

## Q4 Please list up to three (3) issues you believe are the most significant public safety concerns within the Town of Fairfax.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Fire safety, adequate access to housing and public utilities, home security (from burglary or trespass).	4/26/2021 4:38 PM
2	1) affordable housing - desperate people do desperate things 2) neighbors calling police on minorities - anyone who looks different can seem out of place even if they aren't and calling the police puts minorities in danger 3) Fire safety concerns - roads are too narrow for many to evacuate	4/26/2021 4:18 PM
3	1. The practice of responding to nonviolent conflicts or traffic violations with armed police officers. 2. The hyper alertness and consequent feeling of dis-ease that Black visitors feel when they come to Fairfax. 3. The pushback that has arisen from our community members and the Police Department itself as many people lean into reimagining public safety.	4/26/2021 3:49 PM
4	Hate speech and other hate crimes Mental health Violent crimes including sexual assault	4/26/2021 12:58 PM
5	Racially motivated hate crimes Violent responses to mental health crises Lack of alternatives to armed police responses to mental health crisis and instances of substance abuse	4/26/2021 12:56 PM
6	1. Anti-mask demonstrations 2. Law enforcement approach to mental health crises (as opposed to referring to Mental Health or utilizing mental health training) 3. Law enforcement approach to homeless crises (as opposed to referring to agencies serving the homeless)	4/26/2021 12:54 PM
7	A lack of diversity creates a white and unchallenged population which fosters ignorance and racism, posing a threat to any POC citizens, workers, and passerbyers. Having a police force that responds to the majority of calls with guns, while the problems at hand are trivial, is a situation primed for violence. We must prevent police brutality before it happens.	4/26/2021 12:26 PM
8	Racially motivated hate crimes Violent responses to mental health crises Lack of alternatives to armed police responses to mental health crisis and instances of substance abuse	4/26/2021 12:19 PM
9	Taking steps to address community division, Facilitating listening sessions to resolve disputes among groups, Leading by example	4/26/2021 11:48 AM
10	Racial-bias policing Racial disparity Racial profiling	4/26/2021 11:19 AM
11	1. Growing discrepancies between wealth and home/food insecurities. 2. Racism that looks like indifference.	4/26/2021 8:22 AM
12	1. Driving safely down our very crowded streets. 2. The safety of children.	4/26/2021 4:09 AM
13	Fire. Traffic. Bikes.	4/25/2021 11:53 PM
14	Deescalation of police interactions with residents Covid safety in public spaces Reckless driving	4/25/2021 11:23 PM
15	- Police responses become blind to race color or creed - safety of the community comes first. -	4/25/2021 11:20 PM
16	Racism, racial inequities, and lack of LGBTQIA+ resources	4/25/2021 10:35 PM
17	1. Racism and bias in policing 2. The scope of the Police Department is too large. A lot of the services they provide could be handled by specialists (social workers, mental health experts, addiction counselors) in a safer and more efficient manner. 3. The significant cost of Fairfax Police Department paralyzes the Town budget and prevents services and funding of projects that could really help folks.	4/25/2021 10:31 PM
18	1. Need for low income housing/mental health/healthcare 2. Fire danger/climate change 3. Food insecurity	4/22/2021 6:43 PM

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19	*Youth Drug use *Lack of services and police expertise in building relationships to assist the Un-housed	4/22/2021 6:24 PM
20	Establishing procedures to identify whether police responses to incident calls should include mental health personnel and implementing those procedures.	4/22/2021 5:25 PM
21	Lack of resources for people experiencing mental health issues/substance issues. Lack of spaces and activities for adolescents in the community (praise the skate park!)	4/22/2021 1:44 PM
22	Emergency services Managing small town concerns- not national/international issues Fair policing and transparency in decision making	4/22/2021 10:07 AM
23	1. Racially motivated hate crimes 2. Violent responses to mental health crises 3. Lack of alternatives to armed police responses to mental health crisis and instances of substance abuse	4/21/2021 5:52 PM
24	1. Policing 2. racist Fairfaxians 3. anti-maskers	4/21/2021 2:54 PM
25	I am aware of hate crimes that occurred.	4/20/2021 9:29 PM
26	The issues that businesses and people visiting downtown deal with from mentally challenged and/or unhoused folks.	4/20/2021 3:45 PM
27	Petty theft. How many bikes have been stolen!? We're lucky that that is one of our big problems, but Fairfax is a huge target for bike theft and it would be great to have a strategy to stem the flow of bikes out of our town...	4/20/2021 10:17 AM
28	Continuity with ongoing detective work and cases specific & particular to Fairfax. Keeping the ratio of police per resident at the data proven rates that studies have correlated with safety; that is, the ability to have fewer residents per police staff, and *not* reduce the capacity & size of emergency services.	4/20/2021 9:12 AM
29	Too much traffic speed on Fairfax streets.	4/20/2021 8:29 AM
30	Careless, sloppy driver Performing illegal maneuvers. DUIs Keeping a vigilant Eye out for criminal activities within the city limits.	4/19/2021 9:18 PM
31	Wildfire danger, emergency situations, power outages.	4/19/2021 6:24 PM
32	Theft Opioid abuse Homelessness	4/19/2021 5:32 PM
33	1. Racially motivated hate crimes 2. Violent responses to mental health crises 3. Lack of alternatives to armed police responses to mental health crisis and instances of substance abuse	4/19/2021 1:09 PM
34	1) Review all policies, procedures and manuals with a lens for racial equity 2) Building relationships and trust without an increased and militant presence 3) Educating folks on when NOT to call the police, they need to recognize that the impact and potential consequences of these actions could be catastrophic for people of color.	4/18/2021 8:19 AM
35	returning Cascade Drive to its original striping, assuring temporary dining structures in town are just that...temporary.	4/16/2021 4:13 PM
36	Petty crimes, such as car break-ins; accessibility of illicit substances to children; unsafe driving, especially travelers passing through town	4/13/2021 4:44 PM
37	1. burglary seems to be on the rise in Fairfax, both for cars and homes 2. training for police officers to deal with mental health situations (need others besides police to deal with this) 3.	4/13/2021 11:56 AM
38	1) Areas that lack cell reception (dead zones) because residents can't receive alert calls or text alerts. Also, lack of cell and internet during PSPS and unplanned power outages. Residents can't get evacuation warnings. 2) Fire evacuation bottlenecks.	4/12/2021 11:57 PM
39	We need more Police patrolling neighborhoods. Get to know us better. Rash driving is on the increase. Connect more with other town PD's to get ideas and establish relationships with others. Maybe we could use some social gatherings - like "Coffee with the Cops" - community meetings.	4/12/2021 10:16 PM
40	1. Vehicle-pedestrian-bicycle safety. 2. Fire evacuation. 3. Increasing population downtown when COVID allows open bars	4/12/2021 8:39 PM

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41	We no longer feel super safe downtown. :( (See number 2) There are MULTIPLE types of discrimination. We no longer feel super welcome in Fairfax which makes us feel unsafe. (See number 2)	4/12/2021 8:28 PM
42	Proper handling of persons with mental health issues and those without a home. Monitoring of empty properties to prevent squatting and other abuses associated with unoccupied locations. Neighborhood watch groups encouraged and supported.	4/12/2021 7:55 PM
43	Speeding and unsafe driving within the town limits, when we are attempting to create a safe pedestrian environment. Drunk and buzzed driving.in the community. Proliferation of gun violence	4/12/2021 7:54 PM
44	Racially motivated hate crimes Violent responses to mental health crises Lack of alternatives to armed police responses to mental health crisis and instances of substance abuse	4/12/2021 4:21 PM
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46	1-Access to Mental Health & Social Services to promote public safety, 2- Racial Justice and Inclusion, 3-Fiscal Responsibility and continual connection to understanding the needs of the community for Social & community Service based Public Safety.	4/12/2021 1:12 PM
47	Mental health services by non-law enforcement personnel	4/12/2021 12:25 PM
48	Mental health issues are significant in Fairfax and West Marin.	4/12/2021 11:37 AM
49	1) Traffic--people drive too much--accidents 2) AOD and mental health issues (alcohol and other drugs) 3) Fire risk (potentially)	4/10/2021 5:25 PM
50	Traffic on our narrow streets. Safety in our homes. Emergency responses in our community. Pedestrian safety.	4/9/2021 9:08 PM
51	Responding to mental health call outs Mailbox and package thefts Pedestrians walking out in the middle of the street or at crosswalks without looking where they are going	4/9/2021 2:21 PM
52	Large packs of bikers taking over the roads	4/9/2021 1:48 PM
53	Repeat criminal offenders, aging police fleet, to few officers	4/6/2021 10:10 AM
54	1) Drug use abs drug deals (beyond cannabis) 2) Loud protests coming from downtown and echoing up into the hills. Not necessarily public safety but definitely falls under "disturbance of the peace". For 3 months during the summer thousands of citizens heard car honking and bull horn screaming inside living rooms during isolation and while trying to work. It was insane and our police force wouldn't do anything about it because of the George Floyd police brutality issues. Can't a "police and town combo representative" be appointed as a mediator? A spokesperson? 3) Bicycles taking over roads unsafely is just as much of a problem as drivers who road rage over those bicycles. We need a new approach before someone gets hurt.	4/5/2021 11:49 PM
55	Substance abuse and other mental health issues Vulnerability to visitors who do not share our general ethics and behavioral standards Inadequate preparation (evacuation routes and public education) in advance of earthquakes, wildfire or other disasters	4/5/2021 6:38 PM
56	Enforcement of existing laws.	4/5/2021 6:26 PM
57	Continuing efforts to maintain our small town ordinances and safety.	4/5/2021 6:06 PM
58	property and personal crime emergency evacuation	4/5/2021 2:31 PM
59	1) That some on the council don't support our police which encourages others who want change but don't know what that change is. 2) the danger our officers have been placed in due to lack of support from some in the community	4/5/2021 9:25 AM
60	1. Fire safety 2. Racial inequity 3. Vehicle break-ins	4/3/2021 6:52 PM
61	targeting of people of color.	4/3/2021 10:21 AM
62	bikers speeding in neighborhoods	4/2/2021 8:04 AM
63	1. Out-of-town activists raising a ruckus and putting graffiti in our public spaces 2. The police being afraid to stop illegal activity because of the RESJ movement 3. How does the public let the police force know they are being supported by the vast majority of the community.	4/1/2021 9:42 PM

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64	1. Enforcement of traffic laws for motorists and bicyclists.	4/1/2021 3:23 PM
65	Property offenses emergency/disaster support	3/31/2021 2:23 PM
66	Too many different siren sounds Have one recognizable on all vehicles and one, the creek siren for emergencies 2. Bicycles run wild & are a safety hazard 3 need to ticket bicycles for traffic violations	3/30/2021 11:40 AM
67	1. Not wearing masks 2. Social Distancing 3. Division of our community	3/29/2021 8:45 PM
68	I don't really know, but I wonder what the gun ownership is, and reports of domestic violence.	3/29/2021 8:17 PM
69	Fire danger: lack of ways to enforce clearing of brush Fire danger: parking on narrow roadways impeding emergency access	3/29/2021 7:21 PM
70	Traffic, public safety	3/29/2021 6:31 PM
71	Emergency evacuation Safety on our roads including bike riders who do not obey the traffic rules Having a visible presence in the town - walking the streets part of the time	3/29/2021 6:25 PM