase in property crime. Eugene is changing	8/23/2018 10:22 PM
540	Vagrant behavior is getting worse. We need car camps, more police, and permanent tent cities for those incapable of living in the mainstream world.	8/23/2018 9:14 PM
541	Only have decreased because of the volume of reports of neighbors getting strange visits and solicitations at their homes.	8/23/2018 8:53 PM

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542	I used to be homeless years ago, so my idea of safety is jaded compared to many of my neighbors. That being said, I've notice the increase of homeless people in my neighborhood which had not been such a problem in the past, but just this year a van did get set on fire in my dead end.	8/23/2018 7:57 PM
543	Eugene has been on a downward spiral from a safe, clean community to one where you have to be constantly vigilant about property crime, car break-ins, and needles at the parks	8/23/2018 7:50 PM
544	I made a mistake yesterday and walked into the south face of Skinner Butte Park. Homeless camp, trash and waste dumps of all kinds of material both organic and synthetic. Can't believe that this exists in our downtown park. Does any City of Eugene authority know or care?	8/23/2018 7:35 PM
545	Panhandlers have gotten more aggressive, home breakins occur often now even though people are home and mental health issues and drug/alcohol/cannibus abuse numbers increase while resources do not.	8/23/2018 7:22 PM
546	I am extremely disturbed by the exponential rise in homelessness with its accompanying issues and problems. I live near a school which is now empty. Regularly, people are hanging out, sleeping or using drugs there which happens to coincides with an increase in neighborhood break-ins and theft. I used to feel that I lived in a safe neighborhood in a safe city. I no longer can say that. And I no longer bring guests downtown for a visit. They notice the change too. I now frequent Corvallis more due to my son attending OSU. I notice how different their streets are, especially downtown. How about City Council, EPD, and Chamber of Commerce folks go on a field trip, take notes and figure how to change this growing problem.	8/23/2018 7:02 PM
547	Alot of males wandering around with no where to go.	8/23/2018 6:34 PM
548	Be vigilant and alert even if I feel safe	8/23/2018 6:09 PM
549	I've had my car broken into and one time a young man ran out into the street and slapped his hands on my car as I drove home in the evening. My apartment building laundry room has been broken into repeatedly although not since the owners of my apartment installed several security cameras around the property. I think it would be great if we could prioritize increased funding for additional policing but I think that we need to take steps on our own e.g. the property owner who installs a security system.	8/23/2018 6:07 PM
550	Biking on heavily trafficked streets is a bad idea. I would like to see more bike routes that discourage automobile traffic; particularly downtown -- it's safer and almost as fast to bike from UO to Valley River Center than it is to bike the few blocks to downtown. (btw, I didn't understand what Q2 was asking.)	8/23/2018 5:34 PM
551	I'm concerned about fire in our neighborhood.	8/23/2018 5:21 PM
552	The City is being controlled by the homeless individuals throughout the city. The Council and the City Manager has done diddley squat to control the saturation. It is now unsafe for most individuals to walk on any city street. path or park without being harassed by homeless people. It is even more unsafe after dark. The downtown core area in full of individuals who continually harass people. especially females. I would urge the City Council to immediately do something to remove the homeless from the core area before someone is killed!	8/23/2018 5:04 PM
553	I've been robbed, so my view is somewhat skewed. I wish there were more wAys to help the houseless transition to jobs and feeling like part of community. Thanks for all you do! 😊	8/23/2018 4:39 PM
554	Although there have been many well thought out attempts to provide a safe city for those of us who live and work here, there are some key issues in Eugene (and elsewhere) which seem to present unsolvable problems.	8/23/2018 4:07 PM
555	More homeless, more panhandling, more litter.	8/23/2018 3:57 PM
556	Our cars were broken into in the YMCA parking lot. I don't like going downtown for dinner, etc if it requires a walk of more than a block or two. Homelss/transients are sometimes aggressive and confrontational.	8/23/2018 3:15 PM
557	The street people downtown are often intimidating...I don't go there very often and would not go at night alone. For the most part, I feel safe in my neighborhood but am also extremely cautious...doors always locked, garage door down and I am observant. I worry about the brazenness of home invaders so am careful.	8/23/2018 2:39 PM

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558	I live up in the hills and feel very safe. If you were to ask me about how I would feel about the parks near my favorite restaurants, I would have given very different answers. The downtown parks feel not only unsafe, but also filthy. I found a human turd while we were watching the sunset on skinner's butte last year.	8/23/2018 2:18 PM
559	I would like people in the city council take actions to improve safety in Eugene, especially downtown. The current safety situation is a shame. Downtown has become a public restroom and you can smell pees when you walk there. Many of my female coworkers have been constantly harassed.	8/23/2018 12:02 PM
560	Illegal camping and the increase of homeless camping in parks and wooded areas in neighborhoods is very concerning during the extreme fire danger season. Many people smoke and/or have cooking stoves.	8/23/2018 11:23 AM
561	I feel safe.	8/23/2018 10:35 AM
562	A couple things come to mind: We had two brown bears roaming the hood this year and we've never had that before. We're living in a collective tinder box for the next fire. When we park our cars, moments go by before someone asks us to pay them to watch over them for us.	8/23/2018 9:36 AM
563	I do not walk downtown very often; it looks very unpleasant when I drive through, with so many people camped out on the streets.	8/23/2018 9:20 AM
564	Love bike patrols along river path and downtown.	8/23/2018 9:07 AM
565	I ride the bus downtown a lot, and it's mixed - having lots of public events, and the Pods storage has helped, but there is also what seems to be an increase in sketchy characters loitering near the library and the Kesey Square/Starbucks area. I have also been harassed by people who are either intoxicated or aggressively panhandling. In the summer it has not been as bad, but the Downtown is downright scary in the evenings when days get shorter. I am concerned about reports in my historically very safe area of transients going door to door and harassing people or casing our homes. So, yes, more anxious than in the past.	8/23/2018 8:52 AM
566	The street corners and parks are full of homeless that are aggressive to other people. The city council keeps setting on their hands rather than running the homeless bums out of town.	8/23/2018 7:23 AM
567	My anxiety stems from the way people drive. . .running red lights, not using turn signals, speeding	8/23/2018 6:45 AM
568	I live in the Acorn Park neighborhood which abuts the Fern Ridge Bike Path. I have had personal property stolen from my yard and our car broken into. I will not walk on the bike path after dark or dusk. I believe that we should provide services to those less fortunate in our community AND we should also enforce the law. It is a shame that as a taxpayer and community member I am too scared to visit places right next to my neighborhood. I feel the City has taken an approach to turn the other cheek to some of these very tough issues which has resulted in a tacit approval of certain behavior. I believe the same issues occur across the City, including downtown.	8/22/2018 1:41 PM
569	Lots of people pestering you when you're downtown Kesey Square area	8/22/2018 9:08 AM
570	Homeless population sleeping on the streets, walking around them, their stuff in carts and lying around, so many dogs. Smell of pot as you walk on streets downtown.	8/22/2018 7:28 AM
571	I've lived here two years, and worked downtown the whole time. I lived downtown the first year as well. The constant presence of panhandlers, travelers, and people who need mental support services has grown really wearing. Every single day, I am asked for money multiple times. I've been screamed at. I've been propositioned. Downtown Eugene has a lot to offer, but it's just not a safe or nice place to be much of the time. I understand it's a complex problem, and I really appreciate seeing law enforcement officers being so present in the area.	8/22/2018 7:10 AM

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572	<p>I feel completely safe, except the eugene police scare me. I never had a speeding ticket before I moved from Bend to Eugene and i am 41. Since moving to Eugene, I have been pulled over 6 times in 5 years. Not because I did anything wrong, but because my ex is on my car title with me and she does not have a license. I'm not complaining about that as I fully understand. My issue of concern for my safety, is the way the police feel holier than thou and push their weight around when it is completely unecessary. I have a Lexus and have been pulled over twice for the same reason as stated above in it. I had no problems with the officers those times, but I also have an old truck I use for work and the 4 times I was pulled over in it, for the reason stated above, I was treated very rudely and as if I was the lowest of scum and was written up for ridiculous charges that they over exaggerated, just so they could write me a ticket. I'm the same person if I get into my 2018 Lexus or my 1997 beat up gmc work truck and I hear this is a common occurance. I highly recommend that Eugene add taking a lie detector test in order to work as an officer. I know they aren't 100% reliable, but at the least it would make it so not so many people who should not be able to carry a piece of equipment that can kill someone, be able to get employment in that field. I've never seen so many crooked officers in my life, other than the deputies of Linn county and again a lie detector test would put a huge dent in stopping that. My entire family is or were in the force, including my brother who is Andrew McCormick, Sgt of the Tempe Arizona police department and ive never seen anything like the corrupt practices as i have in Oregon. Its ruining peoples lives and nobody does anything to change it and i shouldn't be afraid every time I see a police car drive by me when im doing absolutely nothing wrong, my 3 children are even terrified of them due to being with me a few times I was pulled over. To me that says something huge, when children are terrified of the police. Thank you</p>	8/22/2018 4:00 AM
573	<p>Simple solution - remove those loitering. I am either harassed or sexually harassed nearly everyday, working across from Kesey Square. For the last five years. It's getting worse, soft being soft and remove the ones hanging out not giving their business. Simple. Easy.</p>	8/21/2018 6:29 PM
574	<p>The downtown area where I work is a mess. On my one block walk from the parking garage I pass on average over a dozen vagrants/travelers/bums whatever you want to call them the name doesn't matter. Point is, they are lying on the sidewalk, doing drugs, accosting passersby, yelling, littering, and on occasion tweaking out and getting into fights. It's is good to have the red hats and ambassadors, but we shouldn't need them. Is this the downtown culture we want to embrace. Is this what goes into a tourism brochure for Eugene? Mountains! Rivers! Beach! Arts! People sleeping on sidewalks! Rampant drug use and panhandling!</p>	8/21/2018 5:44 PM
575	<p>Nothing to make a person feel unsafe like a cop</p>	8/21/2018 4:57 PM
576	<p>Downtown needs to get cleaned up!!!!</p>	8/21/2018 4:48 PM
577	<p>The amount of Transients that hang out on the corner of Willamette and E Broadway is getting out of control. I feel like I can't use the side walk and when I do walk by I get comments from them that are sometimes aggressive. It's particularly bad at 5pm when I'm heading home.</p>	8/21/2018 4:41 PM
578	<p>I've only lived here 6 months, but it seems to be getting worse fast, like monthly. Not sure if it's the summer months or not. But you see people looking in peoples cars. People glaring at you or flat out yelling at you. People harassing you for money, people doing drugs right in front of your face. All of the people begging, and doing the drugs and just hanging out on the sidewalks is depressing. I pretty much have to walk to work every day with my head down so I don't accidentally make eye contact and have them beg or lose their temper on me.</p>	8/21/2018 4:40 PM
579	<p>In most of Eugene I feel safe, however the Downtown area has become increasingly worse the past couple of years. There are constantly groups of people that block the sidewalk, have aggressive dogs, pan handle, fight, use drugs openly, and make me feel unsafe.</p>	8/21/2018 4:38 PM
580	<p>The City Council needs to do something to remove the homeless from the city core, parks and bike paths. It is unsafe to go anywhere in the City unless you are packing a gun and are willing to use it.</p>	8/21/2018 3:37 PM
581	<p>Over the past 12 months, my wife and I have attended monthly events at the downtown library. I'm sad to have reached the point of nervousness when approaching the library. I have now come to expect to be accosted in some manner. Whether it's a traveler who has found a long-term home in Eugene and is asking for money to disturbed individuals who need mental health help. I am amazed at the brazen attempts to secure funds or the yelling and screaming that occurs in the downtown core of Eugene. Throughout the years, my wife and I made a concerted effort to walk the streets of downtown when no one else would. We chose to make our presence known and not allow others to tear down our fair city. I never thought I would reach the point of not wanting to visit the core of Eugene. I am almost to that point. Please help.</p>	8/20/2018 7:43 PM

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582	The homeless are getting more aggressive and harass people in the downtown area as well as on the bike paths throughout the city. I used to ride my bike 10 to 12 miles 5 days a week on several of the Eugene Bike Paths. I got tired of being harassed and hassled so I now ride River Road to Junction City and back rather than the bike paths near my home. The City has not done anything to control the harassment of its' citizens and have allowed the riff-raff to take over the streets, parks and bike/walking paths.	8/20/2018 4:48 PM
583	I'm sure this has been said before, but I don't feel like I can enjoy what Downtown Eugene has to offer, due to the extremely large population of homeless/transient people. I have honestly tried, and cannot walk 2 blocks downtown without being asked for something, such as money, a cigarette (I don't even smoke), or the like. Sometimes when you say "No," or quickly walk by, some of the begging people will become verbally aggressive toward you. Very unfortunate. I've been assaulted in downtown Eugene, simply for taking some video at Free Speech Plaza (I'm an independent photojournalist.) During that incident, I was actually impressed at the response time of EPD Officers, considering I'd waited for hours (literally) in the past for an officer to come out for another incident in the past. Granted, that other event would've been a lower priority. So I was pleased with the response time, but I still feel extremely on edge when Downtown.	8/20/2018 11:06 AM
584	With the number of street people sitting or standing together in groups, I feel less comfortable walking around downtown. I have no desire to visit downtown Eugene in the evening hours because of that. It's unfortunate.	8/20/2018 10:21 AM
585	I like to patronize downtown restaurants, The Davis, Poppi's, and others. It is very distressing to walk the gauntlet of street people. Although I go myself, I would never take out of town guests to our downtown now.	8/20/2018 8:21 AM
586	I see quite a few homeless in Eugene which doesn't scare me personally but I am concerned about their safety and I wonder if some property crime theft is because the homeless have nothing and are desperate	8/20/2018 7:25 AM
587	I thought this survey was about what services we wanted to fund in Eugene?	8/19/2018 10:41 PM
588	I do not feel safe in my apartment. Vagrants break in, vandalize the property, sell drugs right in front of our building (450 West Broadway), do drugs in the back alley and break into the dumpster. These are the same people who are then asking for handouts on the corner. I am unable to walk downtown without people aggressively pan handling or making lewd comments. A pan handling and loitering ordinance is strongly needed. I am disappointed that this has not already been put in place and embarrassed of our downturn area.	8/19/2018 5:05 PM
589	Too much patrol time is spent on nuisance or status crimes. Leave homeless people alone and put the downtown officers back on patrol for serious crime.	8/19/2018 9:09 AM
590	There are parts of the Eugene where the roads make me feel unsafe driving, and Arcadia Drive just off of Harlow has no side walk, but has tons of kids living in that neighborhood. When we ask about getting a side walk we're told we must pay for it, which never made any sense to any of our community.	8/19/2018 9:08 AM
591	The loiterers make me feel very uncomfortable. I don't appreciate the aggressive panhandling that goes on, nor the very unattractive, unsanitary site of people laying all over sidewalks with piles of belongings and dogs. I avoid those streets as much as possible.	8/19/2018 12:16 AM
592	The biggest place I feel unsafe is in the downtown area. I frequently feel the need to cross the street to avoid being accosted and have also felt physically threatened when I would not give money or food to panhandlerlers.	8/18/2018 12:54 PM
593	Walking to the bus station to get to work in the morning, by myself around 7am, I often think about the possibility of someone attacking me and sometimes there are people around who make me feel unsafe. After the person got stabbed and killed by a home intruder nearby the other month, I am much more paranoid about safety at home.	8/18/2018 9:19 AM
594	Even at 70 I feel safe in Eugene AND I don't take foolish chances.	8/18/2018 7:34 AM
595	I read more often about people being robbed or having things stolen from their homes. I find I don't want to ride my bike home on the bike path after dark. I'm not afraid of the kids on the sidewalk downtown in the daytime, but I don't feel safe alone at night.	8/17/2018 10:43 PM
596	My awareness of property crime in my area has increased greatly due to NextDoor. I do not believe actual crime has increased as much as awareness has.	8/17/2018 6:38 PM

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597	Knowing my neighbors is useful. I occasionally hear of people breaking into cars or stealing bikes in my neighborhood, but have not experienced this (except a minor car break in years ago). Downtown doesn't feel unsafe, just kind of squalid sometimes.	8/17/2018 7:58 AM
598	I live downtown, and without a car I walk downtown and take public transit. I actively engage people on the streets, especially those who may need a sandwich or a bottle of water.	8/17/2018 7:12 AM
599	Since Trump was elected I feel less safe at home and around town.	8/16/2018 9:50 PM
600	"Feelings" is a made up issue. It's the facts that count, so why don't you publicize those?	8/16/2018 7:19 PM
601	#2 unclear - I marked 'feelings of safety decreased some'. 8th and Willamette - Olive area very uncomfortable walking. Two general groups - mentally or physically disabled and mentally and physically fit who are seen selling and using drugs. Starbucks bathrooms are almost always occupied by street people. Scan Design left, how long will Starbucks stay. Why would any business want to move into downtown. Bus station and library are also very uncomfortable and we walk home from the Symphony and that is uncomfortable. We live at 11th and Patterson St. Street people enter the building, open boxes in front of doors, steal items from boxes and laundry being washed. They have broken into basement storage areas and vehicles. Walking to Trader Joe's means walking under bridges and is very uncomfortable.	8/16/2018 4:21 PM
602	As a result of several "approaches" when visiting downtown I limit my trips to daytime and then I only go to the Hult or the theater. I stay out as much as possible. Have not spent time or "real" money downtown in years.	8/16/2018 3:24 PM
603	Regarding the concern of a huge fire in the south hills of Eugene, isn't it time then to get a little more proactive in doing some wise tree thinning in that area??? Get some local logging and lumber companies to do the work in exchange for the timber. Make good contact with each land owner in the area by phone, post card, text or email, etc.	8/16/2018 2:05 PM
604	I became disabled in the last four years. I can neither fight nor flee. I only leave the house for carefully chosen events, in carefully chosen areas, and only with my caregiver. Even with our planning, we are surprised (Example: Went to Sweet Life at 7:00 am on a weekday morning. A very angry customer inside the business spent five minutes yelling, cussing, and threatening us, the staff, and other customers before leaving.)	8/15/2018 2:57 PM
605	We have lived in Eugene for 46 years. We feel that current Eugene leaders are not focusing on or solving the most important issues for our community. We have voted yes on almost all cost requests through the years and are now discouraged and angry that we have declining public safety and police officers, poor roadways and lack of sidewalks in whole neighborhoods. Unregulated speeding in our neighborhoods decreases our safety daily. We do not like the spending of our monies on yet Another survey before you ask for more money. PERS must be amended and a solution found before it bankrupts our communities. The the city councilors should quit wasting our monies on their new building and move into the EWEB building to save funds and show stewardship of our cities exsisting buildings. We are tired of big open pits in our city that sit for years. It is wasteful. Like the "garage art" in the parking structures. Please listen to the people in the community and use common sense.	8/15/2018 9:05 AM
606	The bike path is getting to be a scary place with the large groups of homeless people.	8/14/2018 11:07 PM
607	While I myself have not experienced any harassment, most likely owing to my gender, I know of several friends/colleagues who have had their fair share of unwanted and inappropriate encounters from people on the street. In addition to these encounters, the loitering of these people lacking permanent housing creates littering, unpleasant surroundings and questionable safety for residents. In general, I think more could be done to curb this behavior.	8/14/2018 3:12 PM

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608	<p>It is mind-boggling to me as a taxpayer that a very small minority of people are ruining the ability for the majority of Eugene to enjoy our city. I moved here imagining walking in the parks near the river, riding bicycles with my family on the paths and exploring the downtown and university area by foot with my kids. Instead - myself and my friends and neighbors all eschew the notion of the downtown and large parks being safe. After living all over the United States in small, medium and large size cities - I find Eugene to have some of the most potential of being a great place to live but falling by far the shortest of all those locations I have spent my time. The constant presence of "travelers", or "homeless" of "unhoused" depending on the popular vernacular of the day deserve to be treated respectfully and lawfully but they do Not deserve to ruin our city. Large throngs of people illegally camping and using drugs and alcohol in public spaces as well as roving through our downtown area makes it very unlikely that the city will approach the vibrancy it could under different circumstances. I don't suggest there is any need to create new laws - just equally enforce those that myself and the vast majority of Eugene citizens already follow. Such as - you can't walk around the downtown area on Friday Art Walk night with brass knuckles on one hand and carrying and swinging about a collapsable police baton in the other. (To which no police responded when a call was made and due to my place of eating I observed for greater than 30 minutes). Perhaps we could enforce laws strictly about littering and causing environmental damage to our community. Perhaps we could enforce laws about intimidation of citizens with verbal barrages of foul language. Perhaps we could enforce laws that say indeed it is not ok to sit in a public place and smoke marijuana - perhaps I don't want my young children to smoke your marijuana in a second hand manner. Perhaps we should respect the idea that a "public place" is actually meant to be available for use by everyone - not just the "travelers" who set up residence on prominent corners of parks and public rights of way. Perhaps we could prosecute and question people as they walk or ride around town with multiple new bicycles slung across their shoulders and are seen all over the city swapping bike pieces between bicycles in a manner to mask their origin. Perhaps we could create an ordinance against panhandling on roadways - as I almost was in an auto accident at the corner of Beltline and Delta highway last week when a panhandler ran into the fast moving traffic to get money from someone driving a car. Perhaps when a small crime is reported the police could make an effort to respond to the area if for no other reason than to give some reassurance to the community that they are actually available when needed. The problems are challenging but easily improved. A repeated theme among large numbers of people in our city is that Eugene is the dirtiest place they have lived. My friends who visit from other parts of the country immediately remark in a negative manner about the homeless on every corner and the unsafe sense of walking downtown and in the parks. Not a theme that will benefit our community in the long run. Again, I think there is incredible potential for Eugene to be a spectacular place to live and raise a family - but we are woefully far from that ideal at this time. There are clearly positive things happening in our community - but there is an ever worsening amount of discomfort and anxiety reported by many about their safety. If you can't feel safe - then people won't want to live here.</p>	8/14/2018 1:49 PM
609	Homeless population is out of control.	8/14/2018 10:53 AM
610	<p>Downtown Eugene is a huge problem. I work downtown, and want to support the other businesses downtown, but any given day when walking from my car to my office, I witness too many disturbing things to ever consider visiting downtown after hours or on the weekends. From witnessing a man shooting up in our office stair well last week to having to step around human feces on our doorstep in the morning...something has to change. The programming in the Park Blocks has helped that specific block tremendously (I cannot sing the praises of the park guides enough), but the general feel downtown has remained the same or gotten worse. I cannot walk to a daytime meeting or to get coffee without feeling nervous. It feels like everyone at the City of Eugene (including our City Council) is more concerned with the travelers than the businesses -- stop giving them so much credit and treating them like victims. The true victims are the people that work (or patronize) downtown and are forced to deal with this every day.</p>	8/14/2018 7:47 AM
611	<p>Downtown is dangerous. The area around the LTD transfer station is dangerous. I rarely go down there. When I do, I'm confronted by vagrants, aggressive pan-handlers, drug dealers, hypodermic needles, bums, people passed out on drugs, or yelling at the top of their lungs to the sky. I grew up here. I'm almost 60 years old now. I'm ashamed of what's become of Eugene. Women can't go out jogging alone. People are found dead along the bike paths. Children can't play in parks for fear of finding needles. You go to parks, you find junkies passed out. What has become of Eugene? We cater to the same people that are trashing our city.</p>	8/13/2018 11:44 PM
612	<p>5. Also, I think all schools should have metal detectors at all gates and all doors. 6. Banks would be wise to put a moveable stop sign that says something like no hats or sunglasses on beyond this point or alarm will be activated - we need to set some firm boundaries, or these criminals will thrive in an unrestricted city and it will be difficult to regain control if we let it get to far out of hand.</p>	8/13/2018 8:07 PM

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613	Fear of being hit by cars when biking, driving or walking is my area of most concern. Next concern would be theft of items in my parked car, though I have never experienced either of these. I suggest more lighting on side streets and neighborhoods. Modern, efficient, good-looking lights and fixtures. Also, re-surfacing streets. The hassle is worth it.	8/13/2018 5:44 PM
614	Eugene has changed a lot as those of us who have lived here for over 50 years know. People sleeping on the streets, panhandlers on street corners and exists to businesses. Ernie Unger finally said no to those wanting to stay at the Eugene Mission who did not want to change. So we now have marijuana and drug pushers in the central part of our city dealing to youth under 21 wanting access to the stuff.	8/13/2018 5:18 PM
615	I'm empathetic to the genuine homeless population, but there are too many people who either choose that lifestyle or won't try to get help because they are dependent on alcohol or drugs. Whenever homeless camping increases in my neighborhood, property crime goes up. This is just a fact. More needs to be done to protect law abiding citizens, not people traveling through and/or looking for a handout.	8/13/2018 4:25 PM
616	I often feel unsafe in down town, as well as other areas, due to the high number of transients and "street kids" hanging out. I have been harassed many times by men, continually am asked for money, and dread having to walk through the large groups hanging out and smoking in the down town area.	8/13/2018 3:17 PM
617	Since Eugene and Lane county encourage all the homeless to come here,we also have had an immense amt. of thieves to also come here.We know the homeless steal all the bicycles they can, for money,and they try to plop themselves on your property,we are not a safe state or county to live in,and the huge amt. of drug use here also makes us unsafe..So if you move here you should own a handgun at home to protect your home and family.If ever there was a good reason to have the 2nd amendment for the public, Lane county is it.	8/13/2018 12:09 PM
618	Illegal camping and foot traffic associated with the camping increased. No response from public officials	8/13/2018 11:44 AM
619	The people who seem to be in the middle of a mental health crisis scare me the most, probably because their actions seem unpredictable.	8/13/2018 9:59 AM
620	I work downtown now and do not feel very safe at all. Theft has gone up in my local neighborhood near North Gilham as well. More and more homeless on the rise that have major mental issues are part of the problem. Stop building more housing facilities that they do not want and work on mental health programs. It is pathetic that we allow them to destroy our city.	8/13/2018 8:08 AM
621	UO Student behavior has gone completely out of bounds over the last few years in our nearby neighborhoods. There is a critical and immediate need for concerted efforts and resources that effectively bring together property managers, UO, City council, planners, neighborhood associations, and police to set out and put in place meaningful and useful consequences that can and will be acted upon. The police force is short of staff and are unable to address. The property managers refuse to address tenant behavior at the rental process outset, let alone after repeated offenses against neighbors by their tenants unless there is police involvement (with threat of social host ordinance). Consequently, entire blocks of wonderful family neighborhoods are being turned into party central and are getting trashed. This is unacceptable but noone claims ability to help. Neighbors are in the worst position yet somehow we are supposed to take all responsibility for these students. Expectations must be set and adhered to and the actors in the best position to do so are property management, UO and City of Eugene police. While we have tried, neighborhood efforts to work with property managers have been most ignored, and often rudely. They are letting terrible behavior become a norm without any consequence to their tenants for whom they are responsible or their property owners. In addition, these property owners are allowing drug abusing wanderers to squat in the empty student house rentals during the summer without making much of any effort to act when good neighbors advise them this is happening. It's quite shocking. They are making the entire surrounding neighborhood unsafe and prone to increased property crime. These are historic family neighborhoods. The situation has become startling, and it is drastically affecting quality of life in our immediate communities, and simply demands to be addressed. In our neighborhood experience, the primary responsible and enabling parties are property management companies and UO student conduct office. Expectations need to be raised and enforced. We request that the city look at city ordinances with enforcement plans that provide practical and appropriate incentive. Until these steps are taken, the City absolute should not increase density of UO Students but should demand that UO take care of it's own student population residencies with property management and oversight.	8/12/2018 9:29 PM

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622	I understand the police cannot be everywhere and too many would constitute a unattractive environment. But - why so many drug deals in front of our downtown Library? Why are police staffing levels so low gangs are moving into town - and bragging about it?	8/12/2018 2:35 PM
623	GET RID OF THE HOMELESS. Separate the Hobos and Mentally Ill from the truly unfortunate people. Look at Gateway and Oakway shopping centers. And don't tell me that Eugene can't do that sort of thing....we have laws against loitering, defecating and accosting passer buys. The problem was solved 100's of years ago and you still don't understand. I come from a city that does not tolerate hobos....they are told to move on.	8/12/2018 2:32 PM
624	I am concerned that there is so much prevalent and blatant use of hard drugs in this community. I understand police and politicians cannot fight the underlying ideology of vagrants and meth heads, but the whole community suffers as a result of their poor choices and feels unsafe, not to mention irritated by beggars. Downtown is not a place for tripping, panhandling, or sleeping. It is a place for commerce and government and culture, and its current expression raises a lot of questions as to the priorities of our councils and leaders - the working world is faced with this blight every single day and no justification of personal liberty is possible when outweighed by the collective harm that is committed by disrespectful humans. The citizens need assurance that their safety and wellbeing is valued with action, and results are not evident at this time. Families don't flock downtown with their children, couples are not swooning and embracing on the street, instead, leafblowers are deployed to wake up people sleeping on the street and most people grit their teeth as they try not to make eye contact with the street folk. This place has so much potential, it saddens me and the city at large to see kids tying off on street corners or screaming belligerently, especially when there are so many resources available. Bottom line is that people cannot feel safe under these conditions.	8/12/2018 1:02 PM
625	There is not enough public safety in Eugene, I know funds have a lot to do with it. We need a sales tax.	8/12/2018 12:48 PM
626	The unreasonable amount of homeless people in this city make me want to move away, there is no amount of "services" we can provide to these people that will reduce the problem. Rather than creating a welcoming atmosphere for heroin addicts and other unsafe "actors" we should enforce the rules and laws already established in this city. I cannot feel safe going to the library, downtown, witeaker, west 11th, Washington park, or really anywhere these days as all you see are listless people milling around and creating an environment that welcomes those actions our communities have created rules to prevent. Creating a rule against panhandling could be a beginning, however we need to address the core issue of homelessness. It is so often treated as a symptom of a disease, but it should be put rightfully in the category of a deterrent for the disease of "bad actions" by making the life of a homeless person more tolerable we take away the deterrent to becoming homeless. Living "rough" is not always a persons fault, however we must not make it a desirable way of life for a section of the population who view the standard of living as acceptable.	8/12/2018 11:55 AM
627	If you feel safe look again at the people around you and watch their movements and think again. Most innocent looking goings-on could just as well be wrong doings. Always stay aware of all around you, everything around you and be ready for anything that could suddenly arise. I have lived in a lot of places. Eugene has a calmer atmosphere but could fool you in a moment. Thank you for getting the public's views.	8/12/2018 11:44 AM
628	I am concerned about the degree to which the police broadcast their inability to effectively police the city. I am also concerned about the degree to which police and city ordinances seem to target homeless people and street kids. We need to provide more and more stable housing.	8/12/2018 10:27 AM
629	Am always aware and try to be conscious about what all is going about when I am out; biking, walking, and driving.	8/12/2018 10:01 AM
630	I'm concerned about police response time if I did have an issue in my home and needed assistance. Will I have to wait if the crime is not an emergency? I'm most concerned with the lack of general patrolling and enforcement of lower-level crimes, misdemeanors and ordinance violations. We shouldn't be enforcing crime on a priority level. We should have the staff to enforce all levels of the law, period.	8/12/2018 9:40 AM
631	Transient Behavior, roaming 'gangs' & groups of homelessness, parking on street living in cars & inability to get them moved- it took months to move a couple campers from in front of our business & St Vincent was unresponsive while they receive public funds for this.	8/12/2018 9:34 AM
632	I live near downtown and walk there almost daily. The numerous large groups clustering on street corners w/ dogs, smoking and begging is uncomfortable for me. Additional groups near Whitebird Clinic (12th and Mill) sleeping on curbside is also uncomfortable.	8/12/2018 6:51 AM

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633	I live in the South Eugene Hills and feel safe. I work in Downtown Eugene and feel safe until i walk down to Kesey Square and west of Kesey Square and do not feel safe.	8/11/2018 8:54 PM
634	I lived downtown for several years, kitty-corner to Kesey Square, and I felt safe walking around and interacting with people at all hours. It seems to me that some of the opinions I've heard from others about safety downtown are more due to their bias in perception than their experience of reality. That bias can cause conflict, because it causes people to act defensive and rude to the people they perceive as dangerous. That behavior can garner a poor reaction from any human. I witnessed that scenario many times—a person or group of people would attempt to interact with another person or group of people, and the immediate reaction was to yell loudly and rudely that they refuse to engage. It's not acceptable to yell or say rude things or refuse to engage with others, simply due to your perception of them, which is likely incorrect. I believe it is everyone's responsibility to find and acknowledge their biases' and understand that they are likely incorrectly judging people that they perceive as dangerous. To keep downtown safe, help folks treat each other well and not to be afraid of one another. The city should facilitate respectful and positive interaction and engagement among its citizens.	8/11/2018 5:29 PM
635	Downtown where I work is still a mess	8/11/2018 1:20 PM
636	I've lived here all my life and I am extremely sad about the direction Eugene has gone. I'm certainly no longer proud of my town.	8/11/2018 8:48 AM
637	The City Council has allowed the unhoused take over the City. There are people staying almost every park in the City and pooping in the bushes. While the Council continues to waste money on trying to build a new City Hall instead of moving into the EWEB headquarters,	8/11/2018 7:57 AM
638	I used to live on E 43rd. Twice, I was unable to return home after work due to police barricades that encompassed approximately a 4 block radius (on both occasions). Now, I live on W. 11th near Fred Meyer's. In the last 2 nights, I've woken up to the flashing lights beaming through my bedroom, the latter through my living room. I have no doubt that your department does its job to keep our community safe, but I have reservations as to whether the budget is being used appropriately for our community. I feel that we at large would benefit from police bike patrol units in the areas that are rife with criminal activity. The mere knowledge that the police are present would deter unwanted behaviors that occur blatantly on public streets. Regarding more social support services, while invaluable to those that SEEK it, its an fruitless expense on the city as a bandaid cannot cure an illness. Keep up the good work!	8/11/2018 1:26 AM
639	The data shows that Eugene's crime rate has fallen dramatically and the city is one of the safest in the nation. Why doesn't the city celebrate these facts?	8/10/2018 9:15 PM

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640	<p>I live downtown, on the 400 block of West Broadway. We have drug activity behind the apartment building in the alley between Broadway and 10th almost once a week, as well as theft, graffiti, and constant trespassing. We have repeatedly had packages and other items stolen from inside the building, which we keep locked at all times. We have had to lock up our dumpster because it was gone through multiple times daily, often with disturbed people out in it for hours. We locked up the recycling bins as well, but our locks were stolen. I have to go out to daily activities, like walk to the grocery store, and have felt less safe with each passing day. I have lived here downtown for 11 years, and I have had enough. Every time I go down Broadway on foot, I am met with aggressive, rude behavior that has begun to cross the line to assault. I am a woman, and usually walking on my own. Sundays, when few people are downtown, are even more awful than other days, and I avoid walking out then if at all possible. Two weeks ago I went out on foot to go to the Whole Foods, at about 5:30 pm on a Sunday. There were few people out except the groups of street-sitters. Just as I was passing the mid-block alley by the Cowfish nightclub, a man sitting on the street said in a creepy voice, "Hey lady, can you help me out by making love on the sidewalk," and one of his fellow street-sitters said, "I can grab her." That is an assault, and I am disgusted and sick of it. I ought to be able to go out in my own neighborhood and not be bothered, harassed, or assaulted. I constantly have to weave between various combinations of rude youths, aggressive panhandlers, people with serious mental illness, etc. and I hate it. I understand that this is a city that prides itself on its empathy for people facing challenges, and for supporting 'alternative' lifestyles, but it cannot continue to excuse this kind of behavior. Smoking and dog bans are not enough. We should have the guts as a community to recognize that these are serious public safety and social problems, and stop being nice or laughing them off, and implement no loitering and no panhandling bans. The downtown should not belong to a group of people who violate the rights of other citizens; democracy and individual liberty are not rights that mean that people can just do as they please. They are responsibilities that demand that we respect the liberties of other citizens. The people downtown who are abusing their liberties by abusing other citizens should not be treated as if they have the right to be there if they do not hold up their side of the democratic contract and protect other citizens' liberties. I am not as a general principal someone who advocates increased police authority and presence, but in this case I think it is desperately needed.</p>	8/10/2018 7:44 PM
641	<p>Look up the neighborhood websites to see how many of the city residents are feeling about their personal and home safety. People are not happy. they want more police presence as well as enforcement of prowler and other safety issues.</p>	8/10/2018 4:50 PM
642	<p>I live in the West University Neighborhood and the string of strong-arm robberies we experienced several months ago was particularly disturbing. There also seems to be a criminal element that has infiltrated the neighborhood now that Downtown and the Whiteaker have begun to "clean up".</p>	8/10/2018 2:20 PM
643	<p>It's very frustrating having to constantly keep an eye out for the random homeless junkies in my neighborhood. I find needles regularly and have had to call police a minimum of 7x in the last year alone. I don't feel supported or safe. I never even bother to invite friends or visitors to the downtown area because it's so uncomfortable with smokers and begets. Honestly New York City felt safer to me. What a shame.</p>	8/10/2018 1:58 PM
644	<p>I live on the River Rd district (Off Howard St) and is a very safe area. I do work downtown Eugene (Miner bldg) so I walk around downtown quite a bit, for lunch, visiting friends, etc. The homelessness and transient situation needs to be addressed, yesterday! Specially now that I found out the weapon of choice of most homeless men are machetes and similar, exacerbated by the increase of misdiagnosed mental illness, it does not makes me feel that I am safe walking around downtown Eugene, not even during the day. I have also learned that EPD seems to "migrate" the homeless back downtown Eugene during the summer months and then back to under the overpasses during rainy/fall-winter months. Why is this? What is the city waiting for to address the homeless situation? Another stabbing?</p>	8/10/2018 12:26 PM
645	<p>The recent planters on Broadway and Olive have helped in decreasing the population of vagrants/loiterers, although it is still a problem. I walk through this area once or twice a day on my way to work, or to go to the convenience store or Subway restaurant there. Many of the loiterers are a nuisance, and some will be verbally aggressive when ignored. I'm not too afraid of a physical altercation, but I am a little bit, and I'm a young tall able-bodied male (Should I feel ashamed to admit this?). I go out of my way to pick whatever route will go around the largest or most unpleasant gathering when I pass through that area (inconvenient at best). As an additional note but a very minor issue, there are instances of drug use and vagrancy in the back and sometimes the front (8th and Olive) of the Venture Data call center.</p>	8/10/2018 10:58 AM

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646	Home security is a concern for us, since we don't have much and can't really afford a security system. I've always carried a taser in Eugene because as a young woman, nowhere feels absolutely safe. On days when I ride transit instead of using my own car, this multiplies.	8/10/2018 10:58 AM
647	The VRC bike path is becoming increasingly dangerous. This is especially true for women. When every bridge and any of the woods along the river may contain campsites. The people living in these campsites potentially pose a physical danger to people using the bike path. These campsites which are illegal to begin with and very often filled with people using drugs. They eventually leave these illegal camp sites and all the trash behind. This is what the city is allowing to happen by not enforcing illegal camping. Propagation of an increasing danger to the public along with increased pollution to our riverway. The city being unable to come up with alternatives to what is currently occurring is no excuse to to allow it to continue and grow, increasing the safety risk to the rest of the public. I would suggest, no plead with the city to walk the bike path in its entirety. Take note of the conditions of both camps in use and those deserted. Then ask yourself, do you feel good about being responsible for allowing our river to become a new dumping ground? Do you think you would feel safe biking or jogging alone early in the morning or late afternoon.	8/10/2018 10:44 AM
648	I just moved from the campus area and there was a HUGE problem with broken glass all over the roads and sidewalks. It was really terrible.	8/10/2018 8:17 AM
649	I run on the bike paths a lot and in the past year, I've felt more and more unsafe. There's enough people on drugs or crazy down there that I never can run by myself-especially after the lady got attacked at 2pm on a Sunday afternoon. It's such a disappointment to have a wonderful place for the community be ruined by a small population of homeless or drugged up people. Even with a friend, I'm always on high alert when I run out there.	8/10/2018 8:14 AM
650	The homeless population and unvaccinated children are becoming vectors for diseases that we have not seen in decades. Polio, Tuberculosis, mumps etc. Serious sometimes violent mental health patients wonder the streets. The overall homeless population is increasing as people migrate here. The Eugene City Council is in complete denial of the consequences of recruiting an ever increasing homeless population and wants to throw more tax dollars enable the issue. Human waste and needles are filling up our alley ways. Individuals breaking into cars and buildings go unchecked by police. Public intoxication and loitering are not enforced unless you do not look homeless. Ample resources exist in the city to get free food water shelter and clothing yet we endorse street begging for alcohol and drug money. We should tax cheap liquor, enforce loitering laws, criminalize street begging, break up illegal camps often, invest in drug and alcohol rehab facilities, hunt down the opiate and amphetamine supply chains, reduce bottle return to 5 cents.	8/10/2018 8:10 AM
651	The City has been taken over by gangs, thugs and homeless who do nothing but steal and harass City residents	8/10/2018 7:50 AM
652	The city council needs to respond positively to the Eugene Police requests for funding for more officers. And, they need to finally deal with a solution to the street corner beggars like Springfield did. Quit creating a safe spot for bums to live in the bushes or they will never move on or try to change their lifestyle. We are experiencing more break-ins in my neighborhood due to bums on bikes with backpacks.	8/10/2018 7:42 AM
653	The rise of white supremacist hate in the area is truly troubling me.	8/10/2018 7:24 AM
654	I would like to see more police officers available to respond to non emergency crimes especially theft. I would also like to see police presence on the bike path.	8/10/2018 6:17 AM
655	I live in the county outside of Eugene. My husband's office is downtown and I'm basing my response on that. 99% of the time I DO NOT go downtown for anything. It's a total shame - this area could be like downtown Springfield - coming on strong and safe. The Eugene PD needs to have the handcuffs taken off the officers so they can get results. They need more officers. The way to do this is not taxing businesses but providing more good paying jobs so there is more revenue coming in that way. Economic development is the key in my opinion, but unless safer downtown and homeless with a place to go, people do not want to move their families to Eugene.	8/10/2018 4:57 AM

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656	When there are incident involving public safety in my neighborhood, even when multiple neighbors are calling about the same, repeated safety issues, we receive no response. There is no visit from police or follow up response as to why. There is gun fire and illegal activity as a regular part of our neighborhood landscape, something that Eugene doesn't care about in poorer socioeconomic areas. We are comparing with our community partners in wealthier neighborhoods who report reviving no delay in assistance for calls of much lessor crime activity and safety risk. There are currently 20 Eugene residents that are noting and mapping this approach to policing in Eugene. Eugene would be a better place to live if everyone's tax dollars created the same attention to safety and support. Thank you.	8/10/2018 12:21 AM
657	We absolutely need the city council to stop spending money on bull---- and we need MORE Police officers. Eugene has grown but the police force has not. How about protecting the people who pay the taxes instead of the people who just come here to cause trouble.	8/9/2018 10:53 PM
658	I've lived here 6 years and feel like it has become increasingly more dangerous. I'm an avid runner and have become more and more reluctant to run on the river path by myself due to the large transient population. I also work downtown as well as own a business and the transient population has made both of those seem less ideal	8/9/2018 10:28 PM
659	All of the property crime is concerning	8/9/2018 10:24 PM
660	Eugene OR is extremely safe relative to Richmond CA where I used to live. Bike theft and parts looting is the most major concern, followed by health/hygiene related issues associated with the very large homeless population	8/9/2018 10:17 PM
661	i wont feel more safe with more cops. i would feel better with easier access to cahoots.	8/9/2018 8:05 PM
662	Unsafe drivers make me feel the most anxious. People just aren't paying attention. There are small things that people can do, like using turn signals, that a free, easy to do, and could make everyone safer. But people refuse to follow these basic protocols. They also don't know basic driving rules. Also a huge pet peeve of mine is that police cars don't have daytime running lights. They should be standard. It's gray and rainy for much of the year. Turning on lights in the rain is one small thing that can be done to set a good example and keep everyone safer.	8/9/2018 6:10 PM
663	drivers ignoring pedestrians and bicyclist. ive personally almost been hit by a car at least 10 times this year. my wife and child have almost been hit crossing barger in northwest eugene multiple times. half of eugene should have their lisenses revoked	8/9/2018 6:10 PM
664	Can't use the bike path at night due to hobo harassment. Zombie house next is a magnet for thieves and tweekers.	8/9/2018 5:48 PM
665	we do not go to Eugene unless we down right have to; safety & no parking are the biggest issues.	8/9/2018 5:07 PM
666	Abusive, Jon Fialho needs to leave town. Shane Ozburn is a deadly danger to everyone in town, he needs mental help. I have suicidal ideation because Cayce Calder raped me and appears to be getting away with it. I was reaching for any help I could get to get my heart untangled from my stalker. I took the only help I could get.	8/9/2018 4:56 PM
667	Loitering is the worst it's been. I don't even mind the panhandling, even though I think it is enabling behavior and keeping people from seeking services, it's the loitering that makes me feel unsafe. There are literally piles of people all laying on top of each other and you have to walk around them and if you were to offend them somehow they can be aggressive and have a pack mentality. Downtown has improved somewhat recently (still not great) but West 11th has gotten WAY worse.	8/9/2018 4:09 PM
668	I live near the university and the rash of armed robberies during the last year has made me second guess walking in my neighborhood.	8/9/2018 3:45 PM
669	police calls need to be answered	8/9/2018 3:36 PM
670	The amount of aggressive panhandling downtown has to stop. There was a noticeable difference when the homeless could not have their dogs downtown. The ability to walk down the public sidewalk downtown is very often impeded by people that have no respect for others and often times refuse to move. I had to help an elderly man in a wheelchair get through a mob of kids in order to cross the street.	8/9/2018 3:27 PM
671	Bike theft is my greatest safety concern. I am also weary of riding alone on paths at night ... But, Eugene definitley feels safer than any town I've lived.	8/9/2018 2:24 PM

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672	More and more "travelers" pour into Eugene and seem to live on the streets with no concrete restrictions by the City. Installing planters, or bike racks, and removing benches does not actively address the problem. That is a passive/aggressive approach to avoiding the problem by not dealing with it head on, e.g. making those folks move along. I cannot walk in downtown Eugene without being asked for money multiple times and constantly smelling pot smoke.	8/9/2018 2:14 PM
673	Over the past couple years going downtown has gotten worse and worse. There are a lot of great stores and places to eat, but the homeless/street kids have gotten way out of control. Its been about a 6 months since I went somewhere in downtown. They lay everywhere on the sidewalks, they harass you, swear at you if you don't give them smokes/pot/money. No one seems to care or do anything about it so my company moved locations out of downtown, I personally know many people who stopped going down there. Whats worse is, they are overflowing into other parks and public areas, starting cook fires on the grass. pitching tents. not giving a single care for anyone else. I can't leave my house to go somewhere to eat anywhere in eugene without someone with a sign asking for weed on every street corner. I caught someone trying to steal my bike from the back of my truck, my wifes bike was stolen, and pretty much everyone i know has had a bike stolen at some point living here. so i get to stay in my home and make sure everything is bolted down or it will get stolen, hell it might get stolen if its bolted down.	8/9/2018 2:12 PM
674	Working near downtown Eugene, I often feel uncomfortable walking near my office during the day. I often feel uncomfortable walking in downtown, especially at night, as a woman.	8/9/2018 2:02 PM
675	The homeless problem is out of hand. No one should be permitted to camp anywhere in city limits. Our parks and personal property is far less safe than even a few years ago. Make it uninviting for these people and we are all instantly safer. Homeless loiter near my business but don't have to leave because it is a city easement. Horrible policy! They've broken in my car just in front of my home. Women feel unsafe walking the bike path or in parks. I am uncomfortable with my children in some parks. We allow people to live in their Van's in city parks. That is not safe! These people need feel unwelcome here until they leave. Period.	8/9/2018 1:59 PM
676	using 'anxious' in your category descriptions triggers my anxiety disorder and has caused me to respond more negatively - it's a very poor choice of words	8/9/2018 1:58 PM
677	I heard part of an interview with the chief this morning, and was so happy to hear he wants to add officers. I live in what is probably considered to be a fairly decent neighborhood off Coburg road, but am noticing a serious increase in seedy activity. It would be so great if there were enough resources for more patrols. I don't generally call about suspicious activity in the field behind my house at the corner of Elysium Ave and Providence because I realize the officers have bigger fish to fry. Nevertheless, there is quite a bit of activity that I wish wasn't happening right by and behind my home. I also work downtown, and it just seems like the behaviors have become much more bold and often. Gotta say, our office faces the park blocks, and I really appreciate it when we see officers in the park regularly. Thanks so much for all the hard work. We just need more of you!	8/9/2018 1:57 PM
678	We saw two patrolmen on foot walking our neighborhood and made us feel very happy and secure. Wish there were resources to allow on foot patrols like in the old days in the city. We live on Lawrence just down from Berg's. We have noticed street toughs beginning to hang out in front of the 13th Street Market. Hope you will get rid of them.	8/9/2018 1:46 PM
679	Lots of cars in my neighborhood (Friendly Area) are gone through when left unlocked, which means many nights someone is checking.	8/9/2018 1:14 PM

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680	<p>The new U of O police need too be answerable too the sheriffs department, I was threatened at gun point by a very young U of O security officer for "crossing the street without signaling long enough first" and when I called the police and sheriff I was told it's out of their jurisdiction. My attorneys took care of it but I still didn't approve of being threatened with bodily harm, especially over something so minor. The U of O police didn't even have a captain at the time, the "officers" we're just operating autonomously and that's very very scary. . I've seen on the news that the crime in my neighborhood has gone up drastically and I've had my stuff stolen three times this year which is more than any previous years I've lived in this particular spot(roughly 10yrs) however I still feel safe enough to sleep with my windows open at night. . Maybe instead of buying new police cars ever other year instead invest the money in training and retaining good police and the others won't feel so over whelmed. . *I've had more negative experiences with the local police than I have with criminals, all sorted out by my attorneys in court but still a waste of my time, money, and energy, not too mention the unnecessary stress of dealing with someone immature in a place of authority. Also body cam footage should be freely available and not edited, it really irritated me that it was edited and not the full time amount requested and I was charged money just too even see the body cam footage. . Add a bit too their training about how they are not Judge Dread and maybe actually teach officers the laws they are supposed too be enforcing instead of making citizens waste everyone's money going through the court system just too have the cases thrown out of court because they never should have been in court in the first place. . Try holding the individual officers accountable for frivolous tickets/arrests. . If y'all really want to improve safety around Eugene build a massive homeless compound much like the mission out by Walmart and provide housing, food, clothes, internet, phone service, and jobs for the homeless and less fortunate. It would help the community, the homeless, and reduce crime. Also would make Eugene look good too the rest of the world for taking a proactive healthy approach to helping the homeless.</p>	8/9/2018 1:02 PM
681	<p>I am concerned that a feeling of safety is not equally shared. Efforts to improve safety should create more equity in the community.</p>	8/9/2018 12:37 PM
682	<p>It is harder to be aware of my surroundings with more people milling around downtown. Neighborhood between downtown and UO has ore trash and abandoned furniture outside, indicating residents/landlords don't care. Bicycling is more hazardous due to distracted driving.</p>	8/9/2018 12:32 PM
683	<p>The EPD I know are busy but we need more to take care of outer city limits.</p>	8/9/2018 12:04 PM
684	<p>We live in the Santa Clara area, and will not go to downtown Eugene unless absolutely necessary.</p>	8/9/2018 12:03 PM
685	<p>The police need to take all hate crimes seriously. There shouldn't ever be a reason that someone can't file a complete report on them. It's inexcusable.</p>	8/9/2018 11:35 AM
686	<p>The river path is sketchy, for sure. I have people camping on the sidewalks near my home and I don't know what to do. I feel like they're just waiting for an opportunity to break in. (5th & Almaden)</p>	8/9/2018 10:57 AM
687	<p>From 2013 to 2017 I worked at various businesses downtown. Over the duration of that time my feelings of safety greatly declined. By 2017 it was was an everyday "norm" to see someone on the street (near Willamette & Broadway) having a drug or mental illness related meltdown. I regularly witnessed people getting into load verbal and/or physical altercations. For example, one morning I was heading into work and watched a man chase down another man and try to beat him with a metal chair. Or what about the gun incident outside the library, or the attempted kidnapping of a woman who was walking at night near Concentric Sky? And then there was the time that a women from the street was asked by my manager to leave our business and the women slapped my manager in the face in front of a bunch of elderly customers. There were also numerous times while working at the Broadway Metro, I would arrive to work and find human feces or needle outside of the doorway. I understand that there is not an easy solution for these issues, but it is really to the point where it seems like protecting the rights of "street people" is being prioritized over the rights of people who own businesses, work downtown and patrons. The people who live in neighborhoods nearby and only visit downtown once in awhile do not understand what it is like to have to be immersed in that every single day. And with the City hosting the upcoming World Games, the current vibe and atmosphere of downtown is going to have the opposite effect of making people want to move here. It will likely drive people away. I am really concerned about the future of the downtown economy and business owners. I don't want to see downtown go back to the empty void that it was prior to 2013.</p>	8/9/2018 10:48 AM

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688	<p>We need more police presence on the streets (read: hire more officers). Growing up in Eugene 4 decades ago, I remember a stronger police presence. Too many resources go downtown, though downtown is awful and needs the help. We live on the edge of downtown and must go there nearly daily for various needs, but we hate it. It always feels unpleasant, and sometimes is down right dangerous (threats, harassment, foul behavior and language in the presence of our children; despite what some naysayers state, downtown does not feel inviting or safe to many many residents). Eugene has a lot going for it, but our downtown is an utter embarrassment. With the new leadership, EPD has a rare opportunity to think outside the box and I encourage them to work with neighborhood associations, citizens, and others to create policing partnerships so that budgetary issues don't cause or exacerbate public safety issues. Let us citizens be part of the solution. It is a non-starter to let problems fester or grow due merely to one dimensional thinking (we lack the money); let's pool mental and physical resources and solve problems collaboratively. I speak as a neighborhood leader (current vice chair, former chair of Jefferson Westside Neighbors), and I know it can be done.</p>	8/9/2018 10:33 AM
689	<p>It's safer if you're white.</p>	8/9/2018 10:13 AM
690	<p>Not nearly enough police presence. Growing up in Eugene 4 decades ago, it seemed like the police were more of a regular presence on the streets. Too many resources go downtown, which doesn't seem to be doing anything. Downtown is awful, and my family avoids it as much as we can. However, living on the edge of downtown means that we DO go downtown regularly, and it is always unpleasant and sometimes down right threatening. I urge the police to form partnerships with neighborhood associations and others to enhance policing efficacy. The new leadership has an opportunity to think outside the box.</p>	8/9/2018 10:06 AM
691	<p>Eugene is a very safe place to live, in my experience, and compared to other places I've lived. But I am a white person. The biggest concern for me is the rise in white supremacist vandalism, hate speech, and harassment of people of color in our community.</p>	8/9/2018 9:52 AM
692	<p>The street people are the reason I avoid going downtown. Too many of them congregating on corners. I used to enjoy restaurants downtown, but not any more.</p>	8/9/2018 9:03 AM
693	<p>I feel less safe in Eugene than I used to. It seems like home break-ins are on the rise and homelessness has increased. I live in South Eugene and I periodically have homeless people dumping trash in my driveway or using my hose faucet water to shave with. I am not okay with this. I don't like having people hanging around my house at weird hours of the night or using my property for their own purposes. I've had to move all of my trash and recycling bins behind a fenced area so that no one can access them (either going through my trash or filling my trash bins with rejected soup cans and bottles, so that I have to dump their trash). I would like to see city funds go into increasing the Eugene police force to have more eyes protecting neighborhoods, more cops to ticket speeding cars and with more cops improving emergency response times. I have read a number of alarming personal accounts on Nextdoor where people have found someone sleeping on their porch or someone high on drugs passed out near their home. Then calling the police and the police arriving hours later because they don't have enough officers.</p>	8/9/2018 8:59 AM
694	<p>We had the Sponsor Program Reentry Housing built next to us on Oak Patch. We now often hear people arguing, screaming obscenities, and swearing loudly outside especially on the weekends or late night hours. There is an increased amount of property theft. We have motion detectors and cameras and ADT, as well as No Trespassing signs posted on the alley/driveway you enter into our property by (off 15th) We've had numerous instances of catching strange people coming in and creeping around outside, looking in windows and once even trying all the doors. The Fernridge bike path area down the road is frequently occupied by the homeless. Oak Patch therefore is also frequented by many. Some of these appear to be mentally unstable and are speak abusively and harass people who walk or bike alone. This causes people to feel unsafe to use it alone.</p>	8/9/2018 8:25 AM
695	<p>There are areas that feel extremely safe, any areas away from the railroad tracks, river trails, and downtown feel safer. The lack of mental illness support and lack of enforcement for vagrancy is definitely not helping matters. The city council needs to prioritize enforcement funding and stop pushing levies, bonds that do not address these issues. While I understand the issue of humane treatment, that does not mean that we should forget personal responsibility and accountability to our community and the rule of law.</p>	8/9/2018 8:24 AM
696	<p>Walking the downtown area of Eugene has greatly grown in the homeless population which makes me feel uneasy and anxious from lingering eyes, comments, drugs, and asking for money.</p>	8/9/2018 8:16 AM

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697	I commute every weekday from downtown to the University and the corners surrounding the bus stations are in need of help. I will typically cross the street not at a crosswalk to avoid the transients and street kids that hang out there. I've been aggressively catcalled, solicited for drugs, and had to veer out of the way of fist fights. The flower beds are beautiful, and I don't know if those were put in as a deterrent to hang out there, but it's not nearly enough.	8/9/2018 8:16 AM
698	I regularly walk the bark trail at 7 am at Amazon, and there are frequently homeless people who have slept in the bushes. Also, the downtown area doesn't feel safe with all the vagrants grouped together on corners busking. The downtown bus station has a huge permanent grouping on the corner of teenage/young adult people gathered who are always yelling at each other, arguing loudly, and shouting obscenities. I'm not a prude, but the constant barrage of bickering and profanity feels like things might erupt into fistfights, etc at any moment..	8/9/2018 7:55 AM
699	The crowds who live up and down Broadway can be intimidating to those of us who want to support local business.	8/9/2018 7:54 AM
700	Property crime seems to be up and other quality of life issues are a concern.	8/9/2018 7:46 AM
701	As a resident of the Bethel neighborhood, I've noticed increased police presence during the day. I still occasionally see what looks like drug deals going on behind the Dari Mart but overall safety has improved dramatically. I generally feel safe letting my kids walk down the block to play with their friends.	8/9/2018 7:31 AM
702	I dont think the largest issue is the response time, im more concerned with the turn around time in jail. Being released within 48 hr for a very violent crime is messed up. And it happens daily in this town. It does not matter how many cops are there if the job they do is just undone by the judges or the city because there's not space in the jail house. Crime increases because they know they will get away with it. I've lived here 20 years and space in the jail house has been an issue i've been aware of for at least 10 years. Stop letting them go.	8/9/2018 6:27 AM
703	I got jumped downtown awhile back. The kids that jumped me fractured my orbital and my nose. My nose was so badly broken, it was under my left eye. I was in bed recovering for a week. Street kids, while I have empathy for their situation, make me nervous. There needs to be a solution. I shouldn't feel like I need to take a weapon with me when I leave my home.	8/9/2018 3:13 AM
704	I am on West 8th Avenue near Polk and my sleep in disrupted on a regular basis by brutal, drug fueled shouting and screaming. I even hear it during the day. Always males, more than one individual, I believe. It is scary. The person wanders the streets. In general our streets out over run and have benn in general, hi-jacked by homeless encampments. They appear more entrenched, entitled to their sidewalk space then ever. Extremely filthy. Not gentle people. WE ARE NOT HELPING THEM BY JUST GIVING AWAY CIVIC SPECE MEANT FONR FOOT TRAFFIC.	8/9/2018 2:38 AM
705	Response time must get better. Lights lights lights. Eugene and its trail system has the worse lighting I have ever seen and as we all no bad things lurk in the shadows and dark. Drugs though have to be number one.	8/9/2018 12:19 AM
706	Is some what safe	8/9/2018 12:06 AM
707	Too many discarded needles; knowing users can be dangerous; makes me uneasy.	8/8/2018 11:48 PM
708	I work downtown. I don't feel safe walking down Broadway or over by the library and bus station. The last time I was down there (approx 2 weeks ago) I was pleasantly surprised to see a fair number of officers on foot.	8/8/2018 11:29 PM
709	I have a young child. We love to walk around the city and downtown. Loud, aggressive and belligerent individuals make us both feel unsafe and terrify my son. Whenever we walk in the city I find myself constantly searching ahead and crossing streets out if our way to avoid people, just in case. Not a good feeling. Aggressive panhandling, followed up with insults and foul language are more often the norm. As those individuals are pushed out of downtown, we are encountering them now more in parks/playgrounds and closer and closer to home. It's common to walk a park trail almost anywhere and encounter people coming and going from the bushes.	8/8/2018 11:29 PM
710	I have been a resident of Eugene for over 10 years now. The last 3 years I have had multiple packages stolen off my front porch, mail stolen, my car broken into multiple times, and items of garbage dumped on my lawn. There is an overwhelming homeless population and I am tired of seeing dirty needles in our public parks. I do not feel safe in Eugene.	8/8/2018 11:13 PM
711	There is work to be done with ethics in mind	8/8/2018 10:24 PM

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712	<p>The homeless population as well as the drug pushers/users pose a serious concern for me. The homeless are on almost every major street corner, from 6 in the morning until whenever in the evening. It is a huge difference driving through Springfield and seeing no homeless soliciting on the corners. To me, both pose a serious issue to the residents of Eugene. Both bring criminal activity and violence to our innocent citizens. The homeless leave unsafe conditions where they illegally camp and hang out during the day. I have previously had my home (in the Barger neighborhood) broken into by criminals looking for 'drugs' and money they were owed by someone else (so they said, I walked in on them). It took the Police almost 10 minutes to respond. The two officers were very polite and thorough, however admitted the perpetrators would most likely not be caught and my property was gone. The officers claimed the suspects are most likely part of an increasing population of criminals that travel up and down the I-5 corridor moving from city to city, then taking their goods to Washington, California, or farther. The same day, there was a similar break-in located in a more affluent neighborhood, 6 officers responded to that break-in. Granted I have no way of knowing if it was more serious, such as a home invasion. Or how long it took officers to respond to that call. But to me, the disparity was there. I rarely see officers patrolling on my travels around town. Only the few times I see traffic enforcement, or a stream of officers responding to a serious call. I have not taken the time to research how often patrols are scheduled and number of officers are out on the streets. But it does appear to be a lot lower. Due to funding and difficulty staffing?</p>	8/8/2018 10:09 PM
713	<p>When a car ran a red light and totaled my car with my grandchildren in my car with me, and Eugene police refused to cite the driver of the car that clearly ran a red light (there were eye witnesses who gave out names and phone numbers), and then I found out that there wasn't even an incident report concerning this flagrant violation of traffic laws that resulted in thousands of dollars in property and physical damage, and that traffic laws are routinely NOT enforced in Eugene, I began to feel unsafe driving on city streets. I see cars and even 18-wheelers routinely violate speed limits and run red lights all the time now - because I am more sensitized to these occurrences since being the victim of someone's illegal behavior on these city streets. I no longer feel safe driving in Eugene, now that I know there are really no consequences to other drivers not following traffic laws. And then I drive by areas with six police cars clearly harassing homeless people...I am not afraid of homeless people, but I am afraid of out of control police officers - police officers who do not bother to enforce traffic laws, but who seem to be very interested in anyone driving with dark skin, or who appears to be homeless.</p>	8/8/2018 10:09 PM
714	<p>I want more traffic enforcement; esp., cell phone usage, lane departure, improper stopping, wrong way cyclists, peds crossing at angles, RxR red light running, misuse of turn lanes, red light running, improper turns, Emx lane misuse. Speeding is lowest of my concerns, yet I see most traffic enforcement focused on this.</p>	8/8/2018 10:04 PM
715	<p>We need to focus on cleaning up downtown. We need to make the core of Eugene safe, bring back businesses and make it safe for residence and tourist.</p>	8/8/2018 10:04 PM
716	<p>There are far too many transients/travelers/intentionally homeless people attracted to this area. There are many that view this as a lifestyle and will freely tell you they come here for the handouts and moderate climate. The few bleeding hearts that want to help all these people are attracting them, not helping them. They don't want help, just all we can give and all they can take. The few who want to help them have created a massive problem for the many that want them to move on. I don't feel comfortable walking the sidewalk in Eugene in the middle of broad daylight with my young children. My family had moved out of the area for a few years and were shocked at how bad the crime and "homeless" population had gotten so bad upon our return. If the rest of our extended family wasn't here, I'd love to move to a cleaner safer area.</p>	8/8/2018 9:55 PM
717	<p>The times when I feel most unsafe is when I've encountered people with visible guns in holsters Who are clearly not law enforcement. That remains quite disturbing. When encountering those who've been mentally challenged or under the influence of drugs I feel confident that Eugene has organizations to assist and call when I feel it's necessary.</p>	8/8/2018 9:47 PM
718	<p>Sponsor program Halfway housing on OakPatch has brought much more chaos to area. As a neighbor, lots of sqearing, arguments and crazies can be heard carrying on. Homeless on Bike path make us afraid to walk or bike there alone. Lots of theft in the area.</p>	8/8/2018 9:41 PM
719	<p>I still can't believe how long it takes you to respond to calls IF you respond at all.</p>	8/8/2018 9:41 PM
720	<p>Transient individuals are moving into suburbs. The I 5 pedestrian overpass (where Willakenzie turns into Manchester Drive) is a magnet for transient traffic. Also, the RAT population is exploding! This is due to backyard composting, chickens, ducks, etc., and transients who camp and litter. Eugene's livability is diminishing in a visible and tangible way. I was born and raised here. So sad and discouraged about this city.</p>	8/8/2018 9:37 PM

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721	I would encourage the City of Eugene to do everything possible to eliminate/eradicate the "travelers/homeless" within our city. Enough is enough- no more patience. Most are parasites on society. Progressive politics ARE NOT EFFECTIVE in combating this.	8/8/2018 9:32 PM
722	I work downtown and bike early mornings, and have done so for years. I believe this contributes to my low concern about some of the more challenging elements of our public spaces.	8/8/2018 9:13 PM
723	Basic laws are not enforced. I see people day in, day out on the road and at the parks disrespecting our community and putting the people around them in danger. I keep reading about "stings" where no citations are issued - and only warnings are handed out. Why even bother?!? Laws with no consequences are worse than no laws at all.	8/8/2018 9:08 PM
724	I work downtown and because of all of the street people panhandling and making messes, I rarely leave the work building on my lunch hour. Just doesn't feel safe or comfortable to me - really unfortunate. I do appreciate when I see EPD and the Red Hats walking around or having a tent set up - then I feel more comfortable.	8/8/2018 9:07 PM
725	Eugene is a relatively safe city.	8/8/2018 9:06 PM
726	Criminals seem to have the laws in their hands. Drug dealers everywhere and thefts, robberies and hit and runs are the every day normal around here. I'm sure the police are tired of it as well. It must be frustrating arresting the same people day in and day out.	8/8/2018 9:00 PM
727	My neighborhood as been a bastion of safety for years - and I moved into my subdivision in 2002. But over the last 2-3 years, my North Gilham subdivision has experienced more and more and more property crime - garage thefts, break-ins, porch package thefts, suspicious individuals checking car doors, mailboxes, etc. The neighbors who have actually reported these issues are told the same thing - not enough police officers to investigate suspicious activity and property crime. This has to stop.	8/8/2018 8:58 PM
728	There are a lot of break ins reported in my neighborhood. We are very careful about locking everything up.	8/8/2018 8:58 PM
729	My wife doesn't want to go downtown because she feels unsafe	8/8/2018 8:42 PM
730	I have real concerns about the increase in homeless population hanging out around the Sheldon HS area where kids are walking to Safeway, McDonalds, Subway, etc. There's also been an increase at the Oakway Center where young adults & families with young children go - it's not just an issue downtown anymore.	8/8/2018 8:13 PM
731	My neighborhood seems safe at most times	8/8/2018 8:11 PM
732	The roads in west Eugene have terrible bike lanes. There are roads such as Green Hill road and "Territorial Hwy" that do not have bike lanes or shoulders. There have been a number of times that I have been brushed by vehicles as they pass while I am on my road bike. Drivers do not follow Oregon law and gives bicycles the correct passing distance	8/8/2018 7:51 PM
733	There seem to be more people just "hanging out" along the streets downtown and at the edge of downtown (where we live).	8/8/2018 7:25 PM
734	The street people downtown keep me from going there. Downtown is awful because of them.	8/8/2018 7:21 PM
735	Stop criminalizing homelessness. Pressure the university to provide housing for its students, so that they don't skew our rental market. Build more affordable housing, and a lot of your problems will get easier to solve.	8/8/2018 7:21 PM
736	We live by a dangerous intersection (18th/Chambers) where there are often accidents. People drive too fast in our neighborhood. The disc-golf course at Westmoreland park makes it impossible to feel safe strolling with children; any day now someone will get beamed and sue the city. It'd be nice if at least SOME of the park was available for mixed-use. Our house as been burglarized, as well as many of our neighbors, so it's hard to feel 100% safe here. It feels like the city spends a lot of time and energy on the perceived threat of the vagrant population, but I think anyone with a brain knows that they aren't much of a threat to anything beside businesses (and themselves).	8/8/2018 7:18 PM
737	I work downtown and live in SE Eugene. Both areas have seen an increase in homelessness and crime. Our home was broken into and items stolen, work we find needles and trash daily.	8/8/2018 7:15 PM
738	I feel safe downtown and in every Eugene neighborhood during the day. My girlfriend and I feel less safe in our neighborhood (close-in West Eugene by the Amazon bike path) at night. Our home, our neighbor's home, and many homes on our street have been broken into over the last two years.	8/8/2018 7:02 PM

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739	I live in south Eugene and walk to work in midtown daily. The closer I get to town, the more people I see camping behind bushes and doing drugs. It's a real bummer and I don't really feel safe because people on drugs are unpredictable.	8/8/2018 6:45 PM
740	Eugene has some serious policing issues that it has failed to address in that last few years. First among these is an unacceptable lag time between calling for police services and actually speaking to a human being and then getting help. Second among the shortcomings for public safety is the city's failure to address in any meaningful way the upsurge in transient populations (call them whatever name makes you feel good about yourself!). The fact remains they are responsible for upticks in broken window crimes, in minor property theft, and in some cases major theft. Further, they increase the amount of drugs brought into our community, destroy our parks, bleed our social services dry, and leave our community literally riddled with trash. Because Eugene is seen as soft on this kind of enforcement, it only makes sense that these transients continue to flock to and congregate in our city. Third, this city SUCKS at enforcing illegal fireworks. Wildfires are the new normal for our climate change era. Yet, time and again my neighborhood experiences the midnight boomings of mortar fireworks only to have the report go unheeded, or to have the police show up 45 minutes to an hour later wondering what all the fuss is about--when we can get through to a human being at all. A neighbor down the street had their house firebombed on July 4 (I live in the Churchill neighborhood off of Brittany Street). The police did nothing, and stated that they could do nothing about the crime. So much for protect and serve. More like deflect and defer. Fourth, the Fern Ridge Bike path receives little to no law enforcement attention. I know. I ride it everyday to the university where I work. Over the last year, the amount of drug use, drug sale, stolen property exchanges, dead bodies, and daylight prostitution has increased to the point where I would rather risk getting hit by a car on W18th than ride the bike path and have who knows what happen, or be chased by off-leash dogs (another problem we as a city fail to address with any meaningful conviction). Finally, while I am certain our police force considers itself highly capable and professional, the lack of presence on their part leads me to believe they are both understaffed and undertrained. I worked as a federal officer for 12 years (DEA and later JIATF). The lack of officer presence and uniformed discipline for our police service does nothing to help the safety of the town, especially when one considers we are on the I-5 corridor for human and narcotics smuggling, are a destination town for transient populations, and have a lackluster approach to basic code enforcement. All of which is to say that I do not feel safe because of our law enforcement, whether that be the police force or our collective "policing" efforts. The only measure of safety I can produce for myself and my family comes from their self awareness, protections we have taken in our own fashion, and a hard-world view that, when needed and called, the police will simply not come. The line will be busy. If you doubt me, ask those wonderful people who were fire-bombed on the Fourth of July how they feel after living in their house for 30+ years only to have their front yard literally set on fire. You can do better. You should do better. But, you simply choose, daily, to continue to fail your citizens even as they pay your salaries.	8/8/2018 6:14 PM
741	For context to my responses to question #1, we live in South Eugene on Chambers near Em Ray.	8/8/2018 6:08 PM
742	knowing that the police will not respond to a large number of 911 calls make me think I need to protect my family myself	8/8/2018 5:38 PM
743	200 miles of bike paths. 200 miles of transient camps and problems associated with them. This is not a bike friendly city.	8/8/2018 5:31 PM
744	Need to do something about the homeless population. Less enablement, more solutions.	8/8/2018 5:26 PM
745	As a single older woman I avoid walking downtown at night alone. Other than that I feel fine. Either there is more coverage or there are more incidents downtown in the past few years.	8/8/2018 5:07 PM
746	I would like to see sitting or loitering on sidewalks Downtown banned.	8/8/2018 5:06 PM
747	I walk around downtown a lot (instead of driving). I am asked for money but not harassed. I like to bike to work when possible and I have not been harassed in that regard either (but it has only been this summer when it is light both in the morning & on my return in the evening)	8/8/2018 4:54 PM
748	The housing crisis in the city has continued to get worse, forcing more folks out into the streets. This contributes to a feeling of chaos and unlawfulness, even when that is not the case.	8/8/2018 4:50 PM
749	How can anyone feel safe in Eugene, when we have massive numbers of homeless people stalking around and being disrespectful to anyone who looks at them cross eyed, or doesn't give them money. These people are very obnoxious, and steal anything that is not tied down. If you watch the streets and roads around neighborhoods in Eugene at dusk, it reminds me of watching some Zombie movie all walking in to steal everything.	8/8/2018 4:42 PM

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750	We love Eugene. We appreciate that the city does not criminalize homelessness like in other cities however we are concerned by the amount of homelessness, drug use, alcohol consumption going on these days in city parks and especially in downtown. Recently we were at the downtown library and our 6 year old was going to throw something away. The librarian freaked out and had him stop later telling us that the Library had found used needles in the trash can. I regularly see drugged out people sleeping in library during day time hours and using the restroom for hygiene. Downtown at night is beyond sketchy. There needs to be better approach than this.	8/8/2018 4:41 PM
751	We desperately need more police so they can be proactive and not just reactive.	8/8/2018 4:41 PM
752	Although I would not be out walking in a park at midnight, clearly the guy in today's RG was not safe. We both try not to be out walking around in the city at night. We do not feel safe.	8/8/2018 4:40 PM
753	Length of time for police response is unacceptable in an emergency situation	8/8/2018 4:37 PM
754	We've had our cars broken in to, trespassers on our property, neighbors who have had property stolen, and 3 neighbors who were "swatted". I seldom see patrol cars, we live off 13th at Lawrence and just a month ago witnessed a couple shooting up across from our house. We called the police and they said they can't send anyone. I'm concerned there are drug deals going down. The traffic on 13th goes through that area well above the posted 20 mph and I have yet to see a single traffic stop anywhere near the downtown area. I think that the police are understaffed and end up apparently spending a lot of time dealing with University student problems. The downtown (which we moved closer to so we could walk places) is an unfortunate mess. Walking to church two Sunday's ago we saw 4 homeless people pushing carts, all within 3 blocks. I find the new police chief a breath of fresh air but I suspect the system of funding and management that he is taking on will consume him too.	8/8/2018 4:29 PM
755	1. Downtown - too many homeless & "travelers" just hanging out & too many panhandlers on seemingly every corner around the main parts of the city or shopping areas. Makes one feel very anxious - especially at night. 2. Even around my neighborhood what I would consider a safer part of Eugene (Santa Clara area) - I see homeless rummaging through the garbage cans at homes on trash day. Also when speaking with neighbors in casual conversation, I hear of home break-ins in an alarming number of instances. I feel fortunate I haven't had a break-in after hearing this. I have everything locked down, even including double locks on windows & gates to backyard are padlocked. Shouldn't have to have that much locked down so tightly. 3. Had my truck stolen from office parking lot about 10 years ago. Police found it rather quickly, but now I use a steering wheel lock most of the time. 4. Very little police presence on public streets so cars speeding, running red lights, etc. seems to be increasing. Especially on Beltline, River Road, & other high traffic roads.	8/8/2018 4:13 PM
756	The homeless issue is going to destroy this town.	8/8/2018 4:00 PM
757	Noticeable increase in the number of person's who are out and about on the streets of downtown and Whiteaker who clearly are not residents of the community. There has always been a large number of homeless but the 'feel' of this group has changed. This goes beyond those who have mental health, addiction or down on their luck situations. These are clearly 'travelers' and those who opt not to live within the norms of society. They are opting to engage in loitering, vagrancy, and unruly behavior. They need to be dealt with and move on from this community, not encouraged to stay and take advantage of the generosity of the citizens of Eugene. There are jobs and housing options for those who wish to be engaged in the community and services for those who cannot hold jobs due to mental health, addiction and medical issues. This group falls outside of those parameters and must receive a decisive and unapologetic message, "it's time to move on, Eugene is not going to host your delinquency."	8/8/2018 3:44 PM
758	Downtown is a mess! I work downtown and it is so unsafe and grow to walk around. The "travelers" own the downtown area and most of my colleagues feel as if we are working in their territory, not the city's. The harassment, cleanliness, stealing, drug use, intimidation, bathroom use everywhere is not inviting. This has been an issue for years and was never really addressed so now it is a huge problem. I have noticed a difference in police presence the past few weeks and it is so welcomed by many of us! I hope that the new police chief and city actually take measures to deal with these problems. As for winter when I have to walk to my car? I don't even want to think about it. Please do something different and make it a better place to be.	8/8/2018 3:41 PM

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759	This city has a homeless problem on par with Portland or Seattle, but is 1/10 the size. The majority of these homeless are not victims of circumstance, but a sum of their extremely poor choices. This community offers more tools and opportunities than most, and all these people can do is spit in the face of hardworking taxpayers that fund them. Downtown is unusable, parks are filled with trash, needles, and illegal campers, panhandling is everywhere. As a young resident of Eugene it is crushing to see a city be taken advantage of by these awful human beings. I appreciate EPD and all they do, but they need more resources and leeway to take control of this problem.	8/8/2018 3:29 PM
760	Too many people just hanging around everywhere all times of day. Most not seeming to have anyplace to be and not clean, glassy eyed, etc. hard to believe this is a normal situation. I don't see this in Springfield, Bend or many other Oregon cities.	8/8/2018 3:02 PM
761	there was a murder across the street from me last month. I think it was likely drug related. I hope that law enforcement cracks down more on illegal drug users.	8/8/2018 2:55 PM
762	Downtown Eugene has a big population of homeless, its not a safe place to be unless there is an event, and there are alot of others out there The homeless issue is out of hand, I work down town and continue to have them coming into the place I work. So many people turn a blinds eye or they call them travelers, which they are not, I live close to the bike/ped area and there are alot that camp down there I used to like going to the river but now am not sure if I will run into someone camping out and how aggressive they will be, at night they come into the neighborhood and look for items to take, its a shame that we have come to the point of we cater to them, and they know it and they show it they know there is nothing you can do to them	8/8/2018 2:09 PM
763	I am working at the eugene hilton in the evening ,i experience drug related activity on a nightly basis, as well car break-ins, guest harresment and pan handlers that have been tresspassed yet return without regard to law enforcement. drug activity between the hotel and the hult center occurs in the open without fear. the hotel bathrooms in the lower parking structure are a favorite location for drug/sexual activity that cannot be controlled by the hotel employees.	8/8/2018 2:08 PM
764	This survey is nice but its been evident for a long time that Eugene has a major problem with transients/crime/safety. It is fixable- though probably not fast. Start dismantling programs that aim to bring/keep homeless and transient in this area.	8/8/2018 1:56 PM
765	I used to enjoy walking my dog from my house to Golden Gardens park. In the past few years, it's gotten progressively worse. There are lots of transients and homeless people all over the area. They ask for money, and some are mean if you ignore them. It's very upsetting for me to be a taxpayer and not feel the presence of police when someone is off the street, but on a public bike path or enjoying a public park.	8/8/2018 1:39 PM
766	I come from Beaverton where Police are very close at hand and there is a lot of Police around which keeps things much safer. Beaverton has gangs and lots of traffic, but it is much safer. People in Eugene must feel that they can do what they want because there is no Police presence, downtown or any where else.	8/8/2018 1:24 PM
767	No information provided to public about road work by a private company on 30th. It is dangerous and changes daily. They are also storing all of their piping along the road. These are our streets and we deserve to be kept in the loop and updated. I do not feel safe when new Gas pipelines for "Expansion" purposes are authorized with no public comment or information. Communication and transparency increases sense of safety and well-being. I also appreciate that the city is serious about assisting and focusing on affordable housing.	8/8/2018 1:20 PM
768	I'm a married, white, lower middle class woman, and I work nights all over town. I feel we are so over policed. Downtown especially seems like there's cops on every corner, and even if homeless folks aren't bothering anybody they seem so anxious and I see tensions/ clashes aaaall the time. Maybe money would be better spent on programs geared toward helping homeless folks than on having so many police around to make upper class white folks feel like they have bodyguards.	8/8/2018 12:49 PM
769	Little to no enforcement of speed in residential and even in business areas causes a lot of problems feeling secure and safe just going to a store. When you are going the speed limit in residential and are passed (W. 18th between Oak Patch Rd. & Bertelson), there's a problem. People ALL driving ages using their cell phones for all the world to see and it's seemingly ignored even as police pass by them in the opposite direction. is a real safety issue as well. People setting up homes, so to speak, on the sidewalks makes it feel unsafe to walk. The bus system drivers are radical in their driving as well, making that not much of an option either, leaving it difficult to get anywhere with any ease or security in a trip to even the store.	8/8/2018 12:24 PM

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770	We need to care for our suffering, poor and unfortunate citizens. Pain and uncertainty makes a "bad" action seem acceptable. If we care for and love our neighbor it will help them heal and make them better citizens. I do not have answers but I do have ideas. 1 change and create food waste laws, having worked in restaurants for over a decade I know first hand they throw pounds of completely edible food away at closing time. This creates more garbage for our landfills. Create intensives for companies to donate this unsaleable good food. We have empty buildings where the desperate break in and sleep, turn these into shelters. You can explain to me why that doesn't work and that is fine but compassion is the most cost effective action out there.	8/8/2018 12:22 PM
771	City councilors and county commissioners are focusing on the completely wrong things to "make downtown better". Dog bans and smoking bans are NOT the problem. The absurd number of potentially dangerous transients are what make downtown feel unwelcoming and unsafe.	8/8/2018 12:18 PM
772	There's too many homeless people around here bruh. Get them outta here. It has become a growing problem. Nobody is safe.	8/8/2018 12:12 PM
773	There are a lot of people using drugs and being threatening to others..	8/8/2018 12:10 PM
774	The city seems to have gone overboard protecting perceived rights of a few to the detriment of the many. In the last month in my neighborhood there has been a murder, a standoff with people with shotguns, a wallet stolen out of a vehicle and the police took hours to come when someone trespassed on to my property and refused to leave. All kinds of strangers in the neighborhood including camping in the parks, street corners etc. and you have the nerve to ask if I feel secure???? The police are a joke and all in the neighborhood know it, especially those committing crimes.	8/8/2018 12:02 PM
775	I personally feel relatively safe in part because I am an able-bodied male in good physical condition. I think it is important to recognize that my female friends feel less safe in the same situations	8/8/2018 11:57 AM

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776	<p>I work at 10th and Willamette. I park in the Oak street garage. I feel uneasy about my personal safety if I have to walk to and from work unaccompanied. I have been harassed several times. The glass elevator is very often out of service. Or when the elevator is in use there is almost always pee on the floor and or other unsavory unpleasant bodily excrement. The other elevators in that garage are uninviting as well. The stair internal stairwell are just if not more terrifying. Once I have made it out of the parking structure then come the harassment from street people. I don't carry cash . I donate a percentage of every paycheck to United Way. But still get called all sorts of unflattering names because I won't spare a dollar or don't have a cigarette they can bum off me. I don't smoke cigarettes but I still think the no smoking ban download is ridiculous. I try to support the Downtown scene but honestly sometimes don't even want to deal with the dogs and the poop the street people and their endless sob stories. It's not worth my energy to feel constantly on edge. My friends of color are are often yelled at in racist language by emboldened men and my friends that are LGBT have all had to deal with hateful speech thrown at them downtown. A handful of them have been assaulted and mugged Downtown. I have often wonder why Greyhound Bus Station is at 10th and Pearl at the heart of downtown. Instead perhaps it should be closer to the Jail on 5th , near the Amtrack Train Depot. The thoroughfare at the Greyhound seems to be transport of choice for some of our problem makers and ne'er-do-wells. I have called the non emergency number as well as Cahoots and White Bird for individuals in front of my place of employment who have overdosed and are in dire need of help. The phone lines ring and ring and if someone does take my call, I have yet to had a responder come. I feel like tax dollars are being spent but the outcome of safety has only gotten worse. Sometimes I wonder if all of effort are only helping to make it more a welcoming environment for the problem citizens. I get that there is mental health issues and the economy isn't great and joblessness is a factor. All these issues are problematic but the crime seems to be coming from people hell bent on inflicting malice on well meaning Eugene residents. I am a home owner. I have kids in public school. I vote on every issue every ballot. I'm involved. I show up when called for jury duty. I've sat in the jury box for a case. It is disheartening to be told that tax money be it Oregon lottery or bonds or measures or the tax revenue from the legalization and sale of the Marijuana industry is going to better our community and safety and go to our kids schooling and roads and help with treatments of addiction. I just don't see how any of it is actually improving. I'm not even going to go into detail about my frustrations with traffic and accidents on the Beltline between The Delta and River Avenue off ramp :(That is probably an issue to address with ODOT I was the recipient a daytime attempted home breaking and entering eight years ago. I was home alone 36 week pregnant with twins at the time. I was unarmed and alone. There were at least three men that I am aware of trying to enter my home and garage. One man was attempting to enter through my front door and another had successful broken into my locked garage and One man broke my living room window and was coming in. It was at nightmare , terrifying. I was able to scare them away by pounding my fist on an interior wall. The sound startled them. Had I shouted , I was afraid they would know I was a woman and home alone and could be outnumbered and like I said unarmed. I called the police it took them roughly 40 min or more to attend to my call. Needless to say that has stuck with me. My father is a retired Lane County Sheriff's Deputy and my Brother is currently an Oregon State Patrol Officer. I have several friends that are officers for Eugene and Springfield Police Departments I have heard the stories of what they have to deal with. It is not a pretty picture. I have had my job download for more than 15 years in the same location same hours leaving work between 9 and midnight. Thank You for allowing me to speak on this matter of public safety. I apologize for scattered thoughts.</p>	8/8/2018 11:48 AM
777	<p>The down town transients are dominating the downtown core sidewalks and violate city laws on no smoking with out impunity. Their behavior of sprawling and blocking the sidewalks with unsocialized dogs, cursing, asking for handouts is the most significant source of safety concerns. The downtown library is more of a homeless shelter than a library. Try to find a clean and available bathroom most times of the day. In winter it is like a sick ward.</p>	8/8/2018 10:41 AM
778	<p>I feel Eugene is generally pretty safe, but things do happen here and we all need to be aware and take reasonable precautions. Property theft is high and I often don't ride my bike if I feel I don't have a safe place to lock it up.</p>	8/8/2018 10:31 AM

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779	The City of Eugene underfunds jail beds. This results in less tools for police officers to address the "street issues, downtown and beyond." Of course, there needs to be a solution set that addresses multiple behavioral issues. Springfield appears to have a greater impact because of a city jail and it's use. The City of Eugene does not demonstrate that it effectively approaches street safety proactively for pedestrians and bicyclists on a 24 hour basis. Examples: Dog bite of a neighbor last week while downtown. The alleyways are a frequent route and place of occurrence of crime - drugs and assaults. Some of the bicycle dedicated street ways are poorly planned and there is no demonstrated presentation of data that can be used to question standing policy on such. To my way of thinking this means that user safety was not given the priority merited and/or the route just is not what it was made out to be, the prime example being Willamette St. from 18th to 29th. As stated, these are examples.	8/8/2018 10:10 AM
780	Eugene Police have been working their butts off to make downtown safer. It shows with all the cops I see, and the decrease in people sitting on the corners	8/8/2018 9:54 AM
781	Had a transient sprawled out in my drive way. Called the police and they didn't respond for about 2 -3 hours and then they didn't notify me that they had been there and gotten the man up and moved on	8/8/2018 9:18 AM
782	I work in the campus area and in the last 4 weeks I have had to remove aggressive transients from my properties more than 10 times, had a set of squatters living in a vacant unit and had to call paramedics on an active over dose situation. It has gotten noticeably worse in the last few months in the downtown and campus areas. I do not feel safe in my own work environment most of the time.	8/8/2018 9:09 AM
783	The drugs are taking over. It's unsanitary homeless shelters need more room for men and women I don't want my kids to play at a water spout where homeless have to bathe .	8/8/2018 9:02 AM
784	Vagrants are a huge problem, and a main focus of my concerns for safety. We have poeple coming at any hour of the day to root through our trash. No one knows these people, we have no way to control access to the property because it's too costly for the property manager to do anything. I drive down 12th St between Ferry and High all the time and the people down there are a mess. Walking around, completely oblivious to traffic and the goings on of other people; doing drugs, sleeping on the sidewalk, accosting passers by for money. But worse yet is the drug addicts hanging around the Circle K on 13th and High. My partner manages a property across the street from the Circle K (which apparently is where they like to go to get high once they've bought their stuff @ the Circle K) She literally found people doing drugs on student housing property; one of them ACTIVELY OVERDOSING. I would never ever ask anyone to experience having to address a situation like that, least of all my partner. My patience and empathy for people who can't take care of themselves has run out, and they make it their business to drag you into their suffering in one way or another.	8/8/2018 8:57 AM
785	As a woman, I really struggle with the homeless/counter-culture population; this contributes significantly to my lack of feeling safe at night anywhere in town, lack of feeling truly safe downtown anytime of day (though significantly worse between the hours of 7pm - 8am. I work downtown at 8am and I sometimes want to come in early to work but won't because of the questionable crowds and activities I need to walk/bike through. And I NEVER feel safe about my property, except for maybe what is in my house because we have installed a significant alarm system. I've had my car broken into outside my house (Jefferson West Side) at least three times in the last two years -- often stealing nothing to very small items of little value (ie fabric softener). This issue is perhaps one of my greatest issues and concerns with Eugene and it's safety and sustainable future.	8/8/2018 8:44 AM
786	Now not even safe to walk in a park after dark without being attack and beaten by thugs. The homeless are running this city and the Council sits on their hands and does nothing.	8/8/2018 7:52 AM
787	To expand on downtown: Mostly, I feel safe when downtown. As a woman, I am vigilant wherever I go and that increases at night. I would say that during the daylight hours I feel very safe downtown, while at night I am more cautious tho I continue to use the area and walk to and from my car alone. I feel the same way around the U of O campus area and the riverfront bike path: I have felt this way about those two areas since I moved to Eugene in 1981. I also find the Council's efforts to deal with the transients/"travelers" in the area lacking. I am encouraged by St. Vincent de Paul's efforts to provide housing as I am with the Home First project and Opportunity Village. What is sad is that we spend so much city money on policing and penalizing people rather than housing them. Desperation is the root of much drug use and crime.	8/8/2018 7:11 AM
788	Finding drug needles etc when I take grandchildren to State St Park as well as broken glass in play areas, (sandbox and around tables)	8/8/2018 7:04 AM

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789	What's the legal difference between "spanging" & mugging? As a transit rider, I don't have a choice about "not going downtown", and I miss transfers between LTD buses, a lot; yet, I cannot seem to simply be allowed to wait 30-60 minutes for next bus in peace, because I feel intimidated into forking over money I cannot afford to keep giving away to what's becoming an increasingly aggressive case of people begging. Again, I will never be licensed to drive, and therefore, I will always use transit, so again, unlike the privileged class of Eugene residents who DRIVE CARS, I am required to be downtown, a lot.	8/8/2018 5:32 AM
790	I recently started working downtown. I'm a 32 year old woman and I feel extremely uncomfortable and at times unsafe daytime or night time. There are always people on the corners or in alleys that make me very uncomfortable. Sometimes they say nothing but often then do. Instead I choose to take the long way around to avoid people. I've seen drug use, catcalls, people yelling and following me. It can be terrifying. Often the most anxious part of my day is the walk to and from work downtown. My neighborhood feels very safe. I feel the community safety at the parks we frequent is good. It's just my own maternal insecurity.	8/8/2018 5:08 AM
791	A growth in the homeless population and the amount of teens and young adults causing problems downtown	8/7/2018 10:13 PM
792	tired of being hassled and accosted by street people downtown	8/7/2018 9:30 PM
793	Clean up 10th & Olive and W. Broadway & Olive. I won't walk in these areas. They are very unsafe... Clean the streets and sidewalks up .!!!!	8/7/2018 8:59 PM
794	I had to call the police on 3 different occasions. The first one it took them 20 minutes to show up. The 2nd one I dialed from my cell phone and it took me to an automated answering service which is very reassuring while you are in a panic. The third time it took police 20 minutes to show up for a person of the previous 2 instances and they did not arrest the person as they were "afraid to put themselves in harms way". Doesn't make me feel very safe when the people who are supposed to be protecting this community aren't willing to put themselves in harms way in order to do so...	8/7/2018 8:33 PM
795	I refuse to go downtown. I used to work in downtown Eugene for 4 years as a mid 20s young female. I changed jobs, now work in Springfield, and will never go back unless I have no other option. I recently had to drive through downtown around 7:30 and witnessed the following in my three minute drive from The Beer Stein to 7th and Willamette: (10th and Willamette) a homeless man by the bus station harassing people walking by (not asking for help but screaming at people), a second man - shirtless and shoeless - smelling the flowers in one of the street planters. Keesey Sq - beggar on corner by sizzle pie, young lady tripping on drugs and being helped by passers by in the square (I thought she may have been seizing), another man selling what looked like stickers on the corner across from Starbucks, and a group of men on the fourth corner in front of Starbucks also asking for handouts. While all downtown places of business seemed busy I am appalled that the city has not addressed the issue. Downtown is far from family friendly, or conducive to young females who may have to walk alone to their places of work.	8/7/2018 8:25 PM
796	Eugene shouldn't be a stopping point for every vagrant. Quit welcoming them in. Quit with the outrageous liberal politics.	8/7/2018 8:15 PM
797	I feel safer knowing I can call an organization like Cahoots instead of the cops	8/7/2018 8:06 PM
798	The problem with homeless is out of control in Eugene ,making me not want to visit public spaces that my property tax pays for.	8/7/2018 7:32 PM
799	Recently, more people are driving with very loud sound and exhaust systems. On sidewalks and bike paths, people running or on bicycles often pass me from behind by a few inches and I find it very scary and I often scream from being startled. I have PTSD and walk with a cane. I need to walk with a bike mirror on my glasses so I can see people approach from behind and step out of their way before they get too close. Thanks for asking.	8/7/2018 7:04 PM
800	The Travelers need to travel someplace else. We're looked at as an easy mark as we're soft on crime. Add in uncoordinated dispersal of resources (which leads to 3 breakfasts, multiple lunches, etc.) Of course they're going to want to stay here instead of Springfield or other communities that value taxpaying residents over will nots.	8/7/2018 6:51 PM
801	Worst place is downtown Eugene and surrounding area (public library, West Eugene, W. 11th from downtown to Beltline, Fred Meyer W. 11th, Amazon trail, W. 13th area especially by fairgrounds). Traveling people, meth/heroin users, vagrants, gun-toting angry people are everywhere here.	8/7/2018 6:23 PM
802	If feels like all I hear are emergency sirens and on the news is the knife attacks and shootings. I have a big dog and people still approach me and make comments to me. As a women it would be nice to be able to not feel like I will be attacked or harrassed when I walk alone.	8/7/2018 5:30 PM

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803	With the homeless population increasing we have more issues . calling 911 is a joke they tell people to turn the other cheek and let them be. i have addressed homeless in my neighbor hood with a base ball bat and told them to move on. I also ride my bike with a weapon to be safe to get to work. that should never be an issue. especially in eugene. I have lived here since the eighties and feeling safe here has declined rapidly.	8/7/2018 4:51 PM
804	The homeless population seems to be rising, as well as the problems they bring. W. 13th between Bertelsen and Commercial is a dumping ground, as well as along the Willamette. I do not go out anywhere in Eugene on foot, as I am afraid of being assaulted by the homeless.	8/7/2018 4:42 PM
805	Noted decrease in POLICE visibility throughout the community	8/7/2018 4:20 PM
806	It appears that the police are not as visible as they once were.	8/7/2018 4:06 PM
807	The response time of police is unacceptable. Both working in a mental health clinic and calling about personal safety reasons, I have called several times and had very unresponsive experiences. Three times I had to actually call back to request urgent help. This has significantly reduced my sense of personal safety because I cannot count on the police in an emergency.	8/7/2018 2:56 PM
808	There are a number of homeless people camping in the trees in the neighborhoods and that keeps me alert while I am out walking during the day or bike riding the Fern Ridge bike path. Downtown around the bus station/library is the worst area.	8/7/2018 2:48 PM
809	When walking near intersections you need to be overly cautious as people overtly run stop signs and red lights.	8/7/2018 2:40 PM
810	in my opinion there are not enough police officers patrolling the streets. i live on River Road where the speed limit was lowered to 35 MPH and the cars are constantly speeding, in fact i've been honked at or sped around many times by cars going up to 5-10 miles past the speed limit.	8/7/2018 2:15 PM
811	There are way too many homeless people in this city. They seem to be allowed to set up camp just about wherever they want. They are also parked along Cheshire all day, making it feel a bit unsafe to either walk or drive between all of the parked cars, vans, & buses. The drug activity seems to be picking up, and we have people hanging out in the grassy area next to the Campbell Senior Center, and then they make their way over to our building at Parkview Terrace. It feels very unsafe to me. While walking around downtown, I worry about being approached, and I would never walk there alone.	8/7/2018 2:00 PM
812	Bike paths near river are obviously unsafe. There is trash and human waste downtown. My business moved from downtown as it is very unsafe with the high amount of AGGRESSIVE homeless. Neighborhoods are full of drug addicts who steal everything including children's bikes (they cut bike locks). Police don't respond. All pretty awful!	8/7/2018 1:53 PM
813	Homeless people are roaming and doing whatever they want... crime, drugs, etc... and we let them and help them!? I see dirty needles everywhere downtown everyday, alleys sidewalks. And yet we have dirty needle drop offs like "hey it's ok, we dont care if you do drugs, but when your high out of your mind please try to clean up after yourself and place your dirty needles at the appropriate drop off". That's a joke, I mean what kind of homeless druggie cares about anyone but themselves? Let alone to clean up there dirty needles while they are high. I would never take my child downtown, oh except driving through, with all the doors locked. But that still doesnt stop druggies and bums and wackos from stepping out in front of your vehicle only to tweak out and mumble yell at you. But who am I kidding, it Eugene... where the city cares more about the homeless druggies than making sure its upstanding citizens feel safe enough to walk down the sidewalk.	8/7/2018 1:43 PM
814	There has been an increase in the homeless/drug population to the extent that our business has to keep the doors locked for the employees safety and it's located in West Eugene. You can see transients doing drugs, drinking, defecating, fighting among one another with no recourse for their actions	8/7/2018 1:41 PM
815	Need to define "safety" more and find out how it is related to gender and other variables. We all know anything could happen anywhere in our country so it is hard for someone who is not a huge martial arts person to feel safe all the time and in all places	8/7/2018 1:25 PM
816	There are endless bums and drug addicts on the bike path, at Delta Ponds, under bridges, lying on the streets, begging on the corners, camping illegally along the river and on the islands and elsewhere, filling the chairs at the library, and burglarizing, burglarizing, burglarizing! I am fed up with the city council's coddling attitude towards these human parasites. Take away all services and stop drawing them in like roaches. Do not spend another dollar of my property taxes on these vagrants who have made the city dirty and unsafe. Get them Out of Here!	8/7/2018 12:54 PM

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817	I live in north Eugene, and while our neighborhood is safe, we increasingly are seeing homeless men wandering our streets looking for food and handouts in the shopping and residential areas. I asked one how he got this far north. He said there are "lotsa" campgrounds by the river, which is not far from us. I avoid downtown like the plague. Stepping over people asleep or passed out on the sidewalk is bad enough, but the aggressive panhandling is worse. I know you have been trying to improve downtown, but puddles of vomit on the sidewalks plus urine and feces in the Overpark are not conducive to pleasant visits downtown. I really don't understand how Corvallis can have such a lovely downtown, but Eugene can't.	8/7/2018 12:40 PM
818	Downtown Eugene feels very unsafe at night	8/7/2018 12:23 PM
819	The homeless population is growing. I always carry pepper spray and a tazer. There have been too many robberies and crime to feel comfortable in Eugene these days. Must always be extremely aware and have my guard up, especially at night time.	8/7/2018 12:22 PM
820	Live in JWS - 11th/Madison - and almost NEVER police unless something is going down. Also, on the two occasions in two years I have seen police in the neighborhood not involved in an actual event, I have seen police speeding down the alleys - many people live off the alleys and speeding in the alleys is about as safe as speeding on the sidewalk.	8/7/2018 12:18 PM
821	I have lived in Eugene for 73 years. It gets worse each year and I don't go down town at all! I pay all of my taxes for years and owned a business for 50 years and provided money to the city of Eugene, but the homeless here has to stop. It hurts this town and they get away with doing things and then we all have to pay for clean up and safety! Please make Eugene safe again and make it a beautiful city.	8/7/2018 12:15 PM
822	I used to feel safe in the Barger area, no more. There are homeless people all over the place. Camping down at the pond on Jessen, camping behind Winco, along the Beltline. Those are the obvious ones, you just know there are more, you just don't see them. They are coming up to cars begging for money, I hate that, it scares me. I have called the cops because of this. They stop for a while, then start right back up. We should make panhandling from cars illegal like Springfield did. It is so unsafe, and very scary for us ladies, and they know it!	8/7/2018 12:12 PM
823	I am not convinced that Eugene City Council and Mayor are truly committed to public safety through out the city. There are too many elements within the city that oppose law enforcement and the Mayor and too many City Councilors pander to those elements. Until that changes, it is doubtful that improvements will happen. The Council needs to put more money into public safety.	8/7/2018 12:05 PM
824	I now see far too many transients sleeping on busy public sidewalks, in order to be closer to "good" panhandling corners. Groups of teenagers band together downtown to assault random people or each other. Not to mention the disgusting conditions created downtown by adults as well. Sleeping in the way of pedestrians, urinating and defecating wherever they like, accosting passers by for spare change, etc. I live in unincorporated Santa Clara but work in town at Lane County Youth Services. I specifically avoid and refuse to go downtown because it is dangerous and is very unclean. Some cities have vibrant, safe, clean downtown areas like Corvallis, Albany, and even Salem. Ours feels like a mini-Portland. And even there, I feel safer due to an increased police presence. Gone are the days where a kid can roam freely on their bike from neighborhood to neighborhood playing with friends and visiting the playground without parents needing to worry of their whereabouts, like I did as a child in 1980s Santa Clara. No way would I allow a child to do that now. Santa Clara has become an unsafe place as well. It truly saddens me when I see what this city and outlying areas have become. It's no longer an idyllic place to live. I don't blame police for this as they do the best they can with what they're given, but our city and county have not kept up with the population growth we have experienced in the last 20 years.	8/7/2018 11:58 AM
825	Too many homeless coming into our apartment scary behaviors unstable acting. Screaming at tenants sleeping in Van's, cars, drug activity by Safeway. Too many drifters about coming in and out stealing out of cars. Rummaging through our trash. Scaring our children and single female adults. Overall just Coburg road has turned into a homeless camp of people on drugs or suffering from mental health issues. Need a bunch as ticket to get out of town too many of them living along coburg road begging for money and approaching me for money ,rides. Some are harmless others seem dangerous to society. We need to pass a bill to better serve the mentally ill if they don't have someone to help them collect there ssi We need to stop allowing begging along corners like sprfld did. Also find a way to send them on there way.	8/7/2018 11:53 AM
826	There are a lot of scary looking people there. I hate having to go downtown because I don't know if they're going to be aggressive or not.	8/7/2018 11:49 AM
827	You can't even go downtown Eugene without somebody asking you if you want to buy drugs in the first 5 minutes of your trip.	8/7/2018 11:49 AM

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828	The policies of the Eugene City Council makes Eugene unsafe!	8/7/2018 11:49 AM
829	Transients are a bit extreme . Sometimes aggressive to those who are walking the streets of eugene	8/7/2018 11:48 AM
830	Eugene downtown is not a place I want to be. There is no shopping and deadbeats are laying around everywhere.	8/7/2018 11:47 AM
831	Stolen property reported stolen online 4 years ago and nothing heard back. Neighbors have property stolen, cars broke into and people loitering in neighborhood harassing us by staring into street facing windows. Both in daytime and night. Police presence dropped so much that maybe see once a week if that. Living in Bethel area for last 15 years and can't just up and move as of yet since we own our home and can't afford to move. We don't walk anymore to little market or use bike paths or go to parks due to aggressive people on Echo Hollow harassing others. Sometimes even to get mail can be harassed by young males. If I had young kids still I would not be easy to have them walk to school as my son was bullied even 6 years ago.	8/7/2018 11:04 AM
832	Nazis are the biggest threat. We need more mental health resources for homeless.	8/7/2018 11:03 AM
833	I increasingly see transients camping on sidewalks in busy areas, so they can panhandle at intersections easier. Groups of teenagers hang out downtown and assault random people not to mention the adults who also sleep on the streets, defecate, and urinate wherever they please, and accost people for spare change. I live in Santa Clara and refuse to go downtown because it's so dangerous and disgusting. Some downtowns are safe and pleasant to walk through. Albany, Corvallis, Salem. Santa Clara no longer feels safe either. I grew up here and as a kid in the 1980s, it was safe enough for me to spend the day playing and biking around the area with friends, without my parents worrying about us. No way in the world would I allow a child to do that here now. It really saddens me that this city has become this way and is no longer an idyllic place to live.	8/7/2018 11:03 AM
834	The downtown area needs to be cleaned up. Having to avoid dogs and stepping over or around the "travelers" has prompted us to avoid going downtown even though we like a couple of restaurants in the area.	8/7/2018 10:43 AM
835	Our City leaders must quit dithering about the loitering, dirty gangs of people that hang out on downtown streets yelling and hassling passers by. I used to work downtown and was a booster of our improved city core. No longer. I took out of town visitors downtown recently and was mortified by the conditions. My guests were dismayed by being unable to walk a block without encountering a group blocking the sidewalk or individuals displaying trash for sale on cardboard or tattered cloths. This has gone on for far too long and our leaders continue to be ineffectual. What I've written is not new. You've been hearing these same comments for nearly a decade with no action. What the citizens have learned is that their rights and the rights of downtown business owners are trumped by the rights of people who use tax-paid sidewalks for napping and begging. That's wrong on every level and the unwillingness of City leadership to respond should be an embarrassment just like our downtown has become an embarrassment to our residents. Shame shame.	8/7/2018 10:36 AM
836	Working in a downtown business there is no obvious solution to the problems of the street people and the population of younger ones tends to be more aggressive in their behaviors	8/7/2018 10:27 AM
837	I transfer at the Eugene bus station everyday M-F and downtown has gotten alot worse. A fight breaks out and one combatant produces a machete? Never a big fan of Mayor Piercy, but one thing I will say is that when something like this happened, she released a comment or statement. I have heard nothing from Vinis. Does she even know what's going on? As far as I can tell, no. Unacceptable.	8/7/2018 10:12 AM
838	The city needs to get off its ass and address public safety	8/7/2018 9:51 AM
839	We need Uber! We have many drivers out there who drink and drive because they do not have a ride. I feel like out police need more support and funding. They are very overworked.	8/7/2018 9:46 AM
840	I think the priority for Eugene should be public safety first..The Fire and Police Departments have always been under staffed and under funded. It's time to make Safety a priority..	8/7/2018 9:45 AM
841	The City and EPD are falling short of public safety and are failing the community	8/7/2018 9:39 AM
842	Transients knocking on our door at 10pm, assuming to see if anyone is home. More homeless sleeping in the wooded section on Amazon Trail. Homeless parking their RV's outside our home and not knowing who they are and if they have any criminal history. They don't go anywhere, so you start thinking 'Are they watching when I leave for work?' and 'How safe is my home and family?'	8/7/2018 9:39 AM

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843	'Safe from whom?' is the question. The homeless are not a safety issue downtown for the most part. The string of robberies a few months ago that seemed to take forever to resolve showed the lack of police. It would seem as well that local security officers are more apt to use excessive force first in any given situation so says sources within the Eugene Police Department. So the combination of lack of police along with hard illicit drugs everywhere, a time when police shootings and random shootings seem to be on the rise, a place where security officers act with impunity, and where the message to the homeless reflects a game of 3 Card Monty, not to mention a more secular time when politics has become the religion of choice, I reiterate, safe from whom?	8/7/2018 9:33 AM
844	homeless, drug addicts, crazies make me want to move away. There's a "sanctioned" homeless "tent city" near my house....	8/7/2018 8:57 AM
845	It seems like the Eugene area has become a collecting point for unsavory characters that make those of us working in the city feel very unvalued and insecure.	8/7/2018 8:52 AM
846	There are things the City of Springfield has done that make it feel safer than Eugene at times. Especially in the downtown area. We feel safer going to the downtown area in Springfield than downtown Eugene.	8/7/2018 8:04 AM
847	Being harassed by the homeless population in downtown makes going there less enjoyable. Additionally, the trash, litter, graffiti, human waste, and noise of the homeless population across the city, especially in the parks, significantly detracts from these public spaces.	8/7/2018 7:43 AM
848	Even when we call police our calls often go nowhere and we can't reach anyone for help.	8/7/2018 7:10 AM
849	Quick enabling the homeless junkie population! Make panhandling illegal. No hand outs! I have junkies sleeping in my yard! I'm afraid of getting stuck while cleaning up my yard. The police never respond and when they do they are really late. I was assaulted last year in my own yard and it took 45+ for the coos to arrive. This is why I pack a gun now. I'm afraid of being jumped again especially in the park WHICH I SHOULD BE ABLE TO ENJOY! I'm nervous riding my bike to work. GET THESE BUMS OUT OF HERE!	8/7/2018 6:48 AM
850	More and more bums are making things like playing outside in the front yard for my kids is becoming a thing of the past	8/7/2018 6:37 AM
851	I live in west Eugene. This side of town has become the dumping ground for all of the cities probems. We have Sponsors, the Mission, Lyndale Holm service station and that "travel" camp on hwy 99. All these things put together have brought a lot of crime and mentally unstable people to our area.	8/7/2018 6:33 AM
852	the transients crowd the downtown there are no laws to protect the property owners or visitors, the so called travelers (bums) rules the downtown. they ran our favorite business out of the community from fouling there door step day after day. Laws need to be enforced no camping, loitering, downtown. no cares about the citizens of eugene the tax payers nothing is being done to protect us.	8/7/2018 6:23 AM
853	To many homeless people. Too many drugs.	8/7/2018 6:16 AM
854	I now carry pepper spray.	8/7/2018 6:05 AM
855	Downtown Eugene is a cesspool of vagrants and panhandlers. Time for the city to pick a lane: either pursue the riverfront development and EUGNet projects or keep catering to the undesirables who poop alleys and accost pedestrians. You can't have both. Stop wasting money on social reform programs. Eugene's leaders are thick-headed when it comes to these problems. Grow a pair like Springfield and legislate the bums out of town. Stop wasting my tax money to support these ne'er-do-gooders. The reason bums flock here in droves is that Oregon and Eugene already have the "best" welfare handouts available. People know they can get a free ride here. Time for the liberal arts degree politicians in our town to man up.	8/7/2018 5:52 AM
856	The only time I feel unsafe is when I'm downtown and around the swarming pools of transients and bums. The drug abuse and subsequent homelessness and panhandling issues have ruined downtown Eugene, perhaps irreparably. I live in northwest Eugene and we have started to see more transients creeping into our neighborhood over the last year. I recently installed locks on my fence gates because we had a drunk prowler come through our yard at night, screaming and banging on houses. He stole my wife's bike and we called the police. Eugene needs to pick a lane. Either pursue the redevelopment of downtown with the riverfront and EUGNet projects, or cater to the bums and freeloaders who poop in alleys and accost pedestrians. You can't have both, so it's time to decide whether economic growth or growing our reputation as a haven for undesirables is in Eugene's future.	8/7/2018 5:47 AM

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857	I tried to enjoy a nice lunch downtown outdoors at Broadway and Willamette/First National Taphouse a few weeks ago. It turned miserable when a guy with no shirt but a big snake was wrapped around his neck and he was prancing around trying to shock and scare people. Then another guy with no shirt but clearly taking hormones to develop breasts was getting in some out of town peoples faces who were just trying to enjoy their lunch, screamed at them "I can do this all day long!". This does not happen at Oakway, nor in Springfield. How can we clean up the garbage that lingers in downtown Eugene?	8/7/2018 5:44 AM
858	I drive to work in the evening going down Harlow to Gateway. The stop at Garden Way is awful. I've been very close to having a head on collision with drivers wanting to turn left onto Garden Way. There are plenty of pedestrians there too who could be hurt in an accident.	8/7/2018 4:27 AM
859	Society as a whole has really lost respect for each other. In every aspect. Eugene has really lost its way. So disappointed. I would not recommend their schools or neighborhoods to anyone looking to start a solid family.	8/7/2018 4:04 AM
860	I live near 8th and Washington, so I see all the crazies. I never visit the park under the bridge because of the tweakers and bums. I feel safer walking down the alley than visibly on 7th. Downtown, which I guess is that area around the Broadway strip, is pretty much like any other bar zone. I got followed by a psycho dude there once who threatened to stab me. I purposefully walk on the other side of the street from the bus station and library unless I need to go there, then I make sure I have headphones. I've lived in Eugene for 17 years, and at my current address for about 8 years. Over that time it seems to have gotten a lot worse. Thanks for the survey, I'll pass it along.	8/7/2018 2:57 AM
861	Too many homeless people stealing and doing drugs	8/7/2018 2:47 AM
862	Won't go downtown at all anymore. Don't feel safe.	8/7/2018 2:33 AM
863	I've had many bad experiences downtown. Our service resistant traveler problem and failure to enforce laws has created a safety problem. It makes our town look bad to visitors.	8/7/2018 1:36 AM
864	My neighborhood seems fairly safe but I am anxious walking downtown as well as in the neighborhoods there. A friend of mine lives in Whitaker area and has found bags of drugs (not weed) as well as had a neighbor stabbed and killed. And last night they were unable to go home because there was a standoff between 2 suspects and the police.	8/7/2018 12:10 AM
865	The bike paths in particular seems very unsafe lately with all the attacks and crime seems to be rampant in this city now. The area I live in (South Bertelsen) also feels unsafe.	8/7/2018 12:01 AM
866	I am 75, female, live alone in Roosevelt-Danebo area. Drug dealers are getting more brazen, even parking in front of my house and then traveling the neighborhood by bike. I have never seen a police car on our street except for a couple of years ago when I called in a burglary in progress. Theft of everything from Christmas decorations to a pickup truck have occurred in my driveway, from my lawn and from my front door area. I do not leave my house after dark.	8/6/2018 11:56 PM
867	The EPD need to change their practices, so they can respond to calls. I know from someone who works with the EPD that they don't have to respond to calls if they don't want by using "paperwork" as an excuse, since their policy is to fill out reports after each call, but it's also their policy to have discretion on whether or not they want to take a report. I once waited over 8 hours for them to respond to a death threat, in which myself and my family's lives were threatened. There needs to be dedicated officers in each ward, with rotations every quarter, in which the worse areas get more coverage, like Downtown and the Whit, while lighter-crime areas, such as South Eugene gets fewer officers. I know those in South Eugene will cry about it, but they're no better than anyone else in this city, though they sure do enjoy the City Government treating them as royalty.	8/6/2018 11:42 PM
868	Walking in Downtown Eugene makes me feel anxious and I feel that I have to use all my faculties on high alert. This is no way to feel in Downtown Eugene!	8/6/2018 11:24 PM
869	Who would have thought I would install security cameras on my property but I have for safety. The city and county have grown but the police force has not. Police should come first with Oregon's budgets in every town and city.	8/6/2018 11:13 PM
870	I've lived in Eugene since 1956. Always have felt safe. Even having spent the last nearly two decades in a wheelchair, there's no part of any of Eugene's neighborhoods I wouldn't travel to or through, day or night. By far, the most danger I'm in on Eugene's streets come from our overabundance of crazy car drivers.	8/6/2018 11:06 PM
871	We need to ban the vagrants and stop tolerating the junkies. Get rid of the scum. They are a cancer to our community.	8/6/2018 10:45 PM

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872	Too many meth addicts and transients	8/6/2018 10:36 PM
873	EPD seems utterly indifferent. It is impossible to consider increased funding for an organization that demonstrates so little concern or capability with its existing resources.	8/6/2018 10:36 PM
874	The bike paths feel very unsafe. I won't take my children along them mostly due to reports of assaults. They feel like they've increased in frequency.	8/6/2018 10:33 PM
875	I think the immediate downtown area centered around Willamette and Broadway has had an increase in transient folks, as well as people who are visibly high on drugs. It makes me not feel like that area is a safe place to take my kids. Additionally the area around skinner butte park also seems to have more of these folks lately. I think if the city is understaffed for police, maybe a volunteer police reserve program would be an idea... I know a few people including myself who would be interested to help.	8/6/2018 10:20 PM
876	We had the spare tire cover stolen off the back of our car within 3 months of moving here. 3 years later, we still don't feel safe leaving a bike on our back porch behind a fairly secure fence. The residential/commercial area to the west of Skinner Butte could really use more police and/or White Bird attention. The homeless encampments in particular have become far less "migratory" as of late. Thank you for doing what you do.	8/6/2018 10:11 PM
877	I no longer go downtown unless absolutely necessary.	8/6/2018 10:04 PM
878	When I visited downtown recently, I saw police officers directing a crowd to move on to another area as they appeared to be unruly. The previous time I visited downtown, my wife and I were going to a furniture store, and I saw the same types of things--people laying in the sidewalk, others leaning up against a construction fence, and one man was hanging from the light pole. We left as soon as we could. I would never bring out of town guests to our downtown; it is embarrassing. I never thought we would become a city like this. To be downtown after dark would be out of the question unless it is in the winter when the street toughs leave for a warmer climate. I was a long-time city employee and I have never seen it this bad.	8/6/2018 9:51 PM
879	I live near Delta Ponds and used to walk the path along the ponds, but don't anymore. There are homeless who reside along the bushes, and use the path to Bond Park to case neighbors and steal from our citizens. It's a huge problem. Some of the homeless are aggressive.	8/6/2018 9:49 PM
880	More police presence is needed.	8/6/2018 9:47 PM
881	I have felt very unsafe after the 2016 election. I believe that the racist example coming out of D.C. has set a very negative tone across the nation. I've seen more racially motivated hatred and aggression come out around this city. We are lucky that Eugene hasn't had more incidents, but it has had hate crimes escalating. I've seen swastikas, hateful racist tags, and heard aggressive hate speech around me. Shame on 45. Shame on this administration. Thank you to the local authorities for attempting to keep peace and harmony. Keep up the good work.	8/6/2018 9:45 PM
882	Violence is out of control in Eugene. The parks are unsafe and so are the bike trails. Downtown is unsafe Thursday thru Sunday evening due to the drunk bar crowd that tends to get ready from UO to downtown.	8/6/2018 9:44 PM
883	Lots of theft in my area. Also I live right down the street from an elementary school and middle school along with emerald park and there are no sidewalks which is really unsafe. There is also a lot of homeless and drug addicts that walk to emerald park so we will not go to that park anymore.	8/6/2018 9:35 PM
884	I feel like there has been an increase in property crimes in my neighborhood. Also an increase in unknown people in our neighborhood.	8/6/2018 9:32 PM
885	The rampant open drug use and homeless problem is getting out of hand and is spreading farther into outlying neighborhoods.	8/6/2018 9:31 PM
886	I think we should adopt the same ordinance Springfield adopted regarding not being able to transfer items from cars to people in the right-of-way. It "feels" there is a much higher population on the streets that have mental illnesses. Downtown feels awful. My kids get so scared to go downtown so we no longer go. Is there a way to not allow people to loiter downtown? Thanks for your time!	8/6/2018 9:27 PM
887	The city fathers have allowed the homeless bums rule the streets.	8/6/2018 9:25 PM

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888	Eugene has a strong and rich history, but safety is a main concern for many folks who wish there was more safety measures than less safety measures. I strongly believe the Police Department is doing all they can for public safety as some feel they aren't doing enough or there is not enough tools to help them get the job done - although it takes money, but as far as the city council is concerned, it seems like a less priority to them than some would say nor sense the feeling that the City Council is not letting the police department get the right tools in order to get the job done effectively.	8/6/2018 9:17 PM
889	I no longer go to downtown Eugene. It is filthy due to the transients and homeless living on the streets. I hate the area. Springfield has improved a lot since the Springfield Police have cracked down on the transients. Eugene needs to get tougher on the people hanging out downtown who pose a threat to others.	8/6/2018 9:16 PM
890	I will not take my family downtown at any time of day. My wife and I used to come down for dinner and/or a drink every weekend in the summer. Now we rarely do. It is not a safe or enjoyable place to visit. It is dirty, and street people take up every corner asking for handouts. We typically see multiple fights, and have to make an effort to avoid being caught in the middle of one.	8/6/2018 9:05 PM
891	Downtown needs cleaned up..	8/6/2018 9:01 PM
892	West 11th area is feeling less and less safe	8/6/2018 8:59 PM
893	Why is it that you didn't ask about how the police themselves makes us anxious. Police harass and discriminate against people of color. You don't want to hear about that, do you?	8/6/2018 8:57 PM
894	As long as Eugene continues to be a sanctuary city and cater to the homeless these problems well increase.	8/6/2018 8:56 PM
895	It is out of control in a HORRIBLE way, drugs, crime unsafe , homeless, it has become a disgrace	8/6/2018 8:47 PM
896	I take the bus and have 2 children under 2. I do not feel safe taking my children anywhere we cannot walk or get a ride. At commerce station and downtown, i have been cat called, grabbed, verbally assaulted, chased, offered drugs, had sex demanded of me. I have lived next to public works on Roosevelt, at the time I called for-a woman screaming rape, a man trying to break into my apartment screaming about drugs, being cornered in my building lot by a group of men, an active (white substance, spoon, needle)drug deal, marijuana trimmings dumped on my car, a physical fight in progress in my lot, and never received a response. at one point, my neighbor had his bike stolen and the cops went door to door looking for it at 10 pm; I did not bother calling-repeat drug deals, verbal assaults(not catcalling) by men against unknown women, needle drug use in full sight, domestic abuse. Moved to Avalon and Legacy area-near constant off leash dogs running through my yard and through the park. Animal control officer spotted sitting in car watching 2 off leash dogs and owner, never confronted her. Have seen animal control officer ignore off leash dogs driving by. this bothers me most-as a child I ran through MY front yard into a strangers off leash german shepherd, startled the "he never hurt a fly" dog, who then clamped his jaws around my temples. I will not allow my children or my dog in our yard because of all the off leash dogs, and the animal control officers apparent lack of concern. Several nights a week, racing through the park, around barger, royal, echo hollow, terry, greenhill, cars and pickup trucks. Daily high speeds through the school zone on legacy is normal. Small time drug use in the trees in the park, rv camping around the baseball park, both part of and unrelated to baseball games. A woman repeatedly searching yards, knocking on doors, trying to push in- slapping my father and trying to claw past him into his house-that last we called, but we were told it was low priority, and no one ever came. We do not have any faith that if a serious assault happens in this so called good neighborhood, that we will get help. When we lived right next door to a cops parking lot in the worst neighborhood, they only cared about a drug dealers bike. They dont come over here at all. I dont feel safe in this city beyond my own capabilities.	8/6/2018 8:43 PM
897	The downtown area and city parks are crawling with indigents who appear stoned, angry, or both. This has increased over the past few years.	8/6/2018 8:38 PM
898	I feel like the police waste time and resources hassling people of lower socio-economic status in the downtown and surrounding areas, when there is no response for things like an abandoned, wrecked car with a human shaped dustless area on the hood. Police here walk downtown in packs like a gang. My interactions with them have usually been pleasant enough, but I am concerned for the goals I'm seeing come to fruition from the department in general.	8/6/2018 8:35 PM

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899	By circumstance, my houses Parking, a Carport, is in an Alley. The First Two Weeks I lived here, I had to CHASE people out of my backyard Which is Prior POSTED, "NO TRESPASSING". I have had to remove Human Feces from the land I RENT and pay "Top Dollar" for. Yesterday, while Working in my backyard, an ADDICT stumbled down the alley, arguing with himself, UNTIL he saw me. I then realized I MUST stay in my area until He Left, to Ensure my property is SAFE. He finally asked me for a "Coat Hanger" stating he was "Locked out of his APARTMENT. I said that I had No hangers, and suggested he MOVE On. He left 10minutes later. But I was UNCOMFORTABLE the entire day.	8/6/2018 8:01 PM
900	Theirs to many drugged out homeless people that threaten people that have weapons and want to steal or take whatever they can to get their next fix	8/6/2018 8:01 PM
901	I have had to confront several transients in MLK Park that are drinking, being belligerent and have broken up a few fights there. I have found uncapped needles, baggies of meth (confirmed by your officers) in park as well. I call EPD, but response is slow due to higher priority calls which I completely understand. Today I had a transient get aggressive when I asked him to stop going through my trash can and recycle bin that were against my house. I have had items stolen from my front porch as well. I avoid going to the downtown area as much as possible. To the point that if someone suggests a restaurant in that area I come up with somewhere else to go or pass on the invitation. I hate having to avoid the core of the city due to what to me feels like coddling behavior by the mayors office. I have lived in Eugene my entire life and am afraid for the safety of someone that is too aggressive when panhandling rather than my own. I have said no to someone wanting money and they followed me for a block cursing me. I am currently looking at places outside of my home town due to this. Is is very sad state.	8/6/2018 8:00 PM
902	The park two houses down from me (mlk Park) has transients camped out Day and night drinking beer. At night we often hear fights and yelling. Parents with small children don't use the playground. I used to walk my dogs thru there and would find trash and needles, even a baggie of meth once, which I called EPD about. I used to work downtown and would walk home ever evening with earbuds in but not listening to anything so I could hear anyone coming up on me but not have to respond to them. That was 10 yrs ago, now I won't even go downtown! The number of panhandlers downtown is astonishing and they are aggressive! Even politely telling them "no" leads to them cursing at you and following you for half a block yelling at you! No way will I ever take my kids down there! I would weekly confront people, on my porch, going thru my garbage or recycle bin so I had to build a fence. I'm now looking at moving outside the city. I've live here all my life and have seen it grow increasingly worse, this is my home town and I'm very disappointed with how bad the transient situation has been allowed to become because of what I see as the city's coddling behavior. I would love to see Eugene make panhandling a violation like Springfield has done.	8/6/2018 7:55 PM
903	People that loiter anywhere downtown should be asked to move along - makes people uneasy.	8/6/2018 7:52 PM
904	I am visually & physically disabled. I can neither fight or flee. During the past five years, it continues to grow worse. For the past twelve months, I only leave the house alone to get my mail. Otherwise, I wait for my caregiver. I live in Mike Clark's ward, near Madison Middle School. During coffee at Sweet Life this morning, the staff, customers, and I got to listen to five minutes of yelling, cussing, and violent threats by a homeless man. He was inside the store, buying himself coffee.	8/6/2018 7:46 PM
905	The City has allowed the bums and riffraff take control the city. In the meantime the city council wastes money while trying to build a mini city hall on a postage stamp lot.	8/6/2018 7:39 PM
906	I am concerned about speeding cars, cars running red lights, and distracted drivers. These all make me feel unsafe.	8/6/2018 7:39 PM
907	The number of "travelers" has increased. Simply put, this makes Eugene less safe.	8/6/2018 7:15 PM
908	I was born in Eugene and after 50 yes I've seen it all. The city caters to the "traverlers" so this is the city to come to. The city needs to establish a loitering law and prohibiting panhandling. And enforcing those laws. Look to Springfield and Corvallis for examples	8/6/2018 7:08 PM
909	We moved from Jefferson-Westside to Country Club Rd next to Eug Country Club a yr ago. Our 8th Ave neighborhood seemed sketchy, but we never had a problem. Here, we had our car broken into. And walking from home to Alton Baker or Oakway scares me. I love Eugene but it has blight areas that seem scary to me.	8/6/2018 6:56 PM

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910	I moved to Eugene from Boston 20 years ago and Eugene still seems relatively tame in comparison. However, I do notice the downtown area in the area known as four corners get increasingly troublesome. I've heard about cameras being placed on patrol downtown but think creating jobs and having officers on bicycles may be a better idea. Officers on bicycles can get around faster in tight downtown areas where Vehicles cannot. I live on Royal and 99, very high theft and crime area. I'd love to see a small police hub nearby maybe a number to station.	8/6/2018 6:50 PM
911	Approached daily as I walk in downtown Eugene Beggars for money attention contact all unwanted and unsought.	8/6/2018 6:47 PM
912	The homeless population is taking over Eugene. 9 out of 10 of the homeless I see downtown are under the influence of drugs or alcohol. As a substance abuse counselor I am very aware of the dangers that surround drug populated areas.	8/6/2018 6:46 PM
913	I'm concerned about the number of homeless and people gathering up all the cans for recycling, going onto peoples property and through their garbage. From many people I've spoken to, there is a lot of concern about the revolving door at the jail and chronic homelessness, hard drug use and needles that have been found around town, robbery on the bike path, and panhandlers by Beltline and downtown.	8/6/2018 6:46 PM
914	Im 15 living in the bethel area and these last 12 months I have experienced many people following me while I walk stalking my house and trying to steal my dog.so I feel extremely unsafe with how Eugene has changed.	8/6/2018 6:41 PM
915	Increased lighting on roads with little to no lighting would help people, specifically me, to feel safer in the evening hours.	8/6/2018 6:40 PM
916	I think more camaras are a step in the right direction. If they don't deter the criminals, they will catch them. In this day and age of technology, there has to be a way to utilize them in every public crevice in Eugene.	8/6/2018 6:39 PM
917	Overall, Eugene is a safe place to live and work.	8/6/2018 6:37 PM
918	The homeless have taken over our parks, our bike paths, our downtown. Many appear to be mentally ill and/or on drugs.	8/6/2018 6:35 PM
919	I will no longer go downtown after dark by myself	8/6/2018 6:31 PM
920	hire more cops	8/6/2018 6:25 PM
921	We need to support our police- if it takes more staff to cover all the things we need you to do? Then we need to have more police. Thank you for all of your hard work!	8/6/2018 6:22 PM
922	The homeless situation is making it unsafe to do anything in Eugene. It's gotten better in Springfield with their law prohibiting the transfer of funds. The drug situation is out of control.	8/6/2018 6:19 PM

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923	<p>There have been shootings stabbings people getting strong arm robbed downtown. There's lack of adequate housing for the homeless and resources, substance abuse issues, mental health issues.. and they don't seem to be adequately addressed or resources are lacking.. additionally, a next-door neighbor tried to lodge a complaint about a man who attempted to hit her in the head with a rock threatened her with it and screamed in her face that he wanted to bash her face in you "effing c word". This was just a few days ago during the daytime one day after the little girl in Armitage Park had her face crushed by a rock that was thrown at her by a yet to be identified man.. I advised my neighbor to call the police, the police who in turn transferred her to Coburg Sheriff's Department who for some reason thought that because it was a 30 minute bike ride from Armitage Park to downtown Eugene, couldn't possibly be related and then when she spoke to someone in the police department they told her she had watched too many CSI movies because unless if "there was a real crime committed" there was nothing they could do.. menacing, threatening, terroristic acts, and threatening to do great bodily harm are all felonies and every other state that I've lived (Washington, California, Hawaii, and Illinois) so my question is why is she not being taken seriously? And why are we as Citizens afraid of our downtown area? Perhaps White Bird Clinic needs to relocate? Perhaps we don't want people who have mental health issues, drug addiction problems, and/or criminal records so close to campus and our downtown community because it seems to me that they have an endless resource of victims for potential predatory behavior.. and yes I am aware that it's usually the mentally ill people who are victims of crimes themselves and not necessarily the perpetrators. I do not lack compassion, they are potential victims as well they deserve to feel safe too.. I do however lack empathy for a police department who seems to who seems to lack of sense of urgency when it comes to the exponentially increased level of violent crime and property crime occurring in the downtown Eugene area.. I appreciate a survey but how about some permanent cameras downtown?. I don't need to be a sociologist or criminologist to see something needs to be done... I realize this isn't downtown Chicago and I'm not trying to be histrionic but having lived in downtown Honolulu where the police presence is stepped up and was integrated into the community, people living downtown in the worst area felt safe because there's a police station downtown with cameras that were monitored and if something occurred the police would respond post haste..Im seeing that there's the beginning of a crisis here we need to have walking patrols we need to have biking patrols we need to have much more police presence.. and I would be more than happy to give up my right to privacy on a public street to have security any day of the week.. all of my neighbors who live in downtown agree with me on this.. especially after that poor man was killed in his home just a few blocks away stabbed in the neck trying to protect his roommate that is absolutely horrific! we were a peaceful community for the longest time we need to do something about the violent transient population... I was a bail bondsman for many years and I can tell you that once a town is marked as an easy place to commit crime and get by it's very difficult to stop it from growing as it becomes insidious... Do something now.. Before it is too late and we are overrun with gangs at least we don't have that kind of a problem.... yet.... do we need to have an incident like what happened at the Jackalope some seven years ago happening every week before you step up your presence downtown? PLEASE DO SOMETHING!! We have a beautiful city... All for not without safety</p>	8/6/2018 6:18 PM
924	I avoid downtown and local parks at all costs due to the homeless population making me feel unsafe.	8/6/2018 6:18 PM
925	The "travelers" in the downtown area and on every other street make this town feel intimidating. I will not take my family to any functions in the immediate downtown area out of fear of what could happen. Not to mention all the rampant drug use plaguing our city.	8/6/2018 6:15 PM
926	Wish there were more officers. I hesitate to call for a prowler bc it seems unimportant, and yet I'm afraid. Wish you would patrol more in the south hills.	8/6/2018 6:15 PM
927	The homeless population is out of control. We had a homeless person sleeping behind the tennis courts at NEHS, he left all of his garbage. Doesn't do any good to call police. Our house was broke in to and we had a 5K loss, police would not come even though there was blood for evidence. It is out of control here and I would like to move out of Eugene.	8/6/2018 6:15 PM
928	Homeless and transient population is extremely unsafe for residents, theft would decrease if we had less of this demographic	8/6/2018 6:12 PM
929	There are so many homeless people and those who appear to be on drugs almost everywhere in town. Eugene is not why I moved here 42 years ago.	8/6/2018 6:11 PM

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930	The homeless are ruining this town. I would love to take my pre teen boys down there but it's not a safe environment for them. EPD is grossly understaffed, the hiring threshold needs to be lowered. My husband was one of 12 who made it to the background investigation and he didn't get the hired.... he was prior military, he would have made an excellent officer. Perhaps people on the boarder line should be offered a provisional period in which to "prove" themselves.	8/6/2018 6:09 PM
931	I don't leave home without it!!!	8/6/2018 6:08 PM
932	With so many drug addicts wandering around it's not safe. They commit thefts and burglaries as well as assaults. It's also not safe from a health perspective. I can't tell you how many times I've seen these people urinate and defecate in parks and even on private property. It's just gotten so bad and I think the police don't arrest because they don't want people knowing how bad the drug problem is in Eugene because if they did people might not send their kids here to go to school. Its never been this bad.	8/6/2018 6:05 PM
933	Something has to be done about the Broadway area. Lots of people work and shop and eat there, but it seems menacing.	8/6/2018 6:03 PM
934	I only go downtown if I have business to conduct. Downtown has become a scary place to walk. I have never seen the core area look dirtier than it is. There is an element of people that are literally sprawled out on the sidewalks and hanging from the lamp poles. I feel safest in the winter months when the criminal element seems to have wondered on. Our civic leaders seem incapable of making decisions about this. Most everyone I talk to has the same feelings. We better get a handle on this. I would never take a visiting friend down there.	8/6/2018 5:57 PM
935	As a woman living alone In the Monroe park area I don't even feel safe walking from my car to my apartment at night. And feel at night just living alone there is so homelessness and drug activity in my neighborhood. I do not feel safe biking on certain parts of the river bike path. Never walk alone at night anywhere. Downtown is intense to walk alone even in the daylight hours especially by the library and bus station.	8/6/2018 5:52 PM
936	I walk throughout the city a lot. I feel safe in areas above 25th Ave. and the closer I get to downtown or along 15th Ave the more uncomfortable I feel when walking alone.	8/6/2018 5:44 PM
937	Eugene has a terrific new Police Chief, give him what he needs to do the job and keep Eugene safe!	8/6/2018 5:44 PM
938	I have been physically attacked by people who are living on the streets. People who are obviously on drugs or mentally ill and need help. Rarely do police intervene. There simply aren't enough officers for me to truly feel safe walking down Willamette St in broad daylight.	8/6/2018 5:36 PM
939	I used to regularly ride the East and West bank bike path. After beginning to see more people living on this path I began to get uneasy about riding after dark. This culminated with seeing a man with a needle in his arm actively shooting up while sitting in the middle of the East bank bike path. This behavior is now becoming more frequent. As a young adult who is looking to start a family soon, I can say without hesitation I do not want to raise children in a community where this is normalized and allowed. My wife and I recently tried to have a picnic at Skinner's Butte Park. It took at least 20 minutes to find a spot near the river that was not either set up as a camp or actively had someone living in it. We talked about our regret for even coming to this park and how we would not be doing this again. It is unfortunate that our City is situated in such a beautiful area but its tax paying citizens are reluctant to go to these areas for fear of safety. Please help to make this City a area we are proud to show friends and family again.	8/6/2018 5:35 PM
940	City of Eugene is getting dirtier and meaner. I remember the Eugene Celebration. There's nobody left qualified in skill or spirit that could do the job anymore. This town doesn't work for everybody anymore and it's getting worse. City leadership are up in their heads and they just don't get what's happening. Too much magical thinking.	8/6/2018 5:30 PM
941	Downtown is notoriously bad, but may have improved a bit recently. City council needs to have the fortitude and integrity to serve their constituents who live, work and pay taxes in Eugene. Make Eugene livable for everyday folks first.	8/6/2018 5:28 PM
942	I'm grateful for police presence when I see it in my neighborhood but experience a great deal of street harassment	8/6/2018 5:23 PM
943	Worried about wildfire possibilities and training and preparation of personnel and adequate equipment.	8/6/2018 5:19 PM

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944	Downtown Eugene is NOT safe to walk or be in, too many homeless & street people begging. It's filthy! The homeless people put up trashy shelters everywhere around town. I am a business owner in town, I have to put up with continual graffiti, trash, stink, homeless people, it's disgusting & nothing is done.	8/6/2018 5:19 PM
945	More police officers please.	8/6/2018 5:17 PM
946	My granddaughter lives down on 12th and mill in a beautiful Victorian home. You walk into her home and it's quiet and Serene and you can smell the wood from previous people in what the materials will made of. You walk outside and it's hell. A week after she moved in she was broken into and a guy on drugs crashed on her couch they had to call the police and have him removed. I feel so insecure with my granddaughter living down there. I wish that something could be done about the homeless people on all four corners near her house. I don't want her down there I think it's in safe I found a broken pipe in the grass in front of her house. The drug use in the homeless population has increased so much down there I don't feel safe at all.	8/6/2018 5:16 PM
947	My neighbor's car got tagged with a swastika in front of my place. Speeding cars, lack of sidewalks & dogs at large are issues in the Friendly neighborhood. Suspicious men, too.	8/6/2018 5:16 PM
948	More needs to be done to regulate bicyclists and their idea that they have priority over vehicles. They don't follow rules and cause unsafe conditions.	8/6/2018 5:15 PM
949	I am a bus operator for LTD, the city allowing the punk kids to own the corner of 10th and Olive is criminal, and extremely dangerous for motorist. Who gets in trouble when one of these dbags gets hit by a bus or a car, the motorist.	8/6/2018 5:15 PM
950	Eugene is becoming a cesspool of homeless, dirty, drug and drunk infested people. This is not the city I grew up in ! Most of this seems to be people who want to live this way, there are plenty of options if they want help, but from what I see they enjoy this. I find it disgusting, and wasteful. Being someone who starts work at 3 am, I might see more than most, but I urge the city officials to spend some time away from there normal areas and see what's going on. Take a look at the large camps under several of our bridges, nobody can be safe in these situations. I fully hope you are serious about takling this problem, thank you concerned citizen.	8/6/2018 5:15 PM
951	There needs to be more officers who can respond to calls. I called regarding a possible burglary in progress and it took nearly an hour to respond, which would not help had it turned out to be that	8/6/2018 5:14 PM
952	Clear out illegal camping	8/6/2018 5:13 PM
953	downtown is not safe	8/6/2018 5:13 PM
954	Please help house the homeless and offer other assistance to those who may be desperate.	8/6/2018 5:12 PM
955	I think Eugene has done a great job of revitalizing the Broadway and Willamette area. It's a shame that, that same area is inundated with transients taking up sidewalks and continually pressuring the public that is supporting that area. I enjoy having dinner in the area but getting to and from is risky and uncomfortable.	8/6/2018 5:08 PM
956	I only go downtown when I absolutely have to, and I don't like to go alone, because of the aggressive panhandlers and people loitering and sitting in groups on the sidewalks.	8/6/2018 5:07 PM
957	My daughter worked downtown and had to walk to the courthouse every day. Some days she had to walk blocks out of her way to make the trip. She was harassed and often approached by intimidating people. When a young women isn't safe walking in her downtown city blocks there is something seriously wrong with that town.	8/6/2018 4:57 PM
958	Eugene is a great city, however, I am always on my guard I was at a park recently trying to train my dog and basically left because I was being bothered by people under the influence. I do not feel safe going to many places by myself.	8/6/2018 4:45 PM
959	Homeless people are made welcome and comfortable here, that's why they come here from all over the country. They are responsible for the rise in crime.	8/6/2018 4:43 PM
960	With heroin and meth epidemic and nothing being done about it is very uneasy. When u sit on ur front porch watching drug addicts stealing people's garbage cans riding there bike pulling it makes u wonder and ask yourself what has happened to this town we live in.	8/6/2018 4:36 PM
961	No change, we need new leadership.Nothing gets done with our non-leadership team that is running the city into the ground. Pick a topic nothing changes and just getting worse. Vote for a big change in the city fathers. Born in Eugene	8/6/2018 4:26 PM
962	I won't go downtown at all because of the homeless and the way it makes me feel	8/6/2018 4:24 PM

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963	Its not the police fault, they do what they can but I don't even feel safe in my own apartment. We purchased and installed extra door locks and a gun for home protection.	8/6/2018 4:20 PM
964	The only concern I have about walking in my own neighborhood (Santa Clara near the Lancaster/Lynnbrook intersection) is that homeowners often open their garage or front doors to come out front and they let their loose dogs come outside with them. My leashed dog and I have been charged by these dogs numerous times. Once, my dog was bitten, and I had to take her to the emergency vet. The homeowners always apologize, but shouldn't let their dogs come out in the first place. My concern about driving on the city streets is because of skateboarders, bicyclists, or drivers listening to headphones, entering my path without noticing me, or continuing to use their phones as though there was no law against it.	8/6/2018 3:33 PM
965	After seeing a homeless person shooting heroin down one alley and seeing another pooping in planter (same visit), I won't be heading downtown anymore. Seems like the problem is spreading to more and more neighborhoods. Petty theft is increasing, drug usage is rampant, and the police don't respond ("we've got bigger fish to fry" was a response I received upon calling the non-emergency number).	8/6/2018 3:28 PM
966	Round up the homeless drug addicts and sent them out of Oregon	8/6/2018 3:27 PM
967	Safety is improving downtown with all the city efforts there including an increased police presence. Thank you. Safety in my neighborhood just to the south (16th & Olive) has decreased with increased travelers migrating from downtown: walking the streets with carts and sleeping bags, acting out loudly on streets and sidewalks all hours of the day and night, trespassing and theft in my "secure" building. I encourage and will appreciate more police presence in my neighborhood. I know this is complicated and really do thank the city and EPD for the effort.	8/6/2018 3:10 PM
968	I feel unsafe leaving UO campus late at night because of the kidnappings that happened earlier this year.	8/6/2018 2:57 PM
969	I grew up in a big city surrounded by folks who were not the same as I. I As a female, I learned early on whom to avoid and that a smile goes a lot further than a threat. The militancy in attitude is somewhat new but not a deal breaker.	8/6/2018 2:56 PM
970	Went to the Friday Artwalk with my family and some guy chased another guy and caught him right next to us and he punched him in the head and was yelling something about heroin. Every time I try and go to restaurants/bars downtown I have to walk past street people and always see and hear something about drugs.	8/6/2018 2:50 PM
971	Epd needs to increase the total number of officers. No one should hav to wait out for an officer to respond.	8/6/2018 2:43 PM
972	The Homeless are out of control. Parks are becoming disgusting cesspools from the homeless leaving their garbage, human waste, and drug paraphernalia all over. The homeless are stealing at an increasing rate probably because there is no punishment for them. Eugene is becoming a real dump.	8/6/2018 2:37 PM
973	I take my 3 year old son to downtown events, but I find that some situations are uncomfortable. Yesterday, when we were at the "Meet me at the Zocolo" event, we walked over to the Japanese memorial near the Hult Center, and we were in the space with three people who appeared drunk and were talking about muggings they had been involved in. A little uncomfortable...	8/6/2018 2:32 PM
974	I hear reports that people feel unsafe downtown. I personally haven't experienced that, nor have the people I know. I am a young woman with a visible disability and I walk through downtown at night on a regular basis. I think the people who report feeling unsafe aren't the people who actually experience the environment downtown.	8/6/2018 2:26 PM
975	Bars around the university of oregon are drugging and assaulting women	8/6/2018 2:18 PM
976	The only place I question and feel unsafe is the downtown area near the library and broadway area by sizzle pie, the square area. I hate that I have to take my children to the worst part of town to use the public library. We recently ate outside at Miller burger and I had to abruptly move my 4 yr old inside when a violent fight broke out. The area is unstable and I don't feel it is family friendly, yet there are many reasons for families to be there for the library and eateries. There were no police on the block during the incident I witnessed, which I found odd. I do like the fact that there is usually a good police presence there. I am afraid to run alone at Alton baker or along the river anywhere. I stick to amazon with my dog when I run alone and feel I should be aware of my surroundings, but overall feel safe at Amazon.	8/6/2018 1:38 PM

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977	Aggressive behavior by intoxicated people on streets and sidewalks is spreading around, not just downtown mall anymore. Encountered one drinking, kicking things, and cussing while walking my monther-in-laws dog around 12th & Almaden yesterday.	8/6/2018 1:34 PM
978	Have called the police e times regarding drug sale activity very near my property (behind our fence). Only once they actually came out and it was several hours later so I don't feel calling the police does anything	8/6/2018 1:34 PM
979	The biggest safety concern is defacation and needles. We need more public bathrooms and needle exchanges.	8/6/2018 1:29 PM
980	As someone who lives in Jefferson Westside, it seems that there is a lot more commotion occurring this summer then in previous years, and more violent.	8/6/2018 1:21 PM
981	Too many people camping on the porch of the business where I work. They are asked to move and no camping signs are posted. But in the last year, it has increased over the previous several years.	8/6/2018 1:21 PM
982	With the attacks on the bike paths, the homeless methheads that are littered about downtown, and the car thefts, no. I do not feel safe in eugene anymore.	8/6/2018 1:11 PM
983	My home has been (Violently) robbed twice during my first year here in Eugene. Yes, I was being watched. Police didn't show up till next day on the first one and for never for the last one. Feeling totally powerless for help here. I now own a gun, never had a need for one before...	8/6/2018 12:54 PM
984	It's clear that EPD is under staffed with slow response times leaving possible victims extremely vulnerable to further attack. Quite honestly one can't be sure if they will even show up. Contracting with a security company to patrol the streets is irresponsible and clearly communicates to the public that the city and it's governing body is obtuse and lacks understanding of what is really going on in the community.	8/6/2018 12:43 PM
985	Since arriving from Chicago 2 1/2 years ago, I have been aggressively confronted/threatened 3 times and robbed twice. I feel much less safe here than I ever did in 40+ years in Chicago.	8/6/2018 12:41 PM
986	Need more patrols in west Eugene. Crime rate has gone up in this area because of low patrols I feel	8/6/2018 12:20 PM
987	I feel like the homeless and drug users around ALL of Eugene are terrifying because the violence and theft is random and unprovoked. I fear it won't get any better and I'm not sure how to help or keep myself safe.	8/6/2018 12:15 PM
988	I live in downtown Eugene. I find my feelings of safety are due to the fact that there is always someone present and visible around my apartment, including the landlord, who has a reputation as a badass to be avoided and who has put up plenty of those good fences that make good neighbors. Without these factors living near the former mall would be very scary because of the negative element of transients. We see plenty of them. They have camped out in the parking lot under our windows at the building at Broadway and Lincoln; they come and pee in said parking lot and shit around the bushes; they smoke, swear, yell, and fight around the area. Lately people have taken to hanging out on the median strips along the landlord's property -- just resting, but intimidating to a degree. Eugene needs to solve its homeless problem for those who are truely homeless and need help, including drunks and mental, and Eugene needs to move the extraneous "travellers" we get in summer -- move them along. After living in this area for 30 years I can say it has gotten worse. Most people don't want attention and are just trying to find a place to hide out or sleep safely, but the drunks are a real pain in the butt.	8/6/2018 12:05 PM
989	When I moved here in 1979, from Alaska, I liked it and felt very safe anywhere and any time in Eugene. But now, not so much any more. Eugene grew, proportional odds of more people bringing increased risk and apprehension is a given.	8/6/2018 11:56 AM
990	Downtown remains a disaster for us. We go to efforts to avoid it. The people there, especially in the evenings are often rude, entitled, and "in your face". I do not feel safe there after dark. Visit downtown Bend in the evenings and see the striking difference. We are often harassed, asked for money and denigrated when we do not provide it, and forced off of the sidewalk because many are "camped" there. Very sad.	8/6/2018 11:30 AM

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991	As a kid in Eugene in the 50's, we would go downtown every friday/saturday night and walk around for fun. Now I wouldn't dare do that. The ONLY reason I go downtown is to go to OCT - and I quickly walk to the theater, and quickly walk to my car. When I've gone downtown in the morning, I've had to step over unconscious people lying in their own vomit on the sidewalk. That is not pleasant, and a 180 degree change from my memories of downtown, from the 50's into the 70's. I am active in and concerned about the homeless situation, generally and in our community. But most of these folks aren't homeless. They are travelers who feel comfortable in our town. It feels like central Eugene is now home for vagrant trust fund youth and their dogs.	8/6/2018 11:21 AM
992	As long as there are a number of people around (particularly in the downtown area), I generally feel very safe.	8/6/2018 11:14 AM
993	So much property crime! And, though I'm active with and sympathetic to, the unhomed folks who hang out on the mall, some of the men are way out of control. Yesterday I was there in the morning, going to Townsends, and mall "security" were joking loudly and inappropriately with an obviously not-completely-sane man, making borderline obscene jokes - the two security guys were laughing with him! I have had to be very stern with some of the men who blocked my walkway or said inappropriate things to me. So I bought a Malinois - I'm sure they will no longer bother me. And I understand the police are woefully understaffed, but I have no faith that if I call at night because I have a concern they will be able to respond quickly unless it's an immediate threat. More creative solutions are needed, clearly. My daughter's house, in a nice middle class neighborhood, has been broken into 6 times in 12 years!	8/6/2018 10:59 AM
994	I think Cahoots is a great resource and I would like to see the city expand this resource to be able to better meet crisis needs in our community	8/6/2018 10:53 AM
995	Criminals roam free. No one was is held accountable for there crimes, they are pushed through the revolving doors of the jail. The dirt bags have more power then the cops and run this community.	8/6/2018 10:47 AM
996	I'd feel a lot safer if the police did their job.	8/6/2018 10:45 AM
997	How safe we feel depends in large part on the color of our skin. I happen to be a white privileged individual and therefore feel safer than many of my friends and neighbors of color.	8/6/2018 10:42 AM
998	I moved here ten years ago and definitely feel less safe than I did in 2008. Downtown has always made me feel a little sketchy (getting asked for money or cigarettes when I don't smoke, and getting called names at times when I tell people no), and seeing people just trash downtown is depressing. Some parts have been cleaned up (like the park blocks) but some of the people that were hanging out downtown are now being driven to other parts of Eugene as a result. I want to have pride in where I live, but it's getting harder and harder when we let people leave their garbage, filth, and even feces behind all over our sidewalks, bike paths, and underneath the overpasses. We have to pay money to go camp in the the wilderness, so why are people allowed to camp all over town for free and trash it in the process? We need a place for homeless people to go that's indoors, safe, dry, and warm, and that provides facilities so our city doesn't look like a gigantic dumpster. I will never leave Eugene, but my frustration grows every day that I'm here due to the apathy of the city council letting the homeless have free reign of the area.	8/6/2018 10:39 AM
999	Disturbed to hear how many calls EPD just doesn't respond to.	8/6/2018 10:30 AM
1000	There seem to be more instances of property-based crime and assaults on bike trails now than a year ago.	8/6/2018 10:28 AM
1001	Needles, needles everywhere. My business seems to be a hang out for druggies and dumping ground for heroin needles. We call, but it just gets so frustrating sometimes the energy we have to spend on this. It's no small task on a daily/weekly basis.	8/6/2018 10:21 AM
1002	I feel very unsafe when biking or walking along the bike path in West Eugene.	8/6/2018 10:18 AM
1003	I believe the homeless population in Eugene has increased the uncertainty and anxiety of the public in regards to cleanliness and beggars downtown and on bike paths.	8/6/2018 10:04 AM
1004	There seems to be an increase in violent crimes and break-ins these last few years. I have also heard of a lot of attacks on walkers at night. Fear my car/house will be broken into. Will no longer walk outside at night.	8/6/2018 9:58 AM
1005	Because there are so many more homeless tweakers who take whatever they want, whenever they want. I don't know what the answer would be.	8/6/2018 9:55 AM
1006	I am a cyclist. I sometimes feel extremely unsafe when riding near cars. My neighborhood streets feel pretty safe. I avoid the riverside bike path after dark.	8/6/2018 9:54 AM

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1007	I feel that downtown Eugene is perpetually at risk for unsafe activity due to the variety of people who loiter. Some are homeless and need help, some are travelers who are enjoying time in Eugene, but there are also vagrants with no intention of finding help or homes, who appear to be unstable. These are the people that we need to find help for and remove from our streets.	8/6/2018 9:54 AM
1008	The downtown area of Eugene is filthy - garbage, urine, panhandlers - especially near the library and the bus station. But, too with people lounging on the sidewalk near Broadway and Willamette. I am sometimes accosted by panhandlers and often feel threatened.	8/6/2018 9:52 AM
1009	Deal with the drug addicts and homeless. Ban camping everywhere, no begging.	8/6/2018 9:46 AM
1010	More bike patrol and evening car patrol for the homeless population would be nice	8/6/2018 9:46 AM
1011	As a woman, I do not feel safe walking alone at night outside of downtown (in downtown with people and lots of lighting, I feel fine-- if on guard). I'm not sure that will change in my lifetime, but I'd like to see EPD be a part of consent/anti-rape training in schools. We have to start at the middle-school age or even younger. I feel anxious when I'm in my home alone at night. I feel sad and angry that I live this way. I'd also like to see EPD work with the Sheriff's Dept. to keep Eugene bikers safe. As soon as bikers are outside of bike paths, cars don't know about the 6' rule and they often behave either dangerously or aggressively. If we're going to be committed to Vision Zero, these efforts are necessary. Another biker was hospitalized just a couple weeks ago and is still in the hospital. How many more people will be seriously injured? How many deaths do we--as a community-- find acceptable in order to keep our cars going as fast as possible on the roads?	8/6/2018 9:43 AM
1012	The Fern Ridge Trail between Oak Patch and the bridge by the ballet academy is touch-and-go even in daylight. I totally avoid it in the evening. I'm always accosted when I go downtown and our 5-year-old can get quite overwhelmed with the yelling and the smells of cigarettes/marijuana.	8/6/2018 9:29 AM
1013	National political climate may be encouraging disrespect for law and order and civility.	8/6/2018 9:19 AM
1014	Downtown Eugene is a place I rarely go because of the aggressive panhandlers, "travelers," and the drug users. Generally around the city, I feel disturbed by the sheer numbers of the homeless and the drug users who roam the streets stealing bicycles and almost anything that is not nailed down.	8/6/2018 9:17 AM
1015	Downtown is not a safe place to be. The city council and the mayor's office are complicit with regards to the degradation of safety. They are far more concerned with the loud minority than that of the cities future. An unneutered police presence would resolve 90% of the health and safety concerns. We are spending resources and good will on those who travel here to take advantage of us. It's time to sour the milk!	8/6/2018 9:12 AM
1016	I have lived in the Jefferson-Westside neighborhood for over 20 years. I purchased a home in this neighborhood because it is close enough to walk to stores, restaurants, the library and work. While I still visit these locations on foot and by bike, I am much more vigilant about the safety of me personally and for my property. The large number of homeless people camping with or without vehicles in my neighborhood has heightened this feeling of danger. I have had many items stolen from my property over the years. Whether these homeless people are to blame or any of the other number of people who wander the neighborhood trespassing to collect cans and bottles, I don't know. What I do know is that it has only gotten worse over the years and EPD has does very little to stop it despite my constant reports to the non-emergency line.	8/6/2018 9:09 AM
1017	i live off Goodpasture loop and have only lived in Eugene for about six months. while I feel my neighborhood is safe, I do feel that some areas downtown are not because of the large number of homeless.	8/6/2018 9:06 AM
1018	I sell on the Park Blocks twice a week. Things have improved markedly with the Park Host program, over times when people were aggressively living in the Park. I see fewer people who need services, so feel that they are getting connected with them more frequently.	8/6/2018 9:00 AM
1019	My feelings of safety are maintained by the presence of resources like CAHOOTS. I feel safer knowing I have the option of calling a trained, unarmed community resource in times of need for myself and others.	8/6/2018 8:55 AM

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1020	My sense of security has eroded greatly over the past few years due to numerous run-ins with our transient population, which seems to be growing exponentially, and a lack of police response. I sometimes come home to an intimidating group of transients camped in the planting strip in front of my small house, and am told by EPD that they are within their rights to congregate and smoke there - within 20' of my front door. Btw, the smoking ban is a step in the right direction, but please consider the effect on downtown neighbors as these groups claim the planting strips as their new camps! Sometimes I don't even feel safe leaving my own house (both physically, getting past the people outside, and leaving my house unattended). I used to love riding the bike path and running errands by bike, but the transients have taken over parts of the bike path (notably, the underpasses along Coburg Road) and their threatening behavior has stamped out my sense of safety there too. I appreciate that Eugene is a tolerant place, but our non-approach to the very real problem of transients taking over our downtown and public spaces is leading to the collapse of public safety. In my opinion, this is too high a price to pay.	8/6/2018 8:36 AM
1021	Not enough staff for neighborhood patrols by EPD. I live on a busline arterial and between stop signs (two blocks) cars get up to 50 miles an hour (Harris St between 30th and 28th). Also there is a known drug house two blocks away that seems to be impervious to surveillance	8/6/2018 8:31 AM
1022	The homeless population is out of control and needs to be addressed. I can't walk my dogs to Amazon dog park because they are everywhere and approach you. As a young female it's sad that I don't feel safe to go on long walks or runs because homeless people are becoming more aggressive and are everywhere because we have a city have set no limits and are trying to be so tolerant we are giving them more power.	8/6/2018 8:29 AM
1023	When I see homeless, I feel unsafe. Period. Please make downtown attractive and safe, not a repository for folks who don't work. thanks	8/6/2018 8:21 AM
1024	It is not safe to visit any park in this town. Drunks and drug users have taken them over. The same with the core area.	8/6/2018 8:13 AM
1025	My safety concerns lay with the fact that I cannot trust people because a lot of them are high. The amount of drug users are getting pretty high, and in return there are a lot of thefts. Not to mention the children on the corner of Olive and 10th. You cannot walk by downtown anytime without them littering, causing fights, and drinking.	8/6/2018 8:09 AM
1026	Moved from River Road area to South Eugene a year ago. We were tired of our cars and yard being broken into. Even had a utility trailer stolen from our driveway. So much less crime where in live now in South Hills.	8/6/2018 8:00 AM
1027	The Eugene City Council is allowing the homeless rule the city. It is not safe to go downtown unless you want to get mugged and robbed. I carry a weapon whenever I have to go near the Eugene downtown core and will use it the next time one of the young punks tries to rob me.	8/6/2018 8:00 AM
1028	You got to get a handle on the drunks, meth heads, and bums that do what they want, steal what they want, and assault others. I'm into a free society and few rules, but once you commit a crime of theft or violence, you should do the time for it... LOW tolerance!	8/6/2018 7:52 AM
1029	We need more non-armed peacekeepers who are trained in conflict escalation. Also, more non-emergency services and support. We DO NOT need more armed cops. In fact, we probably need less, especially on/around campus. UOPD should not have guns.	8/6/2018 7:35 AM
1030	Unless I'm with someone else, a friend or my husband, I try not to go out and about in downtown. Or even to Alton baker paker	8/6/2018 7:25 AM
1031	After having had a break in at my home several years ago, my feelings of safety are not good. I take precautions when leaving my home no matter what time of day.	8/6/2018 7:15 AM
1032	Stop letting the homeless sleep on the sidewalks and grass outside of homes and apartment complexes. I can't even take my dogs to shit on the grass because of homeless people sleeping on it with all their fucking crap and smelling like cigarettes and alcohol. Not to mention the fucking needles everywhere. I've begun to leave my dogs shit where the homeless choose to sleep.	8/6/2018 7:08 AM
1033	The city is a cesspool. For whatever reason the addicts, homeless, and thieves do not fear penalties from law enforcement and know they will be matrixed out quickly if they are ever apprehended.	8/6/2018 7:04 AM

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1034	I live in South Eugene and work in the heart of downtown Eugene. I have worked in the heart of downtown Eugene for almost 20 years. Over that time it seems like good things are happening in downtown however there are many people that come hang out during the day that are undesirable to be around. I work on East Broadway and try to avoid walking down West Broadway by myself due to the fact that there's are many people who hang out on the street corners with dogs who either ask for money or make derogatory comments as I walk by. I would not allow my children who are 14 years old to walk down the street by themselves. A downtown should be inviting place where people feel safe and comfortable to come and visit. I do not believe we are there yet in Eugene and I appreciate all the efforts focused on making downtown Eugene more vibrant and safe.	8/6/2018 6:58 AM
1035	I won't go into downtown Eugene without a group of people.	8/6/2018 6:57 AM
1036	I live in south Eugene and work in the heart of downtown. There are definitely times and places where I feel better in downtown like on east broadway vs west broadway, however, there are times even on west broadway where I have been approached by an aggressive person where I did not feel comfortable. I typically avoid walking down to west broadway due to the number of people and dogs sitting on the street...I feel uncomfortable when asked for money or when these people make duragatory comments toward me.	8/6/2018 6:51 AM
1037	had my home broken in to 3 times in the last year. police showed up-the one time I actually called-after 9 hours. There is a mobile home with junkies and bike thieves parked 1/4mile from my home and you can see the bike thieves leaving the surrounding neighborhoods at dawn with their loot and going to the mobile home. I've called about it to the police 6 times and it is STILL there! The police protection here is a joke. So sad. And the fact the lefties prefer to make downtown a crap hole for BUSINESS to try and operate as opposed to cleaning out the drug addicts and thieves is amazing.	8/6/2018 6:47 AM
1038	There are needles along the bike path	8/6/2018 6:46 AM
1039	The homeless and beggars and crazies have taken over. I avoid downtown as much as possible.	8/6/2018 5:45 AM
1040	Drug dealing. People on bikes with stroller trailers. Trashy. Sketchy. All over Eugene. Not just downtown. Eugene is overrun with junkies. Backpacks. Dogs. Homeless people wearing ear buds. Abandoned shopping carts. Eugene is not a clean, safe city.	8/6/2018 4:57 AM
1041	Get the meth issue under control and a good % of the problems will be resolved.	8/6/2018 3:26 AM
1042	There's been an increase in crime in Eugene, and not enough police to keep it in check. Plus all the criminals seem to be on a catch and release program regardless of how many times they do the crime.	8/6/2018 1:49 AM
1043	We need more police! There is so much theft, tweakers aroind it is unbelievable! Can we cut their fingers off?	8/6/2018 1:09 AM
1044	Patrol the bike paths!	8/6/2018 1:00 AM
1045	It's quite apparent EPD is understaffed. Knowing they can't respond well to a lot of scenarios concerns me and I try to know a back up plan at all times	8/6/2018 12:46 AM
1046	We need more services for homeless people, and for people with mental illness or drug problems. These are not really policing issues but health issues, and social issues...but when I do feel uneasy it is almost always because someone is sleeping in the bushes, or talking to themselves, or going through my recycle cans looking for redeemable cans, or using my front yard hose to get a drink. Services for these people are needed.	8/6/2018 12:40 AM
1047	Young people often play loud music, smoke marijuana & drink alcohol inside the parking garage with Broadway downtown. More bike cops might help I would think.	8/6/2018 12:22 AM
1048	Too many attacks against women, some in broad daylight in well-populated areas. Too many homeless drug addicted people threatening and terrorizing establishments downtown and harassing people on the street begging for money. People breaking into recycling stealing cans for money.	8/6/2018 12:17 AM

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1049	It's extremely frustrating to feel unsafe walking downtown. Having to help your young child step over large groups of people sitting on corners with their belongings splayed out is a real bummer. I feel for the businesses downtown. We won't let our teenage son bike after dark. It's simply not safe on our (amazing) bike paths. We recently had friends visit from out of town who couldn't believe the numbers of large groups of people just sitting on the ground downtown, large heaps of trash/camps - in broad day light! It was embarrassing. I'm all for public services for our legitimately homeless population. Homelessness is not a crime. However, loitering, intimidation, harassment, etc etc IS. Please please make some real change happen here.	8/6/2018 12:04 AM
1050	Downtown needs to be cleaned up. Too many travelers and drugs.	8/5/2018 11:53 PM
1051	The police need to watch for cars that run red lights a lot more. If you make it through on a red light is normal. I have seen more and more cars go through after the light has turned red.	8/5/2018 11:43 PM
1052	The homeless problem is getting out of hand.	8/5/2018 11:42 PM
1053	If your dispatchers could inform callers that the police will either be hours and hours late or not show at all it would be helpful.	8/5/2018 11:24 PM
1054	Downtown is very unsafe. Too many panhandlers	8/5/2018 11:08 PM
1055	I can't even take my kids to the park without finding needles on the ground and being harassed by others for money.	8/5/2018 11:02 PM
1056	Anytime I am in the downtown area I do not feel safe. It is terrible that we can't enjoy the downtown area. We have a homeless problem and it is not being addressed.	8/5/2018 10:59 PM
1057	The homeless and drug abuse problems in Eugene have made this town a shell of it's former self. Alton Baker and the bike paths have become nothing but homeless encampments and a disgusting throwback to the time of highwaymen. Growing up in this town, and currently working with kids in this town, I am ashamed daily how our attempts to "help" addicts and the homeless have simply turned Eugene into a garbage heap, with needles and trash spread far and wide.	8/5/2018 10:49 PM
1058	I live at 8th & Lincoln. I have called the non-emergency line several times due to fights and for welfare checks on passed out people. I have seen people getting beat up, a woman try to carjack another woman (April), people spray painting bikes. The list goes on.	8/5/2018 10:45 PM
1059	I live in the heart of downtown Eugene and have never had a problem with being harassed by anyone, etc. The main issue that contributes to feelings of unease is the huge amounts of trash and litter on the streets and lack of trash cans. This is a really simple fix that would go a long way in improving the look and feel of downtown.	8/5/2018 10:43 PM
1060	The entire community safety has decreased	8/5/2018 10:40 PM
1061	I keep seeing the quotes about population growing & the size of patrol staff staying the same. However the piece of the equation being ignored is that property taxes and other revenue have also increased at the same time!! The City has a very high tax rate already - plus bonds for parks, roads, etc. The City has chosen to spend growing tax money on other things rather than increasing patrol and needs to do a better job reducing expenses so that it can use the growing revenue to increase service levels instead to keep up with population. Please stop assuming you can continue to ask for more money for things we already pay for!!	8/5/2018 10:27 PM
1062	I don't go to Downtown Eugene unless I have to & I would never go at night. The homeless & unsupervised teens are vicious. I'm tired of being accosted for cigarettes & money. The LTD Transit Station is even worse.	8/5/2018 10:13 PM
1063	Too many druggies and pot shops. Needles all over the parks. Homelessness is such a huge problem. Police don't respond to calls. When they do they don't care to help or do anything.	8/5/2018 10:13 PM
1064	Living in far west eugene (bethal/danebo) the city does as little as possible with public services for tax payers	8/5/2018 10:07 PM
1065	My feelings are the police do nothing because they are not allowed to. It emboldens people to behave even more poorly towards other people	8/5/2018 10:03 PM
1066	Never see a patrol car in our area	8/5/2018 9:53 PM
1067	Really don't like the situation downtown	8/5/2018 9:48 PM
1068	Still better than most...	8/5/2018 9:46 PM

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1069	Too many vagrants wandering around with nothing purposeful or positive to do. Many homeless/insane/wasted people pushing carts, assembling in groups, sitting and sleeping on sidewalks and looking for trouble.	8/5/2018 9:41 PM
1070	The City is allowing the homeless take over the city streets and public spaces. It is not safe to be downtown or anywhere near the bike paths and parks.	8/5/2018 9:37 PM
1071	Downtown is a mess. My family refuses to go there. I worry it is bleeding into my neighborhood.	8/5/2018 9:17 PM
1072	Downtown is a mess. I refuse to go there with my family. I worry that will begin bleeding into my neighborhood. The homeless/crime situation appears to be getting worse.	8/5/2018 9:15 PM
1073	About two weeks ago I caught a person going through our garbage can. When I confronted the person they pull a BIG knife and threatened me. They City needs to clamp down on the homeless that are taking over the city and making it unsafe for normal people.	8/5/2018 9:15 PM
1074	Where I live it seems that the summer brings more drug activity into the neighborhood and people who are obviously on meth.	8/5/2018 9:03 PM
1075	The homeless,drug-addicted drifters need to go! It's extremely scary and uncomfortable to live in fear! Ban panhandlers!	8/5/2018 9:01 PM
1076	So many homeless pooping and pee on streets, leaving trash. Drug addicts, people asking for money. Many calls to police never get answer when drunk or drug people are been reported. Needles around parks, not feeling safe to walk my kids to the park. Night time streets are not light up cant see homeless people walking on roads makes it very dangerous for drivers. Overall we need more police officers in the city of eugene we appreciate their help and service when they do show up. Thanks	8/5/2018 8:55 PM
1077	Having worked downtown for over 13 years, the best day was when we were told we were moving out of downtown. I dread downtown - the aggressive panhandling, human waste, and constant drama make it a place I will never voluntarily go.	8/5/2018 8:52 PM
1078	I took two classes at the downtown LCC Campus last spring. When the class finished at 7 pm the first night, there were about 15-20 people on the LTD corner shouting at a group of people at the corner of the Atrium Building. It was very scary having to walk through the two shouting groups to get to the garage at 10th & Oak. The second class I took also ended at 7 pm, and there were again unruly groups of people shouting at each other and behaving very anti-socially. I will not be taking classes at the LCC Campus in the future. I also have heard from tenants of the Titan Court at the downtown LCC Campus that they often hear shouting throughout the night. Downtown Eugene has always been unsafe, but it has reached epidemic proportions.	8/5/2018 8:52 PM
1079	Some people say they fear going downtown due to our homeless/traveler population. I feel that for the most part these folks are homeless but their presence can sometimes be unpleasant when you are trying to sit outside at an outdoor cafe or when riding bikes on city streets and see trash left behind from homeless camps. It's a difficult problem for all cities. Not sure what the solution is but I feel the increased presence of park monitors, police officers and security personnel supervising the downtown area is helpful. CAHOOTS is an amazing service and should be fully funded!	8/5/2018 8:50 PM
1080	Homeless and panhandlers make me feel unsafe.	8/5/2018 8:48 PM
1081	I work at 6am in downtown Eugene, 3 days a week I workout at the DAC at 5am - the short walk from my parking garage to my office building/DAC always has me fearing what I am going to encounter. I have been approached multiple times by transients that appear to be under the influence of something, have had many sleeping in the parking garage and have had to wait in my car multiple times and phone a co-working that is on their way to wait and walk in to the building with me as I feel unsafe walking alone. I also walk to lunch downtown multiple times each week and encounter much of the same. Begged for money, hooted at, and more. I have witnessed people peeing and even pooping on downtown sidewalks and I do not think a day passes that I do not smell urine walking to and from places. It is not somewhere I feel great taking my young kids as I feel as though I have to keep them close to me at all times with the population that roams our streets. One positive has been the police presence I have noticed on the days I eat lunch at Kesey Square. This area has somewhat cleaned up over the last 1-2 months and I feel a bit better having lunch there.	8/5/2018 8:44 PM

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1082	The City of Eugene shouldn't have disbanded the camping area that the homeless used to amass on up until about a year ago. That in combination with the police terrorizing and treating the homeless population like cockroaches, while simultaneously refusing to actually address the rising rate of crime brought on by these actions, has lead to the city quickly descending into a ghetto like state. Honestly the City Council in coordination with the police have little to no concern for the average citizen, and only care about profiting and supporting businesses downtown that funnel money into the Council. The dog ban alone downtown is specifically targeting the homeless, the movement to build more unnecessary apartments and businesses in place if Kesey square, and more are proof of the true colors of Eugene. It's honestly no wonder crime has increased dramatically, and the City of Eugene and the police are the one's to blame.	8/5/2018 8:43 PM
1083	I am concerned about reports from people I know who have called the police and nobody has responded. I believe this has led me to feel less safe in my community.	8/5/2018 8:41 PM
1084	Thank god I don't work downtown now....we should not be a sanctuary state....	8/5/2018 8:39 PM
1085	I feel that our police force and emergency response do the best they can. The public could possibly benefit from learning how to utilize not only these services but other services for non emergency situations. The public needs more information.	8/5/2018 8:39 PM
1086	Lots of homeless make me feel unsafe in Eugene.	8/5/2018 8:36 PM
1087	I've noticed more people parking in bike lanes or dangerously treating them like right-turn lanes in the last year or two, with notable examples being the east side of 13th and Chambers, 24th avenue between Hilyard and Amazon Parkway and 24th avenue between Friendly and Chambers.	8/5/2018 8:33 PM
1088	Na	8/5/2018 8:29 PM
1089	More drug related crimes, my kid found a backpack with drugs and called cops to have them get it. Not an experience I wanted him to have.	8/5/2018 8:24 PM
1090	Law enforcement around the country are abusing their power and it has happened in Eugene. There is a systemic problem with male officers assaulting and using their positions to intimidate women. It's disgusting. DO BETTER!!! It's up to the police to mend fences and make citizens feel safe in the presence of an officer. I am more fearful of being alone with a cop than I am about walking alone in downtown.	8/5/2018 8:23 PM
1091	The homeless steal in broad daylight. Even from stores. Tweakers watch houses until people go to work. Drugs are taking over the entire city. The city never looked like this 10 years ago. Its turning into a disgusting disgrace. People are getting tired of it too.	8/5/2018 8:18 PM
1092	I can't even go to the grocery store anymore without feeling like I am in danger. I've had friends attacked outside of their businesses downtown and I am too scared to walk with my children without my husband downtown.	8/5/2018 8:17 PM
1093	I just wanted to make note that some of my answers would change if time of day had been specified. I feel safe on the paths at my neighborhood park during the day but there is too much activity there at night to feel secure.	8/5/2018 8:13 PM
1094	The respond time by the police needs to get better!! If I am calling 911 or the non emergency number I should be confident that my concerns will be taken care in a timely manner!! We to seriously fix the the speeding/cell phone problem!! We need more patrols!!!!	8/5/2018 8:12 PM
1095	I live out West 11th. We know of an adult that was robbed on the bike path and a 14 year old kid that was robbed. How would I feel safe? Take a look at the homeless with the drug problems. I have no issues with a person who just couldn't make it and is homeless but the ones who are on drugs and are stealing or robbing anyone and everything for their next hit needs to stop. Eugene is not a "safe" place to live.	8/5/2018 8:09 PM
1096	I don't feel safe with all the homelessness and drug use but I also lack trust and feeling safe in the presence of the police.	8/5/2018 8:07 PM
1097	Poor police response and if they do respond nothing is done.	8/5/2018 8:06 PM

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1098	Cannot go downtown day or night without gangs of transients trying to intimidate you. You can fight back but then who has more to lose? My neighborhood has resulted to patrols every weekend in hopes of deterring theft or vagrancy but just last night a car was stolen and other cars were broken into. Kids can't play in parks because there are needles everywhere - came across three on Irving last week. Told the Sheriff about it (because it was on the north side) and they never picked them up - so we did it. If you live next to Irving, we've come to expect the runaround from EPD and LCSO on who's jurisdiction it is - you can expect at minimum 120 minutes before an officer arrives - even when there is a crime in progress. It's left up to us as citizens to police our area but then criticized if we do. You should be ashamed of this.	8/5/2018 8:03 PM
1099	Homelessness on bike paths is out of control. I have also seen a higher number of individuals trolling neighborhoods early in nyhe morning lookin for open garages and items to steal. I feel like as a neighborhood we have to ban together and protect each other's property. The same individuals keep coming back.	8/5/2018 8:03 PM
1100	There are more and more transients roaming the streets in the Gilliam neighborhood. They are rummaging through garbage and stealing from garages and backyards. It is frightening.	8/5/2018 8:01 PM
1101	"Travelers" loitering downtown and along the Coburg Rd corridor continue to create an unwelcoming and uncomfortable feeling. I often avoid those areas.	8/5/2018 7:56 PM
1102	Need to house and respect the homeless, not destroy their camps and steal their only possessions.	8/5/2018 7:51 PM
1103	The homeless people living at all our parks and cruising our neighborhood at night is our biggest concern. They don't seem to care about anyone or their property	8/5/2018 7:51 PM
1104	We have been broken into 3 times and the response seems like you would just rather us go online as there is no one to help us	8/5/2018 7:50 PM
1105	I was in downtown one time in the last year. I avoid it if at all possible. Too many creeps. And I almost got hit by a car that turned in front of me. I had a walk sign at the time.	8/5/2018 7:48 PM
1106	My immediate concern is with the violent and theft ridden bike path, especially after dark or early morning. It is absolutely filled with druggies and tweakers, stolen bikes, and in general degenerates camping and shooting up. I've had 2 bikes stolen in Eugene, been assaulted on the path and had to put a restraining order on somebody. All in the 2 years i've lived here. This never would fly where I moved from, not for a second. The aggressive panhandling and tolerance for transients living on the sidewalks and public parks is disgusting and is the number one reason I do not go downtown.	8/5/2018 7:48 PM
1107	The Homeless run the city.	8/5/2018 7:46 PM
1108	Do something about neighborhood crime & downtown! There are no police downtown!!!	8/5/2018 7:31 PM
1109	River Trail is especially sketchy - have stopped walking and riding bike during quiet hours - always feel somewhat unsafe Don't feel completely relaxed in downtown area EVER - always slightly on guard.	8/5/2018 7:28 PM
1110	I don't feel safe biking solo along the bike path early in the morning or after dark.	8/5/2018 7:27 PM
1111	The problem that we have with crime related to our homeless population is overwhelming. Property is destroyed, people are hurt, there are drugs and needles in the same areas kids and families walk through. The bridges are covered in trash or herds of people who pressure and intimidate you to give them money, and then threaten and heckle if you don't. These aren't veterans, or people with mental illness, who I believe should be helped, these are the remnants of the occupy camps, entitled druggies who have zero disregard about the safety of anyone.	8/5/2018 7:27 PM
1112	Downtown has become increasingly unsafe to walk in.	8/5/2018 7:22 PM
1113	I am extremely tired of the homeless druggies clogging Eugene. One crashed his car into my front yard and even with evidence the police couldn't do anything. When one threatened me with violence outside my house I called 911 only to be answered by an automated message and then hung up on. Not even a call back. If it was a life threatening situation I'd be dead. I've had people come on my property and steal bicycles, tools, and other property multiple times. Random motor homes park on my street and dump all their trash when they leave. There's at least two meth houses on my block. Squatters take over the vacant houses and steal the wire and whatever else they can.	8/5/2018 7:18 PM

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1114	The amount of people loitering outside of stores, grocery stores, restaurants and asking for money or help has made me very uncomfortable in this town. I no longer am a member at the DAC because I was scared to walk to my car. Everyday someone else would approach me for something and it's unnerving! I have two kids who love the library but we no longer go to the Eugene library for the same reason. When I am getting kids out of a car and someone approaches me it's scary. Just the walk from our car into the library is too stressful. We go to church downtown and if we go to early mass there are people sleeping on the church steps. When you get out of church they are on the benches asking for money. Again, it's very unnerving to be approached when you have small kids you're trying to get safely across the street or to your car. It's so sad and unfortunately it's only gotten worse in the last few years. There is not a sidewalk in this town that doesn't have someone sitting on it asking for help or money. Most of them seem harmless but there are also the ones who throw things at you if you don't acknowledge them, or start yelling at you. At Oakway last week a man walked thru our dinner on the patio yelling something and then started tearing the sprinklers apart. Thank goodness oakway has security, and they came immediately, but it made everyone in that restaurant uneasy. Unfortunately we have a huge problem and you can't walk around Eugene anymore without being harassed and uneasy.	8/5/2018 7:09 PM
1115	The police need support from the city council for clearing out the perpetually homeless and drug addicted. They come here because we provide endless resources and no accountability. The council needs to stop being so lame and support the police with more budget and ordinances so they can keep us safe.	8/5/2018 7:07 PM
1116	On one hand, I'm sorry for people living on the streets, on another they are one of my reasons of not feeling safe. I live on Coburg rd. in a pretty nice neighborhood and we've had people sleeping in our yards several times. Also, dont dare leave a bike out, even a kids bike, or a door unlocked. I forgot to lock my car a couple times and have had it rummaged through.	8/5/2018 7:04 PM
1117	extremely heavy police presence in downtown adds to the feeling that citizens are not welcome to go about their day without undo scrutiny.	8/5/2018 6:59 PM
1118	The travelers have more rights than the general public. Women can't walk/ride thru public parks alone. Walking from Country Club to the Whit was terrifying. Riding my bike alone thru parks and under overpasses is terrifying. Last time I drove my convertible down Broadway, a traveler tried to jump in the passenger side. They are violent aggressive and do not participate or add any benefit to society.	8/5/2018 6:53 PM
1119	Downtown Eugene is full of homeless people who don't care about anyone's rights to walk freely without excessive swearing, marijuana use and garbage littering the sidewalk.	8/5/2018 6:52 PM
1120	- The dogs downtown—often pit bulls—are more menacing than the people. - I would not walk alone by the river.	8/5/2018 6:51 PM
1121	I've recently been doing business in the Whiteaker neighborhood. I'm very vigilant while there.	8/5/2018 6:41 PM
1122	As seniors, we no longer go downtown, particularly at night. If I need something downtown I am concerned over safety, being harassed, and panhandlers. Not so much in Ferry St Br. Area, even less in Santa Clara, where we live.	8/5/2018 6:14 PM
1123	Too many police officers downtown. Way too many officers responding to BS calls. Couple had a disagreement in their vehicle in front of Sherwin Williams a week ago. No fewer than 6 officers responded. Seriously? Get the idiots off their cell phones while driving, make this a priority!	8/5/2018 6:06 PM
1124	The river path feels unsafe even in the middle of the day. i don't like to go there without another person, preferably my husband.	8/5/2018 6:00 PM
1125	The City Council/Mayor has said that no one has come to the city council asking for more police. So I've personally showed up and for the last two years have said we need more police. The former police chief said he couldn't get any more money for police. Ruiz says no one puts forth a budget asking for more police. and yet here we sit two years later and there is still no initiative measure put forward by the city to increase the police force. Utter lack of leadership by the Mayor, City Council, City Manager and Chief of Police have put the community in a very unsafe place. We need to work with the county and get increased drug and mental health services and courts and we need for the city to increase feeding people in to these programs or put them in jail if they refuse help. My neighborhood has personal property crimes multiple times a day and personal safety is low.	8/5/2018 5:40 PM
1126	There are definitely areas of Eugene that I avoid due to feeling unsafe or apt to be harassed by someone for money.	8/5/2018 5:31 PM

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1127	We will not walk or go to restaurants or businesses in downtown Eugene owing to all the riffraff hanging around! They have taken over.	8/5/2018 5:30 PM
1128	I like the renovated downtown Broadway area, but find the groups people who take over the sidewalks in the summer really intimidating. Especially when they sit in larger groups as if they were in a park.	8/5/2018 5:21 PM
1129	Burglaries in my area have increased tremendously in the last 2 years, and have contributed to my feeling of being unsafe. As well, so many of my neighbors are talking about the speeding and running of red lights that have increased. Contributing is the sense that there is no police presence in the neighborhood.	8/5/2018 5:14 PM
1130	I work in downtown Eugene. Over the past several years I've observed more and more people hanging out on the sidewalks doing a variety of illegal or questionable behaviors, with little or no police presence. The addition of marijuana to the already crowded bar scene downtown only contributes to my discomfort. One recent day I walked downtown on my lunch break. At the corner of Willamette and Broadway, each sidewalk had people sitting smoking marijuana. I had it and decided to report it; I walked down to the police station near LCC and found the station locked, no officers around, but several police cars on the street including one that was running. This is highly frustrating. I have lived in Eugene since 1975 and have never experienced the downtown atmosphere so unhealthy, unsafe and uncomfortable.	8/5/2018 4:26 PM
1131	I'm disabled and rid bus. I am glad to see more police patrols in downtown Eugene. I would encourage the City to consider passing more laws to discourage 'traveler' types. Heroin is also creating more, and more problems...	8/5/2018 4:21 PM
1132	It's of control. Loitering, people sleeping in parks, sidewalks, pan handlers. Bike paths homeless highways full of thieves armed thugs and drugs. Eugene continues to tolerate and allow these people to reside unabated here. Enough!! Why be s tax payer when you can't enjoy what the town has to offer. It's Oregon in general. I just got back from NC and I didn't see any of this . Eugene has become a 3rd county. I don't not want anyone to come visit because it's disgusting.	8/5/2018 4:05 PM
1133	I recognize that we are a caring community, but the homeless population should be served far away from the central core. We are fortunate to live in a relatively temperate climate. I would be willing to pay an additional tax for 2 years, if it meant setting up a tent camp for the homeless, way out Hwy 99, where they could be assessed and processed for assistance. As a downtown neighbor, we have borne the brunt of this problem for far too long. I thank you for asking and for reading this. BTW - the above questions should all have specified the time of day you were asking about. Daytime, I feel reasonably safe, but not when it's dark out.	8/5/2018 3:50 PM
1134	too many homeless bums downtown. They can be aggressive. We just don't go downtown except to Oregon Contemporary Theater which we can approach from the side	8/5/2018 3:44 PM
1135	Would never feel safe enough to walk downtown by myself, or along the river bike path.	8/5/2018 3:31 PM
1136	Since the police are encrypting all of their radio communications, I now am unaware of hazardous situations in my community until well after the fact. And then only if the news media happens to report on them. My trust in the local police agencies is far less than it used to be because there is no way for the public to monitor them anymore.	8/5/2018 3:28 PM
1137	Seems like it's most dangerous from late night through early morning	8/5/2018 3:19 PM
1138	I walk and bike during the day. I feel unsafe due to motorists using their cell phones. I also am downtown a lot, and while I don't feel unsafe , I don't like seeing the travelers sitting and laying down all over the place. Sidewalks are often blocked an I have to walk on the street to get around them. I'm pan handled a lot and when I say now, I am often called a nasty name.	8/5/2018 3:16 PM
1139	Reign in the homeless in downtown Eugene, day and night to make the area safer for the citizens.	8/5/2018 3:03 PM
1140	My neighborhood park is Amazon. I walk the bike path several times a week. I would love to walk on the running trail through the woods, but don't feel safe there.	8/5/2018 2:41 PM
1141	I am a very active senior- with a grand child. I walk downtown from south Eugene and the river path regularly solo, with others or with my grand child. I am uncomfortable when walking in downtown Eugene and on the River Path. Homeless camps are visible from the River Path. Homeless youth hang out and litter and say weird things to me and my grand child, making me NOT WANT to be in these areas of town. I want a beautiful city and I recognize the efforts of our city officials in attempting to make our city shine. We simply MUCH do SOMETHING about homeless people and people on drugs acting out even when I'm downtown at 1st Friday events. It is very unplesent!	8/5/2018 2:20 PM

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1142	I now feel less safe when I run alone on the riverfront bike paths, due to the number of homeless people who have set up camp under the overpasses, etc.	8/5/2018 2:00 PM
1143	There are a lot of people camping in our parks by the river. Some are desperate people and they seem unpredictable and sometimes rude. Scares me when my family walks along river	8/5/2018 1:45 PM
1144	If I was asked to tell an incoming student to the UofO what to watch out for (and I am asked this frequently) I tell them "Watch out for the police!"	8/5/2018 1:30 PM
1145	Downtown safety is needed for vagrancy.	8/5/2018 1:19 PM
1146	Little or no enforcement of long term parking and storing of vehicles in the streets, so people are parking and living in trailers and RVs. Late at night or early in the morning, people drive or ride around on bikes with trailers and steal things from your yard or carport, and break into cars. I enclosed my carport, and built high fences with locking gates, so I feel safer in my backyard. But I still don't feel that safe being out in my front yard in the evening or at night. I have not felt safe using the Fern Ridge bicycle path for years!!! When I first moved to Eugene, I loved going for bike rides on the bike path, but now, there are too many homeless, vagrant men and piles of garbage...no longer safe!! There has been a camper van parked on West 18th near Peppertree, for OVER 2 months, despite my numerous calls to police and reports to parking violation website. Homeless people seem to have more rights than tax-paying, law abiding citizens!! Also, except for the Art Walk and the Hult Center, my friends and I avoid downtown because of the rude, homeless people laying all over the street. And most businesses can't really thrive because of the atmosphere, so there isn't much to do besides going to bars!	8/5/2018 1:16 PM
1147	Feelings of safety come and go with the situation of dark/light, amount of view one has, and the behavior of people nearby. People in groups who block the sidewalks, people talking angrily, moving towards other people, looking big enough to be dangerous, staring at oneself--all these up feelings of risk and danger. It seems as if these type of people has gradually increased.	8/5/2018 1:09 PM
1148	We no longer feel comfortable going downtown and won't attend Hult Center performances in the evening. Even the farmer's market downtown seems less safe. In our immediate neighborhood, Ridgeway Dr. off Goodpasture, vagrants are camping along the pond and leaving used needles behind.	8/5/2018 12:56 PM
1149	I think that downtown and the Whiteaker neighborhoods I do not enter if I don't have to; both of them in my opinion present a lot of unsettled issues.	8/5/2018 12:41 PM
1150	Vandalized twice. Police did follow up but no arrests. Cost us some money, and insecurity.	8/5/2018 11:49 AM
1151	The constantly increasing number of cars on Eugene streets combined with the potential for road rage make walking, which I do a lot, scarier.	8/5/2018 11:44 AM
1152	unfortunately, the rise in people with emotional and other health issues living on the streets has created more anxiety/concern over safety. Please help get them off the streets and in particular, away from the river walks/parks so we can enjoy the natural beauty of our city.	8/5/2018 11:41 AM
1153	Eugene is a known criminal magnet. The citizens deserve better law enforcement. The city needs to get criminals off the streets, out of the city parks and keep them out. The street people will leave if they are forced out. This city is a disgrace.	8/5/2018 11:26 AM
1154	Eugene does not value the safety of its 'citizens' (taxpayers).	8/5/2018 11:20 AM
1155	I haven't felt safe enough to use the Fern Ridge bike path, for years!! Homeless and vagrant people are allowed to camp and leave their garbage all over West Eugene. At night and in the early morning hours, people drive or ride bikes with trailers, through my neighborhood, breaking into cars and stealing things from yards. I enclosed my carport and built high fences with locked gates on my property. No parking regulations are enforced, so people are storing cars and other vehicles and trailers on the street overnight. I don't feel "safe" when I come home alone at night. Also, people are allowed to live in parked vans and RVs!! Right now, there is someone living in an RV parked on West 18th, that despite my numerous calls to the police, has been parked there for over 2 months!!! And look at all the mess downtown!! I used to enjoy going downtown, but not anymore!! The city has given more rights to homeless people than the citizens who pay taxes to support the city!!!	8/5/2018 11:20 AM

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1156	There's a lot of bad behavior on display, from visitors on public trails and parks who disregard posted rules, up to assaults, robbery and killings; from annoying rude neighbors up to organized criminal enterprise. It seems worse than other similar-sized cities I've lived. Police need more officers and community response resources (like a call center to respond to complaints, provide at least a minimal follow-up on 911 non-response, community outreach for education, crime-wave notice, emergency public information broadcast, surveillance, intelligence gathering and reporting.) Police do a good job solving crimes, but I would feel safer with more preventive services and community policing.	8/5/2018 11:19 AM
1157	I'm feeling less safe in certain areas of Eugene. There are so many undesirable people on street corners, downtown, near the library, bike paths, parks, etc.	8/5/2018 11:18 AM
1158	I recently moved back after leaving 8 years ago and it's a totally different city. The sense of safety, cleanliness, and sheer volume of aggressive and unstable homeless is devastating. I can't even take my kid to the downtown library without being approached and feeling unsafe. It seems as though the homelessness and mentally ill have taken over and they know it.	8/5/2018 11:17 AM
1159	We are too lenient on the homeless that travel through seasonally. Also, something has to be done with homeless camps	8/5/2018 11:08 AM
1160	I'm feeling less safe in the area, there are lots of reports of people casing and getting into peoples yards and houses. We see reports on the Ring Network.	8/5/2018 11:06 AM
1161	Riding or walking around Eugene is a nightmare, because those who operate motor vehicles are thugs, who do not respect crosswalks or Stop lines, and will routinely blow through clearly marked pedestrian crossings.	8/5/2018 11:00 AM
1162	Concerns in my neighborhood are primarily about theft (cars in college hill are targeted occasionally). Concerns regarding downtown are related to the transient population (assertive panhandling, occasional fights, theft).	8/5/2018 10:59 AM
1163	Safety really depends on the part of town.	8/5/2018 10:54 AM
1164	I see hypodermic needles laying around public parks and schools, aggressive panhandlers on most core street corners, drunk drivers at all hours of the day and burglarized cars in all areas of the city. While being homeless isn't a crime, why are most of the criminals who are arrested basically homeless? The one thing we don't see are the police routinely patrolling the streets either by vehicle or on foot.	8/5/2018 10:52 AM
1165	I've lived in eugene for 30 years & am concerned about how much aggressive traffic, crime and homelessness has increased. I'm increasingly seeing more aggressive drivers when I'm driving & more panhandlers when I'm walking. I used to visit downtown blocks but tend to stay away from this area now.	8/5/2018 10:50 AM
1166	As a senior citizen, I avoid downtown Eugene at all costs. When I am forced to go downtown, you can't walk down the sidewalks without having to walk around transients and beggars. Even with my husband, we both feel very unsafe. I lock my purse in the car trunk and carry as little money as possible. If you don't give money to these sad but aggressive homeless, they harass and threaten you. And their dogs are just as effective. It's a pity that I don't feel safe as I did as a child, walking the streets of Eugene. My father-in-law had a store in downtown Eugene in the 60's and 70's, but never could now. Downtown Eugene is a disaster.	8/5/2018 10:48 AM

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1167	<p>Downtown resident for 12 years. While rampant vagrancy and homelessness has continued, the downtown area has improved over the past year. Furthermore, the improvements at a local park on 17th and Lawrence(?) was transformative. Before improvements, it was frequented by the homeless and rarely used by public. Now, it is full of kids and families. While I'm sure upgrades weren't solely responsible for improvements (increased police patrols likely played a part), nor was it the best allocation of resources (park was in decent shape before), I can say it made a tremendous difference. My entire life the City has been trying to revitalize downtown, with varying degrees of success. The vagrant issue, and all accompanying evils (drugs, property crime, vandalism, thefts etc.) may be the biggest issue our community faces. I applaud the City for facing the issue head on. I am cautiously optimistic about the positive changes in downtown, but increasingly concerned with the obvious issue of where do the homeless go when you push them out of downtown? I work and own industrial property in West Eugene. The homeless issue out west is becoming worrisome. While I'm happy the neighborhood I live in is improving, you have to protect the industrial property and industry in West Eugene or people like myself and my friends will liquidate and leave. People may bitch and complain about DT homeless sleeping on the sidewalks, menacing, needles etc. but most of the residents won't leave and the property tax base is small. If West Eugene becomes too bad, industry will absolutely leave. To illustrate, I pay 15x the property taxes on my West Eugene commercial property then I do on my DT residence. Things would have to get intolerable for me to move out of downtown. Furthermore, value of my home and neighbors' hasn't been that stymied by crime. Conversely, it wouldn't take much more crime for me to liquidate and leave west Eugene. That sentiment seems to be echoed by most others I speak with in West Eugene. In short, good job City on continued efforts to revitalize downtown. But be cautious about pushing everyone west. The City can less afford to lose West Eugene industry than downtown residents.</p>	8/5/2018 10:45 AM
1168	<p>The high concentration of social services and criminal law venues in downtown Eugene are part of the solution, but to some extent also the cause of bringing criminals to downtown. Since that will likely never change, an increased concentration of police presence in that geography is also needed for balance.</p>	8/5/2018 10:44 AM
1169	<p>Please add more patrols to the bike paths.</p>	8/5/2018 10:29 AM
1170	<p>You need to get the homeless off of Skinner's Butte. It's one thing letting them take over Alton Baker where no one but the caretaker lives, but another to allow them to camp next to housing. They are fighting, dumping trash, urinating and defecating on our property. BTW, I work with the homeless at DHS and am not a Trump following scumbag.</p>	8/5/2018 10:28 AM
1171	<p>Not enough police per capital. Too many homeless</p>	8/5/2018 10:26 AM
1172	<p>no visible effort to stop homeless congregations blocking normal pedestrian activity in the downtown core, Amazon Creek, nor along the Coburg Road and I-105 area.</p>	8/5/2018 10:23 AM
1173	<p>I see the number of burglaries and home invasions rising. I haven't gone downtown to the core for over a year, except one time to go to the Saturday market. The number of "travelers" and homeless seems to be increasing, and some of them are confrontational, which is frightening.</p>	8/5/2018 10:00 AM
1174	<p>The number of young homeless people on the streets makes me worry about my personal safety and that of my wife. There seems to be a general sense of lawlessness about them. A couple of weeks ago someone came into my yard and removed a couple of wire outdoor chairs in order to view the Willamette River, which I live nearby. I recovered only one. The number and attitude of those who hang on street corners at night downtown has kept me away from going to restaurants that I like.</p>	8/5/2018 9:57 AM
1175	<p>Cahoots is so important to the safety of downtown Eugene; no one else is doing anything as kind and effective for mental health emergencies here. They are irreplaceable.</p>	8/5/2018 9:42 AM
1176	<p>I love downtown Eugene along the Broadway area, the 5th Street Market area, and the Skinner Butte area. We have experienced increasing problems along Broadway with transients and others asking for money and generally making us feel uncomfortable. There have been other times of feeling unsafe from occasional strange acting folk probably on drugs bantering about. I am reluctant to bring out of town guests. Most recently my wife and I have serious interest in moving into a future development at the base of Skinner Butte. (Market Area). Yesterday we took our dog for a walk in the area to see how it felt. When walking up the hill adjacent to the Shelton McMurphy House around midday, we were stunned to see two different "homeless" men sleeping. This was accompanied by the smell of feces. We were barely up from the street at that point. Our whole viewpoint of wanting to move there is now in question.</p>	8/5/2018 9:35 AM

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1177	i have only seen police patrol my neighborhood twice in over 15 years! it wasn't until after ADT installed system that they informed me police do not respond (it's contracted to private security svcs) -- unacceptable! this is the most unsafe environment i've ever lived in. my property tax dollars do nothing for me, a retired widow. pot is more important in this state than public safety. even s.h. riverbend is a travesty for a so called hospital. i can't see my tax dollars working for the taxpayers. this state doesn't see how closely it mimics our inadequate federal govt. there is no accounting for where taxpayer dollars go, yet they keep raising taxes. public safety & schools should be a priority! pedestrians & bicyclists should have as much responsibility for their own safety as drivers must have for them. priorities here are just so errant.	8/5/2018 9:32 AM
1178	There are always a lot of homeless and questionable characters rooming around all hours day and night. Too many people drinking/driving or smoking pot and driving, driving impaired. Even though I live in the north River Road area this concerns me. Too many people on the road are impaired. I rarely see a police vehicle in the area.	8/5/2018 9:31 AM
1179	During the last three years since we moved to Eugene, our car was burgled, bike stolen and this spring the car stolen.	8/5/2018 9:24 AM
1180	We live in the Santa Clara area. Even though I pay city taxes I live amongst other county properties. I have been told when reporting speeding cars etc that the adjacent road is only 2 blocks of city and the rest county. The city does not patrol it. I have seen 2 epd cars in this area in 4 years. Once when a neighbors house was on fire do to a speeding driver that crashed into his garage and started the house on fire. My neighbor was a victim of property crime. I avoid downtown and especially the parks which seem to be a haven for the homeless and the unlawful. Safety in Eugene is a real problem.	8/5/2018 9:21 AM
1181	The city government focuses more on the whims of the wealthy than the public safety needs.	8/5/2018 9:09 AM
1182	Noticeable increase in graffiti and little or no cleanup in timely manner. City needs ordinance requiring cleanup within 24 hrs. Little traffic enforcement.	8/5/2018 9:04 AM
1183	Downtown is a disgrace. I avoid it whenever possible. I only go to the library and park in their facilities. Oakway Center, VRC, and Gateway take care of all my restaurant and retail needs.	8/5/2018 9:03 AM
1184	This is the first time I've lived somewhere that my next door neighbor had a robber go in a kitchen window while they took a quick walk to get coffee, or the neighbor a few doors farther down had a bike stolen in broad daylight, or my cars rummaged through on a regular basis.	8/5/2018 8:51 AM
1185	The question of driving, biking and walking should be split up. I feel extremely anxious about biking/walking on the Amazon bike path in west Eugene any time of the day, but feel quite different in my locked car. I hear sirens every single day and that did not use to be the case.	8/5/2018 8:45 AM
1186	Pushing the homeless out of downtown just creates additional problems for the rest of the city. Solve for the core problems not the side effects	8/5/2018 8:29 AM
1187	I don't enjoy going down town, not because I feel unsafe but because of the young people hanging out, blocking the sidewalks and begging. One evening after visiting the Jazz Station we returned to our car to find it being used as a back rest. We had to ask the young folks to move so we could get into our car. This does not appear to be a problem in many communities.	8/5/2018 8:29 AM
1188	TOO MANY TRANSIENTS BEING ENABLED BY THE ELECTED OFFICIALS!	8/5/2018 8:24 AM
1189	Seems to be more people living along the bike paths that we walk and my wife will not walk alone on the paths. More people are driving faster on the streets and running lights. Also more people talking on phones while driveing. We don't walk downtown anymore as it is not as safe we feel.	8/5/2018 8:24 AM
1190	the city is not doing enough to make the city safe for all it seems they would rather have homeless and so called travelers in most areas.	8/5/2018 8:16 AM
1191	Primarily concern is downtown Eugene daytime and after work hours. Knowing a large part of issue is driven by mental health issues, CORT is great!	8/5/2018 8:08 AM
1192	Eugene is on the fast track to the fate of Los Angeles, Seattle, and San Francisco due to the same profoundly ignorant policies from its leaders. Democrats have been in 100% total control of the Mayor's office and City Council since 2004 and yet homelessness has not only increased but exploded to the point where every day citizens feel unsafe. Literally every person I talk to says they feel unsafe downtown, especially at night. Why? because of the homeles-- I mean... "travelers" aggressively panhandling or outright assaulting people. The city council and mayor need to take the handcuffs OFF our law enforcement officers and let them do their job. This is an easy fix.	8/5/2018 8:06 AM

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1193	When actual crime is being committed by the homeless (not counting vagrancy), EPD is slow in responding or doesn't respond at all. I know staffing has stayed flat, but it needs to increase to meet the demand. I am gratified, however, by the foot and bike patrolling that I've seen in my neighborhood (13th and Lincoln), but I would like to see their presence more frequently.	8/5/2018 7:56 AM
1194	DownTown is crime and drug infested. Bicyclist's are not properly trained in rules, laws of driving on streets. All cyclist need proper training before allowed to travel on streets and should not be allowed to drive on sidewalks.	8/5/2018 7:54 AM
1195	Don't feel safe where the homeless are present so that's downtown, in parks, along the river etc. I've been called names and had sexual remarks made and I'm 74!	8/5/2018 7:49 AM
1196	Crime and mental health have went down hill. I don't feel safe. At least once a week something happens that's makes me scared. I work in a not safe area of w 11th and Garfield and on a weekly bases there is either a issue. There aren't enough cops. The cope do great work in Eugene but there aren't enough of of them so they done have time to deal with everything. I feel like if there isn't a threat of s weapons they won't show for hours .. while I'm verbally assaulted by a customer and I don't know if at some point it's going to get dangerous and they attack me. I appreciate the Eugene cops though ..Great job	8/5/2018 7:46 AM
1197	Eugene is becoming a city of bums and freeloading individuals who want someone else to support their drug and booze habit. They stand on the street corners and harass people. The City needs to outlaw begging on the streets, not allow setting or laying on sideways and public property. Campers on public property need to be jailed and fined and made to work off their fine at hard labor if they can't pay the fine.	8/5/2018 7:36 AM
1198	Address transient issues!	8/5/2018 7:36 AM
1199	Every day I see drivers running red lights, blowing through stop signs, driving erratically and ignoring basic rules of the road; thus I no longer ride a bike down town. I no longer walk or bike ride on the bike paths because of the behavior of large numbers of impaired irrational transients and their openly criminal behavior.	8/5/2018 7:34 AM
1200	I don't go downtown, because of the folks and dogs hanging out.	8/5/2018 7:26 AM
1201	Really feel unsafe parking and walking anywhere in downtown Eugene. I have quit using the library and shopping in downtown Eugene. I only come downtown once a month for a necessary haircut. If I could go anywhere else for the same service, I would. The city of Eugene "tree police" responded faster to a report of a tree felling than a report of a prowler from a sick and dying neighbor. Tree police, one hour. Prowler police, more than 24 hours. No, I do not feel safe!!!	8/5/2018 7:20 AM
1202	This is not new but police will only come if a significant crime has been committed generally not for public safety. They will sometimes come if there is something going on at a school. Response is slow. Maybe they need all their time to respond to motor vehicle situations.	8/5/2018 7:15 AM
1203	A lot of homeless and "travelers " make family nervous.	8/5/2018 7:15 AM
1204	A feeling of safety comes from knowing people will adhere to social norms. And if not then one avenue is law enforcement. I have no confidence that that support will be there except under extreme circumstances. (i.e. Violent crime) Suspicious characters in the neighborhood:no House break in:no, stolen property: no, Threatening behavior:no.	8/5/2018 7:13 AM
1205	I never go to the library blocks and use only the Sheldon Branch, putting books on hold there if necessary. I am seriously considering buying a Spfd Library card.	8/5/2018 7:02 AM
1206	Living in a well established Gilham neighborhood, I was blown away from a recent incident with one of our neighbors who fired shots in his backyard and the lack of protection we have as neighbors from this happening again. At 1:00AM this neighbor fired shots, attempting to protect his family from hispanics in his backyard. The shots penetrated his fence and went through one neighbors backyard and potentially into another. Police were called and the neighbor was taken in, we assume to the Johnson Unit, only to return to his house a few days later. His wife and two boys left the house to live with a relative for a short period of time while a DHS case was opened. Unfortunately, the whole family reunited a short time later with no guns removed from the house. This neighbor not only has the gun he used to shoot through his fence but numerous others. We as neighbors are on pins and needles wondering what the next incident will be and which family member or neighbor will be hurt this time. We all have a very false sense of security thinking our system would protect us when incidents like this occur, but it doesn't.	8/5/2018 7:01 AM

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1207	I live in the city of Eugene in the Santa Clara area. I pay city taxes. I have, in eight years, seen Eugene police in our area perhaps twice. (Once was a welfare check on a neighbor.) Speeding, red light running, homeless campers--all of these are rampant and unchecked. The county won't fund law enforcement for their portion of Santa Clara and the city pretends that we are part of the county. There is more to feeling unsafe in the city than walking downtown. As the city continues to allow unchecked homebuilding in the Santa Clara area, traffic increases and the streets become more chaotic.	8/5/2018 6:55 AM
1208	I avoid downtown as much as possible due to the transient population. The streets are dirty and feel unsafe. I've seen multiple instances of harassment.	8/5/2018 6:45 AM
1209	Serious incidents concerning friends have caused alarm. Also, I ride my bike out along the bike paths and I have been accosted, so I take protective measures. I'm always on the lookout for people who might do me harm. This is a recent stance.	8/5/2018 6:21 AM
1210	I feel our traffic reflects the increased anger of many folks traveling on our streets.	8/5/2018 5:33 AM
1211	Downtown Eugene, especially the area of 10th & Olive, need more Police presence. There are roving packs of disorderly juveniles, who often engage in street brawls, around the LTD Station, Library, and Atrium Building. There are 12-15 year old children openly consuming alcohol, marijuana, and tobacco with no consequences. This creates a hostile and dysfunctional environment downtown which drives away business and visitors.	8/5/2018 5:32 AM
1212	Too many vagrants, transients, mental health crisis patients in downtown Eugene. It feels like an open air mental asylum downtown. Why do we tolerate it?	8/5/2018 12:14 AM
1213	Eugene needs it's own jail. County jail isn't good enough. Springfield has one, so should Eugene.	8/5/2018 12:00 AM
1214	Our family loves living in Eugene. The only drawback living here is public safety. I no longer feel safe running alone in Alton Baker park, nor walking around in parts of downtown, even bringing my children to the public library downtown. The main safety issue that I see is the prevalence of mental health and substance abuse, particularly among the homeless population. Eugene has so many wonderful things to offer, and it's sad that this is such a huge problem for all of us.	8/4/2018 11:34 PM
1215	Eugene is not safe. The parks, the bike path and downtown Eugene are saturated with homeless and sketchy people.	8/4/2018 11:00 PM
1216	Property crimes are ignored. The river bike paths are nasty, dangerous and medically unsafe. The parks are drug havens.	8/4/2018 10:48 PM
1217	The downtown and Whitaker areas are where i feel less safe.	8/4/2018 9:35 PM
1218	Why is it t he county seems to manage a much larger area with so much LESS? Maybe the city could take a look at how they are doing business and learn a little.	8/4/2018 9:25 PM
1219	I see meth heads on bikes scoping out the neighborhood all the time. My house was broken into a few years ago. I installed a security system but I still feel vulnerable.	8/4/2018 8:56 PM
1220	The plague of homelessness must be dealt with. Homeless camps along the bike paths along the river and other locations within the city are turning Eugene into a complete disgrace. Quit catering to them and encourage them to move along, not cater to their needs so they stay.	8/4/2018 8:26 PM
1221	Minor property crime is rampant - had my car ransacked a few weeks ago. I feel safe walking around at all hours, though.	8/4/2018 8:24 PM
1222	Downtown is disgusting. I own a business and live downtown. It is absolutely apalling to see transients preferenced over taxpayers. The last time I called the police on a transient threatening passers by and damaging property I watched and waited 47 minutes, by then the offender was gone.	8/4/2018 8:22 PM
1223	I don't feel safe coming to a complete stop at the stop signs around Washington Jefferson Park	8/4/2018 8:03 PM
1224	The city needs to get aggressive downtown. The transient population has taken it over. Look to Palm Springs for ideas.	8/4/2018 7:54 PM
1225	Throwing more officers at it is not the solution. Policies that don't bear teeth leave officers chasing the same people repeatedly.	8/4/2018 7:50 PM

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1226	Critical need for multiple operators on the non-emergency police line. On multiple occasions, I have called to report different non-emergency situations and eventually gave up with being put on hold for excessive time. This is necessary given the expansive city limits of Eugene. I would feel safer knowing I could call the non-emergency line and they'd send someone out to investigate a potential threat to safety.	8/4/2018 7:48 PM
1227	needs great improvement, particularly if healthy growth is anticipated	8/4/2018 6:44 PM
1228	The transients appear to be bolder as the days go by. I was followed by a pack of transients this morning while running along the river in broad daylight. I don't like that feeling and should not have to fear for my safety while enjoying the beautiful parks.	8/4/2018 6:39 PM
1229	Observed a neighbor walking get literally run over by a heroin addict driving up on to the curb, no charges for her, she's out on the streets living the high life. Must be a mole to get away with that. Since Springfield actively discouraged panhandling, there are many more "travelers" in and around the neighborhood. I don't blame Springfield, just wish COE management would get a backbone and buy them a one way bus ticket to Portland or Dufer.	8/4/2018 6:37 PM
1230	My biggest concern is the Eugene Police especially the police assigned at the University of Oregon. Several of my neighbors have had "run ins" with the "boys" Officer Davis for one, while walking home intoxicated, not bothering anyone! The Police are just another "Gang" to deal with unless you are rich!	8/4/2018 6:29 PM
1231	Fears are overplayed. Use common sense when you're downtown after dark. Walk with purpose and be mindful of your surroundings.	8/4/2018 6:25 PM
1232	Going downtown after dark is a frightening experience, even in groups. The homeless population unfortunately harasses me (as a woman) and constantly solicits money or goods from me.	8/4/2018 5:14 PM
1233	There are so many people camping on the streets in my neighborhood, and they are not friendly. We are constantly cleaning up needles, garbage and sometimes even human feces in the easement which the city makes OUR responsibility. We call the police about drug dealers and mobile chop shops, and no one comes to help us. If we lived in the south hills, we'd get help in a heartbeat.	8/4/2018 2:52 PM
1234	Mental health services need to increase as mental illness is a major factor contributing to less safety downtown and elsewhere. Officer bike patrols on the bike paths would be helpful (like the Amazon canal path from Jefferson going west). Less money should be spent on militarized vehicles/weapons and SWAT teams. Sometimes I think the huge police response ramps up the problem. Patrol officers should not engage in high speed chases until a very serious crime has occurred; those folks will eventually get caught, if not for that issue, another one; it puts the regular citizen in danger. How come so many police officers have to respond to the questioning of one homeless person? I think the police might could use more staff but would also like to see the manner in which they spend their time audited. No reason for 2 or 3 cop cards and 5 police officers to question one person on a public sidewalk. This isn't LA or NYC. The "bait bike" program is a good idea - good job on that one!	8/4/2018 2:24 PM
1235	The homeless population has gotten out of hand and the gangs of teens around the bus station and across the street are a threat	8/4/2018 2:08 PM
1236	I don't trust Eugene Police Department because the officers and sergeants I have encountered lack integrity. They discriminate against me, don't respect my rights, and use fallacies to defend their bad behavior.	8/4/2018 1:23 PM
1237	I come from a large urban environment and have always lived alone, so my awareness is always fairly high. Living in "The Whit" has been a mixture of great and awful - my car was stolen from my driveway on 2 occasions, somebody entered my home and took food from my refrigerator, I cannot have anything decorative in the yard that is not attached or too heavy to move; one person even felt free to enter the fenced area to take the last rose from the bush, then leave the gate open so the dog could get out! I've seen drug deals go down outside my window in the middle of the afternoon and I frequently find syringes in the ivy. To a large extent, I feel most of this is simply a factor urban life. My neighbors are nearby, we share the sidewalks and I love seeing pedestrians and bicyclists who frequently pass by my windows. I have a dog who is well known by neighbors, who speak to us on walks. I live 2 miles from my work, so I can walk or bike when I choose to. My feelings of unease are more rooted in my being a woman than any other societal factor. My safety feels threatened by the dominant presence of drugs and untreated mental disease. These are complicated matters, for sure, with no simple answers. Thank you for asking.	8/4/2018 9:59 AM

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1238	I live in Whiteaker and have for nearly 20 years. Many good changes have come with new businesses, but the park situation is still terrible at Scobert and Washington- Jefferson. Since that situation hasn't gotten better, I'd honestly rather not have a park at all. With the open and blatant illegal and undesirable activities that take place there, having parks nearby makes me feel less safe. If after so many years of problems, and a long term solution still can't be found, I'd rather see them turned into private spaces for homes or businesses. That's pretty sad.	8/4/2018 9:16 AM
1239	In the early morning hours we should not have multiple officers taking a break at the same location while calls are being ignored! That being said our department is severely under staffed and I and many others would pay a bond measure to correct that.	8/4/2018 7:37 AM
1240	It seems as though police only respond to "big" incidents. It is not reassuring when the only involvement is via a volunteer one has to call to make a report of a theft or other crime.	8/4/2018 7:32 AM
1241	West Eugene seems to be the go to for increased vagrant, homeless and drug activity. The City of Eugene focuses on Downtown and to the E of Beltlibe and it has pushed W Eugene in to a bad situation and safety concern for residents. West Eugene needs to be cleaned up and be given priority to making the residents feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods. I will not allow my child to go out anywhere on her own and I won't deal with it either. I'm a Real Estate Broker and it's really hard for me to sell our area. People instantly furrow their brows and crinkle their nose when you say you live there or want to show them a home there. I've had personal experience w/having to call police in middle of night and have them take the side of a vagrant who rang my doorbell in the middle of the night. I was absolutely shock and disgusted with EPD. Enough!	8/4/2018 4:52 AM
1242	Too many aggressive transients.	8/4/2018 12:03 AM
1243	All this would change for the better if you ran the homeless out of town like Springfield did!!!	8/3/2018 11:32 PM
1244	Vagrant population of drug users and decrepit vehicles steadily increasing in Bethel, with seemingly little response or solution. My own property was broken into and stolen on two separate instances in the last two years, and as a single 20-something female I rarely feel safe going anywhere in the evening.	8/3/2018 11:11 PM
1245	The downtown transient population is a problem and needs to be taken seriously. People who live, work or just want to be downtown in general are fearful of confrontation and verbal harassment. There is constant vandalism, drugs use, slurs, defecation/urination in the streets and break ins happening on a daily basis. If you are a woman, you have to always be in the company of others out of fear you will be mugged or worse. For the safety and overall well being of your Eugene residents, please take this issue seriously. This is not acceptable.	8/3/2018 11:08 PM
1246	I live near the river bike path. The number of homeless/mentally unstable people yelling and carrying on is unnerving and has increased in the last years. One woman tonight was carrying lopers and swinging them at me as I walked by with my dog, yelling obscenities. Clearly disturbed and homeless.	8/3/2018 10:39 PM
1247	The above question is unclear. The decrease I checked signifies a slight decrease in how safe I feel.	8/3/2018 9:58 PM
1248	I have had a thief walk through a closed gate by my house and steal property. I have neighbors with the same experience. We do not have neighborhood sidewalks. There are many walkers in the streets. Cars park in yellow strip areas by intersections, plants on corners also block visibility, many street surfaces are in disrepair. We love our neighborhood!	8/3/2018 9:44 PM
1249	Can't even walk downtown without being yelled at by homeless	8/3/2018 8:13 PM
1250	My car has been broken into and drug users camp behind my residence and it's not a priority even contacting the police. I love my job here (professional job that helps the community) but I am considering moving to Corvallis to be safer. It feels like the comfort of drug users and transients are held higher than working, tax paying citizens.	8/3/2018 7:59 PM
1251	We recently bought a home on the river side of River Rd. I go walking along the along the river bike paths nearly every evening after work. I wish I could say I felt safe walking those paths alone but I don't and won't go for walks without another person. I would like to see more EPD bike patrols. I'm soon due to have a baby and would like to feel comfortable walking our kid during the day and eventually heading out for runs along the trails.	8/3/2018 7:18 PM
1252	1. Every person needs housing and sanitation. 2. I think housing & sanitation is a great start. 3. There are multiple causes & solutions. Try many.	8/3/2018 7:06 PM

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1253	I am appalled at how many homeless people we have on the streets. I have been trying to help just One friend and the system doesn't help anybody in Lane County - so no wonder we have homeless people on the streets. They scare me because of their numbers and many of them are clearly mentally ill and not being taken care of. All it takes with somebody like that is one perceived wrong move and I could be taken down easily. I cannot believe that this is how we "take care" of our citizens.	8/3/2018 6:43 PM
1254	Because of the increase of transients in our neighborhood, I have installed a home security system. This, even though I know the EPD will not respond to unconfirmed break-ins. Property crime is rampant in Eugene, We need better response. In order to achieve that, we need more police officers.	8/3/2018 6:31 PM
1255	Lots of vandalism and minor theft in my neighborhood.	8/3/2018 6:26 PM
1256	Too many tweeker bums.	8/3/2018 6:19 PM
1257	I feel my favorite bike path is too dangerous to ride by myself. My customary route is maury jacobs to D st, Springfield, then back on the Valley River side	8/3/2018 5:51 PM
1258	I work downtown near Kesey Square and some of the vagrants who frequent the area are aggressive. Most of these individuals do not want help, mental or rehabilitive, and actively make our customers uncomfortable. Some are nice and keep to themselves or ask for change but others peer in car windows and inspect our customers bikes until they notice our staff watching them. A man was beaten and his ribs were broken when he told a bike thief to fuck off when asked to gove up his bike. The majority of people I have met in this city, homeless included, are peaceful people, but our store front and public neighborhoods are no place for hard drugs and aggressive theft. If our policies keep the same "ignore them until they hurt you" trend and if we keep adding funding to resources that give handouts to vagrants who do not seek to better themselves, our city will be no different than a smaller San Fransisco.	8/3/2018 5:45 PM
1259	I find all the badmouthing of downtown to be exaggerated. Never had a problem there.	8/3/2018 5:34 PM
1260	New to Eugene. Live up in the Southwest Hills (Somerset Hills VIII development). A neighbor told me "the police won't come up here." I certainly hope that is not true. I pay the same property taxes as everyone else, and some of that goes to protecting my safety. That worries me, if true.	8/3/2018 5:06 PM
1261	Complete lack of response to trespassing calls with theft component - 0 of 5 calls responded to AT ALL. In two cases people were actively trying to force open my tenants sliding glass doors in broad daylight. I can no longer travel via the closest bike path past the river into downtown due to aggressive homeless campers blocking paths and assaulting people during daylight hours with witnesses. Again, no response to multiple 911 calls during this incident from multiple people.	8/3/2018 4:08 PM
1262	There is a strong police presence near my building (I live near Jefferson st. park). I've had to call the cops a couple of times due to fights breaking out in the park and they always seem to be slow to respond, but I often see them driving THROUGH the park just to stop and give someone a ticket for camping near the bridges...	8/3/2018 3:09 PM

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1263	<p>I'm frustrated, and seeking any reasonable solutions. I live near Costco and have been renting my house for 6 years, and the trespassing, theft, and vandalism has consistently increased each year. I have a heart for the homeless, veterans, those living with disability, and others who find themselves sleeping around my house, but it's lately become truly overwhelming. I was naive when I moved in, and didn't immediately see the harm in giving water and other low value items to the many strangers who knocked on my door, cornered me at my mailbox (across the street from my home), or waited for me to exit my vehicle when I returned home. I quickly understood this was a guaranteed way to get more and more uninvited visitors. My last 4 cars have been damaged, my motorcycle toppled 3 times, causing expensive damage, and anything not brought in at night immediately disappears. I've lost yard tools, furniture, fuel cans, exercise equipment, building materials, and much more. I was attending to family business in New York 6/21-7/5, and while I was gone, the massive homeless encampment at the North West corner of N Game Farm Road and Interstate 5 (less than 2 miles from my home) was cleared. Each night since, there have been more men and women sleeping on the property I rent, and when the police or cahoots show up, the trespassers just move to the sidewalk to sleep. The sight of someone lying motionless on the sidewalk or street in front of my house on Coburg road (a very high traffic road) causes many many people all day and night to stop, and most of them come directly to look in the windows of my home and knock loudly at the doors. Each rightfully concerned passer by has no way of knowing that someone else stopped moments earlier to knock and look around. I have a friend who works multiple jobs, one at night, and they often sleep at my house during the day, which is difficult with near-constant pounding on the door. I also experience sleep disruption every night, and although less frequent, people asking about those sleeping on the sidewalk or homeless people asking for water, food, money, and more. I understand the police have higher priorities than keeping track of minor trespassing and theft, but these recurring problems are having a serious negative impact on a few important areas of my life. I pick up or hose away human shit on my front porch, in my backyard, and in the trash shed at work at least twice a week, which is a bummer. What do I do about these problems other than whine on social media? I have means to help; funds and occasionally time, any suggestions about the most effective way to invest these? My landlord says I can put up signs, cameras, and/or fencing, but I'm not sure how effective that would be. Honestly, the people sleeping in the yard doesn't bother me, but people parking on a busy road and banging on my door does a lot, as does theft and all the poop.</p>	8/3/2018 3:07 PM
1264	Bike paths along the river can be treacherous; especially under the Delta/Beltline bridge.	8/3/2018 3:05 PM
1265	It is a huge issue. I can think of several separate random, violent attacks that have taken place in the last couple of months. It's terrifying, and I'm not sure what is being done other than arresting the specific individuals that committed those crimes. We need more Cahoots, we need more Police, we need more shelters, we need more.	8/3/2018 3:02 PM
1266	Parks and paths, including smaller neighborhood parks and associated paths, feel increasingly unsafe due to the people who choose to camp in hidden spots and prowl neighborhoods looking for opportunities to help themselves to the property of others.	8/3/2018 2:38 PM
1267	The amount of break ins, mail theft, trespassing is climbing. There are people on bicycles constantly in parking lots or neighborhoods clicking and whistling. Homeless camping where ever they want and rifling through people's garbage cans. The amount of drug users, mentally ill and just in general desperate people seems to be climbing.	8/3/2018 2:36 PM
1268	My biggest concern is the homeless travelers mostly in the downtown, Whitaker, Alton Baker and University areas where I spend time when not at home. Panhandling has increased and I believe the substance abuse and mental health of these individuals is my biggest concern. These are not homeless Eugene folks who need our help. They come here I think in part because we have services and a tolerant population. But it is not okay to have them using our parks and doorways to businesses as toilets. I recently was shopping at Gardner Floor covering and they had windows smashed and across the street was a row of individuals with backpacks just hanging out. Where do they use the bathroom, where are they headed? Seattle and parts of downtown Portland have become scary to be in. I don't want that to happen here. I have a friend that works in the evening downtown and she no longer feels safe walking to her car around 9:00 after work. I worked downtown many years ago and this wasn't the case.	8/3/2018 1:44 PM
1269	My primary concerns are being hit by cars while I'm on my bicycle and having it stolen or parts of it removed while it's locked up out of my sight.	8/3/2018 1:20 PM

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1270	I feel that the largest safety threat to myself and my family is reckless driving, speeding, and distracted driving. I feel like the prevalence of all of these are increasing in Eugene, and I rarely see enforcement of basic traffic laws. I don't know the statistics, but I'd be willing to bet that more people are harmed by traffic in Eugene than violent crime, so it warrants closer attention. Drivers know they can speed, especially during evening rush hour and drive recklessly and not get penalized. Walking and biking with my 1 year old around town, especially after picking her up from daycare on my way home from work during rush hour, is often very scary, and drivers often (at least once per week) intentionally terrorize cyclists with threats - yelling and revving their engines and intentionally passing extremely close to me and my child - with no visibility of oncoming traffic-just for slowing them down by a few seconds on a common bike route.	8/3/2018 1:17 PM
1271	I live in Edgewood. I feel safe there, not downtown.	8/3/2018 12:55 PM
1272	I feel a little less safe, but I'm also pregnant and moved to the Whiteaker 8 months ago. Although I love the new neighborhood and its charm, I have to say that there are situations on the streets that make me feel a little uneasy.	8/3/2018 12:54 PM
1273	The biggest danger is cars killing pedestrians and bicyclists. Need to redesign roads and city to prioritise walking as primary form of transit.	8/3/2018 12:45 PM
1274	Speeding on neighborhood streets is a problem, and in the case of Jefferson, Donald, 28th, the streets are poorly designed by the city, encouraging speeding by not offering adequate signage or calming devices. Jefferson was identified as a candidate needing calming in 2001 and then listed as a candidate for a future calming project in 2003, but in the last 15 years the city has not allocated a single dollar to helping the problem, which worsens every year. As a resident, it feels intentional, and although I wish people would be more responsible and slow down, I feel the city is responsible for these public safety issues. Please do something.	8/3/2018 12:41 PM
1275	Getting worse. I have lived in Eugene - Springfield most of my life. Now I work downtown and live in Bethel Danebo area (Elmira road neighborhood). I have seen an increase in homeless, I have heard of burglaries, attempted burglaries, and assaults in my neighborhood. Seems like it will keep getting worse.	8/3/2018 12:37 PM
1276	I want to feel safe going downtown but even with the event I don't like the mobs of homeless or young travelers that congregate near Keasey Square.	8/3/2018 12:35 PM
1277	I work downtown and walk to/from work (1 mile each way). From 11th to Broadway, that is where anything can happen that would make me change route or be more watchful. Broadway in particular requires choosing different routes to the front or back of my building, due to groups of people or situations that seem to be in progress. Otherwise I feel relatively safe/calm walking around Eugene.	8/3/2018 12:13 PM
1278	I have a home downtown that I'm moving back into and there have been transients hanging out in the front lawn. They move when I ask them to, but it's pretty crazy that it's happening. There are SO many vagrants in the downtown area.	8/3/2018 12:08 PM
1279	Down by the river needs to be cleaned up of garbage, human feces, drug activities, underage drinking, loitering, more police presence	8/3/2018 12:05 PM
1280	i would certainly feel much safer if patrol cars were around & stopped to introduce themselves, say hello....get out of their cars...interact...get to know the people, the neighborhood...smile...make eye contact....please.	8/3/2018 11:51 AM
1281	Downtown sidewalks along Broadway are still dirty. We were told they'd be cleaned on a regular basis, but I'm down there a lot and it's not happening. It makes for a very unwelcoming atmosphere. Dirty streets send a bad message and encourages more filth, it's a fact that has been researched to death. Eugene can and should do better. Downtown streets along Broadway still have men sleeping and loitering. Although the citizens have to put up with it, I have a feeling once we get closer to 2021 the city will find a solution albeit temporary. There is not enough traffic control in this town and without the infrastructure for the increase in population traffic control should be a priority as driving is getting more dangerous out there with people running red lights and speeding. Gang activity is a well kept secret but a real issue in this town that affects all of our safety.	8/3/2018 11:46 AM
1282	I felt pretty confident about my safety and that of my property but the recent murder and increasing bike thefts (mine was attempting to be stolen when my downstairs neighbor stopped the thief) has made me more wary of my families safety and of our bikes remaining on our property. We used to leave everything unlocked and windows open over night. Not any more. It is saddening.	8/3/2018 11:45 AM

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1283	<p>I'm not afraid of most people, they're just people trying to go about their daily lives like we all are, just some have a lot more problems than many of us. But I have seen an increase in people with mental illnesses having their mental illness crises in public, like on a street corner or in a parking lot. This increases the chances that they're going to encounter people who may escalate the crisis even further, even just by talking to them innocently. A few weeks ago, a friend of mine and his family had a knife pulled on them while eating at a restaurant downtown. Just yesterday I visited Winco in Eugene and a lady was yelling obscenities outside. I was sitting in my car at Safeway and a disheveled man was walking through the parking lot looking agitated and he gave me the creeps. Could we solve many of these problems if rents were cheaper? If there was more housing and not "luxury" housing or college housing, like actual affordable rents for families. Who is profiting from these high rents? Is it out of state developers? Is it real estate speculators? Why can't the city mandate that every housing complex that is built from this point on MUST have at least 10% affordable housing?!?!? Let's start thinking harder and not just slapping bandaids on problems. Actually think of AND IMPLEMENT solutions, whether you think they'll work or not, but let's start trying something different. Let's give the homeless jobs cleaning up the trash in parks or along the river or Amazon Creek. Make it sort of like a day laborer thing where there are certain areas you meet at everyday to get picked up for the jobs. Pay them minimum wage. Try to set them up with housing if they need it. How about we look into better mental health coverage? Drug and alcohol recovery programs. ANYTHING!</p>	8/3/2018 11:36 AM
1284	<p>The Eugene Police force has always performed admirably for me and my families' wellbeing. Our home is in a pretty sketchy part of the city (the Whiteaker) where a number of citizens seem to think that compliance with the law (both civil and/or criminal) is optional and/or a nuisance. My family and I are grateful to live in a society based upon the sanctity of law and we wish all our neighbors shared that view too. Many thanks to the Eugene Police force for upholding the law in our neighborhood and town.</p>	8/3/2018 11:35 AM
1285	<p>If the question on driving/biking/walking safety were separated out, I feel less safe biking on roads. When I first moved here, I was thrilled at the amount of designated bike lanes on roads plus separate bike paths. 6 years later, I feel our bike facilities cannot keep up with demand. Plus bike theft is a huge deterrant to biking downtown.</p>	8/3/2018 10:53 AM
1286	<p>I am a white male. I am not subject to many barriers that others might experience. I can see how people using substances in the community can create an unsafe environment, I am not too bothered by people that have persistent symptoms.</p>	8/3/2018 10:43 AM
1287	<p>Please do something about the homeless people downtown. I was threatened by a homeless person while going to work, frequently see homeless people screaming at each other, pooping on the sidewalks and leaving their needles everywhere. The town magically cleans up when there is a sporting event and people from out of town are here, why dont the actual residents in this city deserve the same?</p>	8/3/2018 10:38 AM
1288	<p>A city will always have safety concerns. It is the nature of living in a semi-population-dense area. Many of the safety concerns I have are usually related to individuals with mental health needs and/or substance abuse problems. My suggestion to the City is to allocate more resources toward addressing mental health and substance abuse in our community, continue training law enforcement on how to interact with these individuals, and rely less on law enforcement and more on treatment programs. The City has been doing a great job of highlighting these issues and attempting to address them...keep it up and thank you for your service!</p>	8/3/2018 10:31 AM
1289	<p>Every time I go for a walk in the evening I feel the need to take pepper spray with me. There have been instances where I've been followed. My car has been broken into even though I thought I was in a safe neighborhood. Lastly, I rarely go downtown, especially by myself. It's a shame that I can barely walk on some of the sidewalks due to people setting up their 'home' and taking up almost entire sidewalks. Then they have the nerve to harass me for money and smoking marijuana in public. The other day I went down to the Willamette River with my sister. We were never the Valley River Center, and it was a hot day so we proceeded to go for a dip in the river. That all quickly changed when we saw trash and numerous used needles. None of this makes me feel safe especially when I go to other cities such as Bend.</p>	8/3/2018 10:25 AM
1290	<p>What am I supposed to feel safe or unsafe from? This survey is already skewed towards a preconceived conclusion.</p>	8/3/2018 10:24 AM
1291	<p>Where I feel most unsafe is when walking on the bike paths (used to be mostly safe pedestrian paths) in Maury Jacobs Park near my home. Many times the bikes are going way too fast and come too close.</p>	8/3/2018 10:20 AM

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1292	I feel like there has been an increase of reported attacks on the bike and river paths, reports of assault, attempted assault, etc. My wife and I use the bike and river paths all the time so it worries me. I also see a lot of homelessness, drug use, discarded trash, and random shouting crazy people all over the parks.	8/3/2018 10:01 AM
1293	I feel less safe with Eugene police officers than I have in the past. They present as aggressive and "watchful", not like the police used to be, when they were friendly and open and focused on being of service. Now it is as if they anticipate trouble, which can, in itself, cause trouble.	8/3/2018 10:01 AM
1294	I have a 13 year old son with a bus pass, however I do not feel it is safe for him to be downtown alone. That rules out transferring at the downtown station and using the library. I barely feel safe at those two locations myself.	8/3/2018 9:45 AM
1295	I'm a bit anxious about the homeless community downtown. There have been several incidents where I've witnessed people living on the streets disrupting families passing by. Yelling profanities and smoking weed/ using drugs in the open during daytime. It's strange to me how people are allowed to loiter with their dogs and all of their luggage in front of stores downtown. I'm from a big city where store owners would have the right to tell those people to move along. I have compassion for the homeless and less fortunate, but I have even more compassion for the mother and child getting yelled profanities at by a stranger. Maybe a law against asking for money/ loitering downtown would be helpful. It would be a lot more clean and peaceful if Eugene cracked down on some stricter laws.	8/3/2018 9:27 AM
1296	The rampant use drugs and drug users roaming the streets of downtown, and all adjacent neighborhoods to downtown, is very unsettling. The young drug users are unpredictable and can be violent. The homeless population has increased dramatically, some coming to Eugene for the services we provide, is staggering. Illegal campers in RVs, tents, or in the open air have populated the streets and neighborhoods all over Eugene, and it is very unsettling.	8/3/2018 9:22 AM
1297	I've lived here 40 years, same general west Eugene area. Used to bike and walk with the kids on bike paths, parks, and I would jog at night. Now I carry a weapon and avoid walking anywhere at night. I've had property stolen from my yard. The place has been taken over by criminals and addicts. Police haven't helped.	8/3/2018 9:04 AM
1298	Eugene feels like a very safe place to live.	8/3/2018 8:52 AM
1299	Night and day time are different downtown. Day: enough security & police around in the summer to feel reasonably safe.(I have walked from Almaden to Pearl once a week for 15 yrs. Some individuals are rough trade, some travelers are harmless and occasionally annoying. Night is a different matter.Drinking, including bar scene, and rougher individuals. Walking at night feels relatively in safe unless in a group. //Driving is less safe over the last1-2 yrs. Far too many people in residential areas running stop signs and 4 ways. Not just "California stops", completely running the stop signs w no consequences. It continues to increase. The initial newish ped signs and painted cross walks at the Wa./Jefferson Bridge were great, but before long, cars do not stop even if you are in the road. Every other week a driver will scream obscenities because they had to stop. They drive full force to the crosswalk. Note: we do not jump out. We step out if the cars are a block away. I do not believe that we have enough traffic police presence or consequences to change behavior. It's deteriorating rapidly. An increasing number seem very agitated or playing chicken with drivers. The bridge area: moving too fast off the bridge entering Jefferson and moving too fast trying to beat the light entering. I observe this both as a driver and ped.	8/3/2018 8:50 AM
1300	My feeling of safety in my home and regarding my personal property was impacted by a burglary at our home a few years ago. I think many people feel unnecessarily anxious around downtown, though I have witnessed a few violent incidents that affected my own feeling of safety.	8/3/2018 8:46 AM
1301	There are so many unhoused folks with mental health issues living in the parks, in the Whiteaker, in downtown, on the fern ridge & river bike paths who need mental and medical assistance. I think a lot of people don't feel safe in Eugene because people with mental health are deeply stigmatized and labeled as "crazy", and crazy is scary because it's unpredictable and maybe irrational. But these people are not crazy, they just need help.	8/3/2018 8:35 AM
1302	You have to deal with downtown Eugene, Main Street in Springfield is more appealing than going into downtown at this point.	8/3/2018 8:14 AM
1303	pushing the homeless out of downtown has made my neighborhood less safe. There are people living in their cars, scrounging our yards, camping along the bike path and even under the overpasses. Police do not come when called, saying this is a nuisance issue, not a public safety issue.	8/3/2018 7:51 AM

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1304	Too many mental health crises along with drug use. I am a physician and we sometimes have to call police to remove an unsafe patient. Cahoots gets to us quicker EVERY time.	8/3/2018 7:26 AM
1305	It seems from the NextDoor forum postings that there is more theft of delivered packages, as well as items from yards and cars.	8/3/2018 6:33 AM
1306	Downtown streets with visible drug use. Harassment of adults and children still happens. Personal property break-ins still happening. Safety on roads for bikers have gotten worse. Drivers not stopping for pedestrians at crosswalks, drivers running red lights. Pretty sad about the overall safety of law abiding citizens. Feels like you have more rights to put all your stuff on sidewalks, panhandle and leave garbage then to just walking around.	8/3/2018 5:56 AM
1307	The area around Whitebird is a disaster. I've been screamed at multiple times and almost attacked once by a tweaker while I was walking in the area. A tweaker tried to cut his way through my window and several homeless men have masturbated outside my window. A homeless woman lives in the bushes outside a house on 13th ave there. Please increase police presence in the area.	8/3/2018 2:08 AM
1308	I think most Eugene residents value safety and respect the law. Sometimes it is unpredictable whether someone will be a threat to ones safety; for example, some cars stop for pedestrians, but a lot don't. Some "shady" characters are just fine, while some are disruptive.	8/2/2018 11:52 PM
1309	Around my neighborhood I feel safe, but the assaults this past spring have me concerned about going downtown. I don't even feel safe in my car downtown and at certain places along sixth and eleventh. I've had people wander in front of the car, pound it with their fist while stopped at light or stop sign or throw things while driving by. One of the things we noticed and we've had guests notice, is that driving around you very rarely see any police presence. I moved here from Austin and downtown they had foot and bicycle cops and even a few on horseback. It gives downtown a safe feeling and they felt like part of the community. Austin has its share of crime problems, but there was never a part of town that I felt unsafe going to.	8/2/2018 11:11 PM
1310	I'm a mother now and I feel uncomfortable taking my son to the library when I have to walk through large groups of shouting, fighting drunk people. It's pretty disappointing. I wish the downtown was more family friendly.	8/2/2018 10:34 PM
1311	I walk my dog at night, and feel safe with her presence.	8/2/2018 10:21 PM
1312	The city needs to hire more police officers and build a jail. Open drug use, harassment, vagrancy and sidewalk camping should not be tolerated. The city needs to do divert funds from meaningless feel-good progressive causes to efforts that increase public safety and security. Without a safe and secure public square, nothing else matters.	8/2/2018 9:45 PM
1313	The city needs to hire more police officers and build a jail. Open drug use, harassment, vagrancy and sidewalk camping should not be tolerated. Funds need to be diverted from meaningless feel-good progressive causes to efforts that increase safety in downtown Eugene. This is your foremost responsibility as a city government. Without safety and security nothing else matters.	8/2/2018 9:39 PM
1314	The white supremacists (some of them self-declared Nazis) who occasion the Whiteaker neighborhood make me anxious to venture out unarmed in the evenings.	8/2/2018 8:33 PM
1315	It seems like I hear a lot more in the news about serious crime than I used to. I don't know if it's statistically accurate or just feels that way, but I don't like to think that Eugene is not as safe as I thought. There have also been MANY more burglaries, car break-ins, and drug issues in my neighborhood than even a few years ago.	8/2/2018 8:22 PM
1316	The Downtown area during day and night is really tough. As a parent, I feel anxious about what my kid might hear or see. It is also just heartbreaking to see so many people suffering from mental illness and/or addiction with few resources/services available to solve underlying needs and/or to provide safe shelter. The theft of personal property has noticeably become a problem, even in the outer reaches of our city - in neighborhoods that used to be quiet. This can often be attributed to addiction and "drug houses" with groups of underemployed addicts living in squalor together.	8/2/2018 7:56 PM
1317	I work Downtown. I constantly fear for my personal safety in Downtown Eugene because of the "travelers" living there who harass and threaten me on a daily basis. I refuse to go outside in that part of town without pepper spray, and I have considered obtaining a concealed carry permit in case pepper spray happens to not be enough. I have had thousands of dollars worth of personal property stolen from my vehicle while Downtown. Eugene is getting significantly worse every day.	8/2/2018 7:19 PM

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1318	I lived in Eugene for 32 years. I moved to Junction City 2 years ago. I work in Eugene and therefore spend a lot of time there. The community enables the homeless and I see a big increase in criminal activity and the mess they leave behind. I recently witnessed two grown men fighting in the street near my workplace - homeless men - very scary.	8/2/2018 7:17 PM
1319	The homeless people downtown do not frighten me, and I distrust the survey because it seems that the city is always looking for a reason to criminalize homeless activity instead of working harder to help the homeless people with a shelter, sanitation and health care.	8/2/2018 7:04 PM
1320	Downtown does not feel safe. As a male, I don't feel like I'll be assaulted but I do feel harassed by all the panhandlers and kids loitering at the LTD station. For females, it's a much different different story	8/2/2018 6:43 PM
1321	I wish that the cops would stop harassing the unhoused, or activists (especially at events), and instead focus on preventing or reacting to violent crime. Personally I don't feel that they're protecting me, I feel that they're protecting the property of rich people against people like me. It's really a drag.	8/2/2018 6:43 PM
1322	I have learned that at night. There are *5* police officers in eugene. This has fundamentally changed how I would respond to a home invasion. As you know. Oregon is a Castle Doctrine state. Deadly force is authorized against anyone committing or attempting to commit a burglary in a dwelling (ORS 161.219) Now, if someone breaks in, I will IMMEDIATELY fear for my life. Because I know that the nearest police officer could be up to 15 minutes away or more, and a person can be grievously injured or killed in SECONDS. If there is a home invasion now. the FIRST thing I will do is grab my firearm and prepare to use deadly force. I will not call 911 until after whatever happens. Happens. Because I know that I cannot rely on them to keep me safe in time. So basically. Due to the policies of the eugene police department, calling 911 has dropped to the bottom of my priority list in the event of a home invasion at night. The highest item on my priority list is getting my firearm and preparing to use lethal force against the burglar. Don't like how this sounds? Put more officers on patrol at night.	8/2/2018 6:28 PM
1323	While it comes and goes in severity over the year, Downtown Eugene has gotten significantly worse over the last 8 years I've lived here. Its to the point I don't bring my kids downtown more than a handful of times a year. I work downtown and when coming in / leaving for the day or going out for lunch it's not uncommon to be harassed by the transient population, observe public drug use, step around bodily waste on the sidewalk, etc. If I had any say in the matter, our business would move out of downtown to one of the corporate parks out near the edges of Eugene. Downtown could be a beautiful place, but right now its not a place I can feel safe or enjoy, particularly with my family.	8/2/2018 6:11 PM
1324	The transient population is out of control, and growing. The vast majority of our homeless population are not native to this area- they come here because of our tolerance for illegal activities and broad range of social services. I want my taxes to pay for our schools, police, fire and roads. I do not want them being used to enable drug use and poor decisions for people who have no investment in the community. STOP TAKING CARE OF THEM, THEY WILL LEAVE.	8/2/2018 5:39 PM
1325	My biggest concern is transient/travelers/homeless around town. People rummaging in cans and wandering around with a couple bikes and a big pack of stuff make me concerned. I don't go downtown anymore unless absolutely necessary and never after 5pm. I used to work downtown and eventually stopped shooing certain transients away because at least some of them only left trash and not worse things.	8/2/2018 5:25 PM
1326	There are too many homeless people downtown. Asking me for cigarettes when I walk there midday with my young child is not making me feel safe. Go visit Starbucks downtown Sunday 9am and see for yourself what a shitshow that is. NOT SAFE. You have the nerve to charge US for parking downtown but the homeless get a free pass. Why does Eugene have to be so IMPOTENT??? Look at Corvallis. Look at Salem. They have a safe downtown.	8/2/2018 5:05 PM
1327	The druggies, bike thieves and homeless are out of control!	8/2/2018 4:57 PM
1328	Safety is defined differently by different folks. For me, safety is knowing that when I come home, my house is still as I left it. For others in our community, especially those with housing insecurity, safety is defined somewhat differently. I will not receive an eviction notice from the same community law enforcement that protects my safety. If I were to do so, I might feel very differently. I don't understand why we have not differentiated, as a community, the need for public safety folks to not also be the enforcers.	8/2/2018 4:27 PM
1329	Need a bike theft long term operation. I see sketchy looking guys riding one bike and wheeling another all. The. Time. Was daily when I lived in the Whitaker	8/2/2018 4:11 PM

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1330	There are too many transients being given a free pass to shit up the community with their littering and petty crime. The bike paths are unsafe. The campers need to be removed as soon as they're discovered, full stop. Give a half-dozen tweakers a week in a spot along the river and it takes a goddamn hazmat team to clean up the mess of needles, feces, garbage, and chopped up bikes they leave behind. The only viable strategy for the feral hobo population is "broken windows policing." Make the scum of the Earth uncomfortable and they will move elsewhere. And while we're at it, let's look into revisiting the idea of a minimum-security County Farm where we can start getting some of these people straightened out before they cause themselves and the community too much damage. What if we started up a few local agricultural and industrial skill-building programs for jail inmates? It has worked in the past. I think the hippies and the more law-and-order types could find common ground there. Additionally, traffic enforcement has become a joke in Eugene. People are using 20-30 mph residential streets as 40-50 mph shortcuts. Lots of reckless and aggressive driving going on in commercial areas as well. Double lane-changes galore. Red lights are the new yellow lights. Stop signs are treated as suggestions. It just feels as though EPD has given up on the problem, and that is emboldening all of the idiots out there to behave even worse behind the wheel.	8/2/2018 3:24 PM
1331	I think we spend far, far too many resources pestering the homeless population instead of investigating real crimes.	8/2/2018 2:46 PM
1332	With each passing year, I feel less and less safe. I firmly believe this has (at least partially) to do with how tolerant the city is towards 'travelers' to our city (those who are voluntarily homeless) who do not respect laws and property.	8/2/2018 2:35 PM
1333	Since the crack down on homeless peoples in downtown Eugene I have seen a substantial increase of homeless, drug use, and mental illness in my community in the Whiteaker. I have lived here for 13 years, and the past 3 have been some of the worst. There is a serious problem in our community especially in regards to drug use, to the point where we will be moving at the end of summer. I am disappointed that we seem to move the problem rather than fix it. Push it into other areas that are "less desirable". I do not feel that my neighborhood is a priority to law inforcment. As a result I am moving my family because it is out of my control.	8/2/2018 2:29 PM
1334	I have noticed intermittently increased visible police presence in the downtown area which I think is a positive.	8/2/2018 2:17 PM
1335	I live in an area where I feel mostly safe, but as a person of color I am often harassed downtown or feel like I can not visit certain parks. I see hate specific graffiti and bumper stickers and I am scared. I am not convinced as to if the police will help me if call this out. I have small children and I don't like taking them to the bike paths along the river anymore. Downtown is really bad, can't go down there without some kind of verbal aggression.	8/2/2018 2:04 PM
1336	There aren't enough police officers to respond to timely requests for service for non-emergency crime.	8/2/2018 2:00 PM
1337	I'd feel safer if the police were unarmed. I know it's a weird thing to say. Idk though... I respect that officers feel the need to respond with deadly force if their lives are being threatened. I would too. But it feels like having armed police officers forms an inherent presumption that there is a greater likelihood that there WILL be violence rather than there WON'T: and coming into any scenario with that kind of presumption (whether on the part of the officer, or on the part of a potentially distressed/confused/reactionary community member) encourages the likelihood that the presumption will form reality accordingly. I hope this is just food for thought, at least.	8/2/2018 2:00 PM
1338	Living near downtown in an unsecured property with a through driveway to the alley, lots of foot traffic/vagrants/peeing in the bushes/etc makes me uncomfortable leaving property outside, including my car. Have had people camp on the sidewalk directly in front of building, as well as enter the building when not secured properly. Landlord isnt helpful.	8/2/2018 1:51 PM
1339	The people living near and off the bike paths are getting aggressive with the heat, and their litter is ruining the area.	8/2/2018 1:33 PM
1340	I park in zone c for work and have to walk a few blocks from the area around whitebird. It feels extremely unsafe and under patrolled for the amount of vagrantcy. The same feeling goes for the rest of downtown area.	8/2/2018 1:33 PM
1341	Junkies and thieves taking over parks, the riverfront and definitely the bike paths.	8/2/2018 1:31 PM

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1342	I think this is Eugene's biggest issue and I appreciate the city's efforts to get public input. I could give a very long list of all the times I been harassed, threatened, and in unsafe situations while in Eugene's public spaces. I will continue to frequent Eugene's parks, bikes paths & downtown, but I am tired of maintaining a constant hyper-awareness & vigilance for the safety of myself & my family. These public spaces belong to everyone and I wish I felt like I was truly welcome & safe in them.	8/2/2018 1:31 PM
1343	The overwhelmed and underfunded mental care resources in this city are not enough to take care of many of the people who desperately need long-term help, let alone the people in crisis. Downtown is a literal nightmare, overrun with aggressive people who have no fear of consequence. Finally, please address the "hotspots" of people gathering such as 13th and high, 8th and Monroe, and 9th and willamette. The congregation makes people act with impunity, wandering into the street at random and putting drivers and pedestrians alike at risk of accident.	8/2/2018 12:50 PM
1344	Less funding for police, more funding for alternatives like community mediation services, investments in affordable housing, etc	8/2/2018 12:47 PM
1345	Not enough public space for self and homeless to visit in place (without needing to spend money) security or police have incentive to remove loitering and trespassing, despite places being paid with tax revenue.	8/2/2018 12:22 PM
1346	I think Eugene is a very safe place overall. Much of the feelings people have around perceived danger is fear of poor and brown folks. Desperate people will do desperate things. Rather than increase police presence, the city would be smarter to increase services for the poor and create affordable housing and shelters to directly reduce the risks, dangers and desperation brought on by poverty.	8/2/2018 12:17 PM
1347	I've worked downtown for the last 5 years and it was getting bad. I've had people follow me, yelling, to try to get money. I couldn't walk from my office to anywhere without being asked for money at least once, but usually a couple of times. Often I would have the same person ask me for money several times in the same day. Someone once tried to sell me jewelry while his two pitbulls had sex. That was in front of Starbucks. The new push to clean up town has had some positive effect, but it still feels less safe than 5 years ago and it wasn't exactly great even then.	8/2/2018 12:13 PM
1348	I am beginning to feel that law and order no longer exists in Eugene. My workplace has recently been a target of theft on several occasions, with seemingly no repercussions for the thieves even when they are caught. It feels like someone gets harassed or attacked on the river path, or in another public park, almost on a weekly basis. I very rarely visit downtown anymore due to the almost assured verbal harassment from the kids living on the streets. My neighborhood is one of the few places that still feels safe, however I have no confidence that the police will arrive in a timely fashion should someone threaten that safety.	8/2/2018 11:59 AM
1349	Hire more cops. Take care of the insane people.	8/2/2018 11:58 AM
1350	Downtown feels a little unsafe but is at least a little balanced out by the number of community members around. The in-town parks feel as unsafe but without the protection/safety of the community in numbers being preset. Most everywhere else feels safe personally, although I worry about the safety of property with cars and houses (or the like).	8/2/2018 11:50 AM
1351	Theft & Vandalism seems to be the largest problems I face in Eugene as of now. As a young woman, I do not feel safe walking around downtown at night without pepper spray.	8/2/2018 11:43 AM
1352	My major concern is safety downtown and surrounding area. I work downtown and feel that the homeless population has been increasing. While the police presence downtown is also very visible it would be great if we could figure out a long term solution that does not need law enforcement to manage.	8/2/2018 11:42 AM
1353	I DO NOT feel safe when walking or biking in this town. I have been hit or nearly hit by more cars than I can count because drivers do not care that pedestrians have the right of way or they feel the need to creep into the crosswalk to turn while I am walking in the crosswalk. That behaviour is illegal as I understand it, but best I can tell it is also legal for cars to run pedestrians down in the street. I never jay walk or cross the street when the red hand is flashing and I still experience this.	8/2/2018 11:40 AM
1354	As a downtown business owner, I applaud and support the increased police presence downtown the last few months. However I have still had several issues when calling police with problem people (some threatening violence) and then a four hour response time.	8/2/2018 11:30 AM

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1355	<p>the tagged dog ban and the smoking ban downtown help a lot. the day I saw bike and motorbike cop teams hanging out down there made me feel better too. I'm from NY and LA so I know how to walk and be aware of my surroundings but this is not everybody and downtown and the entertainment sections of town should be safe for everybody. I don't have a car nor do I want one. I moved here in 2012 and felt safe walking nearby everywhere but now I don't. I don't dare go walk the river paths anymore and this is disappointing. And I would love to be involved in music and other night time activities but can't if I don't have a ride. Streetlights on streets outside of downtown would help a lot.</p>	8/2/2018 11:27 AM
1356	<p>Police are more concerned about writing traffic tickets or harassing people over a joint. When an actual assault occurs we get nothing out of them I've been assaulted twice downtown now and the police never followed up on them. Eugene police department is a joke in my eyes.</p>	8/2/2018 11:23 AM
1357	<p>From a violence perspective, this is a very safe city to live in. I am very anxious about the theft potential of personal property though. My anxiety about this is caused from reports of all of the property theft that occurs in this city. I have seen people stealing bikes in broad daylight, and our police force needs to be more punitive for this type of behavior.</p>	8/2/2018 11:19 AM
1358	<p>I don't.</p>	8/2/2018 11:19 AM
1359	<p>Daytime is good most places, except for Broadway (and to some extent downtown). People hanging around those parts can be aggressive at all hours of the day. Certainly anxiety inducing to walk down that street, not sure how the businesses there remain open. Highway 99 gets pretty MadMax-y at times. Evening, nah.. it's so bad now that after dark I don't feel safe outside of well-lit or well traveled areas, like say a grocery store parking lot--and I'm a 40 year old male. When I first moved to Eugene (5 years ago) things were different here. I used to travel exclusively by bike, because I enjoyed that lifestyle--it was one of the things that drew me to Eugene in the first place. I was made aware that bike theft was an issue here, and despite me using a large U-lock and additional cabling to secure my wheels, I've had an entire bike stolen, a wheel stolen, brake lines cut and handlebars stolen, and at least 3 seat/seatposts stolen, 1 of which was even while using a locking seatpost collar--thieves find a way. So I gave up on trying to get around by bike and started driving. Still go for casual bike rides, but the riverfront is so full of squatter nests, trash, bums congregating at half the park benches or picnic tables.. not much of an enjoyable experience anymore. Wasn't this way just 5 short years ago! Riverfront paths after dark? Not a chance, I don't feel like being stabbed for my bike, so I'll pass. I really don't have any skin left in this fight. My house goes up for sale next month, and I won't be buying in Eugene again. I can't justify the high cost of housing here to be met with this sort of living environment. I understand Corvallis is a quarter the size of the Eugene metro, but *never* see this sort of stuff happen up there, same goes for Bend. It's simply not tolerated. It seems that if you're not UofO or Nike, the city of Eugene is unwilling to play hardball to address the safety issues posed by the rampant homeless population. Instead, tip-toeing around the topic with dog bans and smoking bans downtown. Pretty sad. I sincerely hope that Eugene can get this addressed, and reclaim better days. I wish you the best of luck!</p>	8/2/2018 11:12 AM
1360	<p>When I moved to Eugene in 2012, it was safe to walk nearly anywhere in the area, even along the river. Now I don't dare walk to or along the river alone, and don't go out at night alone. We have built high fences around our property and lock the fences from the inside at night and have security lights all around the house, as well as other security measures. We are between downtown and Whiteaker and so get the travelers from both areas passing by. Several times our street has been closed off by police during searches. It's not as bad as when I lived in NY or Los Angeles, but those are big cities whereas Eugene is smaller and so the dangerous activities of a larger city are compressed into a smaller town. The smoking ban and the non-tagged dog ban downtown do help a lot in keeping the groups of travelers from the downtown area but now they are moving into other areas and if they are on drugs, it's harder to get them to move along. Because of living in NYC most of my life, I know how to act and react in crowd situations or when walking downtown but this is not everyone. Downtown is a much nicer place than when I first moved here, but it should feel safe for people to visit. I don't want to own a vehicle; it's why I live so close to downtown and to Whiteaker ... but there are activities I would like to attend at night and don't feel safe doing so. Also, more streetlights on blocks outside of downtown would help a lot.</p>	8/2/2018 11:08 AM
1361	<p>Property crime seems to be on the rise, with little being done to prevent it. Homelessness is clogging up city parks and bike paths and making me legitimately afraid of using them from sunset onward.</p>	8/2/2018 10:59 AM

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1362	It definitely feels less safe. Trash everywhere, aggressive panhandling...it's just not the Eugene that I moved here for 20 years ago. I don't feel safe downtown at all so I stopped going a few months ago. I've heard it's gotten even worse since last year with human feces showing up on the sidewalk...then I saw this: https://www.reddit.com/r/Eugene/comments/8ibetm/anyone_see_the_bum_throw_shit_at_that_little_girl/ . Feels like it's becoming more and more like the worst parts of Portland every day. So disheartening.	8/2/2018 10:58 AM
1363	I understand the complexity of dealing with homeless. That said, the homeless population currently staying downtown has become increasingly threatening and in your face. Downtown is by far the worst. I've also been approached on the bike paths by people who have threatened me and my family because I wouldn't give them money, alcohol, drugs, or cigarettes. I don't know the answer but I hope Eugene figures this out before bad things start happening here more regularly.	8/2/2018 10:54 AM
1364	I do not feel like my safety is a priority of the city or it's management and leadership. This is judged on the actions of city leadership and the continued lack of progressing support for city essential services such as public safety and emergency response. The large volumes of money funneled to other projects, such as addressing the homeless populations are great, but why are we not meeting our basic vital community needs first?	8/2/2018 10:49 AM
1365	There are a lot of people in Eugene right now who have an uncertain place in the community due to homelessness and transience, so they are not committed to the idea of a community and therefore have less qualms about stealing or vandalizing property. If we were better able to place these individuals in a more permanent place in the community or give them better tools to put themselves in a job and home, I think they would be more invested in preserving the community. As it stands now, though, many of them are prioritizing other things over stability, and a solution remains difficult.	8/2/2018 10:46 AM
1366	Do something about the meth heads, make our town safer.	8/2/2018 10:44 AM
1367	I was born and raised in Eugene. It just isn't the same town I grew up in. So many homeless. So much theft. Drugs. Tweakers. Something needs to happen.	8/2/2018 10:43 AM
1368	My car has been broken into twice, too many robberies, not enough patrols in my area. I think you guys should start patrolling through alleys.	8/2/2018 10:34 AM
1369	You seen what Salem is doing? https://www.statesmanjournal.com/story/news/2018/07/30/salem-homeless-problem-sidewalk-camping-ban-considered/865119002/	8/2/2018 10:33 AM
1370	too many meth heads and homeless campers in Alton Baker. rather anxious biking/walking the trails there in the morning, tired of the mess.	8/2/2018 10:33 AM
1371	Homeless have crowded me out of so many outdoor areas of Eugene I used to enjoy and made them so dirty and unsafe that my husband and I had to move all the way out to Elmira to get away. I went on holiday recently to Vietnam and was struck by the fact that I walked around downtown Saigon for 2 weeks and was only hassled for money by 2 disabled old women and everyone bought their own cigarettes. I felt more safe walking around a huge city in a developing country at night than I do walking around many parts of Eugene during the day. That's sad.	8/2/2018 10:28 AM
1372	This survey is poorly written - you should probably attain the person's address or community location so you could verify the results. For instance, I live in the Whiteaker and my local park is a constant hotspot for addicts... Of course if you believe most people taking this survey live in South Eugene you will probably get the results you want, citing that most people feel safe because the survey is skewed toward that demographic.	8/2/2018 10:22 AM
1373	Eugene is unsafe because aggressive and unhealthy behavior is tolerated.	8/2/2018 10:19 AM
1374	I live downtown, please take that into consideration. I've been physically attacked by a stranger in the street completely unprovoked walking my dog in the last month. I have witnessed several fights, including one person breaking a bottle and threatening someone outside of whitebird. I've changed my route many times when homeless people are loitering on the sidewalk because I don't feel safe. I don't know what the solution is, but I do not feel safe.	8/2/2018 10:17 AM

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1375	I feel that the city has very little concern for the state of downtown. The shops and general populous are left on their own to face a persistent, imposing and aggressive presence. Occasionally, the police will sweep and dispersed the presence, but for the most part they are allowed to run amok, fight and harrass passerbys. Perhaps the City Council, manager and prominent downtown property owners relish in the state of downtown. Perhaps they want make downtown unseemly in the minds of the community. That downtown should be an embarrassment in the minds of the voters. So that maybe one day soon another initiative could be brought to the ballot. A fat juicy deal to raze downtown. Like the 40 Million Dollar deal of yesteryear. Tear out all those, inconvenient to the council and prominent downtown property owners, yet very successful businesses. Bulldoze the livelihood of the now thriving downtown businesses. So as to build the utopia that the city owners and the prominent downtown property owners so desperately wanted; yet the voters cruelly withheld from them. Remember though, downtown was a desolate failure for generations. It was a failure until within the last 20 years, when entrepreneurs and risk takers banked on their businesses there. They finally made a success of downtown in spite of the years of failures before. Now downtown Eugene is a meeting place, a place to gather, socialize with friends and be entertained. I think we should honor and protect that. Help people feel safe there and promote the success of the businesses that have revitalized downtown.	8/2/2018 10:14 AM
1376	The ten blocks surrounding downtown are frightening... Absolutely not safe for most people after dark. The river bank paths are an absolute hellscape after dark.	8/2/2018 10:05 AM
1377	I don't feel safe walking alone in the dark	8/2/2018 10:04 AM
1378	My family doesn't go downtown because of the vagrant criminals that seem to be above the law. It's just not worth it. It's sad because the downtown of any city should be a reflection of local culture, art, and community morals. Eugene is dying and has gone far beyond the point of no return. With such an ineffective police force (you can call it understaffed to save face but we all know that's a bald faced lie), the sad reality is that people are starting to realize that EPD cannot be relied on in an emergency. People will get hurt because of EPD's failures. I'm not going to risk calling 911 with 20-40 minute response times (if they show up at all), someone's going to end up getting shot unnecessarily over this. Someone breaks in, I doubt they'll sit still at gun point long enough for lazy local LEO to respond, therefore I'm not taking the chance.	8/2/2018 9:59 AM
1379	It's getting worse. Property crime is significantly worse. It's common to see broken glass in parking lots and tweakers stealing bikes. I had a homeless man start approaching from across the street while I was locking my bike up. As soon as I put a lock on my bike he turned around while complaining about the lock. He was hovering to see if I was going to lock my bike up. We need to stop supporting the "traveler" lifestyle and do things to make them feel very unwelcome in our town. We need strong penalties for property crime and hard drug use and more jail beds to separate them from society for full length of their sentences. If someone is caught stealing bikes they should be banned from riding bikes so we arrest them anytime we see them on one, reported stolen or not.	8/2/2018 9:58 AM
1380	I feel like downtown is a checkboard-- some places are very safe feeling (lit, lots of people) and other places (alley ways) make me nervous.	8/2/2018 9:50 AM
1381	We rarely see police in our neighborhood	8/2/2018 9:42 AM
1382	Areas by campus are most worrisome.	8/2/2018 9:34 AM
1383	I try to avoid the downtown because of the vagrant activity. It's a shame.	8/2/2018 9:32 AM
1384	I don't feel safe at most Eugene Parks because of potential homeless threats. Trash everywhere. Needles. I can't let my children wander freely.	8/2/2018 9:26 AM
1385	Sketchy people seem to hangout around minimarts. I feel like the camps should be patrolled, but the people shouldnt be harrassed needlessly. Like safety checks, make sure they arent littering etc.	8/2/2018 9:25 AM
1386	As long as the homeless population continues to get away with everything then this town will have a negative and dirty feeling to me	8/2/2018 9:12 AM
1387	My biggest concern is the homeless camps in natural areas, e.g. down by the river path, in wooded parks, etc. I'd like to be able to enjoy nature and go on hikes and walk through parks without worrying about tweakers.	8/2/2018 9:09 AM
1388	White bird area is out of control. Any good they are doing is now outweighed by the bad they bring to that area. It a true mob down there.	8/2/2018 9:09 AM

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1389	I live off the Delta in the Goodpasture Loop area and crime has increased to the point where it's not unusual to hear of an attempted break in on a weekly basis. Many more vagrants wandering in and about, on the bike path as well and using the bike path as a quick way to escape. It's not a good situation. I spend a fair amount of time downtown as well and it can be ugly and I can see why some folks feel uncomfortable. In the last week I've seen people, for lack of a better term, tweaking out on Hilyard, down on 10th & Lawrence and along the Beltline. I feel that the police, Cahoots and other agencies are doing the best they can but Eugene hasn't taken the necessary steps, or funding, towards the problems of vagrants or repeat criminal offenders. I understand that these are issues facing most communities but I think we are falling dangerously behind. More mental/drug help and longer jail times are called for.	8/2/2018 9:05 AM
1390	This message is intended for the city itself, not towards a police department that has been handcuffed by politics. As a business owner I am tired of the graffiti, drunk homeless, pan handling and other behaviors that impact my business. I hate the fact that these behaviors are allowed, and granted permission through absenteeism on the police force. The lack of a police presence up and down river road, especially between 6th street to division avenue is creating more and more problems. This city must deal with the homeless/mental health community and you wont have to create surveys or levels of coverage. Transferring police power to the downtown core to deal with these issues does nothing but rob peter to pay paul. Fix the issue itself.	8/2/2018 9:02 AM
1391	Certain trails and parks where there is a high level of illegal camping and drug use seem the worst to me. The number of used needles, garbage, and other associated debris is also very concerning for health & safety.	8/2/2018 8:56 AM
1392	I wish I could feel better about parking my bicycle around town. Also wish I would feel safer riding my bike at night on the bike trails.	8/2/2018 8:51 AM
1393	I live near the Owosso Bridge and there are camps, drugs, and sketchy men on bikes at all hours of the day. They cruise our neighborhoods while we work & leave garbage around. I no longer run the bike path even though I live nearby because I don't yet own a handgun to carry as I run. I feel I need to be armed as a woman after dark or early morning when alone on Eugene bike paths. Too many incidents occur, get barely reported, and criminals just roam this town without a care in the world. Yes, those face tattoos mean something EPD- get them out of here please before they kill more of use tax-payers!	8/2/2018 8:43 AM
1394	Property being stolen at night has increased tremendously especially in the spring and summer. Have now had to put cameras up which is extremely expensive but what I worry about is the support we will get from EPD being they are under supported. We have to be diligent in correcting this problem to insure the safety of citizens.	8/2/2018 8:40 AM
1395	Stop protecting the homeless and protect the tax payers.	8/2/2018 8:27 AM
1396	Downtown Eugene is in such a state of disrepair in regards to general safety and cleanliness.	8/2/2018 8:20 AM
1397	The increase in reported violence and heckling by vagrants in downtown has kept me away.	8/2/2018 8:06 AM
1398	There is a loud vocal minority group who uses the guise of "public safety" to discriminate against "undesirables" which is a mix of both voluntarily homeless "travelers" but also some people down on their luck with very real needs (mental health, housing, etc.) - we need to be comfortable and stern with separating these two very different issues/populations which can lead to glamorizing homelessness and having potential human trafficking implications.	8/2/2018 8:05 AM
1399	I started avoiding downtown Eugene a little over a year ago.	8/2/2018 8:02 AM
1400	Drugs and theft are huge in Eugene. I can sit in a parking lot and watch drug deals and people smoking drugs in their vehicle right in front of business store fronts. Our jail needs to hold people longer than a day. Probation needs more staffing. I know someone on probation that didn't check in for two months. Was arrested in a violation over a weekend and let out 12 hours later and told to report to his P.O. He should have been held at least until Monday to see his P.O. in jail. If he didn't check in in two months he's not gonna check in on Monday. Criminals know there's no consequences in Lane County.	8/2/2018 7:55 AM
1401	I have extreme anxiety about sharing the road with motorists while biking	8/2/2018 7:03 AM
1402	There's a need for sharps containers in the community. We're tired of picking up 20 or so needles every week downtown.	8/2/2018 7:00 AM

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1403	One of my biggest concerns is the safety of pedestrians, not only downtown, but everywhere in the city. I walk a lot and I have observed drivers who are on their phones or are otherwise distracted. Sometimes I do random surveys. At some intersections it's not unusual for 8 to 10 cars to drive through a crosswalk while I stand waiting to cross. I am an alert adult. The safety of kids who might not be as vigilant as me is worrisome. I work downtown and while I love it there and appreciate the city's efforts to provide activities to bring more people into the area, it still feels like there is too much crime and not enough of a police presence.	8/2/2018 6:55 AM
1404	The city needs to stop attracting vagrants to the area with all of their "free" services that I HAVE TO PAY FOR. Spend my money fixing the roads and paying for more police and fire services.	8/2/2018 6:53 AM
1405	This town glorifies the drifters and homeless more than actual residents. Until the drug addicted campers and wanderers are moved out of neighborhoods and downtown this city will continue to decline until it's a literal ghetto. Something needs to change.	8/2/2018 5:19 AM
1406	It's mainly safe but when it's late out, I always feel uneasy especially when walking. This is around 4 corners but it's mainly because that's when the riff-raff are out. (People on meth, heroin) and some intoxicated by alcohol because some are aggressive and loud so I try to avoid walking in my neighborhood even though it would be nice to take a walk at night during the summer to avoid the heat.	8/2/2018 2:59 AM
1407	Increased number of homelessness has made me feel less safe than before.	8/2/2018 1:46 AM
1408	I feel safe in the middle of many neighborhoods, but on the edges between areas, or on the edge of downtown, or the whit, or 11th or 13th, etc. it is different.	8/2/2018 12:27 AM
1409	Please start by making it illegal to pass anything to someone standing on the street, making panhandling illegal. Please hire more personnel. Give incentives for business to upgrade their security cameras. Most of the recent robberies had horrible pictures in the news. I don't feel safe in Eugene anymore, and it has affected what I do outside.	8/2/2018 12:16 AM
1410	Without my dog, many public spaces would be off my list to visit. I have stopped running the river trails alone. Even with the dog, I won't use the bike path from Ferry Street to Coburg/Oakway. I stay off High from 15th -11th, and am regularly heckled on Hilyard at 32nd-33rd. I am used to a city and consider myself street smart and I still feel anxious.	8/1/2018 11:37 PM
1411	I know this is a pretty safe city, compared to many others where I have been.	8/1/2018 11:28 PM
1412	Cars do not share the roads with bikes and are extremely distracted on phones. I have been almost hit multiple times. Most specifically, drivers crossing bike lanes to make turns. Also, I live at a bad intersection and there are accidents 4x a month and near misses daily. This intersection is just a two way stop (Jefferson/5th). I think most people who are afraid of crime in Eugene have never been to a big city and are most likely privileged. For sure there needs to be less junkies/adicts and that would reduce petty crimes. Bike thefts are crazy here and they just set up chop shops in the parks and allyways.	8/1/2018 10:25 PM
1413	I feel like most things are being ignored, such as chronic traffic issues on many roadways, theft, and assault. Chambers and 6th, 7th, 18th multiple cars going east/westbound run lights each cycle. Happens at 30th and hilyard, 29th and Willamette, too. If your home or business gets robbed, you're lucky to get a return phone call, even if you can provide security footage showing the break in. As a single female living alone, I've had people harrass me and follow me, only to be told that until I'm actually injured that I have no business calling the police. FYI, the 911 call center in this community is an absolute joke. Perhaps staff with people who actually want to do a good job, and make enough so that if you call in on a cell phone (like most people do) you don't have to go through a phone tree to even talk to someone. The cops we do have are doing a great job, but there's a lot of stuff slipping through the cracks	8/1/2018 9:49 PM
1414	Downtown is beautiful with a lot of restaurants and stores I would like to visit but I rarely go because it does not feel safe. When I do go downtown, I never go by myself and even when I go with my husband or a friend, we are always dodging sketchy people and are almost always asked for something. The safety of downtown has improved over the last year, but it still needs to be better. There are also several areas of town (anything off highway 99 and neighborhoods off Royal and Barger for example) and several park areas (Washington/Jefferson Park and along the river paths as examples) that I try to avoid because I do not feel safe there. It would be nice to visit anywhere in town and feel safe because there are so many parks and businesses in town, but instead I just repeat at the same places in the neighborhoods I feel safe in.	8/1/2018 9:36 PM

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1415	As a person who works in downtown Eugene, every day I feel unsafe as I make the walk back and forth from the parking garage to my office. While the increased police presence has greatly helped, I am still constantly harassed about my appearance, yelled at, etc. We have had people light a fire in our office dumpster in the alley behind our building. My friends from Portland remark about how filthy and unwelcoming downtown Eugene is. I live in the Santa Clara area and have noticed illegal homeless camps popping up in neighboring residential lots and parks. In the middle of the night my family is woken up to the sound of groups of people rummaging through our trash bins. Overall, I do not feel safe in Eugene.	8/1/2018 8:58 PM
1416	We are fortunate to have the police/emergency services we do have here. But we can't let financial complacency degrade our police force. When calls and population grow and personnel numbers don't, we risk all citizens' lives.	8/1/2018 8:35 PM
1417	I work downtown and no longer walk to nearby restaurants or coffee shops due to large groups of transients. Many alleyways, parking lots, sidewalks, and park strips/lawns seem to be transient occupied at all times. I even changed my driving route to and from work in order to avoid them blocking parts of E 12th Ave.	8/1/2018 8:05 PM
1418	I work close to Ferry Street Bridge and have noticed an increase in transients camping under the bridge areas. I used to walk on my breaks on the sidewalks by the bridges and along the river, however I no longer feel safe doing so. I used to take my three children on bike rides along the river and again don't feel safe. My last experience downtown was going to dinner and having three different people ask for my leftovers I had planned on taking home. I had to step over them as they were sitting on the sidewalk and because I was so uncomfortable of their proximity to where I was walking, I gave them my to go box. I Won't be going back downtown until something is done about the travelers and transients downtown.	8/1/2018 7:51 PM
1419	As a transwoman, I like to think of the northwest as a safe space, especially Eugene. Unfortunately, that's really not the case. Between Bike thieves, no nazis at the country fair, the assaults around town (such as the rock hitting a little girl in Armitage park), and the threats against an lgbt friendly club about to open, I sure as hell don't feel safe.	8/1/2018 7:51 PM
1420	I wish that we had more patrol officers and no transient people hanging around.	8/1/2018 7:35 PM
1421	Downtown Eugene and the park in the Whit (which under the bridge), are extremely unsafe. I don't understand that why there's never cops around! Why this city keep letting people to camp out on board daylight on a road side? And the bike thief problem- How come we still have a problem after all these years? Stop spending big money to put up fences, money should be well spent in law enforcement, and constructive solutions to help the homeless keep coming into town. I first moved to Eugene 5years ago, lived in downtown, used to feel safe. Now, absolutely not, I moved out of downtown area, and will not step feet there alone, especially at night.	8/1/2018 7:28 PM
1422	I work Downtown and observe the activities, good and bad. Police response when needed can sometimes take longer than expected. I do not feel safe after dark. I live farther west and for the most part feel very safe.	8/1/2018 7:27 PM
1423	For a town that claims to be bike friendly and spends colossal amounts of money on parks, they are not places I will take my family. Urban campers have ruined what could be a real fun town.	8/1/2018 6:57 PM
1424	Worried about nazis, fascists, racists, and prople with confedarate flags	8/1/2018 6:19 PM
1425	We need more police officers patrolling streets and neighborhoods.	8/1/2018 6:18 PM
1426	I live in front of the new bike path that is being built on jessen drive. Since its construction I have witnessed people trying to steal equipment from the construction company at night. I now have an abomded/ stolen car in front of my house and arrived home last week to 2 people having intercourse at 5 pm in their car directly in front on my house, have people digging in my garbage cans on my property and found a heroin needle in my empty garbage can once. So let's hope this is not going to be the new bike path trending events. We are less than impressed with the onset of recent activity.	8/1/2018 5:57 PM
1427	We need more police in the neighborhoods and for the jail to keep criminals out of our community! Eugene has so much potential to be a great city but we are failing to keep in clean and safe, making it a place people are leaving. Just look at the major businesses that have left and the vacant buildings no businesses want to occupy.	8/1/2018 5:05 PM
1428	There is rampant crime in west Eugene, ranging from petty theft to car break-ins to home invasions, and it seems to have been steadily increasing over time. Has anyone looked at the data to see how crime is trending in Eugene? For example, where has crime increased in the city and why? What are the root causes to the crime rate increase?	8/1/2018 5:01 PM

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1429	Homeless population is out of control on the streets	8/1/2018 5:01 PM
1430	Get rid of the addicts living under bridges, in our parks, and off of our trail bike paths. They just lurk and try to look for stuff to steal. Try to keep more police officers on bikes on those paths. Maybe create small squads for each neighborhood. At a 10 mile radius.	8/1/2018 4:55 PM
1431	It's crazy that I walk by people full-on tweeking out and that those people "can't" be dealt with by Cahoots or the police. If the person doesn't agree to treatment, they're left in the neighborhood to wreak havoc. Join a neighborhood FB page to read about the real-time activities of these people who wreak havoc and the effects on public safety they are having. Daily, folks in my neighborhood make posts in hopes of garnering awareness of the crap that goes on around here. One major reason: trying to do what we can on our own because of the proven lack of support from outside agencies.	8/1/2018 4:33 PM
1432	Too few officers to respond to citizen concerns. Too little power granted to them to take action to address concerns.	8/1/2018 4:02 PM
1433	My biggest concern, right now, is homeless people harassing kids. There is no such thing as private property and no trespassing anymore. The trash has become a huge public health threat. There are toilet paper flags strewn all along the river Greenway, park flora, and any undeveloped vegetation in the area. It's lucky if it's only the flags, but we all know that's not the case. We've had safety issues on the bike paths, in parks, and at LTD bus stops. I have teenage and upper elementary age kids. It makes ZERO sense for us to be spending a dime on watershed restoration only for it to turn into sewage and landfill. As far as police response, it's kind of like the wild west. We're on our own. We need Batman!	8/1/2018 4:00 PM
1434	The homeless/vagrant population of Eugene has exploded in the last year. I also see more instances of volatile and potentially violent vagrants every day as I drive from West Eugene and into my job at the UO. We need more police presence along the EMX line and laws against panhandling on city corners	8/1/2018 3:53 PM
1435	I know our law enforcement is doing the best they can but the crime is way out of hand. I personally feel that as a sanctioned city and the legalization of marijuana and decrease of punishment for other drugs is making this city worse. We need more officers and stricter punishment for theft and drug related crimes	8/1/2018 3:49 PM
1436	There are not enough police and not enough fire resources in our city. We need more fire protection, more police officers to respond to calls. It is horrible to have calls for police go unanswered for hours. Our city needs to prioritize public safety and reallocate the funding to support or police and fire resources.	8/1/2018 3:41 PM
1437	We need more police officers and jail beds to keep the criminals locked up for an amount of time, longer then 4 hours. We need people who drive impaired and without licenses or insurance to have there cars impounded when they are caught and not be able to get another one. We need to provide more services and funding to the police departments and sheriffs offices, then we do to the drug addicts and welfare recipients who make it a lifestyle. The Eugene police and Lane county Sherriff office need more help!	8/1/2018 3:21 PM
1438	My feelings of safety are diminished by the groups of individuals setting on downtown sidewalk with their dogs. The large homeless groups hanging out on the bike paths at several locations especially along coburg rd. Homeless sleeping in our parks and at several other locations. The homeless population consists of persons with severe mental health issues, drug addictions, and serious criminal convictions and behaviors. Why would I feel safe?	8/1/2018 3:16 PM
1439	Hard to go a block downtown without having to step over gutter trash sprawled out with their dogs and banjos. Vehicle burglaries are not investigated. Response times are asinine. The cops we have rock--but we need a LOT more!	8/1/2018 2:46 PM
1440	The homeless population is a plague on our government. The police have been shackled by the city council, understaffed and are unable to enforce the laws effectively in this community. The Eugene city government needs to stop allowing the homeless to run this town and let taxpayers have our city back.	8/1/2018 2:44 PM
1441	I live in a quiet suburb in Santa Clara near Arrowhead Park. Even though I generally feel safe in my home, my house has been broken into into within the last 12 months. I do NOT feel safe walking alone downtown day or night. I do NOT feel safe bringing my small child downtown with me without my husband or a friend day or night. I would like to see downtown Eugene thrive but it can't with the current issues regarding safety. Downtown Eugene is not family friendly.	8/1/2018 2:33 PM

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1442	I've been verbally harassed most days I go through downtown. The Whiteaker has seen an influx in drug houses/cars and busses.	8/1/2018 2:23 PM
1443	I work in the ER and the increase in random assaults seems to increase. Parks and the downtown area are not safe. Needle paraphernalia in the public spaces is also a big concern.	8/1/2018 2:17 PM
1444	This town needs affordable housing, both at the median and low/very low level. We need this far more than we need a hotel that is too tall with a big neon sign that doesn't have to pay property taxes. Give them the hotel and even the sign, block the view of the mountain, but make them pay taxes. Developers should have to pay. Make them develop low income housing in town for the privilege of building in the town. Do away with property tax deferments and use the money to serve the unhoused, and create low and median income housing. This is one long term key to safety issues in Eugene.	8/1/2018 2:15 PM
1445	Homeless and campers need to be addressed. Downtown, the whit, west eugene and hwy 99 are appalling	8/1/2018 2:03 PM
1446	Every day I see drug deals on 99. See people stealing stuff. Last week I saw a man steal a pressure washer out of someone's yard. Called it in to 911 and followed the man for almost half an hour and no police showed up. Seems to be the standard whenever you call for police here. Takes too long to get a response. The criminals know this too	8/1/2018 1:58 PM
1447	The city funding of police and fire services is a disgrace. Tax paying citizens don't feel safe downtown in the middle of the day let alone at night. Appears that every week someone is being assaulted or chased or threatened on the bike path. It seems that the city does not care about the police or fire department and public safety is not a priority in this town. Take care of our police officers and fire fighters! We need them to stay in this city...not leave for other places.	8/1/2018 1:30 PM
1448	The homeless population causes the most concern. The volatility of people who are desperate and/or have untreated mental illnesses has gone unchecked in many areas for a long time. Police response is minimal at this point.	8/1/2018 1:22 PM
1449	We have too many "travelers" that come here for the free hand outs. Something needs to be done but I don't know what. We need to let our police officers do their jobs with the tools that have been assigned to them without having and advisory board question their every move. We as ordinary citizens are not the ones put into the situations where we have to decided, in a split second, how to handle a situation. The officers are people too with families they would like to go home to at the end of each shift.	8/1/2018 1:07 PM
1450	We continue to support and attract homeless into our city, and spend a huge amount of money supporting this, instead of funding our essential services of police and fire. Neither police or fire are compensated for the load he city has created for them, and both seem understaffed. I'm assuming because it isn't a competitive job vs the rest of the state. I have a new son, and unless something is changed downtown, I do not feel safe bringing him downtown. It is such a cool area, but it has gotten out of control. Clean up our city. Our responsibility is our communities, and keeping them safe and caring for them. Not for caring for every homeless person that we recruit by having so many easy resources. I look at our city and think of how awesome it could be with out rivers, Similar to how well Bend has used theirs. We also have this amazing opportunity with the 2021 world games. Clean up our city, make it a place that's safe enough for a wife and kid to walk around in the evening without feeling anxious. We have a city that could be the best in Oregon, but how it is now with safety and the priorities of the city, it is towards the bottom. You can't always please everyone, so take care of our communities.	8/1/2018 1:04 PM
1451	Aggressive homeless who feel safe harassing people. Bands of loitering teenagers downtown assaulting each other.	8/1/2018 12:47 PM
1452	I like to cycle to work. I can't stop for any errands unless I can take my bike in with me. I feel far more concerned about my property(home, car, wallet, phone) here in Eugene than I ever did when I lived in Los Angeles County. Our city needs more services to help and deal with the people migrating here or make it less welcoming.	8/1/2018 12:34 PM
1453	The city should offer generous care for the homeless and mentally ill. But when those are full, or if a patron can't abide by the rules of those facilities they should not be allowed to camp within city limits nor loiter. We can do our part, but letting people descend on this city, camp on sidewalk and on bike paths, litter, deficate and urinate in public and harass families for money is DETRIMENTAL. Please, clean it up. We can be a compassionate but a law abiding community.	8/1/2018 12:34 PM
1454	Downtown Eugene seems to have more issues especially by the library and bus station. I take the bus would like to feel more secure around those areas but it's getting scary and sketchy there	8/1/2018 12:32 PM

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1455	I enjoy commuting by bike, but I have to cross the river, and whenever I'm out early or late, that feels considerably less safe than it used to. The number of people loitering along and right in the trail has increased. I've been chased by a man on a bike once this year when I was out running in the (early) morning (on the street, not the bike path). My children and I witnessed a fight involving knives in the parking lot of a downtown building at 3 pm one day. The cumulative feeling is that things are getting more dicey, and I feel I need to be more cautious than I used to be.	8/1/2018 12:32 PM
1456	Downtown eugene is a problem. Homeless people, drug addicts, and squalor abound. Putting in planter boxes and umbrellas is not a panacea for dealing with the people who use our community spaces but do not support the local businesses and create an overall eyesore for visitors and residents to our city.	8/1/2018 12:31 PM
1457	I live in the Whiteaker around W 3rd Ave & Jackson St. The curve where W 2nd becomes Jackson is perpetually a camping area for transients. Yes, I know about the Whit's history with transients, and I knew going in; in my years here there have some been transients who are neighborly (don't cause disruptions, don't make a mess, and don't appear to be up to illegal activities), and those folks don't bother us. But the vast majority of the time the campers make a mess with trash (nothing like finding used TP in your front yard), have people coming & going at all hours sometimes in a manner that makes us think drug activity, I find used needles in the alleyways and occasionally my yard, they are threatening in presence when you go by if you so much as look at them, are fighting/yelling at night, etc. I don't feel safe at night without my dogs and I'm still nervous even with my dogs. The cars or tents show up and stay for weeks without moving, which tells me no officers come through that area, like ever. We have a fenced yard and people regularly invite themselves inside the fence for no reason. They go through our mail sometimes and leave it on the ground. All of these issues have resulted in me looking to move out of the Whit.	8/1/2018 12:30 PM
1458	Untreated Mental Health, abundance of persons without access to housing, length of time it takes for police intervention causing increased level of anxiety in regards to safety	8/1/2018 12:25 PM
1459	There is no police ever. Homeless people seem to be not homeless but transient and dangerous. I often hold post at night for an hour on my balcony.	8/1/2018 12:20 PM
1460	Biking in Eugene is very unsafe. Driver's ignore traffic safety laws with impunity.	8/1/2018 12:16 PM
1461	I feel very positive about the cahoots and police response time. They're ability to work together is very professional and proficient.	8/1/2018 12:05 PM
1462	Very concerned about the safety of downtown, river trails on willametter, parks, library. Try to keep my family away from those areas as they are overrun with travelers, drugs, crime.	8/1/2018 11:42 AM
1463	I live in west Eugene. It is all I can afford as rent increases so the homeless population increases, people living in cars and RVs. There is more petty theft, the streets are dirtier, there are more people sleeping in tents on the side of the road and in jobless camps. I don't want to see poverty criminalized. After all I am a single mom working for the university and I am always one check away from eviction and right there with these folks. It's sad and scary to go to parks, walk by the river or take my child out to lots of formerly 'family friendly places' (looking at you bike path, downtown, river walk, Alton baker park). The feeling of fear is double edged, poverty is not a crime and these people are desperate. The city needs housing! And more foot/bike patrol officers to be on the local level. I want to see the police more often patrolling my neighborhood.	8/1/2018 11:08 AM
1464	Homeless drug addicts are roaming Eugene's streets on foot and on bicycles. Packages were stolen from my front door. Mentally ill homeless man sleeps in my kids park, making it impossible for us to use it. Woman was huffing from a can of paint next to the fence of my back yard two weeks ago. My Christmas ornaments were stolen from our porch. I live in Avalon, West Eugene off Barger. Until city hall stops coddling Eugene's homeless this will continue.	8/1/2018 10:57 AM
1465	It's the Nazis and you know it is. White supremacist violence is on the rise and you don't care, maybe because you are them. I know this because I have read their forums and they mention how friendly you all are with them. I know this because your cops allowed a hate speech to happen at the public library. I know this because you defend white supremacists but jail brown activists. I have not been out of my house ONE TIME this year with a person whose skin is darker than my own and not been HARASSED BY RACISTS. This is not a lie. And all you do is round up houseless folks. THEY ARE NOT THE PROBLEM. Really? Where are they supposed to go? Supposed to magically fix the system and get a job and house. You know I have a degree and have been looking for a job for 6 months, and im a single mom and couldn't find a house because even though illegal people don't rent to single moms and the rent here is unaffordable (via scientific data, not just my opinion). Is this survey just for White upper class people, who exactly do you want to feel safe? You know what the problem is. Grow up and help your community or get a better job.	8/1/2018 10:38 AM

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1466	I can't walk through public spaces without being yelled at and harassed by people sitting on the sidewalk doing nothing but making other people's experiences as unpleasant as they can. Much of downtown smells like years and years of built-up pee and chokingly noxious body odors...	8/1/2018 10:03 AM
1467	The people committing petty crimes like breaking into cars and homes know they can get away with it because law enforcement likely won't show up, meaning it is happening more often without consequences. Also, if people do end up arrested, they are usually released very quickly due to lack of space in our local jails.	8/1/2018 9:17 AM
1468	Downtown safety is a joke. Past about 8pm things get real weird and pretty uncomfortable. I think it's unfair to others trying to thoroughly enjoy downtown that people are able to loiter and pester others. Yes, I'm talking about the "travelers" or whatever they're called. It completely takes away from the experience and is also unfair to the local businesses who have deal with those issues on a nightly basis. Second, I had a friend who had a break in. It had just happened because the alarm was going off. She called the police (her alarm was just a siren) and it took EPD over two hours to get out there. Additionally, the officer couldn't have been anymore uninterested. I arrived just before the officer and he clearly thought she was overreacting. I question whether he thought she was lying and whether it even happened. That experience did not inspire much confidence in public safety.	8/1/2018 9:16 AM
1469	I live in downtown Eugene on W Broadway & Washington. I have a six month old daughter. I don't feel comfortable taking her to Monroe park nearby because there's almost always needles & transient individuals that make me feel uncomfortable with their instability. I am unable to walk down 8th from Washington into town because every block I am aggressively harassed for a cigarette. I grew up in Downtown Portland, a homeless population is not new to me, but the people on the streets here seem to only want cigarettes and are really annoying & rude about it. I hate driving in Eugene. It's a joke to my friends that I keep my tags up to date on my car because they all say "you don't need up to date tags in Eugene. Because Eugene police don't care" and you know what, with how many cars I see with tags YEARS expired, yeah I completely believe that. Moreover, I gave up on trusting the police to enforce traffic and bike theft. Police don't care if you are illegally driving / turning from the EMX/Bus lane. You are able to make up your own traffic laws without registering your vehicle in Eugene. This is terrifying? So is the solution to ride a bike? No. Because the police department won't invest money in stopping this underground industry of the homeless harvesting bicycle parts. I've lost 6 bicycles in 4 years, not even the whole bicycle. They take parts, random parts it feels like, a single tire or just the seat. I once witnessed someone dismantling my bicycle, he was already carrying several ties, so I called the cops to tell them he was walking down th Fern Ridge Trail. The police showed up behind the man carrying all the bike parts and what do they do? They proceed to chat with an old women walking her dog and never actually drive up to the whole reason they were called out there. I sat on my back porch watching the officer casually chat up my neighbor while this unknown theft was stacking up my bike parts not even 100ft away. It was truly eye opening. If that didn't drive home that the police don't care, I got hit by a car crossing the street at chambers and 18th. What did the police do? They asked me how I could have been smarter and not gotten hit...asking me questions like was I wearing headphones. Absolutely heartbreaking to feel like your screaming into a void. Nobody is hearing you. I don't want to be run over in the sidewalk! Why come over to my house and tell me how I shouldn't get run over? Living downtown, our apartment security asks me to call Eugene Police whenever an unstable homeless person is going through our trash, because the security department isn't comfortable telling them to leave. However, I've stopped trying to call the police because the hold time is always over ten minutes. Yes, it's a non emergency, but waiting for such an extended period makes people not want to call the police. Because what's the point if you're going to be on hold for half an hour to be told they're going to come check it out, only to have them arrive to socialize with your neighbor and seemingly forget why they were dispatched in the first place. I don't feel safe walking because drivers aren't enforced to follow basic traffic laws and never have up to date registration. For these same reasons, I don't feel save driving with people who believe they don't have to follow traffic laws because the police don't enforce them or enforce current tags. I live downtown but do not go out at night alone. I don't want to end up stabbed in a parkade. there are more homeless people running around downtown near Washington at night than there are stray cats, how am I supposed to be comfortable walking around downtown at night with an entire camp of crazy outside my front door? How long is Eugene going to look the other way while all their residents are unable to own bicycles because of the extreme theft rates? How much money are we going to invest again in police cars? How much money are we going to invest in training our officers proper skills for handling high-stress situations where there is a potential for gun violence, are we investing in the training of our officers?	8/1/2018 9:12 AM

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1470	I'm hoping city of Eugene can increase overnight sheltering use for women who are actively struggling with drug addiction. The Eugene mission was originally designed for these people to begin with. The Eugene mission is a current practice of discrimination against these women, and also the men, but most importantly the who need these services to implement safety support in their daily life. The Eugene Sheltering Mission should be a non-discriminatory equal opportunity shelter program fostering overnight services in reference to public safety service for all women, children, and men, regardless! It should be the law that that community public safety services such as the eugene mission cannot reject services to patrons who are suffering from debilitating/disabling conditions (illness/disease) addiction is a disease, not a crime! Eugene Mission, including other overnight sheltering services should be banned from being able to use drug testing, as an excuse to reject services....	8/1/2018 9:09 AM
1471	The bike trails at night are somewhat intimidating.	8/1/2018 9:04 AM
1472	Small-scale (?) property and personal-attack crime has LONG been a problem in Eugene, especially in some areas (e.g. around the University), which is extremely demoralizing and scary for some of our most important young people.	8/1/2018 8:48 AM
1473	I generally feel fairly safe in Eugene. Of course, like most women, I have a constant background of vigilance going because we live in a rape culture, and I wish I felt safe enjoying some of our natural areas by myself (Hendricks trails, riverfront paths, etc.).	8/1/2018 7:54 AM
1474	Please do something about the groups of street people and their dogs living on every corner in downtown. I don't like going downtown because it's gross. When ban on dogs downtown was in effect there were fewer street people. What happened? That was a rule that worked?	8/1/2018 7:42 AM
1475	We need to be educating the drivers to keep an eye out for bikes ALWAYS. My son and I rode less than a mile and we were almost hit twice on the way to our destination.	8/1/2018 7:40 AM
1476	The downtown blocks are overridden by street urchins. I have often thought of opening a business there, but not until that element is controlled. Need more police power and city support to revive our downtown!	8/1/2018 7:37 AM
1477	Thanks for asking! Having lived in other places, I love the community that is Eugene. This process of a survey is part of it and I appreciate a chance to participate. Considering life will never be crime-free or crisis-free, I am impressed with the quick responses I've seen from EPD and they seem to make a genuine effort to show compassion even while they need to remain safe, themselves. Well done.	8/1/2018 6:19 AM
1478	The groups of homeless are intimidating.	8/1/2018 5:38 AM
1479	Expand the walk your wheels to all side walks and enforce it	8/1/2018 12:18 AM
1480	The only places I feel unsafe are downtown, 99 area, and such. Never felt this way in my neighborhood.	7/31/2018 11:57 PM
1481	Just a lot of desperate, drug-addicted, and/or delusional people shambling around. Over the past year it has been much more common to find people passed out right on the sidewalk, with or without any kind of blanket or belongings. People obviously unable to take care of themselves are allowed to slowly die on the streets in the name of "freedom." It's getting uglier. I stopped riding my bike along the bike paths a while ago because of the men lurking under the bridges, leering at you and blocking the paths. I know that among the homeless people of this town there are predatory sex offenders and other violent criminals who have been kicked out of everywhere for good reason. As a 20+ year resident of the downtown area, who works downtown, and who walks or takes the bus everywhere, I can say with confidence that it is worse and it is bad. I appreciate the city's efforts to make downtown nicer, but there is still no place to put the severely mentally ill, the drug enthusiasts and addicts, the scuzzball wanna-be gangsta kids, the poverty tourists, and the predators. Lastly, I wish something could be done about intoxicated or otherwise incapable people dragging kittens and cats around downtown as toys or spare change props. The kittens don't swim to last long; I assume they are all neglected to death or killed. Dogs are one thing - dogs have long been loyal companions to drunken idiots. Cats are more fragile and are not animals you can drag around like a dog. I'm sick of seeing kittens doomed to a cruel death just because it's some irresponsible addict's right to drag it around downtown until it dies.	7/31/2018 11:36 PM
1482	All the public gathering areas like parks wtv and pathways feel unsafe. There arr illegal campers, illegal dumps and a history of random attacks in those areas.	7/31/2018 11:32 PM

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1483	I live in a gated community but the stores by me have been robbed, there's been car break ins, property stolen and alot of pan handling and homeless camping in the bushes and abandoned houses. People know it takes some time for the police to get to far west eugene. They also know police don't patrol much over here.	7/31/2018 11:31 PM
1484	I work late and do not have a car. To get home, I have to choose between risking my safety by biking in the street vs biking alone down an unlit bike path. There has to be some way to make bike paths safer at night!	7/31/2018 11:24 PM
1485	I avoid the riverbanks, which is a tragedy. It's real scary sometimes, or at least makes me super anxious, especially when I come across a camp, or needles. I feel like Downtown (where I work) has improved, except for the weeks around the country fair. There are a few tweakers here and there, which is always a bit frightening. It does smell like pee, especially in some prime spots. It is certainly more active with great family friendly events. However, I am a huge fan of urban cores and tend to be more forgiving of what others may consider threatening behavior - Eugene is similar to other metropolitan areas I've lived in (though it is smaller than those cities I'm comparing it to). I do feel like a more strategic effort to activating storefronts on West Broadway in downtown should be considered. The large tech companies (pipeworks, etc) have basically abandoned the groundfloors, which attracts loitering. And since those two entire blocks have no streetfront value, surrounding businesses struggle, and travelers set up camp in front, generating unease. Though, even if there are no people congregated there, looking in to those ground floor levels and seeing beanbags and folding chairs looks so sketchy and tacky. Wish a partnership could be worked out to activate those ground floors with private (not city run) art galleries or something. Generate some sense of energy on that end of downtown. Create a space where multiple galleries can create capacity together. Probably not sustainable, but certainly anything would be better than the current situation. :) I live on Monroe Park which can get a sketchy, especially on the West end, and especially after dark. There is loud feuding most evenings in summer, and I tend to not walk through the park after dark. There is, on occasion, human waste in my alley driveway. I see fewer needles this summer than in past summers. However, a lot of my anxiety is my own perception though - I've not been harassed a lot, mostly people want a smoke or a buck. I am rarely hassled even when the sidewalks have lots of travelers, but I am also a 6ft tall man (who wears headphones and a scowl), so I know that is not everyone's experience. I have been called a fag by guys (not travelers, or homeless, but locals) driving by in a truck while walking by Washington Park, which made me more uncomfortable than most of what I encounter in downtown or the whiteaker. I think Eugene is making some positive strides towards improving, especially in Downtown, while being resource strapped. I also know most feedback in the survey may be negative. Keep working with the solutions that have shown promise. I have faith in our civil servants, and have seen so much progress! Oh - unrelated, but the least safe I ever feel in Eugene is crossing Jefferson on Broadway by foot or bike. And the pedestrian crossing sign that was installed has made it WORSE (emphasis, not yelling... lol). Now, the lane closest to the pedestrian will sometimes (1/10 of the time) stop, causing all the cars behind them to zoom around them in the other lane, which can't see the pedestrian and they believe the slow down is for a car to turn. It's a disaster. Before, at least no one stopped and tried to wave you through, not realizing that you may get clipped by the car one lane over. I don't use that cross walk anymore (walk that path 4 times a day) - I go to 10th where no one stops and wait for a break in traffic. If you want to keep a protected pedestrian crossing there, which I'd love, I'd encourage you to consider something like the button activated, yellow blinking light crosswalk (not a full on "wait... wait to cross Jefferson at Broadway" sign) on hilyard and (I think) 28th (on the amazon park walking trail, near amazon community center). Thanks for reading my novel! Ha!	7/31/2018 11:05 PM
1486	I have become more aware of crime happening around my neighborhood from comments posted in Nextdoor Neighbors.	7/31/2018 10:53 PM
1487	I have a 5 camera security system and recently purchased a gun. I live in Bethel! It's horrible out here!!	7/31/2018 10:14 PM
1488	The only two areas in Eugene where I feel unsafe are Alton Baker Park and certain areas of downtown. The area that concerns me the most is right around Sizzle Pie, Starbucks, and Voodoo Doughnuts off Broadway and Willamette. It's definitely not an area where I feel safe at all due to the high volume of homeless people everywhere you look, many of whom are quite high on drugs or just plain crazy. I work at Starbucks and have spent much time working in that store on Broadway and Willamette and it's just amazing how dangerous it all seems.	7/31/2018 10:13 PM
1489	I never see a cop car in Southwest Eugene. I see a lot of sketchy people on West 11th though.	7/31/2018 10:12 PM
1490	The city of Eugene seems to cater to non residents by giving all the benefits while hard working residents are left behind .	7/31/2018 10:12 PM

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1491	Too many vagrants loitering downtown. Vaping, yelling and cursing teens are abominable. The neighborhoods around White Bird on 12th and High are especially awful with open drug deals taking place. I feel for the people who live around there. The nearby circle k is a blight.	7/31/2018 9:58 PM
1492	We were broken into last November. I confronted the burglar that contributes to my not feeling as safe	7/31/2018 9:58 PM
1493	The drug scene downtown is out of control. So many tweakers and/or people with mental health issues!	7/31/2018 9:51 PM
1494	Cops attacked my family. All pigs should leave	7/31/2018 9:46 PM
1495	I don't spend a great deal of time downtown so my safety is related to where I live.	7/31/2018 9:44 PM
1496	Homeless are given too much freedom - trespassing, vandalism, drugs seem to just be accepted	7/31/2018 9:38 PM
1497	Stuff getting stolen is a common occurrence and almost expected. I'm a stay at home mom and my husband works late nights and I'm always on edge, constantly feeling like someone will try to break in.	7/31/2018 9:16 PM
1498	I feel least safe in Eugene at night. There are also big differences between walking biking and driving on city streets. As a pedestrian I feel less safe than when I'm driving.	7/31/2018 9:07 PM
1499	I'm female, been here over a decade. I spent my twenties downtown, never did I feel unsafe. I felt unsafe once, traveler/street kid offered to walk me to my car, kind gesture. The only violence I've experienced was my [ex]husband attacking me while addicted to drinking and whatever else he was doing. I feel safe downtown with my young daughter and we are regulars in the heart during the day and night. I wouldn't listen to those who never venture out for the art walks, cultural events or shows. Eugene is amazing, don't let fear destroy our uniqueness.	7/31/2018 9:04 PM
1500	I feel uncomfortable walking by groups of men hanging out on the street. Even driving by large groups when they are being loud can make me uncomfortable. I don't want to bring visitors downtown anymore, and certainly not my elderly mother.	7/31/2018 8:46 PM
1501	I feel like the City Counsel allots funds to it's 'pet projects' at the expense of the taxpayers. (tax breaks for more 'expensive' apartment complexes downtown, silly tickets on peoples dogs, when the bums are the problem! They should use the funds they have for essential services like police/fire.	7/31/2018 8:46 PM
1502	I think we can do better. There are many predators in this town. Drug use and mental health issues contribute to the feeling that the community is not as safe as it could be.	7/31/2018 8:41 PM
1503	Driving in Eugene is crazy. I hate it. Extra slow & extra fast drivers need to be ticketed way more often!	7/31/2018 8:40 PM
1504	Thank you, Eugene cops!	7/31/2018 8:29 PM
1505	I live near 18th and oakpatch and everyday I witness shady/unsafe looking activity on 11th and near the amazon bike path crossing of oakpatch. I fear for the safety of the children living in the apartments bordering amazon creek. There is an over abundance of vagrant activity and loitering that happens in this area. It was especially bad over this winter near habitat for humanity and near the taco bell/Dari mart. The amounts of trash left behind is saddening and infuriating. Some days I even feel unsafe having my home windows open while I'm home. I do see uniformed officers occasionally in the area, but it doesn't really bring a sense of safety knowing that the trouble makers will be right back at it once the police leave. I don't even feel safe riding my bike along amazon creek anymore, especially not at dusk/dark. I hope something can be done to bring back a sense of safety to our community. Thank you! -Shawn Liudahl	7/31/2018 8:10 PM
1506	The lack of adequate staffing in law enforcement increases my lack of feeling safe at times.	7/31/2018 8:03 PM
1507	The rising population of homeless and drug addiction has caused concern, but the far right intolerance has caused me to take extra precautions	7/31/2018 7:47 PM
1508	Downtown Eugene is fine until it isn't. When things go wrong it happens fast and is very violent.	7/31/2018 7:36 PM

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1509	I wish that the downtown core felt safer - around the library and on Broadway at Olive and Willamette. It is weird because I feel perfectly safe walking down Charnelton from my house (19th and Jefferson) to Noisette, but I hate to walk down Olive past the Kiva, and to the Metro. It is amazing the different one block to the west makes! My teenage daughter does not feel safe going to the library by herself which I think is sad. I just wish there was some way to stop those people from loitering around. I also really dislike the urine stench in the stairwells of the parking garages downtown. I love downtown Eugene and if I avoid those few blocks it is good, but annoying to have to do that. It also felt safer when the parking meters were taken out because I didn't have to stand there with money in my hand. I feel vulnerable doing that - both having my wallet out and having my attention on the meter and not on my surroundings. I usually plan to ride my bike downtown so I don't have to deal with the smell in the garages and the meters.	7/31/2018 7:33 PM
1510	I have no problem with anything in Eugene except for all the damn fascists and capitalists. Please let them know, they can leave now.	7/31/2018 7:32 PM
1511	More homeless people show up around campus and sometimes they yell at students.	7/31/2018 7:31 PM
1512	Eugene is still a racist, misogynistic, homophobic city that mascara does as liberal and accepting. Perhaps look at some of the cultural conclaves and discuss how to help us feel safe!	7/31/2018 7:28 PM
1513	I have lived or worked in other cities--Washington, D.C. and St. Louis. Both have very large poverty populations, racial ghettos, and police are seen by many of the people who are poor or of color as an occupying force. Eugene is nothing like these cities. How people can feel unsafe here, outside of a very few neighborhoods, is beyond me. I volunteer with Occupy Medical and we serve scores of people who are impoverished, many of whom are homeless, every week with free medical care and counseling. Very few of those I meet have ever been arrested for a felony. Rather, they have been criminalized for performing life sustaining activities (such as resting or sleeping) in public places. I think these are the people those who are housed often perceive as dangerous or a threat to their safety. Simply providing those who are homeless with a place to safely and legally be, such as public day centers and emergency shelters, would be beneficial to both the housed and unhoused. City Council needs to stop dragging its feet. Spend some of the money set to support Olympic Trials in 2021 on day centers for people who are homeless instead of gentrifying downtown by pushing them out and dressing up downtown streets and parks for the comfort of temporarily visiting field and track fans.	7/31/2018 7:21 PM
1514	Calling the police is not worth our time anymore. There needs to be something done about the drug crimes in our area.	7/31/2018 6:58 PM
1515	Homes on our street went through a period of being burglarized. Things have been quiet in the last year.	7/31/2018 6:54 PM
1516	I avoid the downtown area. Too many transients out crowded on the streets and sidewalks. Even just driving downtown is a hassle.	7/31/2018 6:54 PM
1517	I feel safe during the day, as long as I'm not on the bike path, I do not feel safe, when alone, after dark in almost all areas of my community. I'm a woman.	7/31/2018 6:50 PM
1518	Eugene is a great safe place as long as you are not near a tent camp of homeless drug, alcohol, using men. Also downtown Eugene is almost intolerable during the day and for sure during the evening. I will do my best to stay out of downtown at any time. The drug addicts downtown are ruining this city. How can we ever hope to be as inviting as some of our other cities with this mess downtown....Please remove these people.	7/31/2018 6:49 PM
1519	I grew up in a large city so the downtown scene does not scare me as much as annoy me. I have many friends who find it much more intimidating. I am a regular cyclist and find the streets are not maintained well for bikes. Bike lanes are not swept regularly, leaving debris which is a hazard for riders.	7/31/2018 6:33 PM
1520	I would like a greater police presence near Autzen Stadium on Kinsrow and Commons Drive.	7/31/2018 6:17 PM
1521	The increase of homeless people all over the city has made me feel less safe and there are parts of town I will no longer go to because of it.	7/31/2018 5:58 PM

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1522	The police follow up is poor at best, the response time is good if you state that you will be defending your home or property. The police is understaffed and budgets are poorly managed. The west side of Eugene suffers and there are known drug houses that nothing is done about, excessive homelessness that beg at every store front on the west side. The trash that homeless leave everywhere is disgusting. I'm tired of seeing empty homes being taken over by the drug addicted homeless and the police not doing anything when there is repeated drug activity being reported. I don't feel the neighborhood is even safe enough for kids to walk to schools or playgrounds. I will be voting with my tax dollars as will most people if you keep letting the crime multiply.	7/31/2018 5:40 PM
1523	The area that bothers me the most is downtown. The "travelers" hanging around on the sidewalks make me uneasy, and as much as I enjoy the area, I usually avoid it. The second area is on the river bike path, under the Beltline. There are often homeless people camping there. I'm not generally worried about the homeless, but it's an isolated spot and I bike there with both guests and kids. I would support an effort to add additional officers.	7/31/2018 5:38 PM
1524	I feel unsafe on the bike path after all the attacks.	7/31/2018 5:33 PM
1525	A visible police presence does wonders to deter and decrease troublemaking downtown.	7/31/2018 5:30 PM
1526	I avoid downtown Eugene as much as possible. Way too many tweakers and aggressive, mentally unstable street people.	7/31/2018 5:17 PM
1527	I called 911 about a suspicious person. I offered photos and description to dispatch but my offer was declined. It wasn't until three days later he was arrested. He plead guilty to murder.	7/31/2018 5:09 PM
1528	Walking in downtown can be scary at night because of the amount of homeless on every corner.	7/31/2018 5:07 PM
1529	If and when the cops respond...say during a big event....else where...	7/31/2018 5:05 PM
1530	People need to be more respectful of others properly!	7/31/2018 4:58 PM
1531	As stated, the population has increased, and repeated expressions of concern about the strength of EPD are not conducive to feeling safe, Neighborhood apathy don't lead to feeling safe. As a kid myself, I lived out Territorial Rd and I couldn't travel on our 12 acres and neighbors property without a parent or 5 or 6 seeing me, noting what I was doing and mentioning it to my parents. Now, I wouldn't feel safe depending on nearly anyone in my own complex let alone farther out. Police presence on patrol, stopping to say hi to people on the street, keeping an eye on what's happening, that's what's needed. And get the workforce up to needed numbers!	7/31/2018 4:57 PM
1532	The city needs to give more funding to the police department. They need more officers. Officers should be able to respond to most calls. Officers should also be able to do foot & bike patrols through neighborhoods.	7/31/2018 4:56 PM
1533	As a single woman, I often complete the majority of my daily tasks alone. I feel incredibly targeted, especially in areas where homeless and panhandling activities are common. I am frequently approached for money and other handouts, and these individuals can become aggressive when denied.	7/31/2018 4:53 PM
1534	Breakins, tweakers stealing everything, people laying on the downtown streets, homeless shanty towns, needles in the parks and on streets, should I really go on?	7/31/2018 4:52 PM
1535	My husband was jumped on the bike path on July 1st by four homeless teens during a family bike ride.. This city needs to use its bicycle cops on the path and it's pretty sad the police officer that responded told us even they don't feel safe going on the path either	7/31/2018 4:49 PM
1536	Aggressive driving, running red lights	7/31/2018 4:22 PM
1537	Downtown Eugene is an absolute disgrace! It has been over run with the homeless. I refuse to take my wife downtown and it's downtight dangerous to take kids. I've seen grown adults piss and crap in the middle of the sidewalk/Park. I've been harassed for money and the been threatens because I didn't give these mutants handouts. It's disgusting.	7/31/2018 4:18 PM
1538	Downtown is not safe. Campers under the bridge by home. Increased transients on the bike path	7/31/2018 4:17 PM
1539	There has been so much news about property theft lately it makes me feel a bit anxious. I feel like this is most likely due to the sever drug problems we have in Eugene. So really the problem that needs to be addressed is how do we get these people help so they can be a contributing party of our community and not burden on it.	7/31/2018 4:14 PM

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1540	<p>I live in JWS neighborhood by choice. I really love my neighborhood but it is the epicenter of the mental health crisis as we border the Whit and downtown. All my neighbors have had their cars broken into and all the neighbors have become accustomed to police not showing up at our neighbors' homes after robberies due to a lack of officers. We know this takes away from true needs to dispatch an officer to a home post robbery but on a few occasions the robber was still in the home - and the neighbor was not hurt because they stepped outside to talk with neighbors or the burgler escaped through a window or door. These could have been potentially dangerous situations. Our neighborhood park is full of pot smokers, transients that fight, drug addicts, and worse...(Monroe Park). We have had to buy cameras, a home security system, and flood lights that protect our home because we know if burglars wanted to enter they would. Eugene has serious issues and over time the policies and financial decisions have left homeowners feeling the brunt of the issues with little to no protection or care from officials. We also need better mental health services. Cahoots is a half- torn bandaid on the situation. They never come when needed because of the high incidence and triage needs in Eugene. I appreciate our officers, I believe we have a good force but the problems my neighbors and I face are the tip of the iceberg to what our officers and first responders see. That said, we need more funding to help and more officers and I do understand there is not one quick fix. Also, I do not talk much about this but I want to let the people reading this survey know: I have been a direct victim of crime in Eugene. I have been assaulted and badly hurt and with many witnesses at the scene and first responders (nurses and a doctor that were with me) responding to my needs and with more than a handful of bystanders calling 911 and the perpetrator in a chokehold - it took the police over 5 hours to respond and meet me. The assailant escaped and the police met me in urgent care. Not much was done. This cannot continue to occur because this only emboldens perpetrators at the cost of safety and security of our citizens and most vulnerable. Thank you for creating this survey; I hope good can come from it.</p>	7/31/2018 4:12 PM
1541	<p>increase in foot traffic and people who stop and stare around. Had people walk onto our property and look around even with security cameras present. Increase in homelessness has permeated into more residential areas and more instances of transients parking on our street and sleeping in vans and buses.</p>	7/31/2018 4:10 PM
1542	<p>The parks and paths need a heavier police presence. I do not feel safe running by myself and I take my kids out less frequently even during the day because I have had run instead with transients and don't feel I can protect them without my husband around.</p>	7/31/2018 4:08 PM
1543	<p>I don't think it's the community's fault. I do not think the city has been making changes fast enough</p>	7/31/2018 4:08 PM
1544	<p>we have a great river bike trail system but it is dangerous to ride a bike from south Eugene to the river. we could also use</p>	7/31/2018 4:05 PM
1545	<p>Downtown Eugene is abysmal. My friends and I visited a local pub during a Friday night to sit outside and enjoy the evening. There were drug deals before our eyes, people yelling, filth, dogs, large groups of unruly, loud, and intimidating people. It has to stop or Eugene will never prosper. It's an embarrassment. It's uncomfortable. Additionally, I've never lived anywhere in the US where I felt if I couldn't call the police and rely on them to respond. Here, I've hesitated to, with the thought that they wouldn't be reliable in a timely manner. That's a very uneasy feeling. To read that they don't respond to 1/3 of calls? Imagine if Riverbend ER did that?</p>	7/31/2018 4:04 PM
1546	<p>The homeless population is out of control. The bike trail is a scary nightmare to be on, especially from Garfield to Bertelsen. And I don't even go past Bertelsen anymore. I usually ride my bike on the street or sidewalk now instead of the bike trail. My friend just helped clean up some of the homeless camps and he couldn't believe the amount of stolen items there were</p>	7/31/2018 4:01 PM
1547	<p>Downtown continues to be a difficult place to feel safe</p>	7/31/2018 4:00 PM
1548	<p>I don't have much of a problem with the "travelers" or pan handlers in Eugene and just do my best to avoid a situation by not directly addressing them. I ignore panhandling requests or say "sorry", but do make respectful eye contact or a nod of acknowledgement.</p>	7/31/2018 3:52 PM

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1549	It makes us so sad, but more and more Eugene doesn't feel like a safe place to continue to raise our young family. In fact, we actually made the decision to not buy a home right now (after coming close to making an offer) and instead have chosen to continue to rent since it didn't feel wise to invest in a home here in the community at this time, especially when we don't know if we want to continue raising our children here if there aren't visible changes in the next year or two. We have personally experienced the non-response to 911 calls twice over the past few years. While neither call was immediately life threatening, both calls were valid and necessary because the safety of others was at risk calling for intervention and worst case scenario could potentially have become life threatening and tragic. There was no response to either call. In any other community we have ever lived in, these calls would have received a response. I come from a family of first responders, and they all were shocked at this community's lack of response compared to how their own communities handle such issues. They say if you see something you should say something. We used to try to say something. But when you realize no one is listening from not only your own experience but the experience of your friends and neighbors... you just stop saying something. You do what you can for the situation (if anything) and then simply hope for the best.	7/31/2018 3:35 PM
1550	I live in a very "safe" neighborhood, houses are 99% owner occupied. But I have seen a large increase in "strangers" bicycling and driving slowly through neighborhood. also periodic ringing doorbells at all hours day or night has occurred. I do not walk on the bike paths near river anymore as it is sad to see the disrespect and flith. Definitely unsafe to walk alone. I have lived in Eugene for over 60 years and over the past 15 years the downward spiral of our city government and physical cleanliness is especially sad. Yet the cost of my property taxes are spiraling out of control.	7/31/2018 3:01 PM
1551	We really need to support our police and provide them more help. They do a fantastic job with what they have, but obviously need more resources. With the new monies coming from the marijuana businesses (and we certainly have MANY of them) perhaps we can hire the police more help.	7/31/2018 3:01 PM
1552	We need to fix the junkie problem.	7/31/2018 2:42 PM
1553	We moved here 16 years ago and being greeted by someone else passing on the sidewalk was weird (haha) but only because people were so NICE. Fast forward to the last five or so years. We live on a busier street and caught a man attempting to break into my car around 5:00 am on a weekday last fall. There is a run down and uninhabited home nearby and regular evidence of transients living in the garage. We live a couple blocks from a bike path and no longer use it because of transients who have approached us (including children/teens) and, despite our efforts to greet them as we pass, engage with us in unsafe ways where we have had to speed up to feel safer...then rethink where we are riding next.	7/31/2018 2:29 PM
1554	I think property crime is a problem, but it isn't a personal safety issue for me. I also think the homeless situation is not great, but I don't equate homeless people with threats (they don't always = danger, in other words)	7/31/2018 1:40 PM
1555	Patrols are visibly down. Police presence is mostly unseen on the majority of my around town travel.	7/31/2018 1:28 PM
1556	I wish there were more resources to treat drug addiction and psychiatric issues with the homeless/low income population. It would be a great way to make our community safer.	7/31/2018 1:16 PM
1557	The homeless population runs rampant in our community. More needs to be done to decrease their illegal activity and agressive panhandling.	7/31/2018 1:05 PM
1558	I feel very threatened by groups of people who loiter and litter central downtown's sidewalks and the intersections at shopping centers. As a result I never park, shop or dine in the Broadway area, nor do I go to the downtown bus station or library. I resent the fact that as a taxpayer, I cannot safely use those facilities.	7/31/2018 12:58 PM
1559	Eugene is becoming more unsafe every year and I have lived in Eugene for 26 years. More murders stabbings and shootings	7/31/2018 12:51 PM
1560	I am an employee at UO. Potential parents of incoming Freshman students have expressed safety concerns regarding downtown Eugene, surrounding areas and homeless population. The issue definitely gives a negative perception of Eugene and creates doubt for parents who are considering sending their children here to attend UO.	7/31/2018 12:41 PM
1561	Traffic safety near the University of Oregon increasingly unsafe. Student drivers drag racing at night, running lights, u turns. Downtown VERY unsafe. Won't let family go there even daytime.	7/31/2018 12:36 PM

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1562	The police have a great alliance with CAHOOTS for situations involving those with mental/ emotional crises. I do not hear of Eugene Police participating in the "Night Out" (national program) to encourage neighbors/ hoods to get connected & watch out for each other. Many of Eugene's community-building activities (including general public contact with police) focus on downtown & do not recognize how much Eugene has grown--for example, north & west is almost completely ignored.	7/31/2018 12:32 PM
1563	Too much public policing in downtown Eugene! There are cops everywhere hasseling people for just existing. Im SURE they could be doing something more productive with their time instead of wasting taxpayer dollars lollgagging around.	7/31/2018 12:20 PM
1564	As someone who was a student and is now just a resident, it comes down to two things, largely the latter. The former is a lack of sufficient street lighting in much of the city, but especially in high-crime areas like the University neighborhoods. Those are terribly lit. This is not something EPD is tasked with, but is something that has always struck me as a problem. It almost entirely comes down to what feels like the ever-increasing transient and homeless populations. As someone who is downtown often, even as an adult male with extensive martial arts knowledge, I felt constantly on edge in almost all parts of downtown. I know the department has made an explicit and intentional effort to increase presence in this area, but it's almost counter-intuitive that the most populated and popular spots in downtown often feel the least secure.	7/31/2018 12:16 PM
1565	As a student at the University of Oregon, the December string or robberies and assaults was extremely alarming, especially since it carried on for several weeks with nothing being changed or no one being caught. Eugene can often be a scary place at night on 18th street	7/31/2018 12:08 PM
1566	I lived in the downtown/ campus area for four years attending the University of Oregon, and feel safety decreased throughout my time there. In my last two years my car was broken into many times and I felt less safe walking through downtown streets.	7/31/2018 12:07 PM
1567	Compared to even five years ago, the city feels far more unsafe. Property crimes occur far too often, usually without any follow-up other than a basic police report. Robberies seemed to have increased significantly. There seems to be far more drugs in our community fueling these crimes, too.	7/31/2018 12:07 PM
1568	We clearly have a problem with activities related to the "traveler" population and homeless community. I'm not sure the best way to handle the situation, but I think we can all agree it IS a problem. Downtown, especially, has become an area I avoid if at all possible because of the uncomfortable nature.	7/31/2018 12:03 PM
1569	Tweakers everywhere	7/31/2018 11:50 AM
1570	Our police force is doing what they can with what they are given and we're grateful. That being said, there are not enough officers, not enough protection, and it's scary to live here.	7/31/2018 11:47 AM
1571	Homeless population needs to be addressed further. Waste left behind by campers and travelers is excessive and dangerous.	7/31/2018 11:46 AM
1572	I live in the heart of downtown. Not a single day goes by that the unhoused and homeless harrass me for money or other things. We need to be doing more to help those who have less. It's not a safety concern, it's a human concern	7/31/2018 11:43 AM
1573	I feel most vulnerable downtown and along river bike paths and running trails. It's a shame, but I avoid running near the river. I feel I always need to be on alert when downtown or along the river.	7/31/2018 11:05 AM
1574	I live quite close to the Fernridge Trail which is a lovely area but it also brings a lot of problems. There are always drug addicts wandering the trail, they get in a lot of fights and shouting matches. I don't feel safe walking their in the evening by myself.	7/31/2018 11:03 AM
1575	The transients are ruining Eugene. I'm fortunate now to live in a safe, quiet neighborhood but used to live in an area where I was harassed by bums daily.	7/31/2018 10:56 AM

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1576	<p>When I walk down city streets, I'll be hit up for money by multiple different people, mostly men, and those men will invade my personal space & even follow me. This is very threatening & makes me feel unsafe, so I don't do a lot of activities that I would otherwise do, like shop local businesses or visit the library. I have also had difficulty with people camping in cars on the street or in vacant properties in my neighborhood & and trashing the place, leaving behind drug needles & broken glass & trespassing on my property. Calls to the police have been met with apathy & disinterest for many years. I ultimately sold my home & moved away. I know homelessness & joblessness & addiction are hard problems for everyone, but it's no excuse for allowing men to threaten the personal safety & property rights of women in the community. I have recently heard report of armed robberies at local small businesses & stranger rapes, which are very atypical crimes & I'm appalled that criminals feel so emboldened after so many years of police neglect. I am at the same time encouraged by the recruitment efforts of the new police chief & this safety survey. I hope that between efforts on the part of police & social services, along with the end of the recession, Eugene may become a safer, more vibrant community. Thank you!</p>	7/31/2018 10:54 AM
1577	<p>I don't like to take my family downtown. I find downtown Eugene dirty, dangerous, and unsafe. The dog ban, the smoking ban, the exclusionary zone, etc. these methods seemed to work but have been rolled back. I've got a 4 year old. I don't take her downtown at all.</p>	7/31/2018 10:47 AM
1578	<p>So many homeless folks hanging out along the Amazon trail in West Eugene (and other nearby locations) is becoming more and more disturbing. Add to that a City Manager who is more-or-less unaccountable to the electorate and who has shown little interest in adequately and sincerely addressing the daily concerns of those who are not among the top 10% of income earners.</p>	7/31/2018 10:47 AM
1579	<p>I work downtown on pearl street and the homeless population is out of control. We are constantly calling about people using on our doorstep. My heart goes out to them but it's not an environment I want to work in or bring clients around.</p>	7/31/2018 10:36 AM
1580	<p>We no longer go downtown or to many of our city parks due to the crime. The bike paths have become nothing more than highways for the worthless. We have lived in this community for over 60 years and for the last 15 have seen a steady decline. It is well past time to stop coddling these people and enforce the laws that are already in place. They need to be held accountable for their actions. We have been forced into protecting ourselves in the last year with concealed weapons. We no longer feel safe without them with crime as high as it is, we will protect ourselves.</p>	7/31/2018 10:34 AM
1581	<p>Property theft a big problem. Don't feel safe biking with kids - speeding cars, distracted drivers. I have seen increase in cars running red lights, one nearly hit my car when driving with my kids. Don't feel huge threat with homeless, quite a few in my neighborhood but no issues. Downtown is pretty rough, though as a visitor I haven't had problems. Parks still sketchy, needles, etc.</p>	7/31/2018 10:27 AM
1582	<p>Generally I feel safe where i live, but walking around downtown at night, and with my kids I try to park as close as I can to where i want to be because the homeless groups get rowdy and get up in my face asking for something. Sometimes they will try to guilt trip me by saying "you wouldn't say no to helping someone in front of your kids, would you?" I'm all for helping, but there are other ways to do it. Most of these people are young and lazy and just don't want to work a real job. I know, because my husband works as an employment specialist and often times would hand them a card to help them get a job and none of them will call or show up and sometimes we will even see them throwing the card away. Also, my husband used to ride his bike to work (coburg rd) and he would leave early and get screamed at and things thrown at him while riding through bridge tunnels and anywhere they want to hang out and sleep. Yes. The homeless population is what scares us the most. They are very vocal, threatening, and sometimes violent. I'm not saying it's not ok to be homeless, but i do think that police need to patrol downtown and ferry street bridge area more often.</p>	7/31/2018 10:26 AM
1583	<p>It doesn't seem like the police are able to control the crime that is going on. Some of my feelings of not being safe are due to the homeless population (being harassed). There have been many attacks on innocent people in downtown Eugene. In addition, the streets around downtown and U of O are disgustingly dirty with garbage and drug paraphernalia. There is a lot of vandalism and no one is doing anything about it. I've called many times to non emergency and the dispatch time is often longer than 4 hours.</p>	7/31/2018 10:25 AM

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1584	I would love to see more funding going toward addressing mental health. It's an issue that I feel Eugene is working to address, but largely is still underfunded. I also would like to see more emphasis on funding police. While ultimately it would be nice of mental health services reduced the need for police, the reality is that both are needed to create a safe community. There are also a number of other issues that can be curbed by increased police presence and funding. For example, I understand that graffiti and other damage is going to be a problem in every city. But, I would much rather spend money on increasing the presence of police than having to spend a bunch of money annually to repair things	7/31/2018 10:21 AM
1585	Generally, when I feel anxious, it is not because of residents of Eugene (whether housed or unhoused), it is because of visitors.	7/31/2018 10:12 AM
1586	Downtown is a mess! The "travelers" are aggressive and threatening especially to women. This problem is destroying all of the great steps Eugene has taken to revitalize the downtown area. As long as this is a problem moving forward with programs like the Innovation Hub etc. will fail.	7/31/2018 9:52 AM
1587	Two things...1) I avoid the Eugene downtown area in the evenings. 2) The bike path and larger parks do not feel safe to me. I would never use the bike path at night, and feel uncomfortable using it alone, during the day.	7/31/2018 9:43 AM
1588	The amount of drugs and homelessness makes Eugene feel like an unsafe and unsanitary place to raise a family. I'm not sure why the needs and "rights" of drug users are seemingly placed above those of us who are law abiding, honest people. I moved to the country right outside of Eugene to get away from these issues, but anytime I set foot in Eugene - no matter the part of town - I feel like my own and my childrens' safety is threatened.	7/31/2018 9:00 AM
1589	The downtown/university/whiteaker area feels pretty unsafe to me, often due to drug related behavior and mental health problems.	7/31/2018 8:46 AM
1590	I have people threatening me and slandering my character and was targeted by a police officer for a bit downtown while waiting for a bus and he gave me ticket for self defense and let the teenager off with a warning I feel like police here abuse their role to protect people like us.	7/31/2018 8:44 AM
1591	When I visit my family in Davis California I have an immediate drop in tension and feel safe again. I'd like to move but have commitments here for a few more years. I wanted the family I take care of during the school year to move closer to me to help with their transportation but feel they aren't astute enough to live in this area. I am starting to lose count of the number of times I have had someone go after myself, my son or my husband in the last few years. These attacks are increasing. Where I used to live I didn't have doors that lock and now we have automatic lights and surveillance and have stopped people from trying to break into our house. I used to wonder why women were nervous about using our parks in the daylight but obviously I needed a lesson in empathy because now I know that too. Even with all the attacks I have had more terrible interactions with people driving. Aiming and speeding up towards my family in a crosswalk, coming over as oncoming to my side of the street so I have to take evasive action, and A woman parking/hanging on our street in her car threatening to run over my husband and son (cause we live in a house) who were loading items into our house then gunning the accelerator and driving straight toward them so they had to dive out of the way. Each a different way. A neighbor came running over and said she saw it all and insisted on calling 911 to get her off the street before she killed someone. We told her it is useless to call but go ahead and it was pretty useless.	7/31/2018 7:40 AM
1592	Mental health and drug issues in homeless population and others are rampant. These affect public safety the most in our area.	7/31/2018 7:32 AM
1593	I think Eugene is a very safe place to live. In my experience, those complaining about Downtown safety, just don't like looking at homeless people. I live near Mangan Park and feel quite safe, but I am aware of gang activity and there have been quite a few reports of theft/suspicious activity in the area surrounded by Royal, Barger, 99, and Beltline.	7/31/2018 7:26 AM
1594	The Fernridge bike path and adjacent parks and streets from Polk west need increased police presence.	7/31/2018 7:06 AM
1595	Theft, risk of being accosted on bike paths or robbed, aggressiveness of panhandlers and people camping on neighborhood corners has all increased. I wouldn't let my kids walk to the store as I once used to. The people out on the streets with bad intentions know the cops won't come and therefore, our streets are not safe.	7/31/2018 6:51 AM
1596	I don't even want to drive in my car downtown	7/31/2018 5:26 AM

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1597	<p>I live near Acorn Park. I far too often see homeless people camped out along the bike trail, and people under the bridges, many of them using drugs, and leaving their garbage around everywhere. As a lady of small stature I feel uneasy when I bike, walk or jog on the trail alone. These people have stared at me while passing and it makes me feel uncomfortable. As a mother I wish I could feel safe jogging with child in a stroller, and not letting him see people doped out on drugs or intoxicated. Recently some of our stuff was stolen when we were unpacking our car and just stepped into our house to put some stuff away. It was stuff sitting at the end of our drive way. It's upsetting that we can't even unload our car from a family trip without worrying someone walking or biking past and stealing our things. Also recently in our neighborhood people have been encountering people accusing them of having their phone in their home, asking them to see inside their house and claiming to be cleaning houses. Some houses and cars have been broken into lately in our neighborhood. There really needs to be more enforcement to keep the homeless and crime away from the neighborhoods and the bike trails. I understand they need help but why should the hard working good responsible people that pay their taxes (which often fund programs to help the homeless) have to put up with their paraphernalia left in parks and worry about the safety of themselves and their children. Some people in our neighborhood have even called police about addicts passed out in our neighborhood park and they don't come by and do anything about it, they say to email a city council person. Their response to the problem was they might cut back the black berry bushes and trees in the bike trail. First off, no one is hiding in black berry bushes, they have thorns, and don't take away the beautiful nature and landscape, it'll only give them more room to pitch their tents. It would just be nice to go to the park or walk down the beautiful bike path with my 3 year old and not have to witness a drug deal, people using drugs, and people messed up on drugs. The safety of children, families and hard working people should come first. There needs to be a real change about it. I see police patrol the bike path maybe twice in the past 6 months, but the homeless, transient, drug addicts, are still always there. Always lingering on the corners down 11th Ave and in front of convenience stores. Don't we all work hard enough and be good responsible, productive, hard working citizens to deserve a city that we can feel safe in? Everyone fears their bikes being stolen, their houses being broken into, being assaulted walking on the bike path, or their child finding or hurting themselves on a needle at the park. Maybe this city needs to stop to giving needles without prescriptions. Maybe these addicts should need prescriptions and need to return their used needles to refill their prescription. Then have them enrolled in a drug rehabilitation program to receive prescriptions. I understand trying to lessen the outbreaks of diseases, but is it worth our kids being hurt by the dirty needles they leave behind in public areas? Everyday I see a post in the mom groups I'm in for Eugene and someone coming across needles under a park bench, on the playground, off the trail in the grass, and by the river. Obviously what has been going on isn't a solution because addicts are not responsible and don't care enough about other people to dispose of their needles properly. Why should our children have to worry about running around in the grass or playing on a playground. Please stop creating a harmful environment for our children and do some real changes about the problems in this city. The people that pay your paychecks deserve better.</p>	7/31/2018 3:58 AM
1598	<p>Ever since Springfield made panhandling illegal our homeless problem has increased quite a bit.</p>	7/31/2018 2:24 AM
1599	<p>More Lights along bike paths. (Solar LED) More outreach services for mental health and substance abuse. (Cahoots by bike? Cahoots rides to shelters/clinics) Within the last six months there have been more bank robberies, and cars running over pedestrians, there's been assaults along bike paths and reckless driving/road rage. I'm not sure why or how to help but I hope we can do something to make this town safer. Some ideas: universal basic income would help. More green spaces with free yoga. Preventative medicine like healthier food, offered to variety of communities (low income, high-stress work environments).</p>	7/31/2018 1:37 AM
1600	<p>Washington jefferson is ridiculous! Heroin is killing everyone!</p>	7/31/2018 12:32 AM
1601	<p>Too many people in our community are poverty stricken. We need more resources to keep people off the street. Jobs programs and rehab would help alot! When people are desperate to eat they will do desperate things to get what they need to survive.</p>	7/31/2018 12:22 AM
1602	<p>I love this city. People are friendly and most drivers are pretty mellow. I wish downtown was more family friendly. Too many people clearly on drugs or nearly naked is very uncomfortable to be around. I love the river trails but do not feel safe enough to walk alone even during the day.</p>	7/31/2018 12:21 AM
1603	<p>My car was broke into 5 time an withim a year and I was attact while going to work at 4am. Moved across town and our car was still broke into. We leave nothing in our car! And I can't take my daughter to Skinner's Butte Park to play or to even hike the Butte because of all the heroin needles everywhere</p>	7/31/2018 12:02 AM

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1604	Part of my feeling safe is based on having CAHOOTS services 24 hours a day in both Eugene and Springfield. I believe they should continue to have the funding to keep both towns having services 24/7.	7/30/2018 11:37 PM
1605	Downtown seems better.	7/30/2018 11:09 PM
1606	Cahoots is vital!!!!	7/30/2018 10:56 PM
1607	Speeding on surface streets need school zones! Cal Young in particular	7/30/2018 10:53 PM
1608	Adding officers will not help. A significant majority of the responders and officers available do not do their jobs to begin with. The safety issues my friends and family have been forced to face alone all over town have been as the result of police officers more interested in biased enforcement or having the time to chat up people. There are multiple officers outside of the Lane Community College across from the main library branch, all year long they are observed socializing while laws are broken and safety put in danger. They do not search for missing children, or protect them from known drug peddlers living next door. Biased arrests without credible evidence and wrongful ticket posting during Duck's games is how they waste time, resources, and perpetuate the dangers us citizens face EVERY DAY in every corner of the city. If you want us safer, train better qualified people and get rid of the ones who charmed their way into a cush job.	7/30/2018 10:51 PM
1609	It seems there are more attacks on the bike paths.	7/30/2018 10:20 PM
1610	Someone with power over the police are not letting them police effectively. Ive spoken with police officers who say the same thing. Its lead to an decrease in the enjoyment we used to feel about Eugene. Just an example: go down to Willamette and Broadway and see what is allowed in this town. It's turned ugly and dangerous.	7/30/2018 9:45 PM
1611	I often feel unsafe unless in a large group down town. People frequently accost you if you have anything in your hands or appear to have money. Do not feel safe in most parking structures esp the stairs.	7/30/2018 9:42 PM
1612	I cannot and do not ride my bike downtown. It is extremely unsafe due to the people who hang out near the library, bus station, and all city parks. I have seen people accosted in all of these places.	7/30/2018 9:41 PM
1613	My wife and I have been attacked on the south bank path twice in the past year. One assailant is now in prison for seven years for other armed robberies (EPD refused to respond to our 911 call). The other is still at large and will remain so unless my neighbors or I find him (he's known to be homeless and living somewhere along the river, but since EPD didn't respond to our 911 call they have no report and no facts). We desperately need plainclothes cops on bikes and foot on the bike paths at night. By the way, we had two other homeless people begin attacks but stop when they realized I was behind my wife. No wonder no one rides bikes in this city any more. And how about some traffic law enforcement? Pretty please. And would it kill EPD to patrol around the drinking establishments as they close?	7/30/2018 9:40 PM
1614	My biggest concern is the fact that cars constantly run the red light at most intersections on West Eleventh in particular the one at Bailey Hill. When the light turns green I always wait until I know no one is coming before I proceed. Particularly when at the east portion of the intersection waiting for the left hand turn arrow and traffic coming from the North doesn't stop. This happens on a daily basis.	7/30/2018 9:37 PM
1615	I feel like there are a lot more random acts of crime (crimes of opportunity) in the past few years. I feel unsafe downtown with so many people who are using the spaces for lounging, fighting and/or hanging out. These spaces should be reserved for all citizens of Eugene not just "travelers" and those facing housing insecurity. There have been many reported attacks/incidents on bike paths near the river which is frustrating because I live so near to there and I can't enjoy it without alone any more. And finally the amount of people who run red lights is crazy! We need red light cameras, immediately.	7/30/2018 9:29 PM
1616	Downtown Eugene has become unbearable, I don't frequent it any longer.	7/30/2018 9:27 PM
1617	I do not feel safe as a pedestrian when in downtown Eugene	7/30/2018 9:06 PM
1618	I'm a 48yr old male homeowner. You should be asking gender and age first, or asking about how I feel about my wife or children in the situations you're asking about. All—anxious and concerned if I'm not along.	7/30/2018 9:05 PM
1619	One of the areas of concern for me is not feeling safe as a pedestrian in the downtown area.	7/30/2018 9:00 PM
1620	to much homeless, drugs. slow police or no police. I dont think it was a good idea advertising slow or no police on news. way to much tents along neighborhoods.	7/30/2018 8:58 PM

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1621	We are seeing sketchy people (transient, druggie, trailers and bags of *stuff*) in all parts of the city. Our once safe feeling family neighborhood got so bad that any noise at night had use springing up to see if some thievery or vandalism was going on)	7/30/2018 8:56 PM
1622	I fell the homeless community has grown and it's so populated with minimal options	7/30/2018 8:45 PM
1623	To many people breaking in to houses. To many people breaking in to houses that is boarded-up. Too many motorhomes parked on the side of the road with trash and everything on the ground. Finding needles around that does not make me feel safe with my child outside.	7/30/2018 8:44 PM
1624	I would say that I am not anxious about my safety concerns, just more aware of who and what is around me at all times. I am honestly less concerned about my safety when it comes to unhoused folks and have had an increase in concerns since 45 was elected and the Nazi's have become more ballsy.	7/30/2018 8:31 PM
1625	I was born in eugene 40 years ago. I am afraid to raise my children here now. Sad to leave But you can't even trust the cops here.	7/30/2018 8:07 PM
1626	Speeding traffic in my neighborhood is my greatest concern, (and I work downtown outside at night). North Eugene/Santa Clara has a lack of sidewalks, traffic control, and speedbumps in areas that are often abused by fast drivers. All of the schools in the neighborhood could benefit from more partnerships with Safe Routes to School.	7/30/2018 8:05 PM
1627	I feel the threat to my personal safety, the safety of my family and property has increased dramatically in the last 12 months. Not just in public places but my home as well. I live near Awbry park which I feel is safe, but I would not take my young family members to any of the downtown parks like Washington Jefferson, or Skinners Butte.	7/30/2018 8:01 PM
1628	The community feels far less safe than it ever has. Theft is on the rise. Graffiti and vandalism are on the rise. Police do not respond to a lot of calls. Homeless individuals are living all over and leaving trash everywhere.	7/30/2018 7:58 PM
1629	I feel safe overall as far as not being in danger but I have had my car broken into twice and stolen once. Bike stolen too.	7/30/2018 7:51 PM
1630	Not worth the bother to go downtown. Just to be pestered. Homeless bbq-ing (with and actual bbq) under ferry street,bridge a few days ago, police harassed to much by "watchdog" groups. I can go on.	7/30/2018 7:15 PM
1631	We need more funding for CAHOOTS and long term rehabilitation options. Wet housing that will be more accessible to folks who want to start the road to recovery. The Mission's dry housing and work policies prevent the people who need it most from accessing housing.	7/30/2018 7:11 PM
1632	Harrassing homeless citizens because they are gathered together is a violation of their civil rights. Waking them up is a violation of their human rights. EPD is guilty of both. Officers have lied to me, concerning existing resources, and made threats to get citizens to scatter. You need to get some trauma informed training before putting your officers in the field. They are half of EUGENE'S safety issue.	7/30/2018 7:07 PM
1633	I understand that police is stretched thin, however on several occasions have felt a lack of compassion from noon emergency dispatch, and don't feels as though our safety concerns are taken seriously.	7/30/2018 7:00 PM
1634	Property crime is a issue - the current system of catch and release isn't working.	7/30/2018 6:57 PM
1635	While not a violent crime the amount of petty theft from cars and mailboxes is out of control. It makes it unsafe for me to walk my dog after dark. I always run into a group working their way through. I live in the North Gilham area. We've had our car ransacked in our driveway repeatedly.	7/30/2018 6:50 PM
1636	The dog ban downtown helped. I do wish that people would keep their dogs on leashes in ALL of our parks (unless designated dog park). There are WAY too many people who believe that their dog is the nicest dog on earth, until it's not.	7/30/2018 6:16 PM
1637	We need to make public safety #1 before anything else! No more park bonds or library bonds until our public is protected and residents feel safe in their own houses. I'm totally saddened by our levels of crime and feel no one is doing enough about it	7/30/2018 6:12 PM

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1638	The downtown core (7th-11th, Charnelton-Oak) needs more patrols during evening/late night. The more EPDs presence is visibly known, the better. Constant drive thrus, street patrols walking the beat, bicycle cops. Anything. Not just in the summer months, but all year. Enforce loitering laws. Enforce the dog laws. Enforce the need for permits to sell street wares. Better mark the four way stops at Broadway and olive/Willamette (people regularly cruise through without even slowing down). Drivers either don't see the stop signs or don't care. Signage is blocked by foliage. Crosswalks are not readily visible due to lack of white striping. Perhaps blinking red lights would help at these intersections.	7/30/2018 5:22 PM
1639	If I could, I would move out of Eugene. It has degraded so quickly in the 20 years I've lived here. I'm actually ashamed to tell people I live here. Sad.	7/30/2018 5:06 PM
1640	Too many people attacked in the college area, on paths, in parks, all in the papers. As a single female I do not feel very safe alone.	7/30/2018 4:45 PM
1641	There are a couple different safety issues: one being there are spots where few people are around (bike paths, many parks, my neighborhood during the day) and crimes like burglary are committed unnoticed. In the other scenario, there are many people around (parks, downtown), but a select few are serial harrassers and panhandlers. Neither is an ideal situation.	7/30/2018 4:39 PM
1642	I feel extremely safe most of the time in Eugene. The biggest concerns I have are when biking; not all cars are careful. I also live in South Eugene, which is probably part of it. When I'm in the northwest parts of the city (which isn't so often), I'm a bit more wary.	7/30/2018 4:19 PM
1643	A lot of the concerns about safety have been about the homeless. 99% of the time, these fears are totally unjustified.	7/30/2018 4:17 PM
1644	The gathering of so-called travelers downtown prevent me and my family from enjoying what Eugene has to offer. Further, the lack safety in the parks due to the travelers keeps us away almost entirely.	7/30/2018 4:02 PM
1645	There are more people hanging out around my condo unit now out Coburg Road, breaking into the trash area, and sleeping in there. I think downtown is a hot mess. I'm not a fearful person and I really dislike being down there anymore unless I REALLY want to do something and that's the only place to do it. Too many experiences with very aggressive and downright scary street people. I'd really avoid taking family or visitors down there. I have a lot of compassion for people not having a home, but like many people have said, we are now dealing with very different populations of homeless people.	7/30/2018 3:34 PM
1646	Most safety concerns are from the large homeless population that are in a bad situation due to mental illness and/or substance abuse. Putting them in jail for a few days does not help anybody. We need treatment centers to help these people.	7/30/2018 3:22 PM
1647	Seems to be more robberies in general and more robberies at knife-point or gun-point in the past two years. I moved here from Oakland, CA, so I still think Eugene is pretty damn safe in comparison, but it does seem to be getting worse in the four years I've lived here. I'm lucky that my particular neighborhood is pretty safe and the neighbors look out for each other. I'm not scared downtown, but I don't enjoy hanging out there much. I think our country has a huge systemic problem causing the homelessness and lack of resources for folks needing health and mental care, so I know there are no easy answers about that issue.	7/30/2018 3:20 PM
1648	Pretty much everyone I know avoids downtown like the plague. Nothing but "street people" who constantly fight, bother people and hold up convenience stores.	7/30/2018 3:11 PM
1649	I live in west Eugene, and mostly feel safe on sidewalks (crosswalks can feel sketchy because of drivers), but refuse to use my bicycle on those streets because I see near-accidents every single day. Some bike paths feel safe, but I also refuse to go along the river by myself. Wherever I am in Eugene, I don't feel like there's any guarantee that my vehicle and its contents are safe. I work downtown and especially in the month leading up to Country Fair was blown away by how unsafe I felt. Any time an event was taking place, that area felt good, but the instant the events wrap up it fills with people who don't seem to have anything to do but smoke and yell at each other and sprawl across way more space than a single person should take in public areas. This seems to have improved a little since the CF wrapped up, but I've still had men who look entirely disgusting yell random stuff at me as I walk by and it's SO uncomfortable.	7/30/2018 2:43 PM
1650	I will not go downtown unless I have to. Avoid certain parts of town.	7/30/2018 9:32 AM
1651	The people of Eugene in general are very friendly and have a strong sense of community, which enhances the security of our town.	7/30/2018 8:24 AM

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1652	Police response is pathetic	7/30/2018 6:33 AM
1653	Hate that I no longer feel safe on the bike paths, not even when I'm walking or riding with a friend. My most used routes are the Fern Ridge path headed west from downtown and the river path.	7/29/2018 11:14 PM
1654	The bike paths should be safe!!	7/29/2018 11:09 PM
1655	It seems like there's a sense of lawlessness, a brashness of people who believe they can get away with anything because we're an "easy" community. I think our tolerance has opened the door for people who think they can take advantage of it.	7/29/2018 9:44 PM
1656	The more that we see police officers walking downtown and in the neighborhoods, the better we all feel.	7/29/2018 8:25 PM
1657	I just don't feel safe in many locations in Eugene	7/29/2018 7:47 PM
1658	I feel mostly safe in my neighborhood and nearby parks...there are some secluded areas that are popular for vagrants and partying teens and I sometimes feel uneasy. Especially while alone or with my two small children. Sometimes downtown is amazing and fun, and sometimes there are groups of wasted people who I don't want to be around my children.	7/29/2018 7:46 PM
1659	We need more police. When people break in or vandalize my property they just take a report. Even when I know who did it they don't do anything. Any government's first responsibility is to ensure the security of its people. We need to have the people to do the job.	7/29/2018 6:02 PM
1660	I worry about the transient population that live in the bushes along the bike paths, especially the one behind west 11th.	7/29/2018 5:57 PM
1661	Things seem safer, or there seem to be fewer police involved incidents.	7/29/2018 5:56 PM
1662	I feel most unsafe when I am riding my bike on busy streets. I am a bicycle commuter all year, and I feel like our main streets are getting more dangerous because of careless and often aggressive drivers of cars, especially in the River Road/Santa Clara area.	7/29/2018 5:30 PM
1663	I avoid: downtown due to the begging and harassment, walking/biking after dark, walking biking in remote places	7/29/2018 5:25 PM
1664	I'm especially concerned for my son who is an 18 year old Black man and feels micro aggressions from some Police. Also, we live in the Whitaker which is full of homeless folks. I would feel safer if the city provided more shelter and services to them.	7/29/2018 3:47 PM
1665	I feel very safe here, I moved from San Francisco. I feel all the homeless, or 90% of them are non violent downtown on the busy streets. But the ones hanging by bus stops and walking around downtown are the ones I look out for. The alleys I originally felt weren't safe a year ago when I moved here. Now I always see a bike cop or security guard near an alleyway. I feel like a lot of police officers are very nice to me too. But sometimes I see a lot of them just standing with their arms crossed.	7/29/2018 2:28 PM
1666	As a university student, theft is a big problem. I had a burglar 2 months ago and it made me feel unsafe. I also feel unsafe locking my bike up anywhere in town for more than a couple hours	7/29/2018 2:00 PM
1667	Downtown can be a bit sketchy...	7/29/2018 12:43 PM
1668	Maurie Jacobs Park has drug trafficking again, bike chop shop and every time you travelers are shoved out of downtown they come to Maurie Jacobs Park and river corridor. Bad behaviors occur in the evening after patrols go off duty.	7/29/2018 11:34 AM
1669	Salon stjacques west 11 tho and Lincoln extremely affraied after 30 years down to leave my business when dark a lot of scary looking people at the court house after hours just hanging out	7/29/2018 11:11 AM
1670	The large groups of wandering homeless and the makeshift camps on the city streets with bike trailers and tarps are ever increasing along with the garbage and used needles. I have lived in Whitaker for 35 years and seen alot but it seems like things are worse than ever for the disenfranchised.	7/29/2018 10:36 AM
1671	We rarely go downtown anymore, especially near Broadway and Olive, except to drive somewhere such as the library or Saturday Market. Way too many aggressive bums that are just hanging out, laying on sidewalks, panhandling, .etc. That area of downtown looks like a third world country at times.	7/29/2018 6:29 AM
1672	I think we need more police officers.	7/28/2018 10:13 PM

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1673	Road sharing with bicycles has become more hazardous with bicyclists not following rules of the road, skipping between sidewalks and bike lanes, riding across pedestrian crossings without looking, riding on the wrong side/direction of the street. Motorists are needing to pull out of parking lots past walkways and bike lanes to see oncoming traffic due to poles and utility boxes blocking view. In short, infrastructure must be improved, especially in the south willamette area.	7/28/2018 9:44 PM
1674	Just create a property tax levy or something already. This all just feels like a build up to a tax. Just hurry up a get a plan in motion. I'll vote for it. Two top issues: Response to property theft calls must be improved Prevent travelers from hogging all the downtown public space and being publicly intoxicated	7/28/2018 8:47 PM
1675	The Nazi graffiti, seeing signs defaced with hate speech, and seeing a car full of young white men threatening an African American man who lives on the street make us scared in a way that we have never felt in almost 40years living in Eugene	7/28/2018 7:21 PM
1676	I feel extremely anxious hearing about the understaffed police department along with rising crimes.	7/28/2018 6:44 PM
1677	the thieves are so blatant it is scary. They know nothing will happen, you can see folks casing the homes in broad daylight. The Ring videos of folks stealing packages and other items off porches is unsettling. The fact that EVERY CAR DOOR EVERY NIGHT is checked to see if it is locked and ransacked if not is not okay. The posts about thieves going in peoples backyards in broad daylight and entering homes is also unsettling. How are robbers checking every car door every night and no one sees them? Aren't there police patrolling at night?	7/28/2018 5:52 PM
1678	My sense of threat toward my physical person and property has increased. I don't feel that the police are staffed adequately to provide protection or assistance. I feel that if I act in self-defense I am likely to be the one who is in trouble.	7/28/2018 5:02 PM
1679	My concerns about walking in my neighborhood are more about the speed of traffic than anything else. And these days, the heat and insect bites/stings.	7/28/2018 4:18 PM
1680	The last 2 summers homeless people, many with mental or addiction problems, or travelers have been literally camping across the street from my house on E 12th. Even though owners have "No Trespassing" on file with the city, it cannot be enforced because campers are on the City's side of the sidewalk. I am finding hypodermic needles or evidence of needle use on my property that is in the shadows. I am seriously considering selling my home that I have owned since 1992 because of the degradation of my W. University neighborhood. I would vote for increased funds for Public Safety if it weren't for the fact that the City wastes so much taxpayer money (note the demolished City Hall city block before a replacement was committed to; note the use of private lawyers instead of having a city attorney on staff; note the use of high priced "consultants" for every little thing). I think the City should open up the fenced square block where the City Hall used to be and allow people mentioned above to camp or hang out there.	7/28/2018 3:36 PM
1681	Property crime and irritating homeless people aren't safety issues in and of themselves, yet are what most people seem to be thinking of when they say they feel unsafe. We're lucky enough to live in a time/place so safe that few of us even understand what danger really is.	7/28/2018 2:58 PM
1682	- I worry a bit about our parks and especially our running paths - late at night and early in the morning (and well all day too). I don't have a lot of confidence that you can be there safely. A lot of the crime isn't committed by the campers there, but there's enough of a concern about this population that I believe we should have stricter enforcement on no camping in any of our parks or paths. - Bike paths can be bad and are sketch. - IT goes without saying, but we do need housing for the unhoused and more options for treating those with mental illness and substance abuse. We need more wet housing for sure, and more Cahoots staffing as well. - Property crime - theft, graffiti, etc., is a major problem—bike theft especially. Whatever we can do to reduce bike theft. More enforcement, registration, I really don't know. - Downtown (primarily Broadway and 10th by the bus station, Library, and Kiva): while it's not as bad in some ways, can really be inhospitable (especially the LTD bus station area). I hate the thought, but I wonder if we do need to ban pan handling or pedestrians or drivers giving money. I don't know what can be done there. I trust Cahoots/White Bird/St. Vinny's/Catholic Community services, and feel like there are still plenty of avenues to help folks through these resources. - Most of the unhoused I know aren't obnoxious or inhospitable, but many of the unhoused young folks you see downtown can be harassing, obnoxious, and generally inhospitable to others. - The Coburg road corridor is particularly bad—from Oakway to Downtown—especially under the underpasses, the sidewalks, and the bike path on the east side. This walking gateway needs to get improved significantly, as it is the only pedestrian gateway from Oakway to downtown and get hit hard enforcement wise. I Don't know what do do about it otherwise.	7/28/2018 2:04 PM
1683	Eugene is too lax on homeless drug users	7/28/2018 1:45 PM

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1684	I don't feel safe downtown, and I'm also concerned about the number of property crimes in my neighborhood.	7/28/2018 1:44 PM
1685	Please hire more Police officers.	7/28/2018 11:15 AM
1686	I think that EPD needs more resources so that some traffic enforcement can occur. I routinely see drivers speeding down Jefferson Street and ignoring pedestrians who are waiting to cross at the 15th Avenue crosswalk. I also frequently see drivers blowing through newly red lights at various locations on 6th and 7th. I think that people drive in this dangerous and entitled manner because they know that they can get away with it due to the lax traffic enforcement in our community. I would like to see the EPD implement photo-enforcement of stoplight and speeding violations as I have seen in the Seattle and Tacoma area, as well as commit more officers to traffic enforcement.	7/28/2018 8:56 AM
1687	It's very scary to hear police don't go to around a third of calls received.	7/28/2018 5:47 AM
1688	I moved from Santa Cruz County, which ranked #1 in California for pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities from being struck by motor vehicles. Here drivers are aware, civil, and rarely threaten or intimidate me. Second to housing affordability, this is the reason I moved here. There are some difficult places to walk and ride, though, and I would hope that the City will continue to invest in non-private vehicle transportation modes and not increase roadway capacity for the same. I want to live and be healthy while helping the City attain its Climate Recovery Ordinance and Vision Zero goals.	7/28/2018 1:56 AM
1689	I hear a lot about property crimes in nearby neighborhoods and I know it's important to be careful and wary, for example we never leave the garage door open for very long in case someone could see our bikes and other stuff. I also would never leave my dog alone tied up outside a store.	7/28/2018 12:22 AM
1690	Need more staffing to meet population growth	7/27/2018 11:27 PM
1691	The number of homelessness is the biggest safety concern in our city to me. The homeless are everywhere, and our city seems inundated. I feel this is the issue of most importance. We have more crimes happening due to the desperate situations of the homeless.	7/27/2018 9:57 PM
1692	My home has been burglarized once, I suppose that always makes one edgy. I am concerned about the non-neighbors driving up, parking and checking out the recycle bins on the sidewalk.	7/27/2018 9:35 PM
1693	Please kick the predators and drug dealers out of downtown. Why are people allowed to sprawl all over the sidewalks? Other cities don't allow that.	7/27/2018 9:10 PM
1694	There seem to be more and more break-ins and theft from yards.	7/27/2018 8:43 PM
1695	Some parts of the city are now off limits or on their way to being that way for me. Downtown to the Whit.	7/27/2018 7:52 PM
1696	Feel u safe in downtown Eugene when homeless are loud and harassing me.	7/27/2018 7:24 PM
1697	I am terrified to walk around downtown by myself (I am a young woman). I am regularly harassed and jeered when I must visit downtown and walk from place to place. I'm shocked there is not more the city can do. I have had to call 911 or non emergency many, many times over the last year. I recently saw a woman overdosing on a street corner and called 911. The neighborhood blocks around High St and 11/12 Ave are like a drug-addled zombie land. It's like nothing I've ever experienced.	7/27/2018 7:02 PM
1698	I'd like to have more specific information about how the current dollars are spent, especially on swat systems and force multiplier equipment. My sense is that were funding more armaments than necessary	7/27/2018 6:59 PM
1699	Downtown Eugene is not a place that I want to go hangout anymore. I can't tell you the last time I went down there. The crowds of vagrants on every corner with dogs, begging for money, and folks frequently tweaked out, it's a very uncomfortable place to shop, eat, or bring kids.	7/27/2018 6:53 PM
1700	Must deal with drugs, vagrancy, people who sprawl all over entire street corners downtown high and yelling and who have invaded and taken over our parks and riverfront. Feel safer in downtown Chicago at night than in Eugene. If we need to pay more for police, raise taxes - but this will only fly if there is also political will to do what needs to be done.	7/27/2018 5:28 PM
1701	I can see that trespass problems have increased in my neighborhood--a lot more people with drug and mental health issues. We need better options--but that takes more money for government and non-profit agencies to assist these people.	7/27/2018 5:27 PM
1702	I would not walk alone at night pretty much anywhere except where I live in Tge Highlands Condos.	7/27/2018 5:26 PM

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1703	Overall, I find Eugene to be a fairly safe place. However, there are definitely hotspots, such as downtown and in certain neighborhoods. However, I also think we need to keep in mind the UO is one of the most unsafe places in terms of safety for young women. This is something that needs to be addressed. Additionally, there are some communities that are at greater danger than others.	7/27/2018 5:01 PM
1704	As a man, I don't worry too much about walking around downtown, but my wife does not feel comfortable doing that on her own. I wish there were a politically-correct, pro-active, positive way to discourage people from sitting around on sidewalks, asking for money and making pedestrians feel uncomfortable through their appearance, smell, words & pets.	7/27/2018 4:49 PM
1705	1. The Eugene Police Department is an exceptionally professional police force, and provides a full range of outstanding service to include a plethora of volunteer services such as the free, home checks while we are on vacation. 2. Chief Pete Kerns was a strong leader who left the Eugene Police Department in excellent standing, and we look forward to meeting his successor at our next neighborhood association meeting. 2. The 9-1-1 Call Center was fast and efficient during a tour that I took several years ago. 3. The consolidation of the Springfield and Eugene Fire Departments appears to be a success!	7/27/2018 4:18 PM
1706	I'm not sure how we could supposedly have \$1,000,000 to spend on an auditor's office and yet EPD is so short staffed that they cannot respond to calls, do community policing or carry out any sort of traffic enforcement. In the past I've lived in the Washington DC area, New York City, and Boulder--never have I felt anywhere near as unsafe as Eugene. I've chosen to make this place my home long term and having lived here for over a decade, this moment seems to be the most intense as far as crime and fear are concerned. Truly, my family feeling unsafe here is severely affecting our quality of life and how we feel about our choice to make this community our home. More staffing for EPD needs to be THE top budget priority in the coming years.	7/27/2018 4:16 PM
