

## **Oakland Reimagining Public Safety Task Force**

### Taskforce Responses to Framework Questions 1:

#### **What activities/function should the OPD no longer do or do less of?**

- OPD should no longer respond to Calls for Service involving mental health and suicide issues unless there is the threat of violence and/or a dangerous weapon involved.
- Officers should not respond to non-criminal calls involving homelessness and encampments.
- Welfare checks should no longer be conducted by police officers.
- Officers should no longer respond to noise complaint calls.
- Officers should no longer respond to calls related to animals.
- OPD should no longer conduct ambulance accompaniment when there is no on-going violence reported.
- Officers should not respond to automobiles blocking driveways, abandoned autos, etc.
- Auto accidents do not need a sworn officer to take the report.
- Traffic control should be handled by non-sworn staff or alternative response.
- OPD should no longer engage in event management, concerts, and directing traffic for events.
- OPD should not respond to low level issues like theft of utilities, vandalism and substance abuse.
- OPD should no longer engage in parole and probation searches.
- Unless there is a report of a dangerous weapon, there should be non-police response to incidents of domestic disturbance.
- Police resources should no longer go to forcible evictions.
- No longer use the community resource officers for projects/investigations of his/her community or beat.
- No longer host Gun Buy-back events.
- Stop responding to Level 2 calls, don't need sworn officers responding two hours after an incident is over.

- OPD should stop using military equipment and look into giving back any such equipment it has acquired.
- Move the 911 Call Center out of OPD and combine with the Fire Department dispatch center. Provide training to dispatchers to send calls to new, non-law enforcement alternative responses.

**What should OPD specifically continue to do/where are officers' time best spent?**

- OPD should focus on investigations and gun violence.
- Increase/Improve investigations: rape kits that haven't been addressed/cold cases.
- More training and resources for homicide investigations.
- Increase investigations into missing persons, especially of Black people which appears to receive less response.
- Police should focus on sexual violence and providing trauma informed care.
- Officers should walk neighborhoods and establish relationships with the community.
- Community policing should be way OPD does business not held as separate unit
- Build relationships with young people. Perception of police starts at a very young age. Need trauma informed care for youth who come in contact with LE.
- OPD Should continue to respond to serious and violence crime, including home invasions, gun violence (continue Ceasefire), domestic violence, etc.