

PEPPERMILL POP PROJECT

The Reno Police Department is conducting a survey evaluating police services in this neighborhood. Would you please take a few minutes of your time to assist in this evaluation. Please answer these questions as this deal with this **specific** area of town. Be assured all answers are confidential. Please circle to appropriate answer or fill in the blank.

1. Are you a resident, business owner or property manager in this area?

Resident
Business owner
Property Manager

2. What do you feel is the number one crime problem?

3. How can this problem be solved or reduced? _____

4. How would you rate the police department's performance in this neighborhood?

Very Good
Good
Fair
Poor
Very Poor

5. Please rate each of the following as to your level of concern for these issues in this area:

(5=Very concerned, 4=Somewhat concerned, 3=Neutral, 2=Somewhat unconcerned, 1=Not Concerned)

A.	Burglaries	5	4	3	2	1
B.	Vandalism	5	4	3	2	1
C.	Auto Theft	5	4	3	2	1
D.	Physical Assaults	5	4	3	2	1
E.	Vacant lots and Buildings	5	4	3	2	1
F.	Drug Use	5	4	3	2	1
G.	Gang Activity	5	4	3	2	1
H.	Robberies	5	4	3	2	1
I.	Deteriorated Buildings	5	4	3	2	1
J.	Drug Dealers	5	4	3	2	1
K.	Loitering	5	4	3	2	1
L.	Graffiti	5	4	3	2	1
M.	Abandoned Cars	5	4	3	2	1
N.	Rape	5	4	3	2	1
I.	Family Disturbances	5	4	3	2	1

6. What should the Reno Police Department do to improve your neighborhood? _____

7. What should the residents of this area do to improve the neighborhood? _____

8. What should the business owners of the area do to improve the neighborhood? _____

9. Is this area of Reno safe?

yes

No

10 What is your gender?

Male

Female

Thank you very much for your time and assistance in completing this survey!!

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SURVEY RESULTS

Citizens surveyed

72	Residents
21	Business owners
16	Property managers

Number one crime problem

30	Burglaries
23	Drugs
18	Vandalism
13	Gangs
6	Assault
2	Loitering
2	Crimes against children
2	Traffic
1	Murder
1	Police ethics

How to solve this problem

39	Increase Patrol/Visibility
7	Tougher Penalties
7	Establish a neighborhood watch program
6	Citizens use safety precautions-ie locks, security guards
6	Better communication between citizens
4	Better communication between citizens and police
3	Improve lighting
3	Increase Drug enforcement

Department's performance

22	Very Good
52	Good
26	Fair
6	Poor
1	Very Poor

Ways RPD can improve neighborhood

64	Increase patrol/visibility	
	4 specifically wanted foot patrol	increased
	3 specifically wanted bike patrol	increased
7	Improve police/resident communications	
5	Nothing more can be done	
3	Improve police/business communications	
3	Step up a neighborhood watch program	
3	More programs for residents/children	

Ways that the residents can improve the neighborhood

- 55 Neighborhood watch program
- 10 Improve physical appearance of property
- 9 Improve police/resident communications
- 5 Parental responsibility
- 4 Improve lighting

Ways that business owners can improve the neighborhood

- 24 Better internal security-ie security guards
- 16 Improve physical appearance of property
- 13 Improve lighting-especially parking lots
- 6 Get involved with the neighborhood
- 4 Improve police/business communication

Is this neighborhood safe

- 36 Yes
- 63 No

Citizens concern of the issues

(1-5 scale)

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| 1. | Gangs | 4.427 |
| 2. | Burglary | 4.400 |
| 3. | Vandalism | 4.333 |
| 4. | Drug use | 4.298 |
| 5. | Drug dealers | 4.297 |
| 6. | Robbery | 4.262 |
| 7. | Assaults | 4.127 |
| 8. | Rape | 4.050 |
| 9. | Loitering | 3.760 |
| 10. | Grand theft auto | 3.713 |
| 11. | Family disturbances | 3.644 |
| 12. | Graffiti | 3.495 |
| 13. | Abandoned cars | 3.196 |
| 14. | Deteriorating buildings | 3.052 |
| 15. | Vacant lots | 2.928 |

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HISPANIC SURVEY RESULTS

The following is a summary of the surveys that were conducted in Spanish and some key differences between the results. There were 20 Spanish surveys completed, all with residents of the area.

1. Number one crime problem

	English	Spanish
Burglaries	30.6%	50.0%
Drugs	23.5%	5.0%
Vandalism	18.4%	0.0%
Gangs	13.3%	20.0%
Assault	6.1%	0.0%

2. Ways to solve this problem (English/Spanish)

Increase Patrol/Visibility	52.0%/26.3%
Tougher Penalties	9.3%/10.5%
Establish a neighborhood watch program	9.3%/0.0%
use safety precautions-ie security guards	8.0%/21.1%
Better communication between citizens	8.0%/0.0%
Better communication between citizens and police	5.3%/0.0%
Improve lighting	4.0%/10.5%
Increase Drug enforcement	4.0%/5.3%
Increase Gang enforcement	0.0%/15.8%

3. Department's performance

	English	Spanish
Very Good	20.6%	20.0%
Good	48.6%	45.0%
Fair	24.3%	35.0%
Poor	5.6%	0.0%
Very Poor	0.9%	0.0%

4. Citizen's issues of concern (mean scores)

(5=Very concerned, 3=Neutral, 1=Not concerned)

	English	Spanish
1. Gangs	4.427	3.15
2. Burglary	4.400	3.50
3. Vandalism	4.333	2.55
4. Drug use	4.298	2.90
5. Drug dealers	4.297	2.80
6. Robbery	4.262	2.65
7. Assaults	4.127	2.55
8. Rape	4.050	1.00
9. Loitering	3.760	1.58
10. Grand theft auto	3.713	4.05
11. Family disturbances	3.644	1.00
12. Graffiti	3.495	2.60
13. Abandoned cars	3.196	1.40
14. Deteriorating buildings	3.052	1.10
15. Vacant lots	2.928	1.10

5. Ways R.P.D. can improve neighborhood (English/Spanish)

Increase patrol/visibility	75.3%/75.0%
Improve police/resident communications	8.2%/0.0%
Nothing more can be done	6.0%/5.0%
Improve police/business communications	3.5%/0.0%
More programs for residents & children	7.0%/0.0%
More gang and drug enforcement	0.0%/15.0%

6. Ways residents can improve the neighborhood (English/Spanish)

Neighborhood watch program	66.3%/50.0%
Improve physical appearance of property	12.1%/0.0%
Improve police/resident communications	10.8%/5.6%
Parental responsibility	6.0%/5.6%
Improve lighting and security	4.8%/27.6%

7. Ways business owners can improve the neighborhood
(English/Spanish)

Better internal security-ie security guards	38.1%/50.0%
Improve physical appearance of property	25.4%/0.0%
Improve lighting-especially parking lots	20.6%/22.2%
Get involved with the neighborhood	9.5%/0.0%
Improve police/business communication	6.4%/0.0%

8. Is this neighborhood safe

	English	Spanish
Yes	36.4%	90.0%
No	63.6%	10.0%