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Subject: FW: police funding downtown Victoria

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To: mayorandcouncil@victoria.ca, Mayor and Council <mayorandcouncil@esquimalt.ca>

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I am writing this email in concern and alarm with the increase in aggression and violence in our city, especially the downtown Pandora area. As a taxpayer and voting citizen living just blocks from downtown, I expect to walk or cycle safely through these areas for work, music lessons or socializing. I no longer assume that these excursions will be safe and I'm guarded and nervous going about these tasks. Now I divert my cycling and walking routes to avoid Pandora St. and don't go downtown much. I feel I no longer have a choice to support local business as freely as I did four years ago. The last time I walked past Centennial Square, a man was bear spraying another man, both were yelling. Needless to say I walked in the other direction, didn't complete the errand I had intended to and felt a general unease. Please increase funding to our police department to deal with this social issue. It is essential that our leaders make decisions to protect all the citizens of Victoria with the support of our tax dollars to do so. Increase police funding and make Victoria a safe place to live.

Sandy Kreitz
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Voter
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Resident of Victoria

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