

DEFUND Yuba City Police Department

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Yuba City Council General Meeting

Presentation made by Elisa Rojas Palato

Police evolved from slave patrols formed in the South

“...there is another significant origin of American policing that we cannot forget—and that is slave patrols.”

“The history of police work in the South grows out of this early fascination, by white patrollers, with what African American slaves were doing. Most law enforcement was, by definition, white patrolmen watching, catching, or beating black slaves.”[\[ii\]](#)

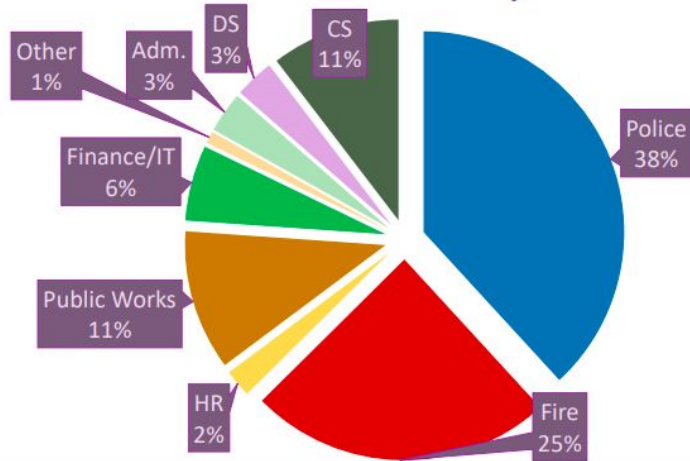
....Some governments ordered local militias to select patrollers from their rosters of white men in the region within a certain age range. In many areas, patrols were made up of lower-class and wealthy landowning white men alike.[\[iii\]](#)”

“After the Civil War, Southern police departments often carried over aspects of the patrols. These included systematic surveillance, the enforcement of curfews, and even notions of who could become a police officer.”

Yuba City's inhabitants contribute more than 70% to the General Fund

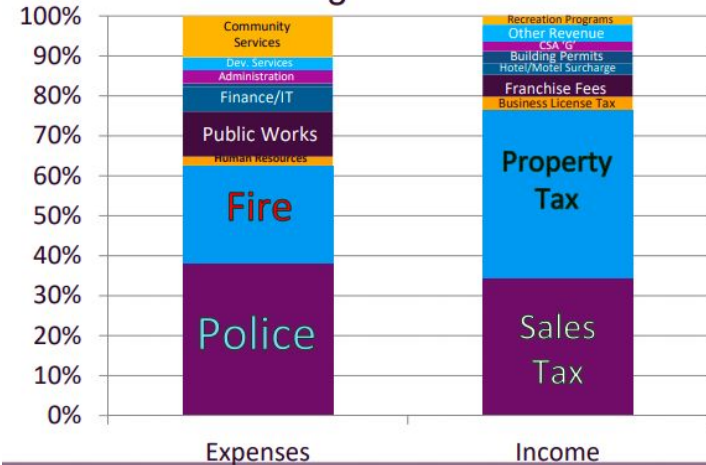
Yuba City Budget Allocations

63% Public Safety

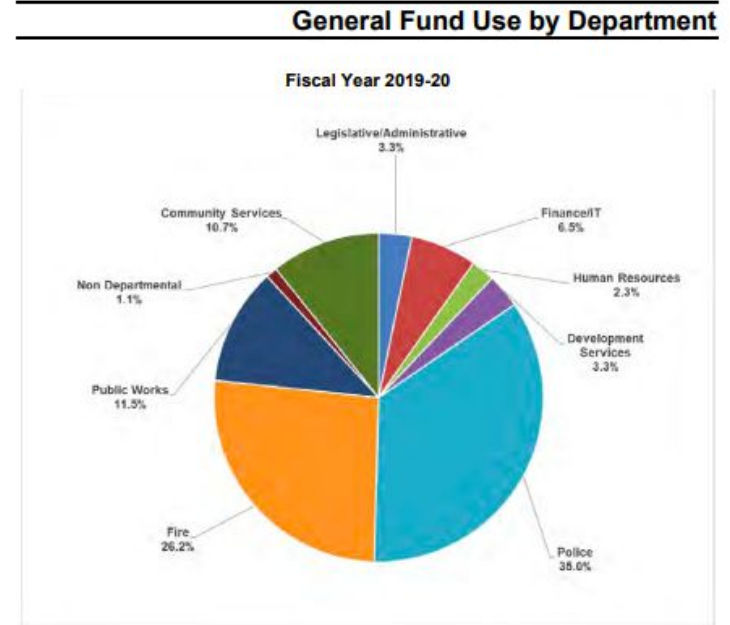
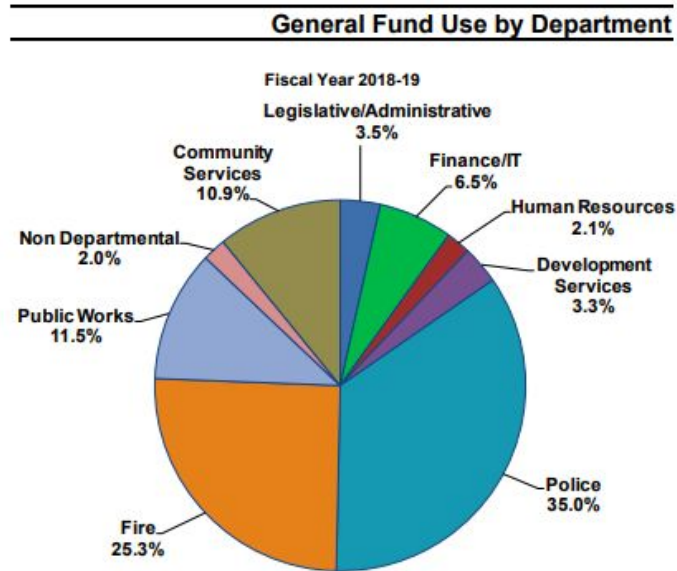


General Fund Budget Allocations

Making It All Work



Year after year, the police department receives more than one third of funds from the General Funds





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Purpose:

Reduce budgeted expenditures for the FY 20/21 budget.

Background:

In November 2019, the City Council adopted eight priorities which guide Council's decision on the allocation of resources:

1. Public Safety
 - Safe Community: Ensure the highest level of public safety
2. Fiscal Stability
 - Maintain and enhance the fiscal stability of Yuba City
3. Organizational Culture
 - Foster a culture of customer service, transparency, & accountability
4. Business Friendly
 - Yuba City is "Open for Business"
5. Enhance Partnerships
 - Strengthen and develop partnerships within our region
6. Quality of Life
 - Maintain and enhance our quality of life
7. Infrastructure
 - Identify and address our infrastructure financial needs
8. Homeless and Vagrancy
 - Address homeless issues in our community

Public Safety is listed as Yuba City's number one priority

Crime is high in Yuba City

Crime rate in Yuba City, CA

The 2018 crime rate in Yuba City, CA was 260 (City-Data.com crime index), which was comparable to the U.S average. It was higher than in 78.2% of U.S. cities. The 2018 Yuba City crime rate fell by 8% compared to 2017. The number of homicides stood at 1 - an increase of 1 compared to 2017. In the last 5 years Yuba City has seen an increase in violent crime and a decrease in property crime.

Crime & Safety



Based on violent and property crime rates.

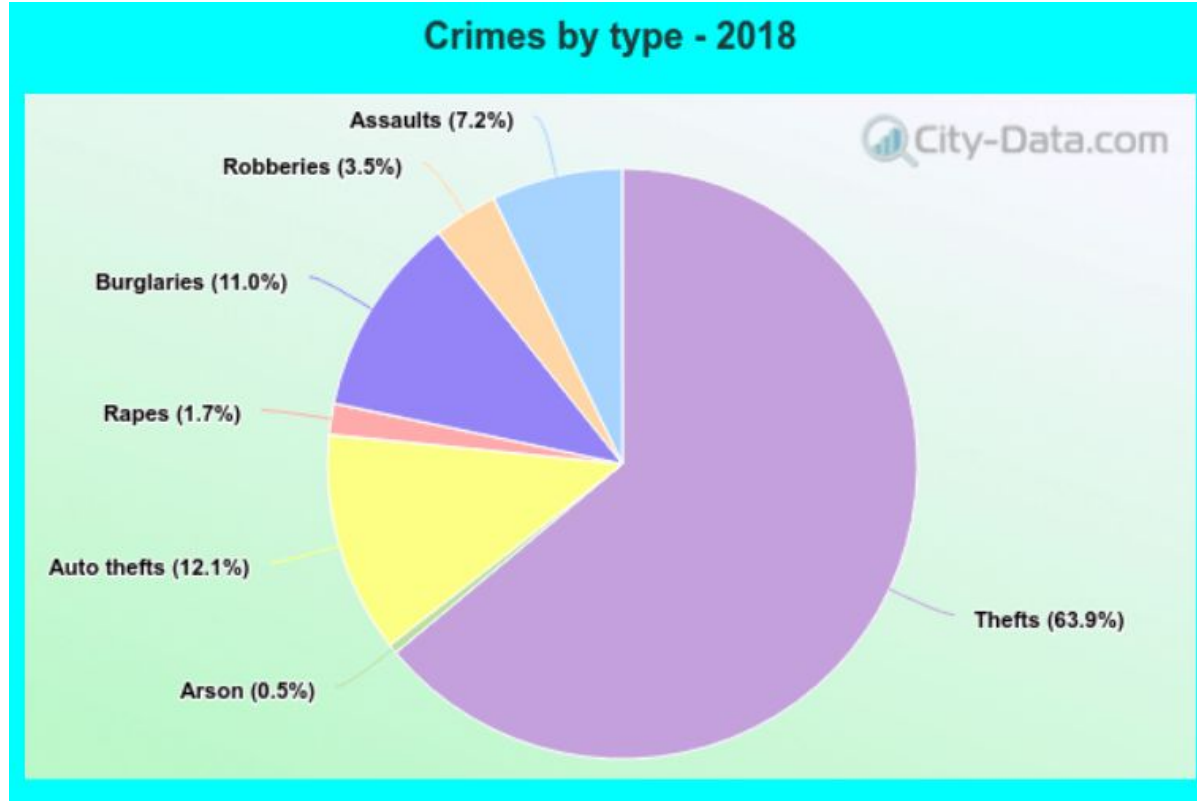
Violent Crimes

Calculated annually per 100,000 residents		National
Assault	228.2	282.7
Murder	1.5	6.1
Rape	52.2	40.7
Robbery	111.9	135.5

Property Crimes

Calculated annually per 100,000 residents		National
Burglary	349.1	500.1
Theft	2,022.8	2,042.8
Motor Vehicle Theft	381.9	284

Theft is the most common crime in Yuba City



What are the possible reasons theft is most common in Yuba City?



Overall Niche Grade

How are grades calculated?

B	Public Schools	C	Crime & Safety
C	Housing	B	Nightlife
B-	Good for Families	A+	Diversity
C	Jobs	A+	Weather
C	Cost of Living	A-	Health & Fitness
A-	Outdoor Activities	B	Commute

Yuba City was rated poor in the following areas:
housing,
jobs, employment, cost of living, and schools.

Enter a State, City, Neighborhood, Address or Zip Buy Rent Livability

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Yuba City, CA Crime

Overview

Real Estate

Rentals

Demographics

Weather

Best Places

Livability

Amenities

Cost of Living

Crime

Employment

Housing

Schools

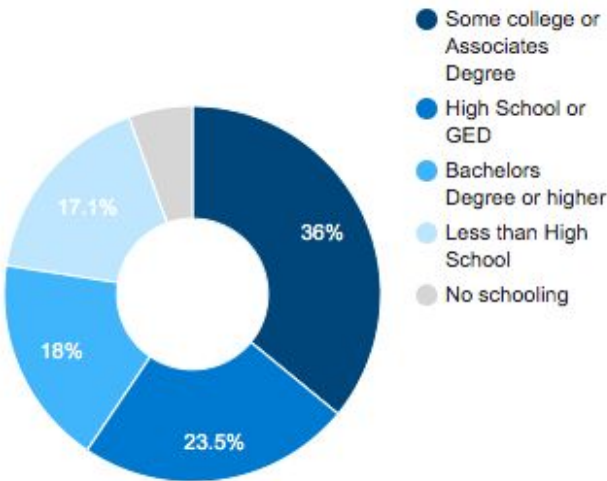
User Ratings

Education Level Achieved In Yuba City

Index	Yuba City	California	National
Completed 8th grade	77.8%	81.1%	84.3%
Completed high school	76.5%	79.8%	83.0%
Completed some college	54.8%	61.5%	59.4%
Completed associate degree	29.1%	39.8%	38.5%
Completed bachelors	17.7%	32.0%	30.3%
Completed masters	5.4%	11.9%	11.5%
Completed professional degree	1.5%	3.9%	3.3%
Completed doctorate	0.4%	1.6%	1.3%

Date & Last Updated: This data reflects 2019 and was released from C2ER in January, 2020; this is the most current data available.

Figure 5: Yuba City city-CA, CA Education Attainment Breakdown



Less than approximately two thirds of the population in Yuba City have a bachelor's or higher.

Quality of Life Survey

Quality of Life Survey Results

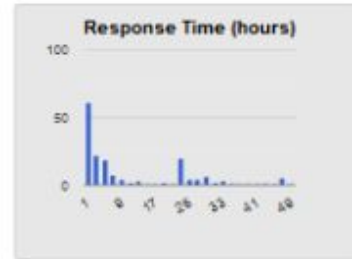
City of Yuba City / Community / Community / **Quality of Life Survey Results**



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Total Participants

169 of 327 initially invited (52%)
10 others
Margin of error: $\pm 7\%$

Applied Filter:
All Responses
Participants for filter:
179

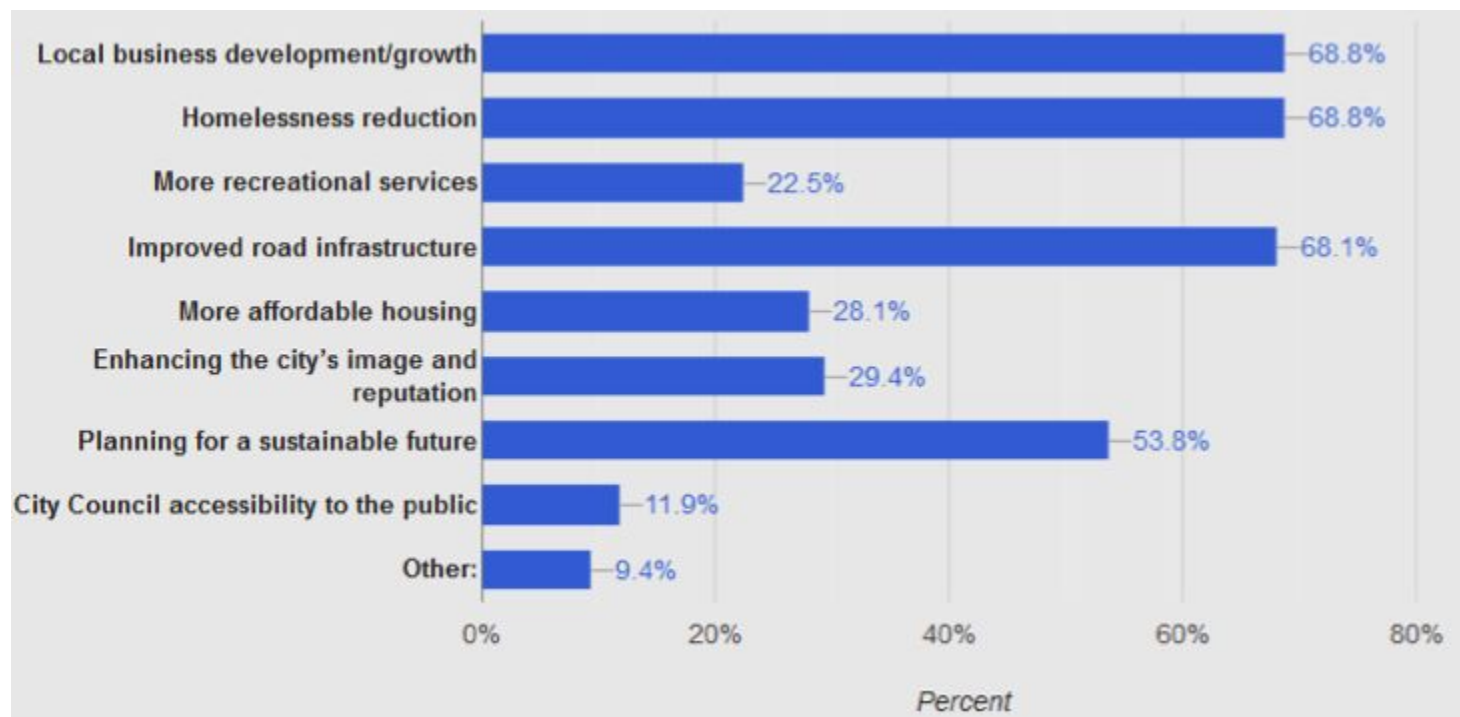


Started:
Mar 6, 2019 11:07am
Ended:
Mar 8, 2019 11:03am
Target Participants:
All Yuba City

*No demographics of survey respondents were included, thus the data cannot be generalized to the whole city population of Yuba City.

Q4

In your opinion, which of the following, if any, should be the most important priorities for Yuba City?
(You can choose up to FOUR)



The Yuba City Police Department is also guilty of police brutality



A video player showing a scene of police brutality. A police officer is seen punching a man who is lying on the ground. A police car with "YUBA CITY POLICE" written on it is in the background. The video is from "NEW TONIGHT" and is titled "Yuba Man Punched on Video". The source is cited as "ALEJANDRO PEREZ". The video player interface shows a progress bar at 0:49 / 2:28 and various controls.

SOURCE: ALEJANDRO PEREZ

NEW TONIGHT | Yuba Man Punched on Video

Charges Dropped Against Man Punched By Yuba City Police Officer

3,150 views • Aug 9, 2017

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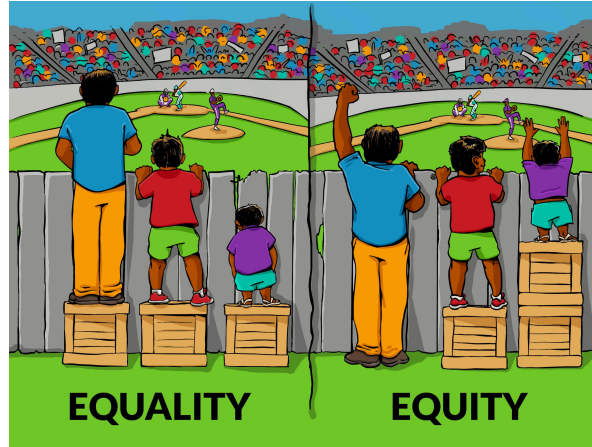
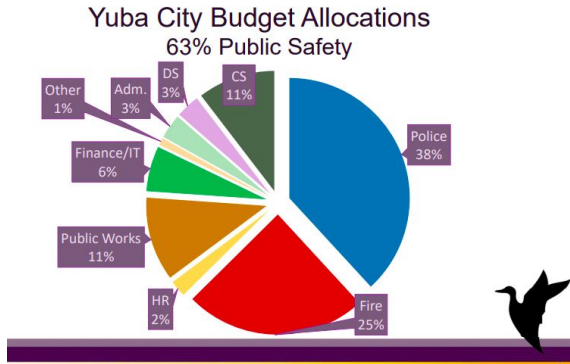
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Defunding the police is NOT an impossible task.

Yuba City should be preparing for the effects of COVID-19 as well.

In conclusion, our city will highly benefit if we defund our Police department AND reallocate funds to community services and development services.



We need housing.
education.
healthcare.
good jobs.
healthy food.
free public transit.
mental healthcare.
small business support.
~~more police.~~

Lastly, all lives don't matter UNTIL **Black Lives Matter**. #BlackLivesMatter

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*Due to being in a time crunch, I couldn't do complete in-text citations or list out full detailed citations, but all the links for any of the pictures or data I showed are listed.

Acknowledgements of the resources that helped me in Yuba City/Sutter County

- Head Start Program
 - Started my education and socialization early on
 - Park Avenue Elementary School (PAES)
 - PAES After School Program: For offering me a place to be afterschool, fun social activities, and make me feel more connected to my community.
 - PAES Gifted and Talented Education: For offering me opportunities to learn how to use the computer in the late 2000s.
 - My teachers who educated me
 - The principal during 5th grade who applied for funding so that my whole class could go to Shady Creek for free
 - Free and reduced lunch
 - Richland Housing
 - For providing subsidized housing to my mother and me during my childhood years
 - Sutter County Library
 - For offering summer reading programs, fun learning programs, and books to read
 - Andros Karperos Middle School
 - Student Leadership (7th & 8th grade)
 - Track and Field (6th-8th grade), Volleyball(7th & 8th grade), Basketball (7th & 8th grade)
 - My teachers who educated me
 - Free and reduced lunch
 - Yuba City School District Buses
 - For offering me free ride to my elementary and middle schools
 - Yuba City High School
 - Associated Student Body Leadership (12th grade)
 - Spanish Honor Society, M.E.Ch.A, Key Club,...too many clubs to list
 - Student Leadership (9th-11th grade)
 - Volleyball (9th & 10th), Tennis (11th & 12th), Basketball (9th-12th), Soccer(10th)
 - ROP programs
 - For offering me the opportunity to learn video composition
 - My teachers who educated me
 - Special shoutout to Mr. Montenegro (my AP Spanish Teacher) who taught us some history of Latin America in addition to Spanish
 - Career Center
 - Special thanks to Mr. Shaw for sending a scholarship listserv, and to ALL the scholarship foundations from this listserv that sponsored me
 - Free and reduced lunch
 - Educational Talent Search Chico State
 - College counselor Leah Siem who helped me LEARN about USA colleges and APPLY to them
 - Special thanks to her because I wouldn't have applied and been accepted to Cornell University and UCLA.
 - For providing me the opportunity to attend Upward Bound Math and Science Program at UC Berkeley summer after 9th grade
 - Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health
 - For offering psychological counseling during my teenage years which is possibly the toughest phase in my opinion, it was definitely relieving having someone to talk to outside my friends and family
 - Peach Tree Health Clinic by the Sutter County Jail
 - Friendly and reliable service from my primary doctors Dr. Wu and Dr. Gonzalez
 - Yuba College
 - For offering high schoolers the opportunity to take college classes during summer, and even during the year.
 - Took my first college class during the summer after sophomore year
 - Yuba Sutter Transit Bus
 - For providing me a means of transportation to middle school and Yuba College (my commute to Yuba College was a two hour commute)
 - Special shoutout to the reduced monthly passes for minors and seniors
 - To my mother and all the programs that have supported her well-being
 - Special shoutout to the Yuba College conjunction program with Sacramento State to offer her an opportunity to graduate with a B.A. in Early Childhood Education
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- *I did my best to include the majority of resources that helped me, but I may have omitted some accidentally.

I did NOT pull myself up my own bootstraps, I received the help of countless people.

“I recognize the spaces in which I took where limited. Thus, I want to see expansive programs that reach the communities that most need it. To build equity is what what this city needs.” -Elisa Rojas Palato