

**Sims City Council
Members need to
hear from you!**



Dear .

Have you ever noticed how well-maintained neighborhoods rarely have problems with crime, while disorderly neighborhoods with trash on the street and graffiti painted on buildings usually have the worst crime?

Well 40 years ago, law enforcement experts saw the same thing and found out when you cleaned up the trash in bad neighborhoods, crimes like robbery and even murder went down. So they came up with a system called "quality of life policing," (also known as "Broken Windows Policing") where police go into bad neighborhoods and issue citations for littering, vandalism, vagrancy, loitering, and other "quality of life" offenses.

Over the years, quality of life policing spread to major cities across the nation **and it not only reduced crime in the U.S. by over 50% between 1985 and 2015, but was also responsible for rehabilitating thousands of neighborhoods across America** -- neighborhoods where young couples are now raising families -- where women feel safe walking down the street -- where children can be safe playing in city parks -- and where shops and restaurants are again opening up.

But now, dozens of well-financed groups like the ACLU and George Soros Open Society Foundation are determined to **end quality of life policing across America -- which is why I'm asking you to check the YES box on the attached Reply Form, so we can add your name to our Quality of Life Policing Petition which will be presented to Sims City Council Members.**

Your City Council Members likely approve your police budget and also give the police in Sims their marching orders so your City Council can either keep your neighborhoods clean and safe **OR** do what many big city politicians are doing -- bowing to anti-law enforcement pressure and ordering their police to stop quality of life policing.

- As I write to you today, police departments are facing a record number of lawsuits, **challenging the rights of police** to make arrests for quality of life violations like vandalism, loitering, and public drug use -- lawsuits **challenging the right of police** to keep vagrants from sleeping on the sidewalks -- lawsuits even saying that police must issue as many citations in good neighborhoods as they do

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of life policing and why it's so important to maintain cleanliness and order in our neighborhoods because **disorder in any neighborhood creates a sense of fear and invites crime.**

- 3.) Send us your most generous donation for \$15, \$25, \$50, \$100, or if you've been blessed with good fortune and can send as much as \$500 or \$1000 that would be a Godsend.

We here at National Police Association (NPA) are the only national organization raising the alarm against abolishing quality of life policing in Sims and other major urban areas across the nation. But we can't do it alone. So -- **please** -- join us in this critical effort by checking the YES box on the attached Reply Form and send your most generous gift for \$15 or \$25. And thank you in advance for reading my letter and for your support.

Sincerely,


Eddie Hutchison, President & CEO

P., it's not the billionaire developers who are responsible for bringing our cities back to life. It's not sports teams building stadiums or new restaurants going into transitional neighborhoods. It's the tens-of-thousands of cops who, for the past 30 years, have diligently patrolled the streets in our nation's worst neighborhoods and made these neighborhoods welcoming and safe again by using quality of life policing methods.

So today please: 1.) Check the YES box on the Form below and agree to add your name to the Quality of Life Policing Petition addressed to Sims City Council Members. 2.) Send your most generous gift of \$15, \$25, \$50, \$100 or more to help us preserve quality of life policing.

P.P.S. One more thing: If you don't want to sign the Petition or make a donation then please check the "NO" box on the form below and return it in the enclosed postage paid envelope. That way I'll know I need to recruit someone else in Sims to help.

▼ Detach and Return this Form in the enclosed postage-paid envelope ▼

Quality of Life Policing Reply Form

☐ **YES,** you can add my name, along with the names of other Sims residents to the Quality of Life Policing Petition that will be presented to Sims City Council Members. The Quality of Life Policing Petition will read as follows:

To Members of the Sims City Council:

There is a national movement underway to cut back on quality of life policing methods such as making arrests for vandalism, littering, loitering, vagrancy, public intoxication, and other quality of life violations.

As a registered voter in Sims, I urge you to maintain all quality of life policing methods, vigorously defend these methods, support our police in enforcement of quality of life violations, and make sure our district attorney is fully behind quality of life policing methods.

Quality of life policing, as well as pro-active policing methods, have cleaned up and maintained order in many neighborhoods in our city and helped reduce more serious crime nationwide between 1985 and 2015 by over 50%.

☐ I also realize that National Police Association (NPA) is the only group fighting nationwide to preserve "quality of life" policing. I want to help NPA's efforts in our nation's courtrooms, in the media, and through public awareness efforts to fight against those who would abolish Quality of Life Policing, I'm enclosing my best donation of:

☐ \$15 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1000 ☐ My best donation of \$

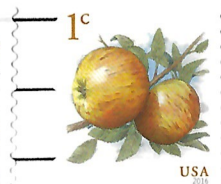
☐ **NO,** I do not wish to add my name to the Quality of Life Policing Petition or make even a small donation.

Please make your check payable to NPA. Your donation to NPA is tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. See NPA Facts. No contribution is required. Donations are used where the need is greatest.

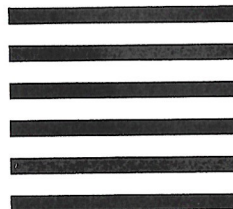
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