Open this zine and turn to the interior poster, which offers realistic and practical steps that can be taken to reduce – and ultimately, abolish - policing and the carceral state.

that can be taken to ensure that we reach it.

Another world is possible: abolish the police. Another world is

True abolition of the carceral

state is the goal; there are steps

Abolish the Police! Abolish the Police! Abolish the Police! Why Reformist "Reforms" Do Not

Decrease the Power of Policing

This zine breaks down the difference between

reformist "reforms," which continue or expand the

reach of policing, and abolitionist steps that work to

chip away and reduce its overall impact.

As we struggle to decrease the power of policing

there are also positive and proactive investments we

can make in community health and well-being.

Please distribute this document widely. 🗭

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structurally invested in their existence		particularly in Black, Brown, poor
- Some boards, tasked with overseeing police, become	慧	- Scale of policing will increase,
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- Further entrenches policing as a legitimate, reform-	黨	- Cops trained in additional tactics & approaches
	1_1	keeps people safe
- Boards rarely have "teeth," aka, power	黨	- Rooted in the false idea that policing
exceptional rather than ordinary occurances	6	τρε εοωωπυιτλ
- Presumes that excessive force, killing, lying, etc. are	黨	- Departments will have to hire more cops to be in
- Can increase in funding to police or no change	燾	
	****	Community Policing:
Civilian Review/Oversight Boards:		
	黨	community members want
	黨	- Footage used does not often have the impact that
- Increase the scope of policing	1111	- Can be turned off
- Increases tools, tactics, and tech at police disposal	燾	_
	7775	- Give police another tool of surveillance
- Furthers belief that better policing comes from training, and that harm comes from lack of training	黨	- Contribute to the idea that policing can be done correctly
		police budget, and away from community programs)
- Increased funding to police to develop and run training	黨	
	1115	- Increase funding to police (more money towards
:gninibrT 910M	黨	Body Cameras:

Prosecuting Killer Cops:

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- Does not change funding (or, often, increases it) - Creates distinction between good cop / bad cop

- Reinforce the prison industrial complex and the idea that prosecution and prison serve real justice

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Suspend Paid Admin Leave for Cops Under Investigation:

• Can increase budgets for community initiatives

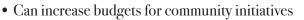
• Challenges the notion that policing violence, and the admin costs it incurrs, are essential risks of creating "safety"

• Access to paid admin leave lessens the consequences of use of force (and presumes the right of police to use violence in the first place)



• Less financial support for police undergoing investigation for killing and excessive use of force means less support for policing

Withhold Pensions and Don't Rehire Cops Involved in Excessive Force:



• Challenges the notion that killings and excessive force are exceptions, rather than the rule

• Reduces the ability of police to move around or re-engage cops known for their use of violence

• Reduces the scale of policing

Require Cops to Be Liable for Misconduct Settlements:

• Can increase budgets for community initiatives by divesting cash from policing's harm against community members

• Challenges the notion that policing and all its costs are essential components of safety

• Creates pressure for police to account for their actions financially and limits the legitimacy of policing violence as inevitable

• Reduces the scale of policing





Cap Overtime Accrual and Overtime Pay for Military Exercises

Can increase budgets for community initiatives
Challenges the notion that we need police to be trained for "counterterrorism" and other military-style action and

surveillance in the guise of increasing "safety"
Weapons trainings and expos are used to scale up policing infrastructure and shape goals for future tools, tactics, and technology

• Stops police from increasing their legitimacy, capacity, and skills as "the blue line" in order to expand their reach over our daily lives and community spaces

Prioritize Spending on Community, Health, Education,

Affordable Housing

• Decreases resources for policing

- Creates space to imagine, learn about, and make resources that actually create well-being
- Decreases the amount of money used for policing tools and technology

• Decreases the size, scope, and capacity of systems of policing

Withdraw Participation in Police Militarization Programs:

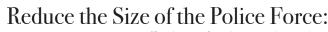
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Reduces funding to the police

• Challenges the notion that police increase safety

- Reduces tools, tactics, and technology that police have at their disposal
 - Reduces the scale of policing



