

I am a resident of the Woodstock neighborhood in SE Portland.

As a community member, a Christian, and a recent graduate of the Portland State Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice, I support these measures as initial steps toward the creation of a new system that truly serves the community.

Law enforcement without trust lacks legitimacy and is therefore ineffective. As a white woman, I belong to the demographic that is statistically least likely to experience negative results from police interaction, and yet I have had numerous interactions that fostered distrust in the police . I have seen police lie many many times throughout my life. Recently I have seen dishonest information coming from the Portland Police as well as much more favorable treatment of violent far right groups compared to Black lives matter protestors. I do not trust them or feel safe with them.

Thank you,

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