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Dear Palmetto Community Partner,

One of my priorities as your chief of police is to improve our community policing efforts by focusing our resources on problems that are most important to you. Over the years, we have done a good job of collecting and researching data on specific offenses and crime trends but, I have learned that this data often does not entirely reflect all of your concerns.

To help bridge this gap between statistics and your reality, I am asking for your help. Please take a few minutes to complete and return the enclosed short survey, as soon as possible. Your input means a great deal to me as I plan, budget, and allocate resources to make Palmetto a safer place to live and the Palmetto Police Department more responsive to your needs. A postage-paid, return envelope has been provided for mailing the survey. Your surveys will go directly to the University of South Florida Criminology Department, which is conducting the survey for the Palmetto Police Department.

Thank you for your help.

Scott D. Tyler
Chief of Police

2016 Palmetto Police Department Community Survey

For an online version of this survey – visit goo.gl/3n20Qt

In your opinion, how much attention are the police giving to the following (Circle your answer):

1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----NA
 Little/No Attention Routine Attention Too Much Attention Not an Issue
 (Needs Improvement) (Does Not Need Improvement) (Too many resources) (Not important)

1. Crime or disorder problems:

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| Loud noise from cars and/or houses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Homeless persons | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Burglary (breaking & entering) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Disorderly youth | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Sale/Use of drugs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Auto Theft | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Prostitution in public places | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Robbery (mugging) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Speeding and other traffic issues | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Gangs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| DUI | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Graffiti | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Abandoned Lots/Houses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Public Intoxication | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Shoplifting | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Other: _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |

2. Crime Prevention Patrols/Activities

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| Routine patrols (marked police cars) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Foot patrols | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Bike patrols | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Other: _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |

3. Community Outreach:

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| Neighborhood Watch | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Presence at community events | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Drug Education in the Community | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Safety Audits of Businesses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Drug Education in School | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Safety workshops/classes | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Outreach to Limited English Speaking Residents | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Charity (ex: Shop with a Cop) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| Social Media | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA | Other: _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |

4. In my opinion, activities that the Palmetto Police Department could improve the most on are:

5. Are there any locations (neighborhoods) where the police should focus more attention?

6. Where do you get most of your information about crime in Palmetto?

7. Generally, Palmetto is a safe place to live (circle one)

Yes No Unsure

8. In the past year, Palmetto has become a safer place to live (circle one)

Yes No Unsure

Please continue – This survey is double-sided

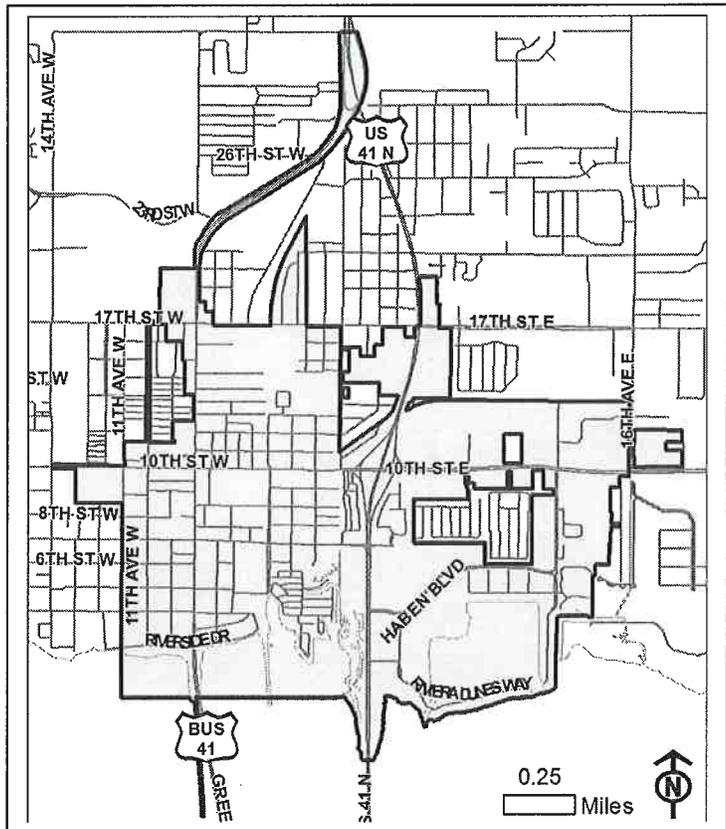


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20. Do you live and/or work in the Community Redevelopment Authority area (CRA). If you are unsure, the CRA is within the bold outlined, gray shaded area indicated on this map (please circle your answer)

- a. I live in the CRA
- b. I work in the CRA
- c. I live and work in the CRA
- d. I do not live or work in the CRA



21. Is there something we did not ask that you would like the Palmetto Police to be aware of? _____

Palmetto Police would like to thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Based in large part on the answers provided by you and your neighbors the police department will be making changes to the police services offered in the City of Palmetto.