

To Whom It May Concern,

I ask that CT impliment a civillian review board, remove police from schools, and remove qualified immunity to ensure that all police are held accountable for their actions in every town in CT. Money invested in the police force is better invested into education and affordable housing. Poverty shouldn't be criminalized and neither should be being black or brown. The police activity that I have seen first hand in CT -from cops preying on the road looking for petty parking tickets, to harrassing kids, to physically hurting African American individuals— has been a waste of my tax payer money and has made me not like police. Police seldom handle rape cases— at all. Taxpayers want police to handle serious crime like murder and rape. This CT police force doesn't focus on high level crime and needs serious reform. We need new chiefs, new officers, a new culture and laws that incentivize police to only focus on actual crime and not harrass the public. Furthermore, we don't need more police- we need better schools.

Sincerely,

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A Weston, CT Resident.