

The defunding of police and the brutality behind them needs to start now. Growing up in Phoenix AZ, during the Sheriff Joe days I know what police brutality and abuse of power looks like. Many and my friends and family members have been made to wear the pink pajamas in tent city while it was 120 degrees out. I moved to Portland hoping for a better way of life. I have found a even more racist grouping in the Portland government. I am asking for more training for police officers, better back round checks, less weapons of lethal capacity being put in police officers hands and a major reform of the tax dollars spent on the police department.

This is the way for it to be done.

(1) No funding for discriminatory law enforcement: Cut off all funding for law enforcement agencies that engage in a pattern or practice of discrimination.

(2) Effective investigation of law enforcement agencies: Create a commission to investigate individual claims of discrimination and patterns of discrimination within law enforcement agencies. This commission must be able to subpoena records from these agencies.

(3) Full data reporting: Require all local law enforcement agencies to gather and publish detailed information about traffic and pedestrian stops, the use of force, and all individuals who have been killed by police or died in police custody.

(4) Minimum standards on the use of force: Create minimum standards that require law enforcement officers to use de-escalation tactics and only allow the use of force when absolutely necessary.

(5) Independent review of police shootings: Require police shootings to be investigated by entities independent from the police department and prosecutor's office where the shooting occurred.

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