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APPENDIX A – VERBATIM RESPONSES

Q9_1. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in **Downtown**?

Downtown exclusive (Net)

101. Avoid certain downtown areas (i.e., bus mall):

➤ A lot of people loitering especially near the bus mall.
➤ After 11pm the riverbank (Bessborough) has a whole new crowd. Workers advised not to tarry after shift. Bus mall is sketchy; security guards look almost as sketchy as those hanging around.
➤ All you have to do is look at the atmosphere, especially the bus mall. That is definitely a place morning or night I don't feel safe. Another place is 2nd Avenue and Third Avenue and 1st Avenue around Midtown Plaza. You have people who are homeless always begging for money and if you walk away sometimes you get a smart remark. I feel you shouldn't have to be hassled this way. There should be a vagrancy law or somewhere these people can meet if that is what they say they are looking for. A good example of all this is the situation by McDonalds which has to be torn down because of people loitering where they shouldn't be. I can definitely tell you I always walked the opposite side of McDonalds. It's to take back our downtown and tell these people they have to find somewhere else to loiter.
➤ Areas like the bus mall, the McDonald's on 22 and 2nd Ave. All those benches outside. People get harassed there all the time. It's not a hang out area for ruby, poor people and that's what it is treated as. It makes our city look terrible.
➤ Because I used to work down there and have seen what goes on, what types of people hang out on the streets. Especially the bus terminal on 23rd Street and I have also heard stories.
➤ I do not and never have felt safe walking in the Downtown area. It seems to be the area of the city that has the most foot traffic and a lot of that foot traffic is negative. There are a lot of people who look and make you feel like you are unsafe.
➤ Lots of kids and unsavory individuals in and around the bus mall. They do not have any social services or shelters to move them away from the bus loop.
➤ Near the bus terminal is terrible.
➤ Proximity to 20th, downtowns are always bad.
➤ Same as Broadway area.
➤ Some areas of downtown (such as 22nd and 2nd) have loiterers who harass you as you walk by, which is often a very uncomfortable situation.

Non-area specific (Net)

201. Sketchy/strange/bad people-general:

➤ A lot of bars around with drunken people coming out at night time. During the day there are a few people who are sketchy.
➤ A lot of panhandlers and questionable people.
➤ After 11pm the riverbank (Bessborough) has a whole new crowd. Workers advised not to tarry after shift. Bus mall is sketchy; security guards look almost as sketchy as those hanging around.
➤ As I watch the news and read the paper there are unpredictable people out there.
➤ At night there are people in the area who are not welcoming.
➤ Bad teenagers hanging around.
➤ Because of the people that are down there.
➤ Because of the types of people downtown at certain times.
➤ Being approached by strangers, crime.
➤ Creepy characters with hoodies and big pants.
➤ Creepy people.

➤ Have you walked downtown 2nd Avenue? One side is sketchy, filthy and sketchy Native and White people. More Native than white. I used to cross the street but the other side is getting just as bad. I am ashamed of our city. I travel a lot and if people ask me about our city I tell them as it is. The only city where I don't trust what's walking behind me.
➤ Homeless people constantly approaching or sketchy people hanging around.
➤ I feel safe in the daylight, but usually try to have someone with me after dark, as you sometimes meet some unsavoury looking characters.
➤ Not well lit, creepy people around.
➤ Panhandlers and sketchy people hanging out.
➤ Panhandlers, sketchy looking people.
➤ People hanging around and strange traffic.
➤ Random people walking around. They sometimes look and comment on you or will pass a random remark.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ Sometimes weird people stopped you to ask for money and scared of rumor on needle issue.
➤ Strange people.
➤ The bus mall attracts too many weirdoes. My friend lives in the King George and it's scary to walk to her condo.
➤ The night brings out the bad in people; I've had questionable thoughts when I was walking at night.
➤ The type of sketchy people hanging around with no particular reason to be there.
➤ The undesirable people in the area and the reports of crime.
➤ There are a lot of creepy looking men walking about I am a woman so that is why.
➤ There are a lot of sketchy people hanging around and I rarely see a police presence.
➤ There are quite a few sketchy people out and about at all times during the day. Ever since the bus mall got security it feels like one of the safer areas. I would feel safer if there were a stronger police presence.
➤ Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place.
➤ Too many crazy people.
➤ Too many crazy people.
➤ Too many people wondering around with bad intent.
➤ Too many shady characters.
➤ Too many sketchy characters, just hanging out.
➤ Too many sketchy people around, mostly native. Lots of corners and dark alleys for bad people to hide in.
➤ Too many very dangerous looking people.
➤ Too many weirdoes on the loose.
➤ Too many weirdoes, bad drivers.
➤ Traffic is usually very busy, people drive above the speed limit a lot, I still see some people talking on cell phones while driving, and occasionally there are people who look a bit rough.
➤ Unsavory people downtown.
➤ Vagrants.
➤ Very empty at night except for a few sketchy people.
➤ Very shady people walking around and sometimes being approached or harassed for money.
➤ You just can't trust everyone.

202. Panhandlers/bums:

➤ A lot of panhandlers and questionable people.
➤ Aggressive panhandlers that become verbally abusive when you have no change for them. Not ALL are aggressive but the ones that are make a downtown experience unenjoyable so I usually avoid that area unless I am paying my SaskTel bill.
➤ All you have to do is look at the atmosphere, especially the bus mall. That is definitely a place morning or night I don't feel safe. Another place is 2nd Avenue and Third Avenue and 1st Avenue around Midtown Plaza. You have people who are homeless always begging for money and if you walk away sometimes you get a smart remark. I feel you shouldn't have to be hassled this way. There should be a vagrancy law or somewhere these people can meet if that is what they say they are looking for. A good example of all this is the situation by McDonalds which has to be torn down because of people loitering where they shouldn't be. I can definitely tell you I always walked the opposite side of McDonalds. It's to take back our downtown and tell these people they have to find somewhere else to loiter.
➤ At night it is because of the bars and the panhandlers.
➤ Because our downtown district is underdeveloped but with a high population nearby. This leads to a lot of loitering by teenagers. Coupled with the areas I frequent more often, near the Cineplex, it also leads to drunk people from the bars and homeless/half way house people being in greater numbers than near where I live.
➤ Because there are a lot of groups of young, rough looking characters. Panhandlers harassing for money.
➤ Beggars make me uncomfortable.
➤ Bums and gangsters.
➤ Cyclists need to not cycle on the sidewalk! Also, there are panhandlers who will come after you sometimes.
➤ Downtown has become the hangout area for what used to be around the Barry and Albany hotels on 20th St. Doesn't seem too much police presence during the evening/night. Panhandlers at every corner now.
➤ Encountered gang activity during lunch hour and a panhandler who was obviously mentally ill and very confrontational.
➤ Every time I am downtown with or without someone else I always get approached by un-reputable people asking for money, and they always look like they are strung out on drugs or drunk.
➤ Gang activity and panhandlers.
➤ Gangs and bums.
➤ Got approached by many males requesting money in park by Bessborough.
➤ Have been approached 'in the face' too many times for money and have had my car encircled once.
➤ I am nervous of the panhandlers and street people who congregate in certain areas of downtown.
➤ I have been approached often by people standing on the street for money, to sell drugs, and simply acting in an intimidating/territorial way.
➤ I have been asked for money and when I said I didn't have change, the individual followed me and was verbally insulting me.
➤ I live in the downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ I would not do it at night alone because you here of many people being approached for money/cigs or worse assaulted or attacked.
➤ I've been followed by someone who asked me for money, and called names by groups of teenagers.
➤ I've been harassed by beggars.
➤ Lots of Indians asking for money.

➤ Lots of riffraff, people asking for money.
➤ Lots of vagrants, people asking for money. Some streets are very quiet and somewhat secluded.
➤ Mainly has a lot to do with the panhandlers and what not.
➤ My impression is that with more bar patrons and people wandering on downtown streets there is more chance of criminal activity at night. I particularly fear being asked for money, cigarettes etc. and if I refuse that the person may get physical. I do hear of unprovoked attacks on the news quite often by people that do not know each other.
➤ Pan handlers, and other individuals just hanging out in groups.
➤ Panhandlers and sketchy people hanging out.
➤ Panhandlers are all over bothering me and my kids. I always see lots of younger aged people that fit the demographic and appearance of 'gangs'.
➤ Panhandlers are getting aggressive.
➤ Panhandlers on the streets, and people just sitting on benches and watching people as they go by.
➤ Panhandlers, lack of visible police presence.
➤ Panhandlers, lots of kids just hanging around.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ Panhandlers, sketchy looking people.
➤ Panhandlers, street people, bar/club patrons.
➤ Panhandlers.
➤ Panhandlers.
➤ People lounging on the sidewalks so you can barely walk by. People hanging out taking part of the sidewalk to stand while they horse around. People asking for money.
➤ People panhandling makes me uncomfortable, some streets seem dirty.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ Sometimes weird people stopped you to ask for money and scared of rumor on needle issue.
➤ There are a large amount of homeless, out of school kids, gang members that hang around down town. Almost every day I try to take the bus to work but I hate it because for the walk to and from work I am constantly getting harassed for money, cigarettes and sworn at! Very disgusting.
➤ There are a lot of panhandlers. I also know of a few crimes that have been committed there.
➤ There are lots of homeless people and beggars.
➤ There are too many individuals hanging around street corners and begging for money. They do not belong there. I have been followed many times where I have had to duck into a store. As a young woman this is not ok.
➤ There are unsafe people walking around and loitering there all of the time. There is also a problem with panhandlers.
➤ There can be aggressive panhandlers, intoxicated people, and large groups.
➤ There have been too many instances of people being approached for money or attacked.

➤ This would be in the evening. There is an element of people that wander the streets downtown mid to late evening and not that there is anything wrong with being downtown I find that the element of people tend to look to intimidating and create a sense of fear in people to show or appear that they are of superior. This also happens sometimes during the day. The element of people tends to be of First Nations origin. I have seen during the day a First Nations person spitting on the street every time a Caucasian person passes by. I know this for fact because I was one of those that were walking by while the spitting took place. I have seen this happen twice. Both times it was on the street where the bus, Saskatoon Club and Hudson's is on. I have had a First Nations person in my face asking for money on the other side of the street during the day and by the midtown mall I had a First Nations person grab me while asking for money. That individual actually was defying me to lash out at him I'm thinking so that he could play it up as a raciest situation. I am not a senior but I cannot imagine how a senior would feel.
➤ Too many gangs and street thugs asking for money.
➤ Too many panhandlers.(3)
➤ Too many panhandlers and unsavory types.
➤ Too many peddlers and homeless.
➤ Too many peddlers asking for change.
➤ Too many people begging for money and hanging out.
➤ Too many people hanging around asking for money.
➤ Too many people hanging out, begging, being verbally abusive to others.
➤ Too many people loitering and begging for money and too much gang activity.
➤ Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.
➤ Too many tough looking people hanging around on the street corners. Too much begging.
➤ Traffic and panhandlers.
➤ Very shady people walking around and sometimes being approached or harassed for money.
➤ Walking, being approached and being asked for money or a 'smoke'. Cycling, not designed for cycling.
➤ While walking in the area of 2nd and 3rd Avenues between 20th Street and 25th Street, I have been approached on a few occasions by individuals asking me for money. Somewhat unnerving as you never know how they will respond to your 'no' answer.

203. Homeless people/transients:

➤ A lot of criminal activities. A lot of homeless people.
➤ All you have to do is look at the atmosphere, especially the bus mall. That is definitely a place morning or night I don't feel safe. Another place is 2nd Avenue and Third Avenue and 1st Avenue around Midtown Plaza. You have people who are homeless always begging for money and if you walk away sometimes you get a smart remark. I feel you shouldn't have to be hassled this way. There should be a vagrancy law or somewhere these people can meet if that is what they say they are looking for. A good example of all this is the situation by McDonalds which has to be torn down because of people loitering where they shouldn't be. I can definitely tell you I always walked the opposite side of McDonalds. It's to take back our downtown and tell these people they have to find somewhere else to loiter.
➤ At night there are less people around and a greater percentage of them seem to be transients or unsavory.
➤ Homeless people and gangs.
➤ Homeless people constantly approaching or sketchy people hanging around.
➤ Homeless people.

➤ I live in the downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ I lived down town and was scared a few times by homeless people sleeping in Kinsmen Park.
➤ Many intoxicated people , homeless people etc.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ The block of 2nd Ave N and 21 St E, there are a lot of homeless or unfriendly people there.
➤ The Lighthouse attracts unsavory folks as does social services building.
➤ There are a large amount of homeless, out of school kids, gang members that hang around down town. Almost every day I try to take the bus to work but I hate it because for the walk to and from work I am constantly getting harassed for money, cigarettes and sworn at! Very disgusting.
➤ There are lots of homeless people and beggars.
➤ Too many peddlers and homeless.
➤ Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.

204. Crime/Afraid of being mugged/assaulted:

➤ A lot of criminal activities. A lot of homeless people.
➤ A lot of people robbing.
➤ Afraid of being mugged or attacked.
➤ Afraid of being mugged or having my purse grabbed.
➤ Alcohol, drugs, weapons.
➤ Always some people that may cause you harm.
➤ At night I know of people who have been attacked, things stolen, etc.
➤ Because of crime.
➤ Because of incidents reported on the news.
➤ Because of random people that think they can take away what you have, and have worked hard for.
➤ Because of the type of people who hang around downtown, and hearing of random acts of violence to people in the downtown area in the past.
➤ Being approached by strangers, crime.
➤ Crime and loitering on the streets, asking for money smokes, etc.
➤ Crime levels.
➤ Crime rate is more.
➤ Downtown has very few people living in it so it is easy to commit crimes as there are few people to witness them.
➤ Drivers do not pay attention to pedestrians or cyclists. Also, I've heard personal stories from my friends about some dangerous peoples that you can encounter in Downtown when it's dark.
➤ Drunken homeless people, fear of being robbed.
➤ During the day is fine but today's young people have very little or no respect for persons or property. At night one can never be sure just who you will encounter and what resources they may have to mug you and quite possibly harm you! With the lack of respect mentioned before and the fact that it seems everyone carries a knife, it is quite possible as a couple innocent bystanders have found out, that you could die!!
➤ Hassling teens or threat of being mugged.
➤ Having had family mugged in broad daylight.

➤ I am afraid of violent situations involving people on the streets.
➤ I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.
➤ I am handicapped and cannot walk that well, so I feel I make a good target for an assault and robbery or just harassment.
➤ I got jumped by 6 people last year. Was only around midnight. Got really hurt.
➤ I have been approached often by people standing on the street for money, to sell drugs, and simply acting in an intimidating/territorial way.
➤ I have lived downtown and I have been stopped at knife point and robbed.
➤ I have seen people fighting in the streets, and people hanging out in groups where I cannot recognize their purpose. They don't seem to hang out in front of bars or restaurants, which I could understand. I guess I assume that if people are hanging out in groups with no purpose, they are up to no good.
➤ I just tend to be more fearful than I probably should. I listen diligently to the news and hear of too many robberies, stabbings, and lately shootings and threats.
➤ I live in the downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ I think the area has an amount of people that have tendencies towards crime and violence that makes me feel unsafe.
➤ I would not do it at night alone because you here of many people being approached for money/cigs or worse assaulted or attacked.
➤ Increase in crime. Knifing and robbery stories in news.
➤ It is close to the west side, and I have heard of past incidents of violence, theft etc. in this area.
➤ I've been mugged twice in 13 years in the downtown area.
➤ Last time I was on 3 Avenue I witnessed unruly behaviour which caused me to go inside a business until these men had gone away.
➤ Lots of crime happens there and a lot of Aboriginal people are racist to new comers who are not Canadian.
➤ Many crazies and drunks on the bus, you never know who's going to jump/attack you. Plus I'm a woman so more chance of being raped.
➤ More criminal activity occurs at night.
➤ My impression is that with more bar patrons and people wandering on downtown streets there is more chance of criminal activity at night. I particularly fear being asked for money, cigarettes etc. and if I refuse that the person may get physical. I do hear of unprovoked attacks on the news quite often by people that do not know each other.
➤ Occasionally there are stories of gang activity. Shooting at Scratch bar for example. Downtown Saskatoon attracts many gangs and low to no income people.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ People loitering, stories about crime.
➤ Recent reports of crimes against persons along with the increasing number of aboriginal persons hanging about make me feel this way.
➤ Reports of crime in this area, especially after business hours.
➤ Reputation and crime stats.

➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ The continued reports of incidents of crime that is growing more frequent especially on the corner by McDonalds and bus mall.
➤ The undesirable people in the area and the reports of crime.
➤ There are a lot of panhandlers. I also know of a few crimes that have been committed there.
➤ There are a lot of side streets and alleys that are usually unpopulated as well as there are many bars which mean drunken people who have the potential to turn violent and there's been a few stabbings outside of these bars. There are also kids that loiter around certain corners that make me feel uneasy.
➤ There are all kinds of people breaking the rules.
➤ There are not enough police officers walking the area and I hear too much of people robbing with force and abuse.
➤ There are so many people just hanging around, both outside and inside the mall and I am afraid of what they are going to do. Both what they will do on purpose, such as grab my purse and what they might do by accident when they are playing and pushing each other around when I might be in the way.
➤ There are too many gangs, beggars and so on just hanging around the streets and parking lots; the area is too well known for stabbings, muggings and theft.
➤ There has been some violent incidents downtown at night and during the day (people getting killed, robbed).
➤ There has been violence there.
➤ There have been too many instances of people being approached for money or attacked.
➤ There is a high crime rate in the downtown area at night.
➤ This would be in the evening. There is an element of people that wander the streets downtown mid to late evening and not that there is anything wrong with being downtown I find that the element of people tend to look to intimidating and create a sense of fear in people to show or appear that they are of superior. This also happens sometimes during the day. The element of people tends to be of First Nations origin. I have seen during the day a First Nations person spitting on the street every time a Caucasian person passes by. I know this for fact because I was one of those that were walking by while the spitting took place. I have seen this happen twice. Both times it was on the street where the bus, Saskatoon Club and Hudson's is on. I have had a First Nations person in my face asking for money on the other side of the street during the day and by the midtown mall I had a First Nations person grab me while asking for money. That individual actually was defying me to lash out at him I'm thinking so that he could play it up as a raciest situation. I am not a senior but I cannot imagine how a senior would feel.
➤ Too many addicts, too many criminals.
➤ Too many groups of teens/young adults, loud, drunk and/or fighting.
➤ Too much crime.
➤ Too much petty crime and alcohol related crime. Too many bars downtown.
➤ Walking: high crime rate. Cycling: too much traffic, not enough bicycle lanes.
➤ Was in situation where person I was with was grabbed by a group of drunken males and luckily the cops were close by and made them drop her. There are lots of 'different' people that hang out in this area that cause trouble.
➤ We hear about too many random attacks.

205. Drunk people/addicts:

➤ A lot of bars around with drunken people coming out at night time. During the day there are a few people who are sketchy.
➤ A lot of native drunk, because of them.
➤ Alcohol, drugs, weapons.

➤ At night I feel unsafe due to drunks coming out of bars and harassing people. As a woman it can be intimidating running into drunken bar patrons especially a group of young men. Downtown is also a place people of all walks of life congregate to and I find there is a tension in the area due to racism and other social stigmatizes caused by a lack of information. For example I know many people who feel intimidated by those that live in The Lighthouse but when asked if they have ever had an actual problem with anyone from there they say no. People are afraid of what isn't the norm in their neighbourhood and so feel intimidated in a place where people of all walks of life do and should congregate. I just feel a tension downtown caused by all these differences.
➤ At night it is because of the bars and the panhandlers.
➤ At night the bars have been open for a significant amount of time. Light lowers risk.
➤ At night there is much less activity and the activity that is there are usually drunk people.
➤ At night, there's a lot of drunkenness, which in turn leads to stupid displays of idiocy.
➤ Because of some drunk people.
➤ Because of the people I can meet there (drunken people or people under drugs, loud companies, Aboriginal people who most of the time look not very pretty and sober).
➤ Because our downtown district is underdeveloped but with a high population nearby. This leads to a lot of loitering by teenagers. Coupled with the areas I frequent more often, near the Cineplex, it also leads to drunk people from the bars and homeless/half way house people being in greater numbers than near where I live.
➤ Downtown is where a lot of bars in Saskatoon are located, so I guess I would assume there would be a bunch of drunken idiots wandering around at night.
➤ Drug addicts.
➤ Drunken homeless people, fear of being robbed.
➤ Drunken people confront for money.
➤ Drunken people.
➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas.
➤ Every time I am downtown with or without someone else I always get approached by un-reputable people asking for money, and they always look like they are strung out on drugs or drunk.
➤ Gangs, drug trade, street people.
➤ I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.
➤ I don't feel safe when there are people around that appear to have been drinking or doing drugs.
➤ It depends on what time of the evening and what time. Early evening I feel safe but when the bars are closing and if I am by myself, being a woman I don't feel safe.
➤ It has to do with public drunkenness.
➤ It's fine during the day (feel very safe) but at night the crowd is from the bars and also a lot of people with social problems are more prevalent (more so than during the day but the number of people in the evening is less than during the day so it feels less safe). This is late at night (midnight to the morning hours). Otherwise it's not bad before then.
➤ Lots of bars and drinking. People under the influence. Feel very unsafe by the Olympia restaurant.
➤ Lots of people loitering and the occasional drunk person. I have had someone knock on my window while I was sitting in my car one day and asked me for a smoke?!?!
➤ Many crazies and drunks on the bus, you never know who's going to jump/attack you. Plus I'm a woman so more chance of being raped.
➤ Many intoxicated people, homeless people etc.

➤ My impression is that with more bar patrons and people wandering on downtown streets there is more chance of criminal activity at night. I particularly fear being asked for money, cigarettes etc. and if I refuse that the person may get physical. I do hear of unprovoked attacks on the news quite often by people that do not know each other.
➤ Panhandlers, street people, bar/club patrons.
➤ Side streets aren't well lit and alleyways, teenagers loiter and drunks.
➤ There can be some intoxicated people that make people feel uncomfortable.
➤ There are a lot of side streets and alleys that are usually unpopulated as well as there are many bars which mean drunken people who have the potential to turn violent and there's been a few stabbings outside of these bars. There are also kids that loiter around certain corners that make me feel uneasy.
➤ There can be aggressive panhandlers, intoxicated people, and large groups.
➤ Too many addicts, too many criminals.
➤ Too many groups of teens/young adults, loud, drunk and/or fighting.
➤ Too much petty crime and alcohol related crime. Too many bars downtown.
➤ Traffic and riffraff drunks.
➤ When it's dark out, it's easier to be caught unawares and there are sometimes drunk men in the streets that have left the bars.
➤ Where there is lots of night entertainment there is always the chance of issues. No real issues during the day.
➤ Young people who have been drinking and partying.

206. Groups of people loitering/gangs:

➤ A lot of people loitering especially near the bus mall.
➤ All you have to do is look at the atmosphere, especially the bus mall. That is definitely a place morning or night I don't feel safe. Another place is 2nd Avenue and Third Avenue and 1st Avenue around Midtown Plaza. You have people who are homeless always begging for money and if you walk away sometimes you get a smart remark. I feel you shouldn't have to be hassled this way. There should be a vagrancy law or somewhere these people can meet if that is what they say they are looking for. A good example of all this is the situation by McDonalds which has to be torn down because of people loitering where they shouldn't be. I can definitely tell you I always walked the opposite side of McDonalds. It's to take back our downtown and tell these people they have to find somewhere else to loiter.
➤ Areas like the bus mall, the McDonald's on 22 and 2nd Ave. All those benches outside. People get harassed there all the time. It's not a hang out area for ruby, poor people and that's what it is treated as. It makes our city look terrible.
➤ At times there seems to be larger groups of people wandering the streets, and as a result, one could be harassed.
➤ Because of some of the individuals that hang out downtown. They are not there to shop or work or do legitimate business.
➤ Because of the number of gangs present in Saskatoon and large numbers of people who like to crowd around downtown areas. High school students especially. And I am well aware of the gangs involving teenage girls and boys.
➤ Because of the people loitering and the groups of teenagers at all times of the day and evening.
➤ Because of the people that hang around downtown.
➤ Because of the type of people who hang around downtown, and hearing of random acts of violence to people in the downtown area in the past.
➤ Because our downtown district is underdeveloped but with a high population nearby. This leads to a lot of loitering by teenagers. Coupled with the areas I frequent more often, near the Cineplex, it also leads to drunk people from the bars and homeless/half way house people being in greater numbers than near where I live.

➤ Because there are a lot of groups of young, rough looking characters. Panhandlers harassing for money.
➤ Bums and gangsters.
➤ Crime and loitering on the streets, asking for money smokes, etc.
➤ Cyclists on sidewalks (in contravention of city bylaw #6884, Section 8) pose a real danger to pedestrians, not only downtown but in all parts of the city. Unsavory individuals and groups of street toughs make walking downtown both unpleasant and dangerous. The COMPLETE lack of police presence encourages discourteous, disrespectful, and dangerous behaviour on the part of such people. Therefore, I avoid downtown whenever possible.
➤ Downtown has become the hangout area for what used to be around the Barry and Albany hotels on 20th St. Doesn't seem too much police presence during the evening/night. Panhandlers at every corner now.
➤ Downtown is a hangout for a lot of undesirables, especially at night.
➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas.
➤ Due to the increase of gang activity.
➤ During the day is fine but today's young people have very little or no respect for persons or property. At night one can never be sure just who you will encounter and what resources they may have to mug you and quite possibly harm you! With the lack of respect mentioned before and the fact that it seems everyone carries a knife, it is quite possible as a couple innocent bystanders have found out, that you could die!!
➤ Encountered gang activity during lunch hour and a panhandler who was obviously mentally ill and very confrontational.
➤ Gang activity and panhandlers.
➤ Gang activity is present and obvious.
➤ Gang activity.
➤ Gang activity.
➤ Gangs and bums.
➤ Gangs and punks.
➤ Gangs, drug trade, street people.
➤ Gangs.
➤ Hassling teens or threat of being mugged.
➤ Here of many incidents that happens. Rough looking crowds gathered together.
➤ Homeless people and gangs.
➤ I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.
➤ I do not like walking anywhere at night. There are too many gangs walking the streets looking for easy picking.
➤ I don't see many people around and a few places I find groups of people which makes me feel bit unsafe.
➤ I feel safe during the day with the patrols that the police are doing. Too much of large crowds at night make me stay away from downtown.
➤ I have had gangs show my 'T' signals while driving downtown (terror squad).
➤ I have seen people fighting in the streets, and people hanging out in groups where I cannot recognize their purpose. They don't seem to hang out in front of bars or restaurants, which I could understand. I guess I assume that if people are hanging out in groups with no purpose, they are up to no good.

➤ I live in the downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening panhandlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ If the roving packs of youths aren't the problem, then it ends up being the moron drivers that all still drive like they are on the farm, as in: 'I don't need to signal. Everyone knows I turn here anyway'.
➤ If you mean during the evening hours that's when people are generally hanging out.
➤ Large groups of people. Media coverage of negative events.
➤ Lots of people loitering and the occasional drunk person. I have had someone knock on my window while I was sitting in my car one day and asked me for a smoke?!?!
➤ Lots of street people and young people hanging around with nothing to do, some looking for trouble.
➤ Occasionally there are stories of gang activity. Shooting at Scratch bar for example. Downtown Saskatoon attracts many gangs and low to no income people.
➤ Pan handlers, and other individuals just hanging out in groups.
➤ Panhandlers are all over bothering me and my kids. I always see lots of younger aged people that fit the demographic and appearance of 'gangs'.
➤ Panhandlers on the streets, and people just sitting on benches and watching people as they go by.
➤ Panhandlers, lots of kids just hanging around.
➤ People hanging around and strange traffic.
➤ People hanging around in some areas.
➤ People hanging around look scary.
➤ People in front of McDonald's and Olympia. Aggressive panhandlers.
➤ People loitering, stories about crime.
➤ People lounging on the sidewalks so you can barely walk by. People hanging out taking part of the sidewalk to stand while they horse around. People asking for money.
➤ Recent reports of crimes against persons along with the increasing number of aboriginal persons hanging about make me feel this way.
➤ Side streets aren't well lit and alleyways, teenagers loiter and drunks.
➤ Some areas of downtown (such as 22nd and 2nd) have loiterers who harass you as you walk by, which is often a very uncomfortable situation.
➤ Sometime there are individuals or groups of people loitering.
➤ Street gangs.
➤ Street people never know who is lurking around, not many people walking around downtown.
➤ The people that loiter and are just hanging around gives the perception that trouble is being stirred up.
➤ The people that loiter around don't look friendly.
➤ The type of people that loiter downtown and media reports.
➤ The type of sketchy people hanging around with no particular reason to be there.
➤ There are a large amount of homeless, out of school kids, gang members that hang around down town. Almost every day I try to take the bus to work but I hate it because for the walk to and from work I am constantly getting harassed for money, cigarettes and sworn at! Very disgusting.
➤ There are a lot of side streets and alleys that are usually unpopulated as well as there are many bars which mean drunken people who have the potential to turn violent and there's been a few stabbings outside of these bars. There are also kids that loiter around certain corners that make me feel uneasy.
➤ There are so many people just hanging around, both outside and inside the mall and I am afraid of what they are going to do. Both what they will do on purpose, such as grab my purse and what they might do by accident when they are playing and pushing each other around when I might be in the way.
➤ There are too many gangs, beggars and so on just hanging around the streets and parking lots; the area is too well known for stabbings, muggings and theft.

➤ There are too many individuals hanging around street corners and begging for money. They do not belong there. I have been followed many times where I have had to duck into a store. As a young woman this is not ok.
➤ There are too many people just hanging out on the streets and they could be gangs.
➤ There are unsafe people walking around and loitering there all of the time. There is also a problem with panhandlers.
➤ There can be aggressive panhandlers, intoxicated people, and large groups.
➤ There is a different crowd of people there and sometimes, they frighten me.
➤ There seem to be a lot of youth loitering about, especially in the area of Midtown Plaza. I feel uncomfortable even walking through the Mall, not sure what they might do.
➤ This would be in the evening. There is an element of people that wander the streets downtown mid to late evening and not that there is anything wrong with being downtown I find that the element of people tend to look too intimidating and create a sense of fear in people to show or appear that they are superior. This also happens sometimes during the day. The element of people tends to be of First Nations origin. I have seen during the day a First Nations person spitting on the street every time a Caucasian person passes by. I know this for fact because I was one of those that were walking by while the spitting took place. I have seen this happen twice. Both times it was on the street where the bus, Saskatoon Club and Hudson's is on. I have had a First Nations person in my face asking for money on the other side of the street during the day and by the midtown mall I had a First Nations person grab me while asking for money. That individual actually was defying me to lash out at him I'm thinking so that he could play it up as a raciest situation. I am not a senior but I cannot imagine how a senior would feel.
➤ Too close 20th street and native gangs.
➤ Too many gangs and street thugs asking for money.
➤ Too many gangs.
➤ Too many groups of teens/young adults, loud, drunk and/or fighting.
➤ Too many idle people hanging around.
➤ Too many ifs can happen while you're biking or walking, too many questionable characters loitering around, can talk, stop or grab you anytime they feel like it if you are on bike or walking.
➤ Too many night clubs and people hanging around.
➤ Too many people approaching you or hanging around.
➤ Too many people begging for money and hanging out.
➤ Too many people hanging around asking for money.
➤ Too many people hanging around looking for trouble.
➤ Too many people hanging out, begging, being verbally abusive to others.
➤ Too many people loitering and begging for money and too much gang activity.
➤ Too many people wandering around.
➤ Too many people wondering around with bad intent.
➤ Too many people/teens just hanging around.
➤ Too many random people standing around idle.
➤ Too many random people wandering around.
➤ Too many sketchy characters, just hanging out.
➤ Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.
➤ Too many street people hanging around, gangs are getting more prominent in the city, not enough police presence. Biking is not too bad but walking makes you more of a target.
➤ Too many tough looking people hanging around on the street corners. Too much begging.
➤ Too many youth hanging out in groups. Most retail outlets are closed.

- Too much loitering.
- Traffic does not yield to pedestrians. Also there is a group of undesirables that hang out at McDonald's. I've literally seen others jaywalk to cross the street then cross again go get to businesses like Starbucks etc.

207. Feeling of not being safe at night-general:

- At night I feel unsafe due to drunks coming out of bars and harassing people. As a woman it can be intimidating running into drunken bar patrons especially a group of young men. Downtown is also a place people of all walks of life congregate to and I find there is a tension in the area due to racism and other social stigmatizes caused by a lack of information. For example I know many people who feel intimidated by those that live in The Lighthouse but when asked if they have ever had an actual problem with anyone from there they say no. People are afraid of what isn't the norm in their neighbourhood and so feel intimidated in a place where people of all walks of life do and should congregate. I just feel a tension downtown caused by all these differences.
- At night I know of people who have been attacked, things stolen, etc.
- At night it is because of the bars and the panhandlers.
- At night the bars have been open for a significant amount of time. Light lowers risk.
- At night there are less people around and a greater percentage of them seem to be transients or unsavory.
- At night there are people in the area who are not welcoming.
- At night there is much less activity and the activity that is there are usually drunk people.
- At night, especially late at night (not so much until around 9:00 pm or so) there seem to be some people around that simply don't seem to be safe to be around.
- At night, there's a lot of drunkenness, which in turn leads to stupid displays of idiocy.
- Crazy people come out at night.
- Do not go downtown at night but from what I hear I would feel unsafe.
- Downtown at night does not feel safe, especially when alone.
- Downtown is a hangout for a lot of undesirables, especially at night.
- During the day I don't have a big problem, but I don't like walking at night almost anywhere in the city but I think that's just me and not necessarily to do with any particular area.
- During the night lots of groups of people who I don't trust.
- I do not feel safe downtown after dark. There is not enough police presence and there is too much loitering. People with no other purpose than to make others feel threatened. Have been followed to our vehicle after movies or dinner out. This makes going downtown very uncomfortable and unpredictable!!
- I do not like walking anywhere at night. There are too many gangs walking the streets looking for easy picking.
- I don't feel safe at night when I am alone.
- I don't feel safe walking at night due to limited visuals of people and objects around me. There are less people around at night for safety in numbers and people drive more recklessly after dark which causes greater risk for the public.
- I feel safe during the day with the patrols that the police are doing. Too much of large crowds at night make me stay away from downtown.
- I generally never walk downtown at night unless going to TCU for a show. Do not feel safe once the businesses are closed and most people have gone home.
- I just don't go downtown at night except to see a movie very occasionally.
- I would not do it at night alone because you here of many people being approached for money/cigs or worse assaulted or attacked.

➤ It depends on what time of the evening and what time. Early evening I feel safe but when the bars are closing and if I am by myself, being a women I don't feel safe.
➤ It's fine during the day (feel very safe) but at night the crowd is from the bars and also a lot of people with social problems are more prevalent (more so than during the day but the number of people in the evening is less than during the day so it feels less safe). This is late at night (midnight to the morning hours). Otherwise it's not bad before then.
➤ Night time weird people.
➤ Nowhere at night do I feel safe by myself in Saskatoon.
➤ Only at night when I walk alone.
➤ Only at night.
➤ Only at night. Any city is not really safe at night.
➤ Prefer not to put myself in danger anywhere in city after dark.
➤ Saskatoon isn't very busy at night time downtown, so there aren't many people around. There have also been a fair amount of incidents reported recently around 2nd avenue. I certainly wouldn't just go for a walk at night downtown by myself.
➤ Strange characters are sometimes on the streets at night and I'm concerned for my safety.
➤ The night brings out the bad in people; I've had questionable thoughts when I was walking at night.
➤ There appears to a certain element of society that congregates in these areas at night that makes me as a single woman feel unsafe.
➤ There are a lot less people out at night and the ones that do come out at night are usually up to no good.
➤ This would be in the evening. There is an element of people that wander the streets downtown mid to late evening and not that there is anything wrong with being downtown I find that the element of people tend to look to intimidating and create a sense of fear in people to show or appear that they are of superior. This also happens sometimes during the day. The element of people tends to be of First Nations origin. I have seen during the day a First Nations person spitting on the street every time a Caucasian person passes by. I know this for fact because I was one of those that were walking by while the spitting took place. I have seen this happen twice. Both times it was on the street where the bus, Saskatoon Club and Hudson's is on. I have had a First Nations person in my face asking for money on the other side of the street during the day and by the midtown mall I had a First Nations person grab me while asking for money. That individual actually was defying me to lash out at him I'm thinking so that he could play it up as a raciest situation. I am not a senior but I cannot imagine how a senior would feel.
➤ Traffic makes it unsafe to cycle; walking at night is a poor idea because you are very isolated.

208. Not enough police presence/security:

➤ Cyclists on sidewalks (in contravention of city bylaw #6884, Section 8) pose a real danger to pedestrians, not only downtown but in all parts of the city. Unsavory individuals and groups of street toughs make walking downtown both unpleasant and dangerous. The COMPLETE lack of police presence encourages discourteous, disrespectful, and dangerous behaviour on the part of such people. Therefore, I avoid downtown whenever possible.
➤ Downtown has become the hangout area for what used to be around the Barry and Albany hotels on 20th St. Doesn't seem too much police presence during the evening/night. Panhandlers at every corner now.
➤ I do not feel safe downtown after dark. There is not enough police presence and there is too much loitering. People with no other purpose than to make others feel threatened. Have been followed to our vehicle after movies or dinner out. This makes going downtown very uncomfortable and unpredictable!!
➤ Lack of police presence.

➤ Panhandlers, lack of visible police presence.
➤ Poor police relations.
➤ Some streets in downtown are mostly empty of people at night so there's no one to call on for help if help is needed.
➤ There are a lot of sketchy people hanging around and I rarely see a police presence.
➤ There are not enough police officers walking the area and I hear too much of people robbing with force and abuse.
➤ There are quite a few sketchy people out and about at all times during the day. Ever since the bus mall got security it feels like one of the safer areas. I would feel safer if there were a stronger police presence.
➤ There are too many vacant lots alleys, that are not well lit and there is limited police presence and lots of street people.
➤ Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place.
➤ Too many street people hanging around, gangs are getting more prominent in the city, not enough police presence. Biking is not too bad but walking makes you more of a target.

209. Not many people around at night:

➤ I don't see many people around and a few places I find groups of people which makes me feel bit unsafe.
➤ I feel not many people are there to see if something happens to you.
➤ Saskatoon isn't very busy at night time downtown, so there aren't many people around. There have also been a fair amount of incidents reported recently around 2nd avenue. I certainly wouldn't just go for a walk at night downtown by myself.
➤ Street people never know who is lurking around, not many people walking around downtown.
➤ There are too many vacant lots alleys, that are not well lit and there is limited police presence and lots of street people.
➤ There is not as many people downtown at night.
➤ Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place.
➤ Traffic makes it unsafe to cycle; walking at night is a poor idea because you are very isolated.
➤ Very empty at night except for a few sketchy people.

210. Too much traffic/bad drivers to cycle:

➤ A lot of vehicle traffic downtown and drivers don't watch for others especially cyclists. With walking people don't smile or say hello like they used to and can be impolite.
➤ Because the drivers of buses and vehicles trying to run you over because they are in such a hurry to get everywhere and get everything done that they don't bother concerning themselves with the safety of those around them.
➤ Car traffic.
➤ Don't have a bike, but I would feel better biking then walking. But downtown I would worry about traffic and lack of bike lanes.
➤ Don't want to get run over from people not paying attention in their vehicles.
➤ Drivers do not pay attention to pedestrians or cyclists. Also, I've heard personal stories from my friends about some dangerous peoples that you can encounter in Downtown when it's dark.
➤ Drivers.
➤ I don't feel safe cycling because there are no designated routes for cycling, and the drivers have no patience for bikers. It feels very dangerous.
➤ I don't feel safe cycling downtown because there are no designated bike lines and bikes are not separated from cars.

➤ I don't trust drivers who speed through the downtown core when I'm cycling.
➤ I generally feel safe downtown. There have only been a few instances where I have not. For example I have been approached by police in a very aggressive manner in the evening in the downtown area and they have probably made me feel the most unsafe. The lack of bike lanes is also an unsafe factor.
➤ I walk to and from work every day. Most days I am waiting to cross even though my light is green because someone is running the light. I know that one day I will be hit by a car. The corner of Idylwyld and 25th is the worst.
➤ If the roving packs of youths aren't the problem, then it ends up being the moron drivers that all still drive like they are on the farm, as in: 'I don't need to signal. Everyone know I turn here anyway'.
➤ It is too busy and not enough biking lanes and areas in the downtown area.
➤ Lots of traffic (vehicles and people).
➤ Other vehicles.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ That is only if the kids are with me, because there is lots of lane changing and road frustration. People are mad at anyone who gets in the way of them getting where they want to go. Courtesy has left the society and most people are only in it for what they can get.
➤ The amount of traffic, and congestion, also more pedestrians to watch for.
➤ The traffic is getting too bad to be on the streets.
➤ There is no cycling route for cycle itself.
➤ Too aggressive drivers. Hazardous to cross streets.
➤ Too many weirdoes, bad drivers.
➤ Too much traffic and too many vagrants.
➤ Too much traffic. All sorts of people. Busy area.
➤ Traffic and panhandlers.
➤ Traffic and ruffraff drunks.
➤ Traffic does not yield to pedestrians. Also there is a group of undesirables that hang out at McDonald's. I've literally seen others jaywalk to cross the street then cross again go get to businesses like Starbucks etc.
➤ Traffic is dangerous. Some people seem unsafe.
➤ Traffic is usually very busy, people drive above the speed limit a lot, I still see some people talking on cell phones while driving, and occasionally there are people who look a bit rough.
➤ Traffic makes it unsafe to cycle; walking at night is a poor idea because you are very isolated.
➤ Traffic!
➤ Traffic.
➤ Traffic. The lack of true bicycle lines.
➤ Vehicular traffic.

211. Too dark/not well lit:

➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas.
➤ I feel safe in the day. Darkness seems to be dangerous there.
➤ Lack of lighting at night.
➤ Not enough lights at night.
➤ Not lit enough at night.
➤ Not well lit, creepy people around.
➤ Side streets aren't well lit and alleyways, teenagers loiter and drunks.

➤ Street could be light better. I feel though they could be someone unsavory lurking around a corner or in an alley way.
➤ The downtown area has a kit of dark alleys and because parking is a bitch, you often have to walk a fair way to get to and from your parking spot.
➤ There are too many vacant lots alleys, that are not well lit and there is limited police presence and lots of street people.
➤ Too dark at night.

Other:

➤ A lot of vehicle traffic downtown and drivers don't watch for others especially cyclists. With walking people don't smile or say hello like they used to and can be impolite.
➤ Approached by people without wanting to be.
➤ As with any large city one must be cautious.
➤ At night I feel unsafe due to drunks coming out of bars and harassing people. As a woman it can be intimidating running into drunken bar patrons especially a group of young men. Downtown is also a place people of all walks of life congregate to and I find there is a tension in the area due to racism and other social stigmatizes caused by a lack of information. For example I know many people who feel intimidated by those that live in The Lighthouse but when asked if they have ever had an actual problem with anyone from there they say no. People are afraid of what isn't the norm in their neighbourhood and so feel intimidated in a place where people of all walks of life do and should congregate. I just feel a tension downtown caused by all these differences.
➤ Because I used to work down there and have seen what goes on, what types of people hang out on the streets. Especially the bus terminal on 23rd Street and I have also heard stories.
➤ Because I've seen and heard about terrible things happening in that area. I see the types of people that spend a lot of time there, and there are many streets not lit very well with alleys around. I used to work at the midtown mall and I had to walk down 20th street to get to my car at 10 at night, I felt like I had to prepare myself to run/fight/call 911 at any moment which isn't a very nice feeling.
➤ Because there's people that hate other people.
➤ Because this area is central to Saskatoon and attracts unsavoury individuals. I used to work in the core downtown 15 years ago and saw/experienced it for myself.
➤ Because.
➤ Closer to the rougher part of town.
➤ Cyclists need to not cycle on the sidewalk! Also, there are panhandlers who will come after you sometimes.
➤ Cyclists on sidewalks (in contravention of city bylaw #6884, Section 8) pose a real danger to pedestrians, not only downtown but in all parts of the city. Unsavory individuals and groups of street toughs make walking downtown both unpleasant and dangerous. The COMPLETE lack of police presence encourages discourteous, disrespectful, and dangerous behaviour on the part of such people. Therefore, I avoid downtown whenever possible.
➤ Experience with negative activities first-hand.
➤ Have never encountered an incident myself but am stereotyping because of media.
➤ Heard of bad thing that has happened.
➤ I am generally cautious.
➤ I do not and never have felt safe walking in the Downtown area. It seems to be the area of the city that has the most foot traffic and a lot of that foot traffic is negative. There are a lot of people who look and make you feel like you are unsafe.
➤ I do not go downtown a lot.
➤ I don't feel comfortable.
➤ I don't like people.

➤ I generally feel safe downtown. There have only been a few instances where I have not. For example I have been approached by police in a very aggressive manner in the evening in the downtown area and they have probably made me feel the most unsafe. The lack of bike lanes is also an unsafe factor.
➤ I have been approached by people who were hard to get rid of.
➤ I was been told it is not safe in downtown. Also, I personally have ever met a guy who is very rude to me in downtown.
➤ I'm a woman walking by myself and there isn't enough pedestrian activity to feel safety in numbers. Interestingly, I feel safer in downtown Toronto than I do in downtown Saskatoon.
➤ I've been harassed several times Downtown during the evening for no reason.
➤ Lot of disturbance.
➤ Lots of crime happens there and a lot of Aboriginal people are raciest to new comers who are not Canadian.
➤ Lots of kids and unsavory individuals in and around the bus mall. They do not have any social services or shelters to move them away from the bus loop.
➤ More people.
➤ Not comfortable with the people walking, biking around.
➤ Nothing is open. No people around.
➤ Only when I am on my own and have a ways to walk.
➤ People panhandling makes me uncomfortable, some streets seem dirty.
➤ People.
➤ Self-explanatory.
➤ Some of the people on the street.
➤ Sometimes too crowded around the bus loop.
➤ Street could be light better. I feel though they could be someone unsavory lurking around a corner or in an alley way.
➤ The area.
➤ The downtown area has a lot of dark alleys and because parking is a bitch, you often have to walk a fair way to get to and from your parking spot.
➤ The people down there.
➤ The tone and attitude of many youth has changed.
➤ There are a lot of side streets and alleys that are usually unpopulated as well as there are many bars which mean drunken people who have the potential to turn violent and there's been a few stabbings outside of these bars. There are also kids that loiter around certain corners that make me feel uneasy.
➤ There are ALWAYS weird people yelling things or making comments or disturbances whenever I have been downtown. A friend and I went downtown to get Pita Pit and it was probably around 6 pm and we couldn't even sit on a bunch without unruly looking guys coming over and a shirtless guy yelling. It's ridiculous how bad downtown is.
➤ This would be in the evening. There is an element of people that wander the streets downtown mid to late evening and not that there is anything wrong with being downtown I find that the element of people tend to look to intimidating and create a sense of fear in people to show or appear that they are of superior. This also happens sometimes during the day. The element of people tends to be of First Nations origin. I have seen during the day a First Nations person spitting on the street every time a Caucasian person passes by. I know this for fact because I was one of those that were walking by while the spitting took place. I have seen this happen twice. Both times it was on the street where the bus, Saskatoon Club and Hudson's is on. I have had a First Nations person in my face asking for money on the other side of the street during the day and by the midtown mall I had a First Nations person grab me while asking for money. That individual actually was defying me to lash out at him I'm thinking so that he could play it up as a raciest situation. I am not a senior but I cannot imagine how a senior would feel.

➤ Too close to the west side.
➤ Too many people hanging out, begging, being verbally abusive to others.
➤ Too many people.
➤ Too many street people.
➤ Too many vagrants on the street corners.
➤ Too much clutter.
➤ Unfamiliar area.
➤ Walking downtown tends to be deserted. Cycling is OK.
➤ Walking, being approached and being asked for money or a 'smoke'. Cycling, Not designed for cycling.
➤ Walking: high crime rate. Cycling: too much traffic, not enough bicycle lanes.

Q9_2. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in the Riverside business area?

Riverside Business exclusive (Net)

101. General reputation of the area/rundown area:

➤ Do not like the environment.
➤ Don't spend a lot of time there, but the neighborhood is rough looking.
➤ Feels like one of the less-maintained areas of the city. There are parts of Riversdale/bordering (i.e. farmers market, most of 19th) that are just dandy, but the business sections feel a bit seedier somehow.
➤ Gang area and rundown buildings.
➤ General feel and look of the area.
➤ Ghetto.
➤ Haven't heard many positives from others.
➤ Horrible area.
➤ I actually have not been in this area for years so this is based on what I hear.
➤ I associate Riverside as Saskatoon's 'ghetto'. It may be an irrational fear from things I hear other people say.
➤ I just feel this is an unsafe area of town, although I like that area of town and feel that the city has done a good job of trying to revitalize it.
➤ I know it has had a rough reputation in the past, and although it is certainly improving, I still feel a bit uneasy. Have seen some "ladies of the night" in the area recently, which generally spells trouble.
➤ It feels like a generally unsafe area, especially at night, although I don't go there very often.
➤ It has a reputation of being an area for street walkers and drug dealers. Wouldn't be there after dark. People in the area are scary enough in the daylight.
➤ It is a poor area of town and often bad things happen there.
➤ It is in the ghetto.
➤ It's in the ghetto.
➤ It's not a safe neighborhood.
➤ Just my feeling.
➤ Just not the best part of town.
➤ Just the area have bad rep.
➤ Just think that whole area is unsafe, gang rumors, not worth the risk at all.
➤ Likely just perception issues, but reports of violence seem to be higher there.
➤ Lots of inebriated people, bad reputation for the area.
➤ Media coverage of negative events. Intoxicated people.
➤ Not quite sure. The name resonates negatively in my mind.

➤ Poor reputation.
➤ Reputation and unfamiliar to the area.
➤ Reputation of high crime area.
➤ Reputation of the area, lots of criminal activity.
➤ Reputation, the look and feel, the people who hang out around there.
➤ Reputation.
➤ Rough part of town.
➤ Run down area. Rough looking neighborhood. Type of people who live near the area. Lots of crime in the area that you hear about on the news.
➤ Sketchy, rundown buildings and sketchy people.
➤ Some of it is the history of the area and there aren't as many people out on the streets at night.
➤ Somewhat as to reputation. I worked on the Westside for about 10 years and have witnessed some problems passing through Riversdale.
➤ Somewhat because of past reputation of the area and because of the disrepair of some of the properties in the area.
➤ The area is known for being unsafe.
➤ The area is run down, a lot of homelessness and people gathered in groups on the sidewalks.
➤ The area.
➤ The general atmosphere of the area.
➤ The neighbourhood has a reputation for crime. I've personally be menaced. Not in any overtly violent way, but with shouting, other people being rowdy or violent towards each on several occasions.
➤ The neighbourhood has a reputation so I don't go there at night. I'm fine during the day.
➤ The old buildings creep me out.
➤ The Riversdale area is known as the unsafe part of town, I feel, because of the things that happen there, there's a lot of gang activity and at night you can see them walking around with their bandanas. These people hang around cause trouble and can become violent day or night. I've have friends who have gotten threatened, mugged and had their cars broken into in that area. I avoid it at all costs to be honest.
➤ The ruffians and general state of the neighbourhood are deplorable, but the true tricksters emerge in the night.
➤ The same as above. I feel the same way about any city or tourist resort. [As with any large city one must be cautious.]
➤ The upkeep of the area just gives you the perception that it's unsafe though it has gotten better in recent years.
➤ The west side has a reputation for being a poorer neighborhood and having perhaps a higher amount of gang activity. There is also less traffic in the area at night, and I tend to feel slightly safer at night in areas where there are lots of witnesses.
➤ The west side I general scares me.
➤ There are a lot of run down houses and it makes it feel unsafe.
➤ Too many people wandering around along with the reputation of the area.
➤ Unknown neighbourhood, leery looks.
➤ Unsafe area.

102. Prostitutes/pimps/johns:

➤ Gang activity, hookers, drug addicts and pushers, panhandlers, beggars, rough looking kids in groups.
➤ Gangs, native gangs, prostitutes and pimps, drug trade.
➤ Has always been an unsafe area the whole time since I was a child. Gangs, prostitution, thieves, drunks.

➤ I know it has had a rough reputation in the past, and although it is certainly improving, I still feel a bit uneasy. Have seen some "ladies of the night" in the area recently, which generally spells trouble.
➤ It is because of the bars and the prostitutes.
➤ Lots of intoxicated people, and people that I can visually recognize as in the sex industry. People never look happy. And the sheer volume of people that are walking around obviously drunk or high is intimidating.
➤ Most violent crimes with severe or fatal outcomes appear to come from that area. Driving through that part of town you see people who appear to be 'sketchy' as in loitering about on corners or dressed suggestively like a prostitute. It is also an area reportedly in an area with gangs or groups with gang-like behaviors.
➤ Obvious booze, drugs, and sex activities.
➤ Peddlers Prostitutes pimps and alcohol fueled crazies.
➤ Prostitutes, drug dealers, pawn shops (seedy businesses).
➤ Sketchy people, drugs, hookers.
➤ Take a look around maybe that is a very dumb question hooker's pimps and bums everywhere.
➤ The Riversdale business area has been known for prostitution and other criminal activity. This may or may not be true but I would not go there at night.
➤ There appear to be people involved in the sex trade and visibly impaired.
➤ There has been so many stabbings, shootings, crime in that area at any time of the day that I never feel safe in the area. Prevalence of people drunk or on drugs is very high in the area which makes them more unpredictable. Too much poverty in this area which always leads to crime. Too many johns that try and pick up any female in the area (not just the prostitutes). you can be propositioned at any time by a man. It's insulting and a bit scary, especially if it happens at night.
➤ There is a high crime rate in this area at night along with prostitution and drugs.
➤ Too many natives, prostitutes, gang members and drug dealers.
➤ Too many stories of prostitution, johns and drug dealers.
➤ Too much drugs, hookers and drunks. Also to many down and out people that don't care. Natives.
➤ Usually lots of criminal activity of varying degrees i.e. prostitutes, gangs, intoxicated people etc.

103. Don't know the area very well/don't go there:

➤ Don't spend a lot of time there, but the neighborhood is rough looking.
➤ Don't go there enough to know my way around.
➤ I don't know the area well, so I don't feel sure of myself.
➤ I don't know the area well so do not feel comfortable being there.
➤ I grew up in this area and still don't feel safe. Needles, hookers, gang colours, not the best place to be in the evening, when the police had the building on 20th and H I felt more safe knowing they were close by.
➤ Just not an area I am familiar with.
➤ Less familiar with the area and rarely walk it.
➤ Less familiar with this area then other areas of Saskatoon.
➤ Never go by there, that's why!
➤ Not familiar with the area.
➤ Not from the area and when I visit it I question the neighborhood's safety such that I wouldn't choose to walk there alone at night. Cycling I imagine would be fine.
➤ Not my area of the city.
➤ Not sure about the area. When I first answered the questions I thought it said 'Riversdale'. If this 'riverside' area is down by the river, it can be a little nerve wracking at night.
➤ Not too familiar with the area.

➤ People hanging out on the streets, seen drug deals and prostitution.
➤ Reputation and unfamiliar to the area.
➤ The area tends to have more 'incidents' than other areas of the city. It is also not as familiar to me as other places.
➤ Unfamiliar area.
➤ Unfamiliar.
➤ Unknown neighbourhood, leery looks.

Non-area specific (Net)

201. Sketchy/strange/bad people-general:

➤ Again, mostly because of people with social problems but is also a perception of the area from years past. I don't frequent the area so my opinion is based on what I think of the area from years past and this is why I don't frequent the area.
➤ Again, the kind of people that are there.
➤ As above, but higher percentage of unsavory individuals.
➤ As in the downtown area, there are a number of unsavoury looking individuals who look threatening and intimidating.
➤ At night I don't because there are lots of sketchy people hanging around all the time, asking for money etc.
➤ At night there are not a lot of businesses open, but there are a lot of less than desirable clientele wondering around. Although there has been an improvement, there are still a lot of issues. I have also been harassed by people during the day as I was walking about. I do not go into the Riversdale area much anymore.
➤ Bad crowd. People that are under the influence.
➤ Bad neighborhood.
➤ Bad neighbourhood.
➤ Bad reputation area. Bad crowds. Lots of crime.
➤ Because of sketchy looking people hanging about.
➤ Because of the people who are out and about during the late evening.
➤ Because there are a lot of groups of rough looking characters.
➤ Do not trust the people of the neighbourhood. Same answer as above pretty much.
➤ I am frightened as there are so many people already walking around there and some of them unfortunately don't look safe to me.
➤ I am not comfortable with the actions of the people that hang out in that area.
➤ I'm not sure. The street people I guess don't make it very inviting, not sure that makes it more unsafe though.
➤ It is a traditionally bad area and the people hanging around look sketchy.
➤ It is known as a sketchy area.
➤ Just uneasy about the types of people.
➤ Lots of shady characters and activity going on.
➤ Many native people who are rough looking.
➤ Most of the area. Tends to be a rough crowd at times.
➤ Most violent crimes with severe or fatal outcomes appear to come from that area. Driving through that part of town you see people who appear to be 'sketchy' as in loitering about on corners or dressed suggestively like a prostitute. It is also an area reportedly in an area with gangs or groups with gang-like behaviors.
➤ Not as familiar with this area. More undesirable people on the streets.

➤ Not comfortable with the type of people around.
➤ Notice an increase in questionable people mulling about.
➤ People that are walking around look scary.
➤ People who hang out there.
➤ Perception is unsafe. Area looks bad. Lots of rental/low income properties.
➤ Rough looking characters on the street are numerous and very few trustworthy or safe looking individuals. In fairness, in the past 5 years I've spent very little time in the area aside from driving up the street to get to St. Paul's hospital from time to time.
➤ Same as above. [Because of the people that are down there.]
➤ Same as above. [There are a lot of creepy looking men walking about I am a woman so that is why.]
➤ Same as above. [Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place.]
➤ Same. [Very empty at night except for a few sketchy people.]
➤ Scary area.
➤ See my above answer or twice as bad. [Have you walked downtown 2nd Avenue? One side is sketchy, filthy and sketchy Native and White people. More Native than white. I used to cross the street but the other side is getting just as bad. I am ashamed of our City. I travel a lot and if people ask me about our City I tell them as it is. The only City where I don't trust what's walking behind me.]
➤ Sketchy characters.
➤ Sketchy people in that area.
➤ Sketchy people, drugs, hookers.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ Sketchy, rundown buildings and sketchy people.
➤ So many places are really scary.
➤ Some of the people make me feel that way.
➤ Some of the people on the street.
➤ Some of the people that are around there look sketchy.
➤ Strange traffic, gang activity, native activity, strange people.
➤ Street people, aboriginal gangs/youth. Maybe more perception than reality.
➤ Street people.
➤ The people.
➤ The type of sketchy people hanging around with no particular reason to be there.
➤ The undesirable people in the area and the reports of crime.
➤ The whole neighborhood is sketchy and the people that hang around their cause trouble, drug dealers, drunks and gang activity.
➤ There appears to a certain element of society that congregates in these areas at night that makes me as a single woman feel unsafe.
➤ There are a few establishments that bring a sorted crowd to the area, a little more foot traffic.
➤ There are a lot of sketch people.
➤ There seems to be more people of an unsavory nature there.
➤ Too many people there that scare me and especially my kids. They approach us and bother us so we don't go there at all anymore.
➤ Too many shady characters.
➤ Too many sketchy characters, many in gang colours.
➤ Too many undesirables hanging around in that area at night.
➤ Too many unsavory characters wandering around.

➤ Two reasons one being the crime situations you hear about coming from that area, two I have walked that area for business during the day and have had an element of people look to put fear in you as if to say this is our place what are you doing here. I must say though that it has improved from a few years ago.
➤ Type of people.
➤ Undesirables on the streets.
➤ Unpredictable personalities in the area.
➤ Unsavory characters that are about.
➤ Very obvious rough looking natives and obvious gang members.
➤ Very unsavory people in the area.

202. Panhandlers/bums:

➤ Approaches for money.
➤ At night I don't because there are lots of sketchy people hanging around all the time, asking for money etc.
➤ Bums and gangsters.
➤ Drunk people, street people, pan handling, people walking around talking to themselves, pawn shops and the clientele they attract, news reports of many stabbings in that neighbourhood.
➤ Gang activity, hookers, drug addicts and pushers, panhandlers, beggars, rough looking kids in groups.
➤ Gangs and bums.
➤ Here are a few quotes: 'Can you spare money for a coffee?'. 'God loves you, man. And so do I. Let's go get a drink'. 'Hey, little white boy...like your haircut'. Anymore questions about why??????
➤ I live in the Downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown in relatively public space. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ I would not do it at night alone because you here of many people being approached for money /cigs or worse assaulted or attacked. As well this is a rough area.
➤ More violence, panhandling you cannot refuse history of stabbings, gunshots.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ Peddlers Prostitutes pimps and alcohol fueled crazies.
➤ Same answer as above. [There have been too many instances of people being approached for money or attacked.]
➤ Same as mentioned above. [Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.]
➤ Same reason. [Panhandlers, lack of visible police presence.]
➤ Same. [Too many people hanging around asking for money.]
➤ Scared of getting pick-pocketed or worse.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ Take a look around maybe that is a very dumb question hooker's pimps and bums everywhere.
➤ The people that hang around always bumming for money or smokes, if you say No they get upset and even sometimes angry.

203. Homeless people/transients:

➤ I live in the Downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown in relatively public space. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ More homeless people.
➤ Same as mentioned above. [Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.]
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ The area is run down, a lot of homelessness and people gathered in groups on the sidewalks.
➤ The homeless people scare me.
➤ Too many homeless.
➤ Transient people in this area.

204. Crime/Afraid of being mugged/assaulted:

➤ A friend of mine had his car broken in.
➤ A friend's mom got attacked while picking up food at the mandarin restaurant.
➤ A large percent of crime takes place in the west side of the city.
➤ A lot of crime has occurred, nothing personal to me but I wouldn't walk around.
➤ A lot of gang activity as well as drug trafficking occurs in that area which makes it uncomfortable to walk or cycle in that area.
➤ Alcohol, drugs, weapons, inner city.
➤ All the rule breakers and the street people.
➤ Approached by people without wanting to be; violent activity, yelling etc.
➤ Area is known for violence and gang activity.
➤ Area, known for violence. High crime area.
➤ Bad reputation area. Bad crowds. Lots of crime.
➤ Because it seems to be an area of town that has less money, which usually means more crime and theft. There are some nice areas, but go two blocks down any which way and you're in some of the worst parts of the city. Dirty, run down places with poverty stricken people. It's always a little unnerving being in areas like that, especially if you're alone. Especially at night. I hate to sound assuming or prejudice, but my experiences have taught me to just always be prepared for it. Unfortunately.
➤ Because of crime.
➤ Because of incidents reported on the news.
➤ Because of reading the number of crimes which take place there.
➤ Because of stories I read in the paper and see on TV news. Afraid someone will steal my purse or attack me.
➤ Because of the area's past history of crime.
➤ Because of the reputation that the district has for violence, probably somewhat overstated.
➤ Because the groups of people in the area seem somewhat troublesome. That combined with the SPS map of crime (which shows a lot of crime in the Riversdale area).
➤ Being mugged or attacked.
➤ Crime levels.
➤ Crime rates.
➤ Crime.

➤ Crime.
➤ Current rate of reported crime.
➤ Drugs and alcohol affect many people who are on the streets. There is often news of attacks using knives. I don't think I would be attacked but I could be hurt just by being in the wrong place at the wrong time.
➤ Drunk people, street people, pan handling, people walking around talking to themselves, pawn shops and the clientele they attract, news reports of many stabbings in that neighbourhood.
➤ Feel as though there is potential for mugging or violent crime in this area more than others.
➤ Has always been an unsafe area the whole time since I was a child. Gangs, prostitution, thieves, drunks.
➤ Heard too many stories of people getting jumped or robbed.
➤ High crime area.
➤ High poverty, high crime.
➤ High volume of pawn shops in that area, as well as the large number of arrests at homes in that neighbourhood in the past few years.
➤ Higher crime area.
➤ Higher crime rate in that area, more drug use as well.
➤ Higher crime rate than other areas of the city. Home to poorer citizens who are more prone to gang or crime activity.
➤ Higher crime/gang activity as you move west of Idylwyld.
➤ Higher perceived violent crime rate.
➤ I am driving most days, and based on the activity of the people I see in that neighbourhood during daylight hours, I definitely would not walk alone there at night. There is identified as the location of violent crime more often than any other area in the city.
➤ I feel like it is a bad part of the city where more crime happens.
➤ I feel that area may attract more violent people to the area.
➤ I have been mugged twice in within 2 blocks of River Landing.
➤ I have had a friend who was assaulted and I do not feel safe based on their experience.
➤ I live in a neighbourhood near there and see all of the people on the streets and know of all of the shooting/stabbing occurrences.
➤ I think the area has an amount of people that have tendencies towards crime and violence that makes me feel unsafe.
➤ I use to live in this area and I had many things in my yard stolen. My neighbor was always harassed by the young kids; they even went as far as throwing eggs and other foods at his house. I just don't trust these young drug addicts and alcoholics, that stuff messes you up.
➤ I was mugged in the Riversdale area.
➤ I would not do it at night alone because you here of many people being approached for money /cigs or worse assaulted or attacked. As well this is a rough area.
➤ It seems to be a high crime area.
➤ Level of criminal/violent activity in area, reduced police presence due to closure of substation.
➤ Likely just perception issues, but reports of violence seem to be higher there.
➤ Lots of riff-raff, crime in that area.
➤ Low income area with a high crime rate.
➤ Lower income neighbour has higher violence, robberies etc.
➤ Major crime area.
➤ Many people who may harm you.
➤ More people with unpredictable behavior due to intoxication/drugs. Gang related incidents in news. History of more crime/violence.
➤ More violence, panhandling, you cannot refuse history of stabbings, gunshots.

➤ Most violent crimes with severe or fatal outcomes appear to come from that area. Driving through that part of town you see people who appear to be 'sketchy' as in loitering about on corners or dressed suggestively like a prostitute. It is also an area reportedly in an area with gangs or groups with gang-like behaviors.
➤ Murders and stabbings.
➤ Murders.
➤ Night, there has been stabbings, assaults, theft on people.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ People that approach me or wife may harm us.
➤ Perceived higher levels of crime as reported in the media. Lower socioeconomic demographic, etc.
➤ Recent reports of crimes against persons along with the increasing number of aboriginal persons hanging about make me feel this way.
➤ Reported crime rates.
➤ Reports of crime in the area.
➤ Reputation of high crime area.
➤ Reputation of the area, lots of criminal activity.
➤ Riverdale is known for having a lot more gang activity and drug dealing. More needles are found sitting in the most random places. Break-ins and theft are common in this area of town.
➤ Riversdale is one of the oldest areas in the city and although they are really trying to clean it up the reputation has not been good. I know of families that have had their homes broken into, fires set to garbage cans, people stabbed, shot and the number of old houses that are hideouts for drug dealers.
➤ Run down area. Rough looking neighborhood. Type of people who live near the area. Lots of crime in the area that you hear about on the news.
➤ Same answer as above. [There have been too many instances of people being approached for money or attacked.]
➤ Same as above. [Afraid of being mugged or having my purse grabbed.]
➤ Same as above. [I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.]
➤ Same as above. [I just tend to be more fearful than I probably should. I listen diligently to the news and hear of too many robberies, stabbings, and lately shootings and threats.]
➤ Same as above-reports of crime after hours.
➤ Seems to be a lot of robberies and assaults in that area.
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations.
➤ So many incidents go on in the area, robberies with violence.
➤ Street people criminal activity.
➤ That seems to me to be an area that has a fair bit of crime involving attacks on people.
➤ The area is still populated and frequented by low-income, unsavoury characters. The majority of robberies and assaults happen in and around this area. It's not worth the risk to go there at night.
➤ The area tends to have more 'incidents' than other areas of the city. It is also not as familiar to me as other places.
➤ The attacks are regular and random, unless the reporting of them is incomplete. If you only walk there once in a while, you likely won't have a problem, but someone gets accosted/robbed/beaten/stabbed pretty much every day.

➤ The city doesn't do much to curb the less favourable people who tend to leach out at night. Gangs, drunken Indians, poor people, youths to which the city has removed social programs and parks for them to be active in and thus rob and vandalize.
➤ The concentration of crime (as can be seen on the Saskatoon Police crime mapping site) is in the core neighbourhoods including Riversdale.
➤ The level of reported violence in the neighbourhood makes me avoid that area after dark.
➤ The neighbourhood has a reputation for crime. I've personally be menaced. Not in any overtly violent way, but with shouting, other people being rowdy or violent towards each on several occasions.
➤ The Riversdale area has never really felt safe to me. A lot of it is low income and aboriginal families and unfortunately they meet the stereotype with the amount of crime there is in that area.
➤ The Riversdale area is known as the unsafe part of town, I feel, because of the things that happen there, there's a lot of gang activity and at night you can see them walking around with their bandanas. These people hang around cause trouble and can become violent day or night. I've have friends who have gotten threatened, mugged and had their cars broken into in that area. I avoid it at all costs to be honest.
➤ The Riversdale business area has been known for prostitution and other criminal activity. This may or may not be true but I would not go there at night.
➤ The undesirable people in the area and the reports of crime.
➤ There are too many reports of violence occurring in that area at night.
➤ There has been so many stabbings, shootings, crime in that area at any time of the day that I never feel safe in the area. Prevalence of people drunk or on drugs is very high in the area which makes them more unpredictable. Too much poverty in this area which always leads to crime. Too many johns that try and pick up any female in the area (not just the prostitutes). you can be propositioned at any time by a man. It's insulting and a bit scary, especially if it happens at night.
➤ There have been a few reports of violence occurring near the Riverside.
➤ There is a high crime rate in this area at night along with prostitution and drugs.
➤ There is a lot of unsavory type people walking or wondering that area and also news coverage of more problems are becoming more frequent, stabbings and walk up robberies during broad daylight in particular.
➤ This is a lower income area, known for its higher crime.
➤ Too many criminal activities and not enough police in the area.
➤ Too many criminals, too many aboriginals.
➤ Too many gangs people high on drugs or alcohol people looking to get rich by mugging you.
➤ Too many negative incidents resulting in injury or even death.
➤ Too many people looking for trouble, and very dark.
➤ Too many robberies and stabbings, and other gang related crimes.
➤ Too many stories of knife stabbings and robberies.
➤ Too many street gangs, drunks, risky behaviours; fear of being robbed.
➤ Too much crime (robberies, murder).
➤ Too much crime in area.
➤ Too much crime in the area.
➤ Too much crime over there.
➤ Too much crime.
➤ Two reasons one being the crime situations you hear about coming from that area, two I have walked that area for business during the day and have had an element of people look to put fear in you as if to say this is our place what are you doing here. I must say though that it has improved from a few years ago.
➤ Usually lots of criminal activity of varying degrees i.e. prostitutes, gangs, intoxicated people etc.
➤ West side gang activity, larger native population that seem to go hand and hand with crime.

- When it is dark out, have known people to be robbed, and assaulted for very little reason in this area.

205. Drunk people/addicts:

➤ A lot of gang activity as well as drug trafficking occurs in that area which makes it uncomfortable to walk or cycle in that area.
➤ Again, alcohol related.
➤ Alcohol, drugs, weapons, inner city.
➤ At night the bars have been open for a significant amount of time. Light lowers risk.
➤ Bad area of city drunks.
➤ Bad crowd. People that are under the influence.
➤ Because of the people I can meet there (drunken people or people under drugs, loud companies, Aboriginal people who most of the time look not very pretty and sober).
➤ Because sometimes there's drunk people walking around outside who are somewhat unpredictable.
➤ Confronted by a group of drunken teenagers.
➤ Despite the efforts to clean things up the gang and drug activity is out of hand.
➤ Drug addicted people around.
➤ Drug business.
➤ Drugs and alcohol affect many people who are on the streets. There is often news of attacks using knives. I don't think I would be attacked but I could be hurt just by being in the wrong place at the wrong time.
➤ Drunk people, street people, pan handling, people walking around talking to themselves, pawn shops and the clientele they attract, news reports of many stabbings in that neighbourhood.
➤ Drunks and drug takers on streets who have little to lose.
➤ Drunks and undesirables walking and yelling and drinking along the street.
➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas. Higher chance of robbery.
➤ Drunks, drugs and a lot of what seems like teenagers wandering around with little or no supervision.
➤ Drunks, drugs and hookers.
➤ Drunks.
➤ Gang activity, hookers, drug addicts and pushers, panhandlers, beggars, rough looking kids in groups.
➤ Gangs and drugged up Individuals or in groups looking for trouble a hand out or both.
➤ Gangs, native gangs, prostitutes and pimps, drug trade.
➤ Has always been an unsafe area the whole time since I was a child. Gangs, prostitution, thieves, drunks.
➤ Higher crime rate in that area, more drug use as well.
➤ I am afraid of drunks.
➤ I don't always feel safe in this area because there are a lot of jay walkers (often intoxicated).
➤ I don't feel safe when there are people around that appear to have been drinking or doing drugs.
➤ I grew up in this area and still don't feel safe. Needles, hookers, gang colours, not the best place to be in the evening, when the police had the building on 20th and H I felt more safe knowing they were close by.
➤ I have had a bad history with the west side, anecdotal evidence, finding needles etc.
➤ I have heard a lot about gangs, alcohol, drugs, etc., in the area.
➤ I have the impression that there are a lot of people with drinking/drug problems that may harm me.
➤ I live in the Downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown in relatively public space. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.

➤ I lock my doors even when I drive in that area, assuming this area is on 20th Street West. I regularly see pedestrians stumbling around down the street even early in the morning.
➤ I thought the last page said Riversdale, not riverside. I am not too sure where riverside is. I assumed Riversdale and the reason I would feel unsafe is due to the prevalent gang activity and drunken youths. I have heard bad things about the native gangs. All that said, I have never and will never actually walk or bike there day or night, as I rarely walk or bike anywhere.
➤ I'm not sure what you mean by 'Riverside'. If you mean 'Riversdale', I would think I feel less safe because the businesses in this area aren't open at night, the same way the bars and restaurants on Broadway and downtown are.
➤ It has a reputation of being an area for street walkers and drug dealers. Wouldn't be there after dark. People in the area are scary enough in the daylight.
➤ It is because of the bars and the prostitutes.
➤ Less people, more of them coming from bars and clubs.
➤ Lots of inebriated people, bad reputation for the area.
➤ Lots of intoxicated people, and people that I can visually recognize as in the sex industry. People never look happy. And the sheer volume of people that are walking around obviously drunk or high is intimidating.
➤ Low income area and there are always drunks and gangs walking around.
➤ May be drunk people loitering.
➤ Media coverage of negative events. Intoxicated people.
➤ More people with unpredictable behavior due to intoxication/drugs. Gang related incidents in news. History of more crime/violence.
➤ Obvious booze, drugs, and sex activities.
➤ Peddlers Prostitutes pimps and alcohol fueled crazies.
➤ People hanging out on the streets, seen drug deals and prostitution.
➤ People may harass me, there may be hypodermic needles, and the area feels unclean.
➤ Prostitutes, drug dealers, pawn shops (seedy businesses).
➤ Riffraff and gangs drunken people.
➤ Riverdale is known for having a lot more gang activity and drug dealing. More needles are found sitting in the most random places. Break-ins and theft are common in this area of town.
➤ Same as above. [I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.]
➤ Sketchy people, drugs, hookers.
➤ The amount of drunks and unsavory characters in the area, lack of visible police presence.
➤ There can be some intoxicated people that make people feel uncomfortable.
➤ The city doesn't do much to curb the less favourable people who tend to leach out at night. Gangs, drunken Indians, poor people, youths to which the city has removed social programs and parks for them to be active in and thus rob and vandalize.
➤ The presence of individuals who appear intoxicated or under the influence of drugs.
➤ The same as above with the addition of street walkers and possibly drunk people and people on drugs.
➤ The streets are quite dark and there are not a lot of businesses open at night. There seems to be a higher level of substance abuse amongst the street people.
➤ The whole neighborhood is sketchy and the people that hang around their cause trouble, drug dealers, drunks and gang activity.
➤ There are crack heads and Indians.

➤ There has been so many stabbings, shootings, crime in that area at any time of the day that I never feel safe in the area. Prevalence of people drunk or on drugs is very high in the area which makes them more unpredictable. Too much poverty in this area which always leads to crime. Too many johns that try and pick up any female in the area (not just the prostitutes). you can be propositioned at any time by a man. It's insulting and a bit scary, especially if it happens at night.
➤ There is a high crime rate in this area at night along with prostitution and drugs.
➤ There's a lot of gang activity and low income housing In this area, which brings illegal activity, also there are always news reports of people getting stabbed or beat up in this area.
➤ This area tends to have a lot of drunks on the street, and therefore you never know what they end up doing in their stupor.
➤ Too many gangs and poor people hanging out on the streets and drunks.
➤ Too many gangs hang out here. Very tough bars in that area.
➤ Too many gangs people high on drugs or alcohol people looking to get rich by mugging you.
➤ Too many natives, prostitutes, gang members and drug dealers.
➤ Too many people that look drunk/gang related.
➤ Too many people under the influence.
➤ Too many stories of prostitution, johns and drug dealers.
➤ Too many street gangs, drunks, risky behaviours; fear of being robbed.
➤ Too much drugs, hookers and drunks. Also to many down and out people that don't care. Natives.
➤ Usually lots of criminal activity of varying degrees i.e. prostitutes, gangs, intoxicated people etc.
➤ While it has been improving, there are still a lot of drunken people and others that give me a bad vibe.

206. Groups of people loitering/gangs:

➤ A lot of gang activity as well as drug trafficking occurs in that area which makes it uncomfortable to walk or cycle in that area.
➤ Area is known for violence and gang activity.
➤ At night, there can be groups of people that don't seem to be traveling towards a destination, which can be unnerving.
➤ Because of sketchy looking people hanging about.
➤ Been confronted before by a group of people.
➤ Been stopped and questioned by people. Groups of individuals that look like they are in gangs with tattoos and such. Just walking around. People just hanging out.
➤ Bums and gangsters.
➤ Could be more gangs there.
➤ Despite the efforts to clean things up the gang and drug activity is out of hand.
➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas. Higher chance of robbery.
➤ Gang activity in area.
➤ Gang activity, hookers, drug addicts and pushers, panhandlers, beggars, rough looking kids in groups.
➤ Gang activity.(3)
➤ Gang area and rundown buildings.
➤ Gangs and bums.
➤ Gangs and drugged up Individuals or in groups looking for trouble a hand out or both.
➤ Gangs hang out there.
➤ Gangs, native gangs, prostitutes and pimps, drug trade.
➤ Gangs.(5)
➤ Groups of youths roam the area. Not a lot of businesses open at night. Not much foot patrol police either.

➤ Has always been an unsafe area the whole time since I was a child. Gangs, prostitution, thieves, drunks.
➤ Higher crime rate than other areas of the city. Home to poorer citizens who are more prone to gang or crime activity.
➤ Higher crime/gang activity as you move west of Idylwyld.
➤ I don't care for the foot traffic that wanders around aimlessly - looking for trouble!! There are many years of clean up in that area!!!
➤ I grew up in this area and still don't feel safe. Needles, hookers, gang colours, not the best place to be in the evening, when the police had the building on 20th and H I felt more safe knowing they were close by.
➤ I have heard a lot about gangs, alcohol, drugs, etc., in the area.
➤ I live in the Downtown area. There are a lot of non-threatening pan handlers and homeless or nearly homeless people. This is fine. It is also full of loitering ne'er-do-wells which is less inspiring when it comes to safety. Have witnessed some drug use Downtown in relatively public space. In Riversdale people don't seem to come from outside the neighbourhood to loiter and, for lack of a better word, harass the people living and employed in the area.
➤ I thought the last page said Riversdale, not riverside. I am not too sure where riverside is. I assumed Riversdale and the reason I would feel unsafe is due to the prevalent gang activity and drunken youths. I have heard bad things about the native gangs. All that said, I have never and will never actually walk or bike there day or night, as I rarely walk or bike anywhere.
➤ I used to live in that area. At night you hear a lot of yelling and see groups of people wearing dark baggy clothing and gang colours.
➤ It does not feel safe there. There are a lot of people loitering that do not look friendly.
➤ It is a traditionally bad area and the people hanging around look sketchy.
➤ It's just not a safe area to walk. People who are staggering around or hanging out by the liquor store.
➤ It's not a very open area, and I never feel safe in secluded areas when I'm alone and I walk past groups of people.
➤ Just think that whole area is unsafe, gang rumors, not worth the risk at all.
➤ Loitering.
➤ Lots of Indians walking in big groups.
➤ Lots of people.
➤ Low income area and there are always drunks and gangs walking around.
➤ May be drunk people loitering.
➤ More people with unpredictable behavior due to intoxication/drugs. Gang related incidents in news. History of more crime/violence.
➤ Most violent crimes with severe or fatal outcomes appear to come from that area. Driving through that part of town you see people who appear to be 'sketchy' as in loitering about on corners or dressed suggestively like a prostitute. It is also an area reportedly in an area with gangs or groups with gang-like behaviors.
➤ Native gangs.
➤ People 'hanging around'.
➤ People hanging out on the streets, seen drug deals and prostitution.
➤ Recent reports of crimes against persons along with the increasing number of aboriginal persons hanging about make me feel this way.
➤ Reputation, the look and feel, the people who hang out around there.
➤ Riffraff and gangs, drunken people.
➤ Riverdale is known for having a lot more gang activity and drug dealing. More needles are found sitting in the most random places. Break-ins and theft are common in this area of town.

➤ Same as above. [I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.]
➤ Same as mentioned above. [Too many street people and homeless, too many gang members and unemployed young people loitering. There are too many pan handlers. There is a large presence of native people that do nothing than sit around. They cause trouble and intimidate others.]
➤ Same. [Too many people hanging around asking for money.]
➤ Strange traffic, gang activity, native activity, strange people.
➤ Street gangs.
➤ Street people, aboriginal gangs/youth. Maybe more perception than reality.
➤ The area is run down, a lot of homelessness and people gathered in groups on the sidewalks.
➤ The city doesn't do much to curb the less favourable people who tend to leach out at night. Gangs, drunken Indians, poor people, youths to which the city has removed social programs and parks for them to be active in and thus rob and vandalize.
➤ The crowd that hangs out there.
➤ The many underemployed and gang types I've seen there.
➤ The people hanging around on the sidewalks.
➤ The people that hang around always bumming for money or smokes, if you say No they get upset and even sometimes angry.
➤ The people that hang around in those areas.
➤ The people that hang out in those areas.
➤ The problem here and I've only been on 20th Street twice in the past number of years, was more of a visual perception of certain individuals lurking about as we went to a restaurant.
➤ The Riversdale area is known as the unsafe part of town, I feel, because of the things that happen there, there's a lot of gang activity and at night you can see them walking around with their bandanas. These people hang around cause trouble and can become violent day or night. I've have friends who have gotten threatened, mugged and had their cars broken into in that area. I avoid it at all costs to be honest.
➤ The same as above. [To many people hanging around looking for trouble.]
➤ The same reason as above. I feel fine in the day. [Because of the number of gangs present in Saskatoon and large numbers of people who like to crowd around downtown areas. High school students especially. And I am well aware of the gangs involving teenage girls and boys.]
➤ The type of sketchy people hanging around with no particular reason to be there.
➤ The west side has a reputation for being a poorer neighborhood and having perhaps a higher amount of gang activity. There is also less traffic in the area at night, and I tend to feel slightly safer at night in areas where there are lots of witnesses.
➤ The whole neighborhood is sketchy and the people that hang around their cause trouble, drug dealers, drunks and gang activity.
➤ There are many people hanging around on street corners etc.
➤ There are too many individuals who hang around, yell at you and are simply unpleasant to be around.
➤ There can be: large groups, aggressive behaviours (cat calls, shouting, etc.)
➤ There is a large amount of gang activity in the area.
➤ There's a lot of gang activity and low income housing In this area, which brings illegal activity, also there are always news reports of people getting stabbed or beat up in this area.
➤ This is the area where gangs reside.
➤ Too many gangs and poor people hanging out on the streets and drunks.

➤ Too many gangs.
➤ Too many groups of people hanging around which is intimidating (gangs?).
➤ Too many people hanging around.
➤ Too many people that look drunk/gang related.
➤ Too many people wandering around along with the reputation of the area.
➤ Too many random people wandering around.
➤ Too many robberies and stabbings, and other gang related crimes.
➤ Too many sketchy characters, many in gang colours.
➤ Too many street gangs, drunks, risky behaviours; fear of being robbed.
➤ Too many street people hanging around, client of the soup kitchen and food bank.
➤ Too much 'hanging about'.
➤ Too much loitering.
➤ Unfamiliar, know there is some gang presence, there are some street people working who would target 60 year old wasps.
➤ Usually lots of criminal activity of varying degrees i.e. prostitutes, gangs, intoxicated people etc.
➤ Very obvious rough looking natives and obvious gang members.
➤ West side gang activity, larger native population that seem to go hand and hand with crime.
➤ Youth gang activity. Sometimes harmless but always harassing.

207. Feeling of not being safe at night-general:

➤ Again it is not a place to walk alone at night.
➤ At night I don't because there are lots of sketchy people hanging around all the time, asking for money etc.
➤ During the day I don't have a big problem, but I don't like walking at night almost anywhere in the city but I think that's just me and not necessarily to do with any particular area.
➤ I don't go walking around at night.
➤ I feel safe there except at night.
➤ I generally don't feel safe walking alone at night.
➤ I generally stay away from the downtown and west side of the city in the evening and at night based on the activities that seem to go on.
➤ It is okay in daylight but I would not go there at night, as a woman alone is an easy target.
➤ Only at night.
➤ Same answer as previous question. [Nowhere at night do I feel safe by myself in Saskatoon.]
➤ Same as above. [Prefer not to put myself in danger anywhere in city after dark.]
➤ Same as the question above if it is in the evening. During the day I have no problem walking down there.
➤ Same reasons as above. [Saskatoon isn't very busy at night time downtown, so there aren't many people around. There have also been a fair amount of incidents reported recently around 2nd avenue. I certainly wouldn't just go for a walk at night downtown by myself.]
➤ Same. I don't feel safe at night when I am alone.

208. Not enough police presence/security:

➤ Groups of youths roam the area. Not a lot of businesses open at night. Not much foot patrol police either.
➤ I grew up in this area and still don't feel safe. Needles, hookers, gang colours, not the best place to be in the evening, when the police had the building on 20th and H I felt more safe knowing they were close by.

➤ Lack of police presence. I felt safer when they had staff at the ' Little Chief' (gas) station.
➤ Level of criminal/violent activity in area, reduced police presence due to closure of substation.
➤ Poor police relations.
➤ Same as above. [Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place.]
➤ Same reason. [Panhandlers, lack of visible police presence.]
➤ The amount of drunks and unsavory characters in the area, lack of visible police presence.
➤ Too many criminal activities and not enough police in the area.

209. Not many people around at night:

➤ Again more deserted but it is also an area with a reputation for being tough. Cycling is OK.
➤ At night there are not a lot of businesses open, but there are a lot of less than desirable clientele wondering around. Although there has been an improvement, there are still a lot of issues. I have also been harassed by people during the day as I was walking about. I do not go into the Riversdale area much anymore.
➤ Day time is good but night time not too many people there. Summer is OK.
➤ Doesn't seem like a lot of foot traffic at night. Easy for someone to hide out.
➤ I'm a woman walking by myself and there isn't enough pedestrian activity to feel safety in numbers. Interestingly, I feel safer in downtown Toronto than I do in downtown Saskatoon.
➤ I'm not sure what you mean by 'Riverside'. If you mean 'Riversdale', I would think I feel less safe because the businesses in this area aren't open at night, the same way the bars and restaurants on Broadway and downtown are.
➤ Less people, more of them coming from bars and clubs.
➤ Same reasons as above. [Saskatoon isn't very busy at night time downtown, so there aren't many people around. There have also been a fair amount of incidents reported recently around 2nd avenue. I certainly wouldn't just go for a walk at night downtown by myself.]
➤ Same. [Very empty at night except for a few sketchy people.]
➤ Some of it is the history of the area and there aren't as many people out on the streets at night.
➤ Too few people.
➤ Very quiet and not a lot of traffic in case something went wrong.

210. Too much traffic/bad drivers to cycle:

➤ Besides traffic flow crossing Idylwyld from downtown, the amount of pawn shops, and other businesses like that attract a crowd that makes people feel vulnerable and watching their back. You also have to be careful where you park, as that area is more dangerous than downtown.
➤ I don't feel safe walking at night due to limited visuals of people and objects around me. There are less people around at night for safety in numbers and people drive more recklessly after dark which causes greater risk for the public.
➤ Lots of foot traffic moving from the downtown bus mall to Riversdale.
➤ Not a high traffic area at night with most businesses closed.
➤ Panhandlers, people fighting, traffic not watching for pedestrians at marked crosswalks, traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians.
➤ Same answer as above. [I don't feel safe cycling because there are no designated routes for cycling, and the drivers have no patience for bikers. It feels very dangerous.]
➤ The community and other drivers.
➤ Too many vehicles while rush hours.
➤ Traffic in the area, people on 20th Street, always have to be on guard, etc.

211. Too dark/not well lit:

➤ Dark, not a lot of businesses open during the evening therefore the streets are used more for thorough fares to other areas.
➤ Drunks looking to fight, gangs wandering around, it's not well lit in areas. Higher chance of robbery.
➤ I'm not very familiar with Riverside and I know that there are some very bad areas. Riversdale tends to be very dark in places so it's worse at night.
➤ Lack of adequate street lighting. This is generally at night.
➤ Lack of lighting at night.
➤ The streets are quite dark and there are not a lot of businesses open at night. There seems to be a higher level of substance abuse amongst the street people.
➤ Very dark on streets.
➤ When it is dark out, have known people to be robbed, and assaulted for very little reason in this area.

Other:

➤ Again it depends on what time of the evening but since the bars have gone it seems a bit safer than before. If I am by myself, I do not go down to Riverside business area but if I am with a group of people I will go.
➤ Aggressive solicitation.
➤ Are you kidding I am scared to even go to the Farmer's Market in Riversdale. You can clean it up all you want but it still has that lingering reputation.
➤ As above but worse.
➤ At night many people out screaming and threatening each other.
➤ Basically the same reasons as the downtown!
➤ Because everyone knows that Riversdale is considered the 'hood' of Saskatoon. I've walked around there before and just felt very uncomfortable.
➤ Because it seems to be an area of town that has less money, which usually means more crime and theft. There are some nice areas, but go two blocks down any which way and you're in some of the worst parts of the city. Dirty, run down places with poverty stricken people. It's always a little unnerving being in areas like that, especially if you're alone. Especially at night. I hate to sound assuming or prejudice, but my experiences have taught me to just always be prepared for it. Unfortunately.
➤ Because of some stories or experiences other people have told me.
➤ Because of the native prominence there, I really have no feelings of safety at all.
➤ Being approached by others that want something.
➤ Daytime would not feel unsafe, the night I would be cautious about, and I do not live in the area so am not as familiar with it.
➤ Depends on the location within Riversdale. Have unfortunately had encounters with individuals that were not friendly with words.
➤ Derelicts on the street.
➤ Drunk people, street people, pan handling, people walking around talking to themselves, pawn shops and the clientele they attract, news reports of many stabbings in that neighbourhood.
➤ Drunks, drugs and hookers.
➤ During the day I do not mind at night time I would not walk anywhere because you do not know what could be out there. I have met up with animals or on leashes.
➤ Everyone is too busy to pay attention.
➤ Experience with negative activities first-hand.
➤ Feel very uncomfortable with the atmosphere; make an effort to stay away.
➤ For the most part, it is a low income area and a lot of undesirables live there.
➤ Have run into more than my share of undesirable people.

➤ Here are a few quotes: 'Can you spare money for a coffee?'. 'God loves you, man. And so do I. Let's go get a drink'. 'Hey, little white boy...like your haircut'. Anymore questions about why??????
➤ High volume of pawn shops in that area, as well as the large number of arrests at homes in that neighbourhood in the past few years.
➤ I also think that his area is way too busy.
➤ I don' ever have occasion to go there at night.
➤ I would not walk in the Riversdale area at night for the same reason as above.
➤ If it's night time it's harder to be fully aware of your surroundings; I worry that marginalized people may turn to desperate measures in order to sustain themselves.
➤ It's so close to 20th.
➤ It's not a very open area, and I never feel safe in secluded areas when I'm alone and I walk past groups of people.
➤ Low income area and there are always drunks and gangs walking around.
➤ Low income area with a high crime rate.
➤ Lower income neighbour has higher violence, robberies etc.
➤ More activity at night (though I realize that this is further down 20th street). I would feel the same way about 22nd Street as well as some of the streets in my own neighbourhood.
➤ Native people.
➤ People may harass me, there may be hypodermic needles, and the area feels unclean.
➤ People.
➤ Perceived higher levels of crime as reported in the media. Lower socioeconomic demographic, etc.
➤ Perception is unsafe. Area looks bad. Lots of rental/low income properties.
➤ Poor area.
➤ Pretty much same as above.
➤ Prostitutes, drug dealers, pawn shops (seedy businesses).
➤ Riverdale is known for having a lot more gang activity and drug dealing. More needles are found sitting in the most random places. Break-ins and theft are common in this area of town.
➤ Riversdale area needs to be cleaned up and modified.
➤ Same as above. [I feel safe during the day with the patrols that the police are doing. Too much of large crowds at night make me stay away from downtown.]
➤ See above. [Self-explanatory.]
➤ South of 22nd St and West of the downtown core, I don't fit in to the demographic.
➤ The area is still populated and frequented by low-income, unsavoury characters. The majority of robberies and assaults happen in and around this area. It's not worth the risk to go there at night.
➤ The people in that area stare at me and whistle at me and call me obscene names.
➤ The Riversdale area has never really felt safe to me. A lot of it is low income and aboriginal families and unfortunately they meet the stereotype with the amount of crime there is in that area.
➤ There are no designated bike lanes and bikes are not separated from cars, etc.
➤ There has been so many stabbings, shootings, crime in that area at any time of the day that I never feel safe in the area. Prevalence of people drunk or on drugs is very high in the area which makes them more unpredictable. Too much poverty in this area which always leads to crime. Too many johns that try and pick up any female in the area (not just the prostitutes). you can be propositioned at any time by a man. It's insulting and a bit scary, especially if it happens at night.
➤ This is a lower income area, known for its higher crime.
➤ Too close to Riversdale.
➤ Too close to the hood.
➤ Too many aboriginal people.
➤ Too many criminals, too many aboriginals.

➤ Too many Indians.
➤ Too many natives and other groups I am not familiar with.
➤ Too many natives, prostitutes, gang members and drug dealers.
➤ Too many people approaching you.
➤ Too many people around doing there day to day business so it helps.
➤ Too many people.
➤ When businesses are closed it feels very isolated.
➤ Will not enter that area.
➤ You know why.

Q9_3. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in the **Broadway business area?**

Broadway exclusive (Net)

101. Bars/pubs:

➤ Alcohol fueled crazies that exist due to the number of bars in the area.
➤ At night because of the bars.
➤ At night the bars fill the streets with people and I have had encounters with aggressive drunk people
➤ At night the bars have been open for a significant amount of time. Light lowers risk.
➤ Bar/club patrons. Public drunkenness.
➤ Bars and people shouting or calling you
➤ Because the bars
➤ Broadway also has many bars and people that have been drinking that are hanging out on the streets. I just do not feel comfortable.
➤ Broadway attracts a different crowd and has a lot of bars. Again, during the day this district is excellent. A lot of people with lots of shops and it feels like a very safe place to conduct business. But at night (late at night) the crowds coming from the bars are less welcoming.
➤ Busy bar scene, drunk men scare as a female
➤ Certain places attract the wrong crowd. Specially BUDS on Broadway, Roxy's and even the Nino's patio area. Bikers, ruffians and drug dealers.
➤ Could be approached by drunk men from the bars and pubs in the area
➤ During the evening only. When the bars are active.
➤ Had an encounter with someone trying to sell me drugs when I was picking up my daughter from work who is not allowed to walk to her car alone at night. We have had several encounters on Broadway due to drunk/high young adults that has made in uncomfortable to walk alone at night. The smokers outside of the bars along Broadway are not always accommodating to people walking by.
➤ I do not feel as safe at night due to the pubs and intoxicated people
➤ I feel safe during day but again sometimes hassled by people exiting bars or smoking outside of bars like Buds or Vangelis etc. Lots of kids hanging out (both white and aboriginal) at the 7-11 who are very belligerent intimidating.
➤ I lived in the area for a few years, and night seemed to be the time the strange people came out to wander the area. Public drunkenness, individuals who had the appearance of being under the influence of drugs, and a bar in the middle of Broadway business area with a reputation for violence made for an interesting assortment of people to walk by at night.
➤ I won't at night unless with a larger group as there are a lot of bars in that area
➤ in the daytime it's not bad, but there is a very tough bar on Broadway
➤ In the evening here are too many bars and being a woman walking by myself I would not feel safe doing so.

➤ Lots of bars, again do to want to get run over by a drunk driver... Lots of pan handlers make me feel very uncomfortable
➤ Lots of drunk and/or high people, many bars in the area.
➤ Many pubs
➤ More criminal activity occurs at night. Lots of bars and pubs in Broadway area.
➤ Mostly because of the bars at night with all the drunks.
➤ Number of bars
➤ Scumbags from bars
➤ The bars
➤ The undesirable people in the area, the high rate of adult establishments that can impair/alter people's behaviours and the reports of crime.
➤ There are bars down Broadway and walking there at night doesn't make me feel very comfortable.
➤ There's a few bars around so drunk people are often wandering the streets at night, as well as a few homeless people. I would not feel completely safe.
➤ too many bars
➤ Too many bars and fights and beating have happened in the news to be walking around there.
➤ Too many bars and pubs in a very small area.
➤ Too many bars in the area at night.
➤ too many drunk people leaving pubs and bars at night
➤ Too many drunks at night - all the bars and partying.
➤ too many night clubs/bars which means too many people hanging around who are intoxicated
➤ Where there is lots of night entertainment there is always the chance of issues. No real issues during the day

102. Feel safe/safer than other areas:

➤ Broadway is probably the safest feeling place for me, as I have no experiences to relate to this area. It goes back to not trusting the people around you. I just walk around always paying attention to the things around me because I'm paranoid of something happening to me. Try to be aware to prevent.
➤ I feel safe there. At night there are lot of bar-goers and it's probably best to not walk alone.
➤ I would not be so worried about the Broadway area at night mainly lots of young people, not too much concern.
➤ Seems not as bad, as other places, confederation mall should be included in this survey

191. Other comments about Broadway:

➤ A few years ago I wouldn't have given it a second thought to walk or cycle in the Broadway business area, but in the last few years there have been incidents that have made me reconsider.
➤ A friend got mugged on Broadway recently
➤ Broadway is a strange part of Saskatoon.
➤ Broadway is filled with a mixture of congested traffic, small parking areas and has been known where a lot of drug taking and selling occurs. All of these as well as several large schools in the area lead to too much unpredictability to feel comfortable to do any of that type of stuff.
➤ Broadway isn't that bad at night. One street over is dark and foot traffic is questionable.
➤ Broadway seems to be a shady, no real answer for this one
➤ I have an uneasy feeling that this area is not as safe as it used to be
➤ Only when I am on my own as I am not over familiar with the area
➤ Too many people hanging around at night, also a bad reputation for the area.

Non-area specific (Net)

201. Sketchy/strange/bad people-general:

➤ A lot of rough looking characters. During the day I am o.k. With it somewhat at night I would not walk alone
➤ At night I would not feel safe in this area of town again because of the type of people who frequent this area
➤ At night there are unsavory people there
➤ At night there is what I consider rough people around.
➤ attracts unsavoury types at night
➤ Bars and people shouting or calling you
➤ Because of the people I can meet there (drunk people or people under drugs, loud companies, Aboriginal people who most of the time look not very pretty and sober)
➤ Because of the type of people that are out in the area at that particular time of day or night
➤ Because of the types of people on Broadway at certain times
➤ Certain places attract the wrong crowd. Specially BUDS on Broadway, Roxy's and even the Nino's patio area. Bikers, ruffians and drug dealers.
➤ Creepy people
➤ I don't like the eclectic style of the area and the "Goths" and the drunken youths would deter me. All that said, I have never and will never actually walk or bike there day or night, as I rarely walk or bike anywhere.
➤ I have heard that at night there are petty criminals and predators who lurk in the darkened areas just off Broadway Avenue itself, making parking along some of these streets worrisome.
➤ I lived in the area for a few years, and night seemed to be the time the strange people came out to wander the area. Public drunkenness, individuals who had the appearance of being under the influence of drugs, and a bar in the middle of Broadway business area with a reputation for violence made for an interesting assortment of people to walk by at night.
➤ I see too many creeps hanging are there
➤ In my opinion, Broadway attracts a different, and more dangerous, type of person than either downtown or Riversdale, and I believe it is the most dangerous area both in daylight and after dark. I believe some of the people in the Broadway area are under the influence of illegal drugs, more so than in any other area of the city.
➤ It's a different clientele in this area. The people are more non conformists and their actions are not always predictable. I am not really afraid but I am cautious.
➤ It's an area where a lot of people are around, you never know their intentions, so need to be aware.
➤ Many rumors and news reports of people getting beat up and again non reputable people hang out in this area.
➤ Never know who is around the corner
➤ Night time all sorts of people come out. sketchy
➤ Not comfortable with the type of people around.
➤ not well lit at night, sketchy people hang around smoking and drinking at night
➤ People
➤ People
➤ People that are out look scary
➤ Riffraff and gangs drunk people
➤ Same as above. [Because of the people that are down there]
➤ Same thing - weird people out at all hours, and who knows if they are just weird or are actually going to rob / assault / start fights, etc.
➤ Scumbags from bars

➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations. And drunks
➤ Sketchy young people on the sidewalks just hanging around
➤ Somewhat unsavory people.
➤ The people.
➤ The people that hang there.
➤ The type of sketchy people hanging around with no particular reason to be there
➤ The undesirable people in the area, the high rate of adult establishments that can impair/alter people's behaviours and the reports of crime.
➤ The youth from the high school have made unsavory suggestions to me and my son.
➤ There appears to a certain element of society that congregates in these areas at night that makes me as a single woman feel unsafe
➤ There are lots of strange people wondering around this area.
➤ There are many people wandering around and they look like they might not be up to any good.
➤ There are unsafe people hanging around.
➤ to many shady characters
➤ too many punk looking people and I have heard many people getting attacked
➤ Too many random people meandering around.
➤ Too many street walkers.
➤ traffic makes cycling unsafe and night time drunks and weirdoes are out
➤ Very uneasy feeling about the young men who hang out in that area, Amigos and Buds!
➤ Well go there, day or night there are gangs, misfits and degenerates loitering about bugging people. I know more people who have been robbed in this area than any other.

202. Panhandlers/bums:

➤ Approaches for money.
➤ Bums and gangsters.
➤ Drunken people confront for money.
➤ Gangs and bums.
➤ I feel safe during day but again sometimes hassled by people exiting bars or smoking outside of bars like Buds or Vangelis etc. Lots of kids hanging out (both white and aboriginal) at the 7-11 who are very belligerent intimidating.
➤ Lots of bars, again do to want to get run over by a drunk driver... Lots of pan handlers make me feel very uncomfortable
➤ Lots of weirdoes asking for money
➤ Pan handlers
➤ People ask for money
➤ Same. [too many people hanging around asking for money]
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations. And drunks.
➤ The street performers and those begging for money are very aggressive.
➤ There are a lot of young adults asking for money and loitering.
➤ Traffic plus being approached.

203. Homeless people/transients:

➤ Homeless people
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations. And drunks.
➤ There's a few bars around so drunk people are often wandering the streets at night, as well as a few homeless people. I would not feel completely safe.
➤ Transients

204. Crime/Afraid of being mugged/assaulted :

➤ Again, crimes committed after business hrs.
➤ Alcohol, drugs, weapons
➤ At night there are some few criminals around.
➤ Being mugged or attacked.
➤ Drug traffic.
➤ Drugs
➤ Fear of crimes
➤ History in past few years of increased crime/violence
➤ I find it unsafe to cycle as there is too much traffic and no dedicated bike lanes. At night the bar crowd makes for a few too many intoxicated people on the street.
➤ I know a young couple who were attracted in that area Her arm was broken and she was off work for 3 months.
➤ I know of people who were mugged on Broadway at night
➤ I think the area has an amount of people that have tendencies towards crime and violence that makes me feel unsafe.
➤ I would not do it at night alone because you hear of many people being approached for money /cigs, or worse assaulted or attacked.
➤ In the evening there is a lot of alcohol related activity and with that comes intoxicated people who approach you and cause problems like fighting and property damage to vehicles. So we avoid that area in the evening and night time.
➤ More criminal activity occurs at night. Lots of bars and pubs in Broadway area.
➤ My sons were attacked by a gang of white well-dressed twenty/late teenagers one evening...curb stomped. On Albert...no provocation just nothing else to do
➤ Robberies
➤ Same as above. [I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.]
➤ Same as above. [I just tend to be more fearful than I probably should. I listen diligently to the news and hear of too many robberies, stabbings, and lately shootings and threats.]
➤ Same reason as the above two answers. [I have been mugged twice in within 2 blocks of River Landing]
➤ Same thing - weird people out at all hours, and who knows if they are just weird or are actually going to rob / assault / start fights, etc.
➤ Some of the bars contain people who could harm you
➤ The same reason as above. I feel find in the day. But know people who have been jumped and beaten by teenagers in this area.
➤ There have been knifings on Broadway, lots of kids and criminal element hanging around and not enough police in the area

➤ There seems to be a rising amount of violence in that area so I cannot feel as safe there now as I could 5 years ago.
➤ Too many bars and fights and beating have happened in the news to be walking around there.
➤ Too many punk looking people and I have heard many people getting attacked
➤ Well go there, day or night there are gangs, misfits and degenerates loitering about bugging people. I know more people who have been robbed in this area than any other.

205. Drunk people/addicts:

➤ A lot of drunk peoples
➤ Alcohol fueled crazies that exist due to the number of bars in the area.
➤ At night the bars fill the streets with people and I have had encounters with aggressive drunk people
➤ Bar/club patrons. Public drunkenness.
➤ Because of the people I can meet there (drunk people or people under drugs, loud companies, Aboriginal people who most of the time look not very pretty and sober)
➤ Broadway also has many bars and people that have been drinking that are hanging out on the streets. I just do not feel comfortable.
➤ Busy bar scene, drunk men scare as a female
➤ Could be approached by drunk men from the bars and pubs in the area
➤ Creepy druggies.
➤ Drunk people and gang activity
➤ Drunken people confront for money.
➤ Drunken bar patrons, arguing, and groups of people hanging out on street.
➤ Drunken, white trash.
➤ Drunks coming out of the bars and acting stupid
➤ Early evening is fine, later in the evening a lot of foot traffic from the bars, also more liquored people later in the evening.
➤ Had an encounter with someone trying to sell me drugs when I was picking up my daughter from work who is not allowed to walk to her car alone at night. We have had several encounters on Broadway due to drunk/high young adults that has made in uncomfortable to walk alone at night. The smokers outside of the bars along Broadway are not always accommodating to people walking by.
➤ I don't feel safe when there are people around that appear to have been drinking or doing drugs.
➤ I find it unsafe to cycle as there is too much traffic and no dedicated bike lanes. At night the bar crowd makes for a few too many intoxicated people on the street.
➤ I lived in the area for a few years, and night seemed to be the time the strange people came out to wander the area. Public drunkenness, individuals who had the appearance of being under the influence of drugs, and a bar in the middle of Broadway business area with a reputation for violence made for an interesting assortment of people to walk by at night.
➤ In my opinion, Broadway attracts a different, and more dangerous, type of person than either downtown or Riversdale, and I believe it is the most dangerous area both in daylight and after dark. I believe some of the people in the Broadway area are under the influence of illegal drugs, more so than in any other area of the city.
➤ In the evening there is a lot of alcohol related activity and with that comes intoxicated people who approach you and cause problems like fighting and property damage to vehicles. So we avoid that area in the evening and night time.
➤ Likewise, it is the night factor if I am alone. I felt unsafe at night after a fringe activity just because of the crowds jostling and taking loudly. I wondered if they were drunk; I don't trust drunken people, especially in groups.
➤ Lots of drunk and/or high people, many bars in the area.

➤ Lots of drunken people at night. And I guess it's not that I don't feel safe - it's that I recognize that I'm more likely to be pulled into some sort of situation because of the volume of drunk people moving around.
➤ Mostly because of the bars at night with all the drunks.
➤ Only at night as there are lots of drunk people wondering the streets
➤ Only during the late night (10pm or later) Drunk bar patrons fighting the last time I was there coming out of Calories between us and my car
➤ Public drunkenness, again
➤ Riffraff and gangs drunk people
➤ See above - same as Riversdale, only more drunks
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations. And drunks
➤ That's only at night, and mostly when the bars let out all the dope smoking drunken retards.
➤ There can be some intoxicated people that make people feel uncomfortable.
➤ There are a lot of drugs floating around the Broadway area. There is at least 1 drug dealer in the area that I know of. People who are on drugs are very unpredictable.
➤ There's a few bars around so drunk people are often wandering the streets at night, as well as a few homeless people. I would not feel completely safe.
➤ Too many drunk people leaving pubs and bars at night
➤ Too many drunks at night - all the bars and partying.
➤ Too many night clubs/bars which means too many people hanging around who are intoxicated
➤ Traffic makes cycling unsafe and night time drunks and weirdoes are out
➤ Usually at night due to the intoxicated people.
➤ Young people out drinking and partying

206. Groups of people loitering/gangs:

➤ A lot of foot traffic in evenings with all the pubs/bars in that area
➤ Broadway also has many bars and people that have been drinking that are hanging out on the streets. I just do not feel comfortable.
➤ Crowd
➤ Drunk people and gang activity
➤ Drunken bar patrons, arguing, and groups of people hanging out on street.
➤ Due to the increase of gang activity
➤ Early evening is fine, later in the evening a lot of foot traffic from the bars, also more liquored people later in the evening.
➤ Gang activity
➤ Gangs
➤ Gangs
➤ Gangs activity,
➤ Gangs and bums
➤ I feel safe during day but again sometimes hassled by people exiting bars or smoking outside of bars like Buds or Vangelis etc. Lots of kids hanging out (both white and aboriginal) at the 7-11 who are very belligerent intimidating.
➤ Infiltration and reports of youth gang attacks that just run down the hill on the riverbank when chased
➤ It's an area where a lot of people are around, you never know their intentions, so need to be aware.
➤ Likewise, it is the night factor if I am alone. I felt unsafe at night after a fringe activity just because of the crowds jostling and taking loudly. I wondered if they were drunk; I don't trust drunken people, especially in groups.

➤ Lots of drunken people at night. And I guess it's not that I don't feel safe - it's that I recognize that I'm more likely to be pulled into some sort of situation because of the volume of drunk people moving around.
➤ Lots of people
➤ Night time all sorts of people come out. Sketchy
➤ Riffraff and gangs drunk people
➤ Same answer as the above question. [If you mean during the evening hours that's when people are generally hanging out.]
➤ Same thing people loitering about
➤ Sketchy young people on the sidewalks just hanging around
➤ So many people walking around this area and I don't really see the police patrolling this area either.
➤ The punk/ skater groups are very fast and not always eager to share the paths
➤ There are a lot of young adults asking for money and loitering
➤ There have been knifings on Broadway, lots of kids and criminal element hanging around and not enough police in the area
➤ Too many loitering and not enough people traffic to feel safe.
➤ Too many ganga
➤ Too many people hanging around at night, also a bad reputation for the area.
➤ Too much loitering
➤ Well go there, day or night there are gangs, misfits and degenerates loitering about bugging people. I know more people who have been robbed in this area than any other.

207. Feeling of not being safe at night-general:

➤ A lot of rough looking characters. During the day I am o.k. With it somewhat at night I would not walk alone
➤ I would not walk there at night
➤ At night I don't feel comfortable walking or cycling ANYWHERE in this city anymore
➤ At night there are some few criminals around.
➤ At night there are unsavory people there
➤ At night there are what I consider rough people around.
➤ Attracts unsavoury types at night
➤ Broadway attracts a different crowd and has a lot of bars. Again, during the day this district is excellent. A lot of people with lots of shops and it feels like a very safe place to conduct business. But at night (late at night) the crowds coming from the bars are less welcoming.
➤ During the day I don't have a big problem, but I don't like walking at night almost anywhere in the city but I think that's just me and not necessarily to do with any particular area.
➤ During the day is okay and in the night biking is better than walking but I do not feel safe by myself in the evening anywhere in the city - walking or biking - I have become very street aware of my surroundings. I bike to work down 33rd st at 5:30am and have been approached by aboriginals -it was scary.
➤ During the day it is safe because there is people around
➤ During the evening only. When the bars are active.
➤ Have uneasy feeling when in area at night
➤ I do not feel as safe at night due to the pubs and intoxicated people
➤ I don't feel safe walking at night due to limited visuals of people and objects around me. There are less people around at night for safety in numbers and people drive more recklessly after dark which causes greater risk for the public.
➤ I don't go out at night

➤ I feel safer walking in Broadway business area only in the daytime. It is what it is. It is not safe to walk at night anywhere in any district and definitely would not walk in Riversdale or the downtown area at night time.
➤ I generally don't feel safe walking alone at night.
➤ I have no problem with Broadway in daylight and walk on Broadway at night with someone else accompanying me, as a precaution.
➤ I really don't feel safe as a woman going anywhere in the dark alone.
➤ I really don't feel safe in most area at night any longer
➤ I went at night unless with a larger group as there are a lot of bars in that area
➤ In the evening here are too many bars and being a woman walking by myself I would not feel safe doing so.
➤ Likewise, it is the night factor if I am alone. I felt unsafe at night after a fringe activity just because of the crowds jostling and taking loudly. I wondered if they were drunk; I don't trust drunken people, especially in groups.
➤ Mostly at night, because people tend to commit crimes at night.
➤ Never feel safe at night
➤ Only at night
➤ Only at night as there are lots of drunk people wondering the streets
➤ Only during the late night (10pm or later) Drunk bar patrons fighting the last time I was there coming out of Calories between us and my car
➤ Only very late when the bars are open
➤ Same as above. [I feel safe in the day. Darkness seems to be dangerous there.]
➤ Same as above. [prefer not to put myself in danger anywhere in city after dark]
➤ Same as above. I lived in the area and did not walk by myself after dark.
➤ The day is fine but night time you have to be careful
➤ The same reason as above. I feel fine in the day. But know people who have been jumped and beaten by teenagers in this area.
➤ There appears to a certain element of society that congregates in these areas at night that makes me as a single woman feel unsafe
➤ Too much crap happens in all parts of the city during evening and nights
➤ Where there is lots of night entertainment there is always the chance of issues. No real issues during the day

208. Not enough police presence/security:

➤ I used to be safe on Broadway until I heard of the attacks happening there as well. I never see a policeman. We are having this big police station being built. Maybe we should have some police to fill the building.
➤ Poor police relations
➤ Probably better than both downtown and Riversdale, but still NO police presence to deter uncivilized behaviour. Let's put the cops back on the street beat where they can actually do some preventative policing.
➤ Same as above. [Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place]
➤ So many people walking around this area and I don't really see the police patrolling this area either.
➤ There are many people during the day, but I feel like there aren't enough police doing patrols.
➤ There have been knifings on Broadway, lots of kids and criminal element hanging around and not enough police in the area
➤ A lot of rough looking characters. During the day I am o.k. With it somewhat at night I would not walk alone

- I would not walk there at night

209. Not many people around at night:

- Same as above. [Too lonely. No evidence of police. Unsavory characters tend to lurk about the place]
- Too many loitering and not enough people traffic to feel safe.

210. Too much traffic/bad drivers to cycle:

- Broadway is filled with a mixture of congested traffic, small parking areas and has been known where a lot of drug taking and selling occurs. All of these as well as several large schools in the area lead to too much unpredictability to feel comfortable to do any of that type of stuff.
- Car traffic
- Due to no place to park I rarely enter Broadway anymore but used to live on Dufferin and was chased by men in a half ton truck-got away thank goodness.
- I don't feel safe walking at night due to limited visuals of people and objects around me. There are less people around at night for safety in numbers and people drive more recklessly after dark which causes greater risk for the public.
- I have been just about hit by a vehicle while walking on the side walk because the people in the area drive too fast.
- Lots of bars, again do not want to get run over by a drunk driver... Lots of pan handlers make me feel very uncomfortable
- No bicycle lanes and distracted drivers with no care for bikes.
- Same answer as above. [I don't feel safe cycling because there are no designated routes for cycling, and the drivers have no patience for bikers. It feels very dangerous.]
- Traffic makes cycling unsafe and night time drunks and weirdoes are out
- Traffic plus being approached
- Traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians
- Unfriendly bike zone. Streets too narrow with parked cars to cycle on streets

211. Too dark/not well lit :

- Becomes quite slow after the shops close and is not as well lit
- Darkness-
- Doesn't seem too well travelled at night.....people walking and such. Enough traffic I suppose but too dimly lit back/side streets.
- I have heard that at night there are petty criminals and predators who lurk in the darkened areas just off Broadway Avenue itself, making parking along some of these streets worrisome.
- Lack of lighting at night
- Location, lighting
- Mostly because of the back alleys and side streets which aren't well lit, if I were to stay on the main streets and there was a lot of traffic I'd feel safer
- Not well lit at night, sketchy people hang around smoking and drinking at night
- Poor lighting
- Too dark at night

Other:

- Again stereotyping because of media reports
- Again the rules are broken such as bikes being ridden on the sidewalks.
- Because of incidents reported on the news.

➤ Due to no place to park I rarely enter Broadway anymore but used to live on Dufferin and was chased by men in a half ton truck-got away thank goodness.
➤ Experience with negative activities first-hand
➤ Had an encounter with someone trying to sell me drugs when I was picking up my daughter from work who is not allowed to walk to her car alone at night. We have had several encounters on Broadway due to drunk/high young adults that has made in uncomfortable to walk alone at night. The smokers outside of the bars along Broadway are not always accommodating to people walking by.
➤ Ok
➤ Past history
➤ Same as above. [I am always conscious of people around me. Although I have never been robbed or bothered by anyone in any area of the city, I know that there is potential for someone to attempt to grab my purse, if they are desperate for money, etc. Gangs and drugs are a reality, sadly. And things happen, day or night. I feel that we do have a strong police presence in Saskatoon, and I also believe in the goodness of people in general, but still, things do happen, and it just makes sense to be mindful at all times.]
➤ Same as above. [I feel safe during the day with the patrols that the police are doing. Too much of large crowds at night make me stay away from downtown]
➤ See above. [self-explanatory]
➤ Sketchy people, homeless/panhandlers, and the tolerance of bylaw/law violations. And drunks
➤ Somewhat as to reputation.
➤ Street fights
➤ There are less of those people hanging about.
➤ Too much of a party area
➤ Traffic speeding, people skateboarding and bicycling on the sidewalks and not watching for pedestrians

Q10_1. Next we'd like to understand how you feel about public spaces in Saskatoon. Please finish the following sentences: **The safest area in Saskatoon is_____**

➤ 8th street area.
➤ 8th street.(7)
➤ A few of the outlying areas.
➤ A lot of Saskatoon areas are safe.
➤ A publicly filled area.
➤ Adelaide Churchill.
➤ Adelaide Park/Churchill.
➤ Affluent neighbourhoods.
➤ All are equally safe.
➤ All areas have their incidences I imagine so unsure of the safest.
➤ All east side residential areas.
➤ All of it if you pay attention to your surroundings and don't engage in illegal and dangerous activities.
➤ All the newer houses in Stonebridge.
➤ Along 8th street.
➤ Along 8th street.
➤ An older, middle class, neighborhood. I live in River Heights and it's safe.
➤ Any area can be safe/unsafe.
➤ Any areas in the suburbs.
➤ Any of the neighbourhoods around the perimeter of the city.

➤ Any of them, they are all safe.
➤ Any place not included 20th to 22nd from avenue A to W.
➤ Any random location.
➤ Any suburb built after 2000.
➤ Anywhere as long as you don't behave like a victim.
➤ Anywhere but the core neighbourhoods.
➤ Anywhere east of Boychuk.
➤ Anywhere I want to go.
➤ Anywhere on the east side of the river.
➤ Anywhere outside the core neighborhoods.
➤ Anywhere that people are around.
➤ Arbor Creek, Willowgrove.
➤ Arbor Creek.(5)
➤ Areas where there is little violence. I live in Silverwood and feel safe all the time except I wouldn't walk in the park at midnight.
➤ Around close to my home.
➤ Around exhibition area.
➤ Around RUH.
➤ At home with family.
➤ At home.
➤ At home?
➤ At the police station.
➤ Bessborough Park.
➤ Big box mall areas.
➤ Brevoort Park.
➤ Brevoort Park.
➤ Briarwood (East), Stonebridge (South).
➤ Briarwood and Lakeview.
➤ Briarwood, Lakeview and Lakeridge area.
➤ Briarwood.(18)
➤ Broadway area (if we're talking about more commercial areas).
➤ Broadway district.
➤ Broadway during day.
➤ Broadway.(14)
➤ Buena Vista.
➤ Buena Vista.
➤ Can't pick one. All of the following seem safe to me: S.E. Nutana, Adelaide Park, Brevoort Park, River Heights, Lawson Hts., etc.
➤ Caswell.
➤ Caswell.
➤ Circle Drive east.
➤ City hall/library area over lunch hour. Lots of people around and security as well police nearby.
➤ City Park and area, the far5thest suburban areas of the city.
➤ Close to U of S.
➤ College Park.(7)
➤ Confederation Park.

➤ Confederation Park.
➤ Cumberland to Circle Dr. and Circle Drive to Collage Drive.
➤ Day time walking anywhere.
➤ Daytime downtown.
➤ Daytime on 8th street.
➤ Don't know.(13)
➤ Downtown business district.
➤ Downtown during the day.
➤ Downtown during the day.
➤ Downtown north of 20th.
➤ Downtown.(10)
➤ Dundonald.
➤ Dundonald.
➤ East Acadia.
➤ East College Park.
➤ East College Park.
➤ East of Airport (north).
➤ East of Broadway and North East part of the city.
➤ East of river.
➤ East of the river.
➤ East or south of Circle Drive on the East side of the river.
➤ East Saskatoon.
➤ East side (Willowgrove, Briarwood).
➤ East side and newer areas on east side.
➤ East side communities.
➤ East side in the residential areas (past McKercher/Circle center mall). Don't know area names well.
➤ East side is where I am most comfortable; however I don't think any area is safe.
➤ East side residential areas.
➤ East side would be my guess.
➤ East side, anywhere without low income housing.
➤ East side, Lawson, Stonebridge. etc.
➤ East side.(39)
➤ East.
➤ Eastern part of the city. Briarwood as an example.
➤ Eastview.(6)
➤ Erindale.(6)
➤ Evergreen area.
➤ Evergreen or Willowgrove.
➤ Evergreen.(3)
➤ Evergreen. The bus ride is too long for trouble makers to get out there.
➤ Exhibition Area.
➤ Exhibition Park Area.
➤ Fairhaven.
➤ Fairhaven.
➤ Far east side.
➤ Far east. Briarwood, Willowgrove.

➤ Feel pretty safe in Sutherland but I live there.
➤ Forest Grove, Arbour Creek area.
➤ Forest Grove.
➤ Friendship Park.
➤ Generally the east side with some exceptions, e.g., 7th street and Main street apartments near Grosvenor Park Shopping Centre and the Broadway Ave bar area.
➤ Grosvenor Park.
➤ Grosvenor Park.
➤ Grosvenor.
➤ Hampton Village.
➤ Hamptons.
➤ Hard to say, I have yet to find a place that I deem to be the safest.
➤ Haultin.
➤ Haultin.
➤ Holiday Park.(3)
➤ Holliston.
➤ Home.
➤ Hudson Bay Park to the west and Arbor Creek to the East.
➤ I am not sure what to say.
➤ I am not sure.
➤ I am not sure.
➤ I can't say.
➤ I don't think the 'safest' area in Saskatoon is a thing.
➤ I don't go to all areas, so don't know.
➤ I don't know.(4)
➤ I don't think that there is one.
➤ I feel safe along the entire Meewasin trail.
➤ I feel safe just about anywhere during the day.
➤ I feel the media has created mass fear. We no longer feel safe anywhere.
➤ I really can't say.
➤ I really don't know.
➤ I stay at home a lot so I'm not really sure where I would say the safest area is.
➤ I think it depends. I don't think there is a 'safest' area.
➤ I would say high end residential with no shopping or rental properties nearby.
➤ I'm not sure.
➤ In and around market mall.
➤ In front of police station.
➤ In front of the police station.
➤ In my home.(5)
➤ In my neighbourhood because I am know most people.
➤ In my opinion Silverwood, Lawson heights, and River Heights.
➤ In your home.
➤ Inside a house.
➤ Inside my home with my security system engaged.
➤ Inside police station.
➤ Inside the police station???

➤ Kinsmen Park.
➤ Lakeview and Lakewood areas. No problems there ever.
➤ Lakeview.(11)
➤ Lakeview/Lakeridge.
➤ Lakewood and Briarwood.
➤ Lakewood I suppose. It's where I currently live and hasn't had any problems. I don't think there is such a thing as the 'safest place' in Saskatoon.
➤ Lakewood.
➤ Lawson Heights, River Heights, University Heights areas.
➤ Lawson Heights.(10)
➤ Library.
➤ Lots of places and neighbourhoods.
➤ Malls, etc.
➤ Many safe places but, bad people are everywhere.
➤ Market Mall area.
➤ Market Mall area.
➤ Market Mall or Circle Center Mall.
➤ McKercher and 8th.
➤ Meewasin trail.
➤ Montgomery Park.
➤ Montgomery, maybe?
➤ Montgomery.(7)
➤ More elite neighborhoods.
➤ Most areas during the day.
➤ Most areas.
➤ Most east side areas but I don't live on the west so I don't know for sure.
➤ Most of east side.
➤ Most places in daylight.
➤ Most residential neighborhoods east of the river.
➤ Most suburban areas on the outskirts of the city.
➤ Most suburban areas.
➤ Mount Royal, Dundonald, the newer areas on the east side.
➤ Mount Royal.
➤ My College Park neighbourhood.
➤ My community Avalon.
➤ My cul-de-sac.
➤ My home.(8)
➤ My neighborhood, Avalon.
➤ My neighbourhood due to familiarity.
➤ My neighbourhood, Briarwood.
➤ My neighbourhood.(4)
➤ My neighbourhood-from Briarwood to Lakeridge.
➤ My own neighborhood.
➤ My street.
➤ My yard.
➤ Near my home because I know its past record.

➤ Near university.
➤ New areas.
➤ New subdivisions such as Stonebridge or Erindale.
➤ New suburbs.
➤ Newer areas (Rosewood, Willowgrove).
➤ Newer areas, Stonebridge, Willowgrove, Evergreen etc.
➤ Newer areas.
➤ Newer east side, Wildwood, Briarwood.
➤ Newer neighborhoods.
➤ Newer residential areas.
➤ Newest neighborhoods on the east side of the city.
➤ No area in particular. There are many areas that are just as safe as others.
➤ No area is safe.
➤ No idea.
➤ No neighbourhood is safe from crime.
➤ No one area.
➤ No such thing.
➤ None.
➤ None.
➤ Non-existent.
➤ North east Saskatoon.
➤ North east side.
➤ North end (Lawson/Silverwood Heights).
➤ North end of Saskatoon (Lawson Heights, River Heights, Silverwood area).
➤ North end of Saskatoon in the Silverwood area.
➤ North end residential communities.
➤ North end, Sutherland.
➤ North end.(7)
➤ North park of the city.
➤ North residential.
➤ Northeast corner.
➤ Northeast.
➤ Not comfortable anywhere at night.
➤ Not really sure.
➤ Not sure any place is the safest. Should always be aware of your surroundings and the people you encounter. Living on the East side, I have witnessed drug deals at a confectionary store and had my house egged because I asked some young's adults to stop running through our sprinklers as I didn't want them damaged.
➤ Not sure if there is a really safe area any more.
➤ Not sure there is any specific area.
➤ Not sure, probably residential type areas.
➤ Not sure.(10)
➤ Not sure. Things happen anywhere.
➤ Nowhere.(3)
➤ Nutana and south Nutana areas.
➤ Nutana area.

➤ Nutana Park.
➤ Nutana.(7)
➤ Obviously higher class areas. Like briarwood and Stonebridge.
➤ Obviously where the politicians reside. Can't really answer this as don't have experiences in all the areas.
➤ On a Sunday morning driving along Spadina Crescent towards the Weir.
➤ One of the gated communities.
➤ Outermost residential areas.
➤ Outside the police station.
➤ Parkridge area.
➤ Parkridge!
➤ Pleasant Hill.
➤ Pretty much all Saskatoon except particular areas.
➤ Pretty much any of the parks on the east side and farther west side.
➤ Probably Nutana, Clarence to Louise, 8th Street to Glasgow, that area.
➤ Probably the area closest to the willows.
➤ Probably the east side of the city.
➤ Probably the east side.
➤ Probably the Hamptons.
➤ Quiet residential areas.
➤ Quiet residential areas.
➤ Residential areas.
➤ Residential areas.
➤ Residential neighbourhoods.
➤ River Heights, Lawson Heights I don't know about the newly developed areas.
➤ River Heights.(3)
➤ River Heights/Lawson.
➤ River Landing.
➤ River valley.
➤ Riverbank along Whiteswan Drive.
➤ Riversdale, during the day.
➤ Rosedale.
➤ Rosewood.(6)
➤ Saskatoon south.
➤ Second Avenue.
➤ Shopping malls, schools, inside public buildings.
➤ Shopping malls.
➤ Silverspring, Erindale, Arbor Creek, Willowgrove, Evergreen.
➤ Silverspring.
➤ Silverwood Heights.(3)
➤ Silverwood.(8)
➤ Silverwood/River Heights.
➤ Soccer centre.
➤ Some of the more well-off suburbs.
➤ Somewhere on the east side.
➤ Somewhere with higher cost homes like Silverwood.

➤ Somewhere. Lawson Heights seems to be pretty decent.
➤ South east.
➤ South east: Lakeview, Lakeridge, Wildwood, etc.
➤ Stonebridge or Willowgrove or Evergreen.
➤ Stonebridge or Willowgrove.
➤ Stonebridge.(21)
➤ Suburb residential areas.
➤ Suburban areas such as silver wood and Montgomery.
➤ Suburban type neighborhoods like Erindale, Silverspring.
➤ Suburbs (Willowgrove, Erindale, Stonebridge, etc.)
➤ Suburbs and downtown.
➤ Suburbs.(5)
➤ Sutherland, anywhere new.
➤ Sutherland.(3)
➤ Sutherland/Springfield/Arbor Creek.
➤ The areas south of 8th street are probably the safest. Along 8th street and also along Broadway feel pretty safe pretty much at any hour for me personally.
➤ The east end. Lakeview, Rosewood, Briarwood, Erindale, etc.
➤ The east side of the river.
➤ The east side!!! 8th Street. Stonebridge.
➤ The east side.(5)
➤ The library.
➤ The mall.
➤ The newer areas, especially on the east side.
➤ The newer areas. Residential or commercial in the northeast or south east areas.
➤ The newer neighborhoods.
➤ The newer subdivisions.
➤ The north and east sides of the city.
➤ The north end.
➤ The north residential area like River Heights, Lawson Heights and Silverwood.
➤ The office of the police chief. There is actually some police presence there to discourage antisocial behaviour (and yes, it is a public space).
➤ The police station.(4)
➤ The police station. Followed by the Mayor's house.
➤ The suburban areas.
➤ The suburbs.
➤ The U of S.
➤ The U of S.
➤ The University of Saskatchewan campus.
➤ The university.
➤ The University.
➤ The Willows and other places like that, Rosewood, Evergreen, and Willowgrove.
➤ The Willows.
➤ The Willows.
➤ There are several but I feel safest in some of the suburb type areas like Rosewood, Lakeridge, and Lakeview.
➤ There is no area in Saskatoon that has not been hit with crime of some kind.

➤ There is no east side west side thing like 30 years ago. All areas are the same.
➤ There is no really safe area in the city.
➤ There is no safe area in Saskatoon.
➤ There is no safe area; there are drug dealers all over.
➤ There is not really one better than another in the burbs.
➤ There isn't one.
➤ Tie between the willows and Briarwood.
➤ University area.(7)
➤ University campus.
➤ University campus.
➤ University during the day.
➤ University Heights.
➤ University management area.
➤ University of Saskatchewan.
➤ University of Saskatchewan.
➤ University.(4)
➤ Unknown.
➤ Unsure.(6)
➤ Unsure. I think all areas have their issues.
➤ Varsity View.(4)
➤ Wakaw.
➤ Well-traveled and the people around the area are accountable/aware/invested for the happenings in it. Often seniors are aware of the comings and goings as they are at home often. Low level of short term rental property.
➤ Westmount.
➤ Where I live, Grosvenor Park.
➤ Wildwood, new developments residential areas.
➤ Wildwood.
➤ Wildwood/Lakewood.
➤ Wildwood/Silverwood.
➤ Willowgrove (new developing areas).
➤ Willowgrove area (east side).
➤ Willowgrove or Stonebridge.
➤ Willowgrove, Briarwood.
➤ Willowgrove, Evergreen.
➤ Willowgrove.(12)
➤ Willows, Lakewood, Briarwood, Wildwood, etc.
➤ Willows.(3)
➤ Within 10 blocks of my home in Silverspring.
➤ Woodlawn.

Q10_2. Next we'd like to understand how you feel about public spaces in Saskatoon. Please finish the following sentences: **The least safe area in Saskatoon is___**

➤ 100 block 4th Avenue north.
➤ 11th street to 33rd St., hookers, drunks, and drug addicts.

➤ 17th to Rusholme (17th) from midtown to Avenue W all inclusive, hit and miss.
➤ 19th Street.
➤ 19th to 22nd Street in alphabet Avenue area.
➤ 19th? 22nd Streets west of Idylwyld for several blocks.
➤ 20 St. area.
➤ 20th after dark.
➤ 20th and 22nd Streets.
➤ 20th and 22nd.
➤ 20th and P.
➤ 20th Avenue N.
➤ 20th St.(6)
➤ 20th St. 33rd Street.
➤ 20th St. and Riversdale. Spots around Bars.
➤ 20th St. and west side.
➤ 20th St. near downtown.
➤ 20th St. West.
➤ 20th St., 22nd St., Ave P, 33rd around Idylwyld.
➤ 20th Street 22nd street.
➤ 20th Street and area.
➤ 20th Street and avenue P.
➤ 20th Street and lower on the west side.
➤ 20th Street and Riversdale area.
➤ 20th Street and surrounding.
➤ 20th Street and west central area.
➤ 20th Street area.
➤ 20th Street area.
➤ 20th Street around Ave. H at night.
➤ 20th Street around St. Paul's Hospital.
➤ 20th Street around St. Paul's Hospital.
➤ 20th Street by St. Paul's hospital.
➤ 20th Street from Ave. A to Z.
➤ 20th Street or Ave. S South.
➤ 20th Street to 33rd street west.
➤ 20th Street west.
➤ 20th Street west.
➤ 20th Street, near fire creek, and downtown (sorry don't know the area names well).
➤ 20th Street.(24)
➤ 20th Street. 22nd Street, Avenue H to W.
➤ 20th Street/22nd street/Mayfair.
➤ 20th to 22nd St. through the alphabet Ave.
➤ 20th.(6)
➤ 20th/22nd St. W through the alphabet.
➤ 20th/22nd Street area.
➤ 20th/22nd Street within the alphabetized avenues.
➤ 22nd down west.
➤ 22nd from Ave W to Idylwyld.

➤ 22nd St.
➤ 22nd St. between about P and W.
➤ 22nd St. W.
➤ 22nd Street and bordering alphabet avenues.
➤ 22nd Street and everything surrounding it.
➤ 22nd Street south to river from Avenues B to Whitney.
➤ 22nd Street West.
➤ 22nd Street.(4)
➤ 22nd-ish.
➤ 2nd Avenue.
➤ 33rd and Idylwyld.
➤ 39th St. W to 11th St. W and 1st Ave. to Diefenbaker Dr.
➤ 8th St. and McCormond Rd.
➤ ABC streets.
➤ All are equally safe. If one knows about drug activity I would consider it unsafe, but that could be any area.
➤ All of Saskatoon is fairly safe.
➤ All of the previous areas mentioned.
➤ Along the river bank, downtown.
➤ Alphabet addresses between 20th and 22nd.
➤ Alphabet avenues.(3)
➤ Alphabet city west.
➤ Alphabet city, Ave. A to X from 18th to 36th.
➤ Alphabet city, roughly between avenue B and X between 33rd and 11th streets.
➤ Alphabet city, whatever that area is called.
➤ Alphabet city.(7)
➤ Alphabet city. Avenue A through to Y. Old West side!
➤ Alphabet city; from what I've been told.
➤ Alphabet soup streets.
➤ Alphabet soup.
➤ 'Alphabet soup': Lettered avenues (Ave A-Z) around 19th Street to 22nd Street.
➤ Alphabet streets and west of Idylwyld.
➤ Alphabet streets between H and W at night.
➤ Alphabet zone.
➤ Alphabets.
➤ Any area can be safe/unsafe.
➤ Any area if you choose to put yourself in dangerous situations by participating in illegal and dangerous activities.
➤ Any area you engage in reckless activity.
➤ Any bar that serves somebody enough alcohol that they are drunk enough that they have to be thrown out.
➤ Any place I don't want to go.
➤ Any place unfamiliar, and not lit well or patrolled regularly.
➤ Any random location.
➤ Anyplace can be unsafe at any time off the day or night. No one knows anything can happen at any time!
➤ Anywhere between the river and about Ave P and north to about 29th.

➤ Anywhere from 20th to 22nd street from Ave. A to W.
➤ Anywhere if you behave like a victim.
➤ Anywhere just off 20th Street.
➤ Apparently the west side but I never go there anyways because I live in the north end.
➤ Area between 22nd and 20th, Avenue N to Avenue U.
➤ Areas of west side at night.
➤ Around 20th St. and avenue streets.
➤ Around 20th Street.
➤ Around 20th Street.
➤ Around 22nd between G and W.
➤ Around 22nd street.
➤ Around bars at night.
➤ Around corner of 20th and H or Idylwyld and 33rd.
➤ Around Kelsey at night.
➤ Around Saint Paul's Hospital.
➤ Around St. Paul's Hospital.
➤ Around St. Paul's Hospital and approx. 10 block radius.
➤ Around St. Paul's Hospital, particularly at night.
➤ Around St. Paul's Hospital.(3)
➤ Around the University.
➤ Ave C to Ave U 20th Street to 33rd.
➤ Ave H to Ave W area.
➤ Ave H.
➤ Ave J south.
➤ Ave N.
➤ Ave. B to Ave. P between 20th and 22nd.
➤ Avenue P and 20th street and immediate surrounding areas.
➤ Avenue P and around St. Paul hospital, 22nd Street.
➤ Back alleys, some streets in Riversdale, but the business area is safe.
➤ Bars at night.
➤ Between 19th and 22nd.
➤ Between 19th St. and 22nd St. from Ave D to Ave O.
➤ Between 1st Ave and Ave. W and South of 33rd St. but North of 19th St.
➤ Between 20th and 11th from Ave. G and Ave. X.
➤ Between 22nd Street and 20th Street, in the mid to high alphabets.
➤ Broadway area.
➤ By St. Paul's Hospital.
➤ Caswell, along Idylwyld.
➤ Caswell, Riversdale, downtown.
➤ Caswell.
➤ Certain areas close to St. Paul's hospital.
➤ Certain areas of downtown at night when there are very few people around.
➤ Certain areas on 20th St. West.
➤ Circle drive.
➤ City center Riversdale.
➤ City hall.

➤ Confed.
➤ Confederation or 22nd street where the low cost homes are.
➤ Confederation.(8)
➤ Core areas centrally around downtown. For example, the area where Caswell and downtown intersect.
➤ Core neighbourhood.
➤ Core neighbourhoods.
➤ Ditto.
➤ Don't know.(8)
➤ Don't know. Avenue T and 17th street, particularly if you are involved in gang/drug lifestyle and therefore have folks who don't like you?
➤ Don't know. Probably areas with drugs and hooker activity. Not sure what those are right now.
➤ Down by the river at night time.
➤ Downtown and alphabet streets.
➤ Downtown and anything on the west side.
➤ Downtown and rowdy bars at night.
➤ Downtown and the west side.
➤ Downtown and west along 22nd St. and south.
➤ Downtown and west side.
➤ Downtown area, especially at night.
➤ Downtown area.
➤ Downtown bus terminal.
➤ Downtown by midtown and vicinity.
➤ Downtown core including Riversdale.
➤ Downtown near 22th St.
➤ Downtown, 20th street, the alphabet.
➤ Downtown, the alphabet streets.
➤ Downtown.(19)
➤ Downtown/Riverside I wouldn't feel comfortable walking down 22nd either.
➤ Dundonald.
➤ Events that involve children.
➤ Everywhere.
➤ Everywhere.
➤ Fairhaven. I lived there for 2 years and I was scared every night I went home.
➤ From 11th St. to 33rd considered the new hood area!!
➤ From A to Circle, 11th to 33rd.
➤ High turnover rate, where no one knows who belongs and who doesn't and people are afraid to 'but in' and offer aid or inquiry.
➤ I can't answer to this because I have not been to all the places in Saskatoon.
➤ I don't know where the least safe area is, all I know is I am nervous on 20th St. West.
➤ I don't know.(5)
➤ I don't know. People say the west side isn't safe at times in certain areas, but I have not spent a lot of time in those neighborhoods so I don't know. That might just be perception.
➤ I feel less safe in areas of downtown, 33rd, Idylwyld and Riversdale. Mostly at night time.
➤ I know Riversdale is not safe, but am not familiar with all areas of the city.
➤ I would think 20th street and in that area, up to about Avenue M.
➤ Idylwyld to Ave W between 19th and 25th.
➤ In the alphabet district.

➤ In the core neighbourhoods.
➤ Inner city.(6)
➤ Inner west side.
➤ Is the west side in the area Riversdale.
➤ It is quite dependent on time of day.
➤ It's probably the 'core neighborhoods'.
➤ Just from the past I would say between 20th and 22nd street in the Alphabet streets.
➤ King George area.
➤ King George.
➤ King George/Riversdale.
➤ Likely near 22nd street, but I by no means really know.
➤ Liquor board on 20th.
➤ Lower Meewasin Trail in Nutana area.
➤ Major roads.
➤ Mayfair.
➤ Meadowgreen area.
➤ Meadowgreen, Pleasant hill, Riversdale.
➤ Meadowgreen.(5)
➤ Midtown Plaza and west.
➤ Most of the letter avenues west of Idylwyld.
➤ Mount Royal.
➤ Near river on the trail where there are no lights near Exhibition/Buena Vista area.
➤ Night time downtown.
➤ No such thing.
➤ None in particular.
➤ None, either the ghetto or exhibition.
➤ North Idylwyld.
➤ Not sure, maybe by St. Paul's hospital or confederation mall bus mall.
➤ Not sure, would have to say some areas of Riversdale.
➤ Not sure.(4)
➤ Not too sure by the bus mall.
➤ Nowhere.
➤ Nutana.
➤ Oddly, also the police station. Depends on your skin colour.
➤ On 20th street.
➤ One of the industrial zones that borders a residential zone like Pleasant Hill or Silverspring.
➤ Outside a house.
➤ Outside my home.
➤ Outside.
➤ Parks at night, and 20th street area.
➤ Parks at night, even in 'good' neighborhoods.
➤ Parks at night.
➤ Parts of the west side (the 'alphabets').
➤ Past 33rd in the alphabet blocks.
➤ Perhaps west Riversdale.
➤ Pleasant Hill and King George areas.

➤ Pleasant Hill and Meadowgreen.
➤ Pleasant Hill and Riversdale.
➤ Pleasant Hill area.
➤ Pleasant Hill at night.
➤ Pleasant Hill, Mayfair, Riversdale, Kelsey-Woodlawn.
➤ Pleasant Hill, Riversdale area.
➤ Pleasant Hill, Riversdale, Confederation Park.
➤ Pleasant Hill.(37)
➤ Pleasant Hill/Mount Royal.
➤ Pleasant Hill/Riversdale.
➤ Pleasant Hill/Riversdale.
➤ Probably Riversdale.
➤ Probably the alphabet streets area.
➤ Probably the 'hood' area.
➤ Radius around St. Paul's Hospital.
➤ Residential streets of Riversdale.
➤ River trails.
➤ Riverbank near Queen Elizabeth Power Station.
➤ Riverbank.
➤ Riverbank.
➤ Riverdale or downtown.
➤ Riverdale, 22 and 20 Streets.
➤ Riverdale.
➤ Riversdale (20th street, 'alphabet' streets).
➤ Riversdale alphabets streets.
➤ Riversdale and 20th Street.
➤ Riversdale and 22nd St. W.
➤ Riversdale and Downtown.
➤ Riversdale and Pleasant Hill
➤ Riversdale and Pleasant Hill.
➤ Riversdale and the south alphabets.
➤ Riversdale and west along 20th Street.
➤ Riversdale area.(3)
➤ Riversdale around 19th and 20th Street or anywhere on 22nd Street.
➤ Riversdale at night.
➤ Riversdale has a bad reputation.
➤ Riversdale neighbourhoods.
➤ Riversdale or King George.
➤ Riversdale or Pleasant Hill.
➤ Riversdale residential area.
➤ Riversdale south of 20th.
➤ Riversdale to the west and Broadway district to the east.
➤ Riversdale west south of 22nd.
➤ Riversdale, 19th street.
➤ Riversdale, 20th to 33rd and downtown to circle drive.
➤ Riversdale, area south of 22nd street.

➤ Riversdale, Caswell Hill.
➤ Riversdale, do you really have to ask?
➤ Riversdale, King George, Mayfair.
➤ Riversdale, King George.
➤ Riversdale, Meadowgreen.
➤ Riversdale, more specifically Avenue A to Z.
➤ Riversdale, Pleasant Hill, Westmount, Meadow Green and parts of Caswell Hill/Mayfair.
➤ Riversdale, Pleasant Hill.
➤ Riversdale, pleasant hill. 33rd street west.
➤ Riversdale, Westmount, Caswell and Pleasant Hill.
➤ Riversdale.(72)
➤ Riversdale/Mayfair.
➤ Riversdale/Pleasant Hill Area.
➤ Riversdale/Pleasant Hill.(4)
➤ Riversdale/South Nutana.
➤ Riverside.(3)
➤ Riverview, Confederation area.
➤ Saskatoon west. Confed.
➤ Some areas of the downtown and west of downtown.
➤ some of 20th St.
➤ Some of the areas between 20-22nd streets.
➤ South of 20th street.
➤ South of 20th.
➤ South of 22nd around Avenue Q, R, S.
➤ South of 22nd street.
➤ South of 22nd up to Avenue W.
➤ South of 22nd.
➤ St. Paul's.
➤ Stabbyville aka the alphabets around 22nd.
➤ Streets after dark.
➤ Sutherland.
➤ Sutherland.
➤ The 7-11 on 22nd and P.
➤ The alpha ghetto.
➤ The alpha ghetto.
➤ The alphabet avenues on both sides of 20th Street.
➤ The alphabet jungle.
➤ The alphabet streets and 20th.
➤ The 'alphabet streets' near 20th and 22nd street.
➤ The 'alphabet streets', i.e., Ave C, Ave D, X, Y, Z, etc.
➤ The alphabets between Ave c and Ave W along 18th and 24th St's.
➤ The 'alphabets' south of 20th St.
➤ The alphabets.(4)
➤ The area between 20th street and 22nd street.
➤ The area in and around the Saskatoon bus mall, especially at night.
➤ The core neighborhoods.

➤ The core neighborhoods.
➤ The corner of 22nd and Avenue P.
➤ The extended areas of downtown.
➤ The hood, alphabet city in parts, Broadway area and south downtown.
➤ The 'HOOD.'
➤ The hood. Certain areas around 20th and 22nd.
➤ The inner city.
➤ The Longbranch.
➤ The neighborhood around St. Paul's.
➤ The new areas (Hampton Village, etc.)
➤ The north end.
➤ The west side about 200-300m from the river bank and onwards.
➤ The west side west of Avenue H.
➤ The west side, closer to downtown.
➤ The west side.(3)
➤ There are areas in all cities that are best avoided. Look for poor lighting, bars and people hanging in groups.
➤ There are many candidates.
➤ There is no east side west side thing like 30 years ago. All areas are the same.
➤ There is no least safe area in Saskatoon.
➤ There isn't one.
➤ Tie between Pleasant Hill and Riversdale.
➤ University area.
➤ Unsure.(4)
➤ Urban areas.
➤ Vicinity of 19th and 22nd streets.
➤ Victoria Park beside the river.
➤ Walking along the riverbank at night and Riversdale. Recently found at hypo in the parking lot at the Farmers Market.
➤ West 20 Street.
➤ West along 22nd St.
➤ West around St. Paul's Hospital. 20th St., 22nd St W., Idylwyld N. 33rd St. W.
➤ West end. 22nd street.
➤ West of 33rd (entire area).
➤ west of Avenue H.
➤ West of Avenue L and South of 22nd after 9pm.
➤ West of downtown out to Whitney, 5 blocks either side of 20st.
➤ West of downtown.
➤ West of downtown.
➤ West of Idylwyld Dr. around 20th and 22nd St.
➤ West of river.
➤ west of the downtown core, i.e., Ave H.
➤ West side (20th street).
➤ West side (alphabet avenues).
➤ West side ('alphabet city').
➤ West side 20th to 33rd St.

➤ West side along 22nd Street, Avenue H area.
➤ West side alphabets.
➤ West side and downtown.
➤ West side around 22nd street.
➤ West side around Ave C and further west to Ave W along 22nd and the streets in that area.
➤ West side neighborhoods at night.
➤ West side of city between Avenue A and Avenue Z.
➤ West side of town at night.
➤ West side that is 20th Street is the most dangerous area.
➤ West side, especially around 20th and 22nd Street.
➤ West side.(37)
➤ West side. 22nd Street, Pleasant Hill, Riversdale.
➤ West side; Riversdale.
➤ West.
➤ West.
➤ Western part of Riversdale. Avenue H and west. Especially south of 22nd Street.
➤ Where crime is happening there is no real unsafe place any area can be unsafe at times.

Q19. What first comes to mind when thinking about methods or programs that are currently used to address issues related to street activity in Saskatoon?

Program/method specific:

101. Egadz:

➤ Egadz and Salvation Army are the only things I can think of.
➤ Egadz' downtown patrols.
➤ Egadz van that supplies drug users with clean needles, food items, etc.
➤ Egadz Youth center, the Salvation Army, the Friendship Inn, the food bank.
➤ Egadz, police presence in high risk areas.
➤ Egadz, Sally Ann.
➤ Egadz, Salvation Army, Crocus Co-op, we need more programs, get people off the street and into programs doing something.
➤ Egadz.(13)
➤ Friendship Inn, Egadz.
➤ Outreach, Lighthouse, Egadz.
➤ Police, Friendship Inn, Egadz.
➤ Salvation Army, Egadz, police.
➤ Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Programming (SCYAP), Egadz.
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz, needle exchange (AIDS Saskatoon). Saskatoon City's recent mandate to license adult services, awesome City of Saskatoon. Police, that group that helps boot out renters who are using the property as drug houses (they did a presentation at the Mayfair LAP).
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz.
➤ The street patrol liaison officers, the street crime police unit, the joint drug task force with city police and RCMP, Egadz.
➤ United Way, Egadz.

- Well, Egadz is delivering food and needles to them so they don't have to do anything for themselves. The Health Bus is bringing them needles and condoms, everything they want is given them, everything that will support their chosen life style is provided to them, yet they continually beg from us, and steal from us when begging doesn't satisfy their wants. Nothing that I know of is being done to get them off the streets and working for a living.

102. Lighthouse:

➤ Lighthouse, Salvation Army, YWCA.
➤ Lighthouse.(3)
➤ Outreach, Lighthouse, Egadz.
➤ Saskatoon City Police patrols on foot or bike. Numerous charities that cater to the homeless. Lighthouse.
➤ The bridge on 20th, Lighthouse.
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz, needle exchange (AIDS Saskatoon). Saskatoon City's recent mandate to license adult services, awesome City of Saskatoon. Police, that group that helps boot out renters who are using the property as drug houses (they did a presentation at the Mayfair LAP).
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz.
➤ The Lighthouse.(3)
➤ There is some sort of squad (I can't remember the name) that patrols downtown and 20th street I believe. The Lighthouse.

103. Salvation Army:

➤ Egadz and Salvation Army are the only things I can think of.
➤ Egadz Youth center, the Salvation Army, the Friendship Inn, the food bank.
➤ Egadz, Sally Ann.
➤ Egadz, Salvation Army, Crocus Co-op, we need more programs, get people off the street and into programs doing something.
➤ Friendship Inn, Salvation Army, police patrolling.
➤ Lighthouse, Salvation Army, YWCA.
➤ Salvation Army efforts, such as hostels. Also, the other hostel downtown the name of which escapes me. I'm sure the police are working on some interventions such as walking and biking patrols.
➤ Salvation Army, Egadz, police.
➤ Salvation Army, police, shelters.
➤ Salvation Army.(4)
➤ The Salvation Army, use of police.

104. Youth programs (i.e., White Buffalo):

➤ Egadz Youth center, the Salvation Army, the Friendship Inn, the food bank.
➤ Friendship Inn, Str8 Up, White Buffalo, program vouchers.
➤ RCMP, city police, needle drop locations, station 20, SWITCH, White Buffalo.
➤ Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Programming (SCYAP), Egadz.
➤ Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Programming (SCYAP), Friendship Inn.
➤ White Buffalo
➤ White Buffalo.
➤ YMCA
➤ YMCA, YWCA.

105. Removing amenities (i.e., benches, McDonalds, etc.):

➤ I don't think removing a bench downtown is going to solve anything, I don't really know of any other measures taken to reduce issues.
➤ I guess they are pretty much ok. Street people have to be able to sit somewhere.
➤ I think removing the benches downtown at the McDonalds is uncalled for. There are enough businesses around that people have enough help if needed. Just because the young ones meet there doesn't mean they are up to no good. They will only move to another location.
➤ I think tearing down the McDonalds on the corner of 2nd and 22nd is a terrible idea. All that activity will just go on at one of the other street corners nearby, probably still downtown, too.
➤ I think that the tearing down of McDonald's on 2nd Avenue is ridiculous. When the city suggested tearing down benches and duh to deter the street people from hanging outside there was a stupid idea and waste of money. I think that the idea of having more places that people who have nowhere else to go should be revised. There should be a focus on getting people off he agree, helping those with mental illness and maybe creating a safe place for them to hang out an receive the information and support in order to help them. There's a small group that are dangerous, creating a stereotype that 'street people' are bad. They just need help. More programs to keep them off the street, and more programs to prevent them from getting onto the streets in the first place.
➤ Ineffective. Ideas like removing the benches in front of McDonald's downtown do not address the root cause of the problem.
➤ Stupidity of plan to tear out chairs and planters downtown.
➤ Talk of removing benches outside McDonald's downtown, and closing McDonald's downtown.
➤ Tearing down a McDonalds.
➤ Tearing up public places of gathering? This only from the measures taken lately by some business owners/city council. Policing reporting programs for drug activity.
➤ The removal of the benches on 2nd Avenue.
➤ They are knee jerk over reactions - i.e. closing an building to get rid of young people.

106. Meal/food resources (i.e., food bank, Friendship Inn):

➤ Egadz van that supplies drug users with clean needles, food items, etc.
➤ Egadz Youth center, the Salvation Army, the Friendship Inn, the food bank.
➤ Friendship centres.
➤ Friendship Inn, Egadz.
➤ Friendship Inn, Salvation Army, police patrolling.
➤ Friendship Inn, Str8 Up, White Buffalo, program vouchers.
➤ Police on foot, Friendship Inn, The Bridge on 20th, rehab centers.
➤ Police, Friendship Inn, Egadz.
➤ Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Programming (SCYAP), Friendship Inn.
➤ Well, Egadz is delivering food and needles to them so they don't have to do anything for themselves. The Health Bus is bringing them needles and condoms, everything they want is given them, everything that will support their chosen life style is provided to them, yet they continually beg from us, and steal from us when begging doesn't satisfy their wants. Nothing that I know of is being done to get them off the streets and working for a living.

107. Community workers/resource officers:

➤ Community patrol.
➤ Community policing.
➤ Community policing.
➤ Community safety officers?

➤ Community street workers.
➤ Community workers.
➤ Group that work with Saskatoon police.
➤ I have seen on foot police officers and bike cops. But sadly, I only ever really see them in areas where street crime isn't an issue. I NEVER saw community police activity living in alphabet city. Only when they were specifically called to a situation.
➤ Neighborhood safety program.
➤ Neighborhood watch.
➤ New street patrol started by the city to talk to people and deal with complaints about problems with some people.
➤ Police and social services.
➤ Police on the streets and community street workers.
➤ Relative new street patrollers who are not police officers (not sure of correct title).
➤ Saskatoon has a street patrol of non-police officers who can deal with these individuals.
➤ Some police foot patrols and some non-police resources.
➤ SPS, in my mind, as contributed towards keeping a greater sense of security towards the downtown area both through presence as well as their involvement in communicating and establishing rapport with many of the panhandlers/buskers/etc. there.
➤ Strolling community workers.
➤ The city and several business districts have developed a community support program involving foot patrols. I think this has gone a long way to increase the sense of security. There is also a more visible police presence in the downtown area.
➤ The community support officers. Have heard a lot of positives about their work downtown.
➤ The initiative to have volunteers patrolling and helping cops.
➤ The street patrol liaison officers, the street crime police unit, the joint drug task force with city police and RCMP, Egadz.
➤ The support workers who are out trying to work with panhandles, increased bylaws, street patrols.
➤ There is some sort of squad (I can't remember the name) that patrols downtown and 20th street I believe. The Lighthouse.
➤ Those guys that look like police officers but are not.
➤ Those people who walk around the downtown core, but aren't police and foot/bike patrols by the police.

108. Community Support Program:

➤ Community support workers.

191. Other specific programs:

➤ City hall.
➤ Community centers being constructed.
➤ Designated areas for escort services and massage parlours. Increased police presence in problem areas/neighbourhoods.
➤ Egadz, Salvation Army, Crocus Co-op, we need more programs, get people off the street and into programs doing something.
➤ Friendship Inn, Str8 Up, White Buffalo, program vouchers.
➤ John Howard Society, Str8 Up.
➤ John program.
➤ Lighthouse, Salvation Army, YWCA.

➤ Police on foot, Friendship Inn, The Bridge on 20th, rehab centers.
➤ Station 20 West activities.
➤ The bridge on 20th, Lighthouse.
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz, needle exchange (AIDS Saskatoon). Saskatoon City's recent mandate to license adult services, awesome City of Saskatoon. Police, that group that helps boot out renters who are using the property as drug houses (they did a presentation at the Mayfair LAP).
➤ The program set up by the downtown improvement district (Partnership) to work with street people. (I think it was the partnership, funded by the City).
➤ The Rock church.
➤ United Way, Egadz.
➤ United Way.(4)

Program/method general:

201. Health promotions/needle exchange:

➤ Brief detox. CBO's. Police.
➤ Egadz van that supplies drug users with clean needles, food items, etc.
➤ Improved housing for homeless and improved mental health services within the Saskatoon Health District.
➤ Mental health breakdown.
➤ Mental illness.
➤ RCMP, city police, needle drop locations, station 20, SWITCH, White Buffalo.
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz, needle exchange (AIDS Saskatoon). Saskatoon City's recent mandate to license adult services, awesome City of Saskatoon. Police, that group that helps boot out renters who are using the property as drug houses (they did a presentation at the Mayfair LAP).
➤ Well, Egadz is delivering food and needles to them so they don't have to do anything for themselves. The Health Bus is bringing them needles and condoms, everything they want is given them, everything that will support their chosen life style is provided to them, yet they continually beg from us, and steal from us when begging doesn't satisfy their wants. Nothing that I know of is being done to get them off the streets and working for a living.

202. Police walking/biking:

➤ Activate police officers walking around.
➤ Asking people not to give money to panhandlers, beat walk police, and officers on bicycles.
➤ Bicycle cops.
➤ Bike cops.
➤ City police walking and biking in problem areas.
➤ City police walking/biking patrols.
➤ Cops walking the streets.
➤ Downtown police foot patrol.
➤ Downtown street patrollers.
➤ Foot and bicycle patrols by police downtown.

➤ Foot patrol by city police seems to help. I have given food and/or coffee but never money. These people need to be treated with respect and kindness but not everyone feels that way. If I feel threatened I move off or ask if store has security to assist. Have had to do this only once. Panhandlers have various issues due to drug and/or alcohol abuse or mental illness. City Hall seems more concerned with other issues and there appears to be no money to help the homeless. I do know that there are church programs aimed at alleviated homelessness. 20 Street West and the food bank can only do so much.
➤ Foot patrols. Police visibility.
➤ Glad the city police are on bikes.
➤ I don't know of any initiatives to limit street activity other than signs and the presence of police on foot.
➤ I have seen on foot police officers and bike cops. But sadly, I only ever really see them in areas where street crime isn't an issue. I NEVER saw community police activity living in alphabet city. Only when they were specifically called to a situation.
➤ I like that there are bicycle cops down the Meewasin trail and downtown. Needs to be more of a presence downtown by bus mall and get rid of panhandlers by the mall. Rescue the girls being forced into prostitution on 20th Street. Harder and stricter penalties for people using these girls.
➤ I think foot patrol police avoid trouble areas on purpose because I always see cops walking along the peaceful river landing but never in trouble areas downtown or elsewhere in the city. Police officers should focus more attention on problem areas and problem people rather than avoiding them or giving jaywalking tickets to hard working people who they know will cause little fuss.
➤ I think the city has used a number of programs such as having policemen on the beat. Making people aware that there is social assistance and UIC for people out of work and there is help for people to do other things. Some people this is a way of life and it is hard to get them to stop. It becomes more of a problem when some of these people are just doing it to get money for liquor. Especially when you see them drunk or having a bottle on them.
➤ In order to keep antisocial activity from the streets it is necessary to have a police presence on the streets. That is currently lacking (two cops in shorts and helmets on bikes does not cut it, wimpy, wimpy, wimpy. Compare to the six foot five cops in their high boots and buffalo coats who walked the downtown streets in the 1960's. Those officers inspired civility and discouraged unlawful activities). By the way, the lack of enforcement of traffic laws is in exactly the same situation, where the hell are the police cruisers when a triple unit semi loaded with gasoline passes me at 120 km on Circle Drive at rush hour?
➤ It is obvious the program that the city implemented last year to the tune of several thousands of dollars has not worked. Whenever I see the officers, they are walking around with a cup of coffee in their hands chatting away to each other while they pass by panhandlers. I believe it is a total waste of taxpayer's money. The panhandlers make good money, that is why they do not want to leave.
➤ More beat cops in core. Better public relations for police. They need to be respected in order for the youth to listen to them.
➤ More beat cops.
➤ More police officers on foot and on bike.
➤ More police presence. On foot and on bikes in problematic area like downtown.
➤ Police cycling along river trails.
➤ Police foot patrols, bicycle cops.
➤ Police officers on bicycles.
➤ Police on bikes and walking, privately hired security guards.
➤ Police on foot and bike. Law enforcement visits to schools to spread awareness. Not sure if that still happens?
➤ Police on foot patrol.
➤ Police on foot patrols.
➤ Police on foot, Friendship Inn, The Bridge on 20th, rehab centers.

➤ Police on the beat.
➤ Police on the streets and community street workers.
➤ Police on walking patrol or on bikes.
➤ Police patrols on foot and patrolling in cars.
➤ Police patrols, cycling, foot patrol.
➤ Police presence on streets. Walking and patrolling.
➤ Police street walking patrols.
➤ Police walking a beat in the downtown area.
➤ Police walking or riding bikes.
➤ Police walking the beat.
➤ Police walking the street instead of driving.
➤ Police walking the street.
➤ Police walking their beats. Garbage cans that is difficult to go through (all the newer metal ones downtown).
➤ Police who are walking the streets or on bicycles can see this happening and do something about it.
➤ Police, foot patrols
➤ Put more police on the beat. Walking.
➤ Salvation Army efforts, such as hostels. Also, the other hostel downtown the name of which escapes me. I'm sure the police are working on some interventions such as walking and biking patrols.
➤ Saskatoon City Police patrols on foot or bike. Numerous charities that cater to the homeless. Lighthouse.
➤ Some police foot patrols and some non-police resources.
➤ Street policing, walking the beat.
➤ Street walkers in core areas.
➤ Those people who walk around the downtown core, but aren't police and foot/bike patrols by the police.
➤ Walking patrols by police.
➤ Walking police patrols.
➤ Walking/biking street cops.

203. Police-general:

➤ Addiction services and police services.
➤ Brief detox. CBO's. Police.
➤ City police.(3)
➤ Cops.
➤ Cops.
➤ Designated areas for escort services and massage parlours. Increased police presence in problem areas/neighbourhoods.
➤ Egadz, police presence in high risk areas.
➤ Foot patrols. Police visibility.
➤ Friendship Inn, Salvation Army, police patrolling.
➤ High police presence.
➤ High profile of police.
➤ I believe there have been more police assigned.
➤ I see more police activity in the downtown core during the day, patrolling.
➤ I would say they are effective during the day but policing seems to disappear or be busy elsewhere at night.

➤ In order to keep antisocial activity from the streets it is necessary to have a police presence on the streets. That is currently lacking (two cops in shorts and helmets on bikes does not cut it, wimpy, wimpy, wimpy. Compare to the six foot five cops in their high boots and buffalo coats who walked the downtown streets in the 1960's. Those officers inspired civility and discouraged unlawful activities). By the way, the lack of enforcement of traffic laws is in exactly the same situation, where the hell are the police cruisers when a triple unit semi loaded with gasoline passes me at 120 km on Circle Drive at rush hour?
➤ Increase police patrolling.
➤ Increase the police presence.
➤ Increased patrols.
➤ Increased police circulation around the city. Security cameras.
➤ Increased police patrol presence.
➤ Increased police presence downtown.
➤ Increased police presence or visibility. Signage discouraging loitering in problem areas downtown.
➤ Increased police presence.
➤ Increased police presence.
➤ Methods, more police activity. Programs, not sure.
➤ More cops.
➤ More patrols.
➤ More police activity to do something about street gangs. Putting in a group of people standing on the corner in this survey is not an issue. Putting in a group of people standing on the corner in colours is.
➤ More police agents.
➤ More Police officers around the area.
➤ More police patrol around.
➤ More police patrolling.
➤ More police patrols seem to work. Citizens going public about watching for people cruising the 'stroll'.
➤ More police presence.
➤ More police presence.
➤ More police required to patrol these areas.
➤ More policing.
➤ Only aware of greater police presence.
➤ Only thing that comes to mind is police officers patrolling the city.
➤ Peace officer involvement.
➤ Police and social services.
➤ Police arrest.
➤ Police driving around in cars.
➤ Police force.
➤ Police patrol.
➤ Police patrol.
➤ Police patrolling.
➤ Police patrolling.
➤ Police patrols.
➤ Police patrols.
➤ Police presence.(7)
➤ Police programs.
➤ Police services.
➤ Police! Don't know that much about this.

➤ Police, Friendship Inn, Egadz.
➤ Police.(16)
➤ Police/security patrol needed in area.
➤ Policing getting programs for these types of people to actually do something.
➤ Policing, social agencies, housing initiatives, graffiti policing.
➤ Policing.(4)
➤ Policing/security officers.
➤ Positive thoughts about the way the police handle situations.
➤ RCMP, city police, needle drop locations, station 20, SWITCH, White Buffalo.
➤ RCMP.
➤ Salvation Army, Egadz, police.
➤ Salvation Army, police, shelters.
➤ Saskatoon police service.
➤ Saskatoon police services.
➤ The city and several business districts have developed a community support program involving foot patrols. I think this has gone a long way to increase the sense of security. There is also a more visible police presence in the downtown area.
➤ The Lighthouse, Egadz, needle exchange (AIDS Saskatoon). Saskatoon City's recent mandate to license adult services, awesome City of Saskatoon. Police, that group that helps boot out renters who are using the property as drug houses (they did a presentation at the Mayfair LAP).
➤ The only thing I can think of is to have more patrol cars however there already are a lot of cops driving around so these people will just find somewhere else to go where there is less patrolling.
➤ The police becoming more involved with the panhandlers and such.
➤ The police reallocating the force to have more officers patrolling the core neighbourhoods.
➤ The police should probably have a bigger presence in the core neighbourhoods.
➤ The police.
➤ The police.
➤ The Salvation Army, use of police.
➤ The Saskatoon Police Service.
➤ The special constables who are part of the police department, but not allowed to arrest individuals.
➤ The street patrol liaison officers, the street crime police unit, the joint drug task force with city police and RCMP, Egadz.
➤ There is more police vigilance of repeat offenders especially related to gang activity.
➤ Usually handled by police.

204. Homeless shelters:

➤ Address homelessness, mental health and poverty. That should do the trick.
➤ Address root causes like poverty and homelessness and mental health or you'll just move the problem rather than solve it.
➤ Deal with homeless people.
➤ Foot patrol by city police seems to help. I have given food and/or coffee but never money. These people need to be treated with respect and kindness but not everyone feels that way. If I feel threatened I move off or ask if store has security to assist. Have had to do this only once. Panhandlers have various issues due to drug and/or alcohol abuse or mental illness. City Hall seems more concerned with other issues and there appears to be no money to help the homeless. I do know that there are church programs aimed at alleviated homelessness. 20 Street West and the food bank can only do so much.

➤ Homeless shelters.
➤ Homelessness is a big issue.
➤ Improved housing for homeless and improved mental health services within the Saskatoon Health District.
➤ Mandatory grade 12 education. Shelters where the homeless can shower sleep and eat. Job placement programs. Our homeless and poor population should be assigned to the low education jobs instead of the immigrant population.
➤ More enforcement/security outside areas of activity (20th Street, 19th Street, 33rd Street, outside malls, bus depot, off sales, etc.), more shelters/community centres.
➤ More homeless shelters. Targeted homeless programs to get them back to work.
➤ More training for the homeless and those that have become institutionalized.
➤ Salvation Army, police, shelters.
➤ Saskatoon City Police patrols on foot or bike. Numerous charities that cater to the homeless. Lighthouse.
➤ Saskatoon homeless count.
➤ There are more men's and women's shelters. A gathering place for panhandlers to meet.

205. Housing incentives:

➤ Affordable housing, access to education, access to employment.
➤ Affordable housing; employment for more people.
➤ Anywhere the rent is cheaper the people associated with these issues will live, thus creating the problem on 22ns, 33rd, 20th, 7th Street on east side, Broadway. Subsidized housing can also create a ghetto in that area. Not sure of solutions.
➤ Housing First initiatives.
➤ I am hoping that new incentive to find these people a place to live will help. Bandages like jail and hospitals really do not do much when they send the people out into the city to fend for themselves.
➤ Low income housing.
➤ More housing for street kids and teens.
➤ Policing, social agencies, housing initiatives, graffiti policing.
➤ The recent program to provide homes to the most vulnerable in Saskatoon seems valuable.

206. Youth programs:

➤ How or what kind of program is there that can change the complete attitude of disrespect that is common in today's youth???
➤ Need to address young people's excessive use of alcohol.
➤ Youth centers.

207. Laws/bylaws:

➤ Arresting the wrong doers and having some penalty put upon them to discourage them from such future activity.
➤ Curfews.
➤ Don't need programs, just harsher punishment!
➤ Have a curfew.
➤ I have no idea what the programs or methods are, a fine?
➤ I'm not sure, I've heard they are going to enforce more supervision of this activity and make laws about panhandling.
➤ Law enforcement.

➤	Laws on aggressive panhandling.
➤	More enforcement/security outside areas of activity (20th Street, 19th Street, 33rd Street, outside malls, bus depot, off sales, etc.), more shelters/community centres.
➤	Police arrest.
➤	Police on foot and bike. Law enforcement visits to schools to spread awareness. Not sure if that still happens?
➤	Stiffer legal penalties and make offenders take responsible for their actions. Young offenders should be identified when the crime is serious such as killing someone, attacking another person especially an older person.
➤	The consequences are not strict enough for those committing the street activity.
➤	The support workers who are out trying to work with panhandles, increased bylaws, street patrols.

208. Enforce no loitering/panhandling:

➤	Advertising telling people not to give panhandlers money.
➤	Asking people not to give money to panhandlers, beat walk police, and officers on bicycles.
➤	Better social services to support the disadvantages that resort to begging.
➤	Downtown business association trying to have panhandlers removed. The current discussions about the bus mall and the groups who visit the McDonalds on the corner.
➤	Enforce no loitering.
➤	I don't agree with it but I recall a 'Say No' campaign in relation to panhandlers.
➤	I think the panhandlers are supposed to be a certain amount of feet away from doors of businesses.
➤	I'm not sure, I've heard they are going to enforce more supervision of this activity and make laws about panhandling.
➤	Increased police presence or visibility. Signage discouraging loitering in problem areas downtown.
➤	It is obvious the program that the city implemented last year to the tune of several thousands of dollars has not worked. Whenever I see the officers, they are walking around with a cup of coffee in their hands chatting away to each other while they pass by panhandlers. I believe it is a total waste of taxpayer's money. The panhandlers make good money, that is why they do not want to leave.
➤	Laws on aggressive panhandling.
➤	More police activity to do something about street gangs. Putting in a group of people standing on the corner in this survey is not an issue. Putting in a group of people standing on the corner in colours is.
➤	'No loitering' or 'no panhandling' signs.
➤	No panhandling around liquor stores.
➤	Pamphlets telling people not to give to panhandlers.
➤	Posters were put up by the city to discourage giving to panhandlers.
➤	Since the panhandling continues they must not be very effective.
➤	Some advertising not to give to panhandlers.
➤	The cards that I see in the downtown stores that says not to give to panhandlers.
➤	The police becoming more involved with the panhandlers and such.
➤	The support workers who are out trying to work with panhandles, increased bylaws, street patrols.

291. Other general programs:

➤	Addiction services and police services.
➤	Address homelessness, mental health and poverty. That should do the trick.
➤	Address root causes like poverty and homelessness and mental health or you'll just move the problem rather than solve it.
➤	Affordable housing, access to education, access to employment.

➤ Affordable housing; employment for more people.
➤ All citizens need to be aware that there is potential for being approached in an inappropriate manner by someone who may be troubled or desperate. In this way, hopefully some incidents can be avoided. Police presence is a very comforting thought.
➤ Better social programs, more funds for welfare etc. Poverty is the root problem.
➤ Boot camps, scared straight programs, jail.
➤ Campus safety in university.
➤ Correction.
➤ Foot patrol by city police seems to help. I have given food and/or coffee but never money. These people need to be treated with respect and kindness but not everyone feels that way. If I feel threatened I move off or ask if store has security to assist. Have had to do this only once. Panhandlers have various issues due to drug and/or alcohol abuse or mental illness. City Hall seems more concerned with other issues and there appears to be no money to help the homeless. I do know that there are church programs aimed at alleviated homelessness. 20 Street West and the food bank can only do so much.
➤ Getting these people jobs or activities to do.
➤ Helping those that need help. Unlike what the Saskatoon city council believes.
➤ I don't know of any. There are outreach programs on 20th Street.
➤ I think the city has used a number of programs such as having policemen on the beat. Making people aware that there is social assistance and UIC for people out of work and there is help for people to do other things. Some people this is a way of life and it is hard to get them to stop. It becomes more of a problem when some of these people are just doing it to get money for liquor. Especially when you see them drunk or having a bottle on them.
➤ Mandatory grade 12 education. Shelters where the homeless can shower sleep and eat. Job placement programs. Our homeless and poor population should be assigned to the low education jobs instead of the immigrant population.
➤ Monitoring.
➤ More emphasis on poverty/native issues before they become bigger issues.
➤ Outreach programs.
➤ Parenting programs.
➤ Police walking their beats. Garbage cans that is difficult to go through (all the newer metal ones downtown).
➤ Policing, social agencies, housing initiatives, graffiti policing.
➤ Public awareness and ways to deal with different situations.
➤ Put these people to work. Don't ask if they want to work just put them to work.
➤ Regular monitoring.
➤ Tearing up public places of gathering? This only from the measures taken lately by some business owners/city council. Policing reporting programs for drug activity.
➤ The special constables who are part of the police department, but not allowed to arrest individuals.
➤ They are not allowed to harass you.
➤ Tough penalty and more education.
➤ Walk in centers.

Other:

301. Not enough being done/ineffective:

➤ A lack of programs.
➤ A weak effort by police to act on known drug locations.

➤ Absent. Lacking. People too scared to admit there is a problem. Lame people to think it is wrong to admit native people are causing a lot of crime, etc.
➤ All methods have failed to yield results till date.
➤ Almost non-existent.
➤ Are a Band-Aid fix.
➤ Are they the methods working?
➤ As far as I can see nothing much is being done.
➤ Declining but not fast enough.
➤ Displacement of the problem rather than finding real solutions.
➤ I don't know what methods or programs are used or contemplated. It sounds as if the public is overly concerned about issues that don't matter instead of focusing on the real problems.
➤ I don't think enough is done about gangs, drugs in Saskatoon; panhandlers are not the real problem.
➤ I don't think removing a bench downtown is going to solve anything, I don't really know of any other measures taken to reduce issues.
➤ I like that there are bicycle cops down the Meewasin trail and downtown. Needs to be more of a presence downtown by bus mall and get rid of panhandlers by the mall. Rescue the girls being forced into prostitution on 20th Street. Harder and stricter penalties for people using these girls.
➤ I think foot patrol police avoid trouble areas on purpose because I always see cops walking along the peaceful river landing but never in trouble areas downtown or elsewhere in the city. Police officers should focus more attention on problem areas and problem people rather than avoiding them or giving jaywalking tickets to hard working people who they know will cause little fuss.
➤ I think removing the benches downtown at the McDonalds is uncalled for. There are enough businesses around that people have enough help if needed. Just because the young ones meet there doesn't mean they are up to no good. They will only move to another location.
➤ I think tearing down the McDonalds on the corner of 2nd and 22nd is a terrible idea. All that activity will just go on at one of the other street corners nearby, probably still downtown, too.
➤ I think that the tearing down of McDonald's on 2nd Avenue is ridiculous. When the city suggested tearing down benches and duh to deter the street people from hanging outside there was a stupid idea and waste of money. I think that the idea of having more places that people who have nowhere else to go should be revised. There should be a focus on getting people off he agree, helping those with mental illness and maybe creating a safe place for them to hang out an receive the information and support in order to help them. There's a small group that are dangerous, creating a stereotype that 'street people' are bad. They just need help. More programs to keep them off the street, and more programs to prevent them from getting onto the streets in the first place.
➤ I would say they are effective during the day but policing seems to disappear or be busy elsewhere at night.
➤ If someone is trying to address street activity, it's not having much impact.
➤ In order to keep antisocial activity from the streets it is necessary to have a police presence on the streets. That is currently lacking (two cops in shorts and helmets on bikes does not cut it, wimpy, wimpy, wimpy. Compare to the six foot five cops in their high boots and buffalo coats who walked the downtown streets in the 1960's. Those officers inspired civility and discouraged unlawful activities). By the way, the lack of enforcement of traffic laws is in exactly the same situation, where the hell are the police cruisers when a triple unit semi loaded with gasoline passes me at 120 km on Circle Drive at rush hour?
➤ Inactivity.
➤ Inadequate and not focusing on primary prevention. You are punishing those who need the most support.
➤ Inadequate. Lots of messages saying 'don't give' but little awareness of what is being done to improve people's live so they don't need/want to panhandle.
➤ Inadequate. The problem persists.

➤ Inadequately funded.
➤ Incompetent.
➤ Ineffective and not enforced.
➤ Ineffective, since the issues are still ongoing.
➤ Ineffective.(6)
➤ Ineffective. The people who are causing trouble are often behind the scenes, i.e., the drug trafficker vs. the runner or buyer. Drunk drivers don't have severe enough penalty, so keep drinking and then driving and fighting.
➤ Ineffective. Ideas like removing the benches in front of McDonald's downtown do not address the root cause of the problem.
➤ Ineffective. Need broader laws in order to allow easier enforcement.
➤ Inefficient. Unsuccessful. Not addressing root problem merely addressing symptom.
➤ Insufficient.
➤ It gets ignored.
➤ It is obvious the program that the city implemented last year to the tune of several thousands of dollars has not worked. Whenever I see the officers, they are walking around with a cup of coffee in their hands chatting away to each other while they pass by panhandlers. I believe it is a total waste of taxpayer's money. The panhandlers make good money, that is why they do not want to leave.
➤ It's not being enforced.
➤ It's not working. Might be time to take a different approach.
➤ Lack of affordable housing, lack of programs.
➤ Lack of police action and numbers in controlling crime, particularly on the west side of the city.
➤ Little or nothing.
➤ Many of the street activities are related to greater underlying social issues. Until these are dealt with, i.e., poverty, lack of familial support, preventing joining gangs, substance abuse and its underlying causes, lack of hope. These issues will continue to be a problem. The current programs are insufficient and deal with the problems after the fact.
➤ More needs to be done! I have seen younger people, teenagers or the elderly pull \$20 bills from their wallets after listening for a few seconds.
➤ Need more drop-in centres where people can hang out, get a cup of coffee, access social services.
➤ Need more foot patrol officers downtown.
➤ Need more police.
➤ Need to be more focused on the issues.
➤ None of them address the true underlying problems of poverty, abuse etc.
➤ Not a whole lot comes to mind. I know that last year they started having a few people walk around the problem areas, but all these people were equipped with was a water bottle and a radio. I suppose there have been more police cars/bikes patrolling the problem areas. But I think it would be even more beneficial if they had more police on foot frequenting the areas more often so that people become aware that the police can be there at any time and hopefully reduce crime.
➤ Not adequate. Tends to support the lifestyle rather than fixing the problem.
➤ Not as effective as it could be.
➤ Not doing enough.
➤ Not effective.
➤ Not enough is being done to control the panhandling.

➤ Not enough is being done to rehabilitate these people to get them to have a decent job. More focus on the real issues in their lives like the addictions and mental stability. Social assistance is being abused by so many people it's ridiculous. These people can work on their issues but choose not to because it's easier to collect a welfare check than to go out and work. Make it harder for them to collect welfare and give them help for their issues. Make them seek help for the addictions before they get their welfare checks!!
➤ Not enough is being done.(3)
➤ Not enough police presence.
➤ Not enough programs or information to make it more public.
➤ Not enough.
➤ Not enough. Safe secure housing and addiction treatment.
➤ Not hard-core enough.
➤ Not harsh enough penalties.
➤ Not harsh enough.
➤ Not in around. There is nothing going on, because there are no consequences for their actions.
➤ Not much emphasis on having people use the streets at night.
➤ Not overly effective.
➤ Not sufficient and too polite towards aggressors.
➤ Not working at all.
➤ Not working very well.
➤ Not working well.
➤ Not working.(3)
➤ Obviously not working too well.
➤ Overnight drunk tank, cognitive behavioral help from psychologists, brainwave entrainment engineers (Morry Zelcovitch) has trained Brazilian police, change in mental health laws so people with bipolar can get some of help listed above instead of stupid system in place now which helps nobody, Dr. Amen's program for people with addictions and brain SPECT scans required. Try and get one in Sk! more activity centres or libraries with larger computer sections. Finding work for people with disabilities so they don't have to bottle pick streets of Sk. Improvement on rentals man laws to clients renting get more help from entrepreneurs renting unsafe suites for large amts. of money.
➤ People need to become street smart and be alert. Unfortunate thought it is, in a busy city there will always be undesirable types that are in the street. It is impossible to 'sanitize' it so everyone else is comfortable. That said, there are groups that do a great deal of good and should be encouraged to try and provide safe housing and a comfortable place for those to gather, i.e., Egadz.
➤ Poor results.
➤ Poverty help programs, lack of education seem to be not in existence, or just not working at all.
➤ Programs have been defunded and we need to re-fund them.
➤ Seemingly nothing is being done, you see the same people exhibiting the same behaviour repeatedly.
➤ Social programs should be put in place to help fix these problems. This should not be looked at as a 'not in my backyard' type of problem that simply hides the problems.
➤ Switch, not many.
➤ That busy bodies are far more worried about encountering someone of a lower social class than their privileged selves that they forget the real issues. This questionnaire is terrible and does nothing to address the real issues. Why do you think panhandling is bad? Why is busking bad? It is most illogical. I really hope no taxpayer money went to fund this research.
➤ That no one really seems to care, not enough police to make you feel safe.
➤ That there are not enough programs!!!
➤ That there should be more programs to help for these issues.

➤ That they are helping to some extent but not completely.
➤ That they haven't been as successful as one would hope. There seems to be a push on ridding the downtown areas but before long it seems to peter out!
➤ That they're a band aid solution at best.
➤ That we need more directed at nighttime gang activity.
➤ The city would prefer to simply eliminate the problems so that they are no longer 'seen' rather than see that the people involved in troublesome activity are cared for like the human beings that they are.
➤ There are methods to help homelessness, yet not enough to prevent prostitution or drug trafficking.
➤ There are not enough social programs to combat homelessness and poverty. I like the idea of a FRIENDLY police presence in the downtown core as in BEAT cops and BIKE cops.
➤ These people need mental help. They are unable to find work for some reason.
➤ They are helping, but not keeping up with the numbers of problems.
➤ They are no effective. Panhandlers only move from spot A to spot B.
➤ They are not working.
➤ They criminalize and/or stigmatize the poor instead of dealing with income disparity and the root causes of poverty. As such, the programs tend to strike me as mean-spirited and small-minded. They are also, sadly, incredibly ineffective.
➤ They don't work.
➤ They need to be more accessible to the public. I think that the less frequented an area is by the general public, the more likely it has negative street activity.
➤ They obviously are not working very well!
➤ They suck.
➤ Underfunded.
➤ Underutilized. Not enough police presence.
➤ Useless.
➤ Useless.
➤ Useless. Inept. Not working.
➤ Waste of money bylaw officers.
➤ We do too much babysitting. Too many second chances.
➤ We need more presence of beat cops walking the streets.
➤ We need more prevention and programs to address the core reasons for the 'street activity' in Saskatoon rather than trying to treat the symptoms of poverty, poor education, mental health issues, and low income citizens.
➤ We need more.
➤ We need to employ more Machiavellian tactics to clean up the undesirables.
➤ Well, apparently nothing that's being done works, because I have seen the same old woman sitting out on the street near Lululemon for years, she asks every time I've passed by and if something was being done, she wouldn't be doing it anymore. There are also a few men who've been in that area from time to time.
➤ Well-intentioned, but in need of public support.
➤ What activities?
➤ What comes to mind is there are plans in place and it can't cure and fix everything.
➤ What is happening to help this problem?
➤ What methods? I see no overt action being taken.
➤ Would be nice to see cops walking the street.

302. None/nothing is being done:

➤ Are there any methods or programs. What are they? If there is any don't know what they are.
➤ Are there any?
➤ Don't know of any except for police presence.
➤ Don't know of any.(6)
➤ None come to mind.
➤ None the city is too worried about panhandlers and not enough about drug activity and gang activity.
➤ None.(31)
➤ None. Are they even doing anything?
➤ Nothing at the moment.
➤ Nothing comes to mind, because there's been so many and are not working.
➤ Nothing comes to mind, seems like no one is doing anything.
➤ Nothing comes to mind.(4)
➤ Nothing I do not recall ever hearing about any programs.
➤ Nothing is being done.
➤ Nothing is being done.
➤ Nothing really comes to mind.
➤ Nothing really.
➤ Nothing really. I am not aware of any methods or programs in use here in Saskatoon.
➤ Nothing seems to be being done.
➤ Nothing that is worth the money being spent on it!
➤ Nothing, honestly.
➤ Nothing, this city isn't aggressive enough to clean up. Our mayor doesn't seem that concerned of the welfare of the citizens.
➤ Nothing.(32)
➤ Nothing. I have seen nothing done.
➤ There are none in Saskatoon.
➤ There are none.
➤ There are none.
➤ There is nothing.
➤ Virtually none, city seems more interested in how big we get rather than how GOOD we can get. Passed it on to the dumbass we call a mayor.

391. Other:

➤ 8th St and McCormond Rd.
➤ As long as they are at the bus mall it is okay.
➤ Classical music, it worked in Edmonton in a park on Jasper.
➤ Dealmaker.
➤ Have to try something.
➤ Hope it works.
➤ How about encouraging buskers?
➤ I think they are working it takes time these situations did not start yesterday and time is needed to take care of the situation and creative ways to deal with them.
➤ I was not aware that there are programs for these situations.
➤ Ignore them.
➤ It's ok.

➤ Legalization of drugs is the easiest way to remove a lot of the negative activity on the streets.
➤ Most of the current programs are sort of working.
➤ Newspaper articles.
➤ No matter what method is used, we will still have some street activity related to gangs.
➤ No need of any program.
➤ Non-issue.
➤ Not aware of any methods/programs.
➤ Not politically correct to say.
➤ Overreaction.
➤ People should get jobs.
➤ Send them home.
➤ Slack ass judges.
➤ Some target wrong populations.
➤ Somewhat effective, but you can't help everyone.
➤ The partnership endeavours.
➤ The people in blue uniforms.
➤ There are definitely issues that need to be addressed in this city. Certainly you don't want to see drug deals and prostitution happening openly on the street. But at the same time, I don't see why 'loitering' or 'groups of young people' would be a negative thing. How is loitering different from window shopping? It's not, except that poor people tend to do the first one, and wealthier people do the second one. While I think making sure people feel safe is certainly a worthy goal, I think there are more fundamental issues feeding into that such as the lack of affordable housing in the city.
➤ There should be a drop in centre downtown for people to relax and have a coffee. It would be a gathering place for street people if there was some place for them to congregate without being hassled.
➤ These problems are so diverse that no single thought comes to mind. Groups of young people are just groups of people. I see some lack of family issues. If your parents are not making an effort to teach the values of your society problems occur. If you have mental health issues problems may occur. If you have substance abuse problems, problems will follow.
➤ They are doing a lot of things that seem to be doing some good.
➤ They are largely misdirected. Panhandling, young people out on a Saturday night, supposed 'problem' corners downtown seem to attract a lot of attention from the police municipal government, but these are, for most part simply nuisances that people living a city can and should learn to tolerate.
➤ They should get a job.
➤ Too much direct attention to the street activity and too little attention paid to increasing residential population density in the central part of Saskatoon.
➤ Understanding; finding alternative, not just ignoring.
➤ Why are groups of young people considered a negative thing in this survey? Why aren't groups of middle aged people negative? Just because young people are together doesn't make it bad. It's the behaviour that anyone displays, regardless of age or group size that should be focused on. Give our young people a break! They are smarter, more engaged, more articulate, and understand that larger world better than any of us did when I was young.

Q21. To the best of your knowledge, what is the Community Support Program (CSP)?

1. Volunteers/civilians:

➤ A group of people who are volunteers for the police department to patrol the streets.
➤ Civilian officers patrolling.
➤ Civilians walk the streets and try to keep them safe. More eyes for the police.

➤	Civilians who patrol certain core neighborhoods that they are residents of, in an effort to curtail unwanted street activities in those areas.
➤	Civilians who 'police' the downtown core and let panhandlers and other loiterers know about options and try to keep them moving.
➤	People (not police) that are on the street to help answer questions or diffuse tense situations.
➤	Residents binding together to make their community safer for everyone, small children to seniors.
➤	Volunteers patrolling the streets.
➤	Volunteers that can remove panhandlers from areas and have a direct line to police to get assistance if needed.
➤	Volunteers who aid and assist people in need whoever they may be. I do believe there is a quasi-police contingent who assists as well.
➤	Volunteers who care about the city and go on patrol.
➤	Volunteers who patrol the streets in pairs.

2. Special police/community workers:

➤	A group of special constables who patrol the streets looking for problems.
➤	A liaison program between the police service and citizens/citizen groups.
➤	A referral program to move work from the police.
➤	Authorities helping community associations to deal with neighborhood problems before they become major problems.
➤	Case workers that assist people to get the services they need.
➤	Civilian officers patrolling.
➤	Communicating with 'street people' to assess needs and causes of homelessness.
➤	Community offices to work with people on the streets to try to assist them in their lives and encouraging them to use existing services.
➤	Community support officers are hired to increase safety of the public areas and to assist the people they encounter on the streets to seek out alternative methods to negative behaviours.
➤	Community support officers trying to help street people get in contact with the appropriate agencies to help them out of their current situation.
➤	Community support officers walking core neighbourhoods providing assistance when needed.
➤	Cop wannabes wandering about in uniforms.
➤	Fake cops.
➤	I've only heard bits and pieces. Advocates/liaisons to help access services and get information about programs.
➤	Liaison to community issues.
➤	More police, less critical services.
➤	Non para-military people who interface with 'street-people'. They can't fine people or enforce laws.
➤	Non-enforcement officers that patrol the BIDs and act as eyes and ears for the community in relation to that communities' overall cultural health.
➤	Non-official police staff who patrol the streets and monitor street activity.
➤	Officers affiliated with police who are present in areas designated at high risk.
➤	Officers that are not police but deal with street people and enforce bylaws.
➤	On foot patrol to liaise with and between citizens.
➤	People that walk the streets and try to intervene with undesirable behavior.
➤	Plain clothed officers patrolling the streets.
➤	Police officers aid, and help homeless/panhandlers. They CSP try to find other options for teens, instead of loitering.

➤	Police related officers specially hired to walk around and communicate.
➤	Police that are helping control and watching over negative behaviours in downtown and core areas.
➤	Police working with the community, on bikes, more public.
➤	Representative of the police force works with community groups to plan activities such as neighborhood watch.
➤	Special cops who try to identify upcoming problems.
➤	Special members of the police force whose main task is to support individuals in the community. Broadway area and 20 Street area, but not certified to make arrests.
➤	Special police officers (not COMPLETE police officers) that are doing foot patrols on some of the worst streets.
➤	Specially trained people downtown.
➤	Street cops or people who work for the cops walking around.
➤	Support officers for businesses and citizens in the core neighbourhoods which help keep the peace and provide an authoritative presence.
➤	Supporting members of the community by being visible, speaking with individuals and listening to their needs, then referring to different agencies.
➤	The community support officers protect the street safety of Downtown, Riversdale and Broadway Business Improvement Districts.
➤	The officer's patrol targeted areas to deter crime.
➤	They are cross trained social workers that have limited power of enforcement. They wear the colours and might look like the police, but they are there mostly to garner the trust of the less privileged in order to combat social ills. This is a good program.
➤	Those guys that look like police officers but are not.
➤	To help give advice, information, and general introduction to programs best suited to the situation or person, and to help be the eyes and ears for the police and write citations for minor infractions.
➤	To my knowledge, Community Support Officers, here as in other cities, essentially function as police auxiliaries and, in addition, help to direct people who need to services offered by charitable organizations and municipal government.
➤	To the best of my knowledge, it is underfunded, understaffed, and consists of officers that try to be social workers first and policemen second. Don't get me wrong, there are lots of social issues that need to be addresses, but police officers are not the folks to do that. They have another job (or should have another job) to keep the peace by enforcing the laws of the country, city, and province.
➤	Trained staff to provide help to those in need, keep community safe, make referrals to other agencies, handle minor conflicts/emergencies.
➤	'Unarmed' peace officers who have a presence in areas of higher street activity who act as a deterrent to commit street crime while providing the 'street people' with access or direction to resources that might help them be more productive.
➤	Uniformed officers who periodically check in with street people and offer assistance.
➤	Uniformed, but non-commissioned non police officers. Individuals who can hand out warnings and tickets or contact police when required.
➤	Vague on details. Believe program to bring officers into closer communication with residents in problem arrears.
➤	Volunteers who aid and assist people in need whoever they may be. I do believe there is a quasi-police contingent who assists as well.

3. Unarmed police:

➤	People walking around with authority but can't arrest or have a gun.
➤	Unarmed extension of police service.

- 'Unarmed' peace officers who have a presence in areas of higher street activity who act as a deterrent to commit street crime while providing the 'street people' with access or direction to resources that might help them be more productive.

4. Foot patrols/walking the beat:

➤ A group of foot patrol members of the Saskatoon City Police. They patrol Broadway, downtown and probably Riversdale. They try to sort out drug, alcohol problems. They are also a help to people with mental health problems.
➤ A walk about to monitor street activity.
➤ Basically cops walking around downtown/Riversdale/Broadway/etc., enforcing whatever the BIDs want.
➤ Civilians walk the streets and try to keep them safe. More eyes for the police.
➤ Community support officers walking core neighbourhoods providing assistance when needed.
➤ Cop wannabes wandering about in uniforms.
➤ CSP is a program that is adjunct to the beat policing, to try to maintain a presence in areas where 'troublesome' activity is known to occur.
➤ Extra ears, eyes, walking the streets to assist the public with questions or a direct contact to police or emergency services.
➤ I think it has something to do with increased police presence (walking patrols).
➤ I thought they were affiliated with the police. I see them walking around town in pairs. I guess they stop and talk to people. Maybe I'm thinking community support officers. If so, I don't know what the community support program is.
➤ Officers in uniform patrolling the downtown area on foot in hopes to deter illegal and dangerous people/activities.
➤ officers on foot patrol ensuring safety on the streets; increases likelihood of marginalized people getting put in touch with proper treatments for mental health, addictions, housing, etc.
➤ Officers on foot to better stay in touch with what is going on at street level and to educate the young that the police force is there to protect and help.
➤ Officers walking around in pairs, in uniform, feeling like they are reaching out to the community or having a community presence.
➤ On foot patrol to liaise with and between citizens.
➤ People that walk the streets and try to intervene with undesirable behavior.
➤ People walking around with authority but can't arrest or have a gun.
➤ People walking the core streets to keep bad things from happening.
➤ People who are out on foot looking for negative street activity and dealing with it accordingly if they feel safe to do so.
➤ People who walk around and get to know the streets and the people on them and try to offer help.
➤ Police officers who are on foot patrol in various areas in Downtown, Riversdale and Broadway areas. They address public concerns of street safety and provide support where required.
➤ Police officers who walk or bike around downtown, talking to people.
➤ Police related officers specially hired to walk around and communicate.
➤ Special police officers (not COMPLETE police officers) that are doing foot patrols on some of the worst streets.
➤ Street cops or people who work for the cops walking around.
➤ These are police who walk the beat in the downtown area.
➤ They help people and walk the beat to help people to feel more comfortable.
➤ To the best of my knowledge this program is the initiative of the city and business improvement groups in Broadway, Riversdale and the downtown. It involves a group on foot patrolling these areas to provide assistance to street folks and provide a sense of security for citizens.

- Walking police officers in area.

5. Patrol areas-general:

➤ A group of people who are volunteers for the police department to patrol the streets.
➤ A group of special constables who patrol the streets looking for problems.
➤ A team that patrols the downtown core and helps smooth situations for shop owners and pedestrians.
➤ Civilian officers patrolling.
➤ Civilians who patrol certain core neighborhoods that they are residents of, in an effort to curtail unwanted street activities in those areas.
➤ CSP is a program that is adjunct to the beat policing, to try to maintain a presence in areas where 'troublesome' activity is known to occur.
➤ CSP knowing the streets and people.
➤ Extra ears, eyes, walking the streets to assist the public with questions or a direct contact to police or emergency services.
➤ Eyes and ears of the streets.
➤ Greater police presence in problematic neighbourhoods and presence unrelated to incidents, i.e., positive presence.
➤ I believe they patrol areas where they may be a lot of panhandlers/homeless people and offer them help and make sure they are not being overly aggressive with people.
➤ I don't know very much about it, but I think there are officers that patrol the neighbourhood and are able to help people connect with service, e.g., homeless people with shelters.
➤ Non-enforcement officers that patrol the BIDs and act as eyes and ears for the community in relation to that communities' overall cultural health.
➤ Non-official police staff who patrol the streets and monitor street activity.
➤ Officers affiliated with police who are present in areas designated at high risk.
➤ Patrol officers.
➤ Plain clothed officers patrolling the streets.
➤ Volunteers patrolling the streets.
➤ Volunteers who care about the city and go on patrol.
➤ Volunteers who patrol the streets in pairs.
➤ Walking police officers in area.
➤ Where teams of Community Support Officers patrol specific areas of the city offering assistance to people in need of help or behavioural changes.

6. Helping communities:

➤ A help program for people of low income or having to deal with crime on a daily basis.
➤ A program to assist those that are living on the street.
➤ A program to help the disadvantaged.
➤ Actions and agencies to support a better way of living in all neighborhoods.
➤ Authorities helping community associations to deal with neighborhood problems before they become major problems.
➤ Civilians who 'police' the downtown core and let panhandlers and other loiterers know about options and try to keep them moving.
➤ Community offices to work with people on the streets to try to assist them in their lives and encouraging them to use existing services.
➤ Community support officers trying to help street people get in contact with the appropriate agencies to help them out of their current situation.

➤ CSP officers are supposed to direct those in need to services and support centres available to them for help.
➤ CSP try to get panhandlers off the streets and guides them to support agencies.
➤ Downtown based people who attempt to help in ways police can't, such as get in touch with help programs.
➤ Easy access to support services as they are available in core areas.
➤ Group of workers that redirect individuals that appear to require some resources to improve their life situation.
➤ Help get people addicted to drugs and alcohol off of the streets and into programming and housing.
➤ Helping homeless and needy.
➤ Helping street people get the help they need.
➤ Helps out in the core neighborhood to make it safer and deal with poverty and crime issues.
➤ Helps people connect to support services. Unfortunately they are dressed too much like police officers in my opinion.
➤ Helps people get off the streets.
➤ Helps people in need.
➤ I believe it is people designated to find an agency to help the people who need it.
➤ I believe they patrol areas where they may be a lot of panhandlers/homeless people and offer them help and make sure they are not being overly aggressive with people.
➤ I think it trains police officers to work with the community...?
➤ I thought they were affiliated with the police. I see them walking around town in pairs. I guess they stop and talk to people. Maybe I'm thinking community support officers. If so, I don't know what the community support program is.
➤ Individuals on the street in a supportive role for those in need.
➤ Interacting with street people, attempting to direct them to helping resources.
➤ Interactive, get to know you people who hope to gain trust and promote access to 'different forms of lifestyle'.
➤ It helps street people and reduces problems in public areas, for example by providing emergency accommodation.
➤ It is a program involving police officers were rather than jailing panhandlers, etc., they are referring them to other programs and locations.
➤ It is to safe guard the community.
➤ It tries to help people in need. Street people mainly.
➤ Non-enforcement officers that patrol the BIDs and act as eyes and ears for the community in relation to that communities' overall cultural health.
➤ officers on foot patrol ensuring safety on the streets; increases likelihood of marginalized people getting put in touch with proper treatments for mental health, addictions, housing, etc.
➤ Officers on foot to better stay in touch with what is going on at street level and to educate the young that the police force is there to protect and help.
➤ Officers walking around in pairs, in uniform, feeling like they are reaching out to the community or having a community presence.
➤ Officers with limited power to try and keep street people off the streets.
➤ People confronting street activity and supposedly helping.
➤ People who try and get street people to agencies to help them before they become a problem.
➤ People who walk around and get to know the streets and the people on them and try to offer help.
➤ Police more directly involved with people on the street and the communities in them.
➤ Police officers aid, and help homeless/panhandlers. They CSP try to find other options for teens, instead of loitering.

➤ Police officers involved directly with neighbourhoods. Negative and positive.
➤ Program that assists people who live on the street, have mental illness or need support.
➤ Program that offers support to the community. They provide help in accessing city services to peoples at risk, and a non-police option for people dealing with people with mental health or addictions issues.
➤ Provides outreach for people at risk.
➤ Provides support to individuals.
➤ Representative of the police force works with community groups to plan activities such as neighborhood watch.
➤ Residents binding together to make their community safer for everyone, small children to seniors.
➤ Someone who helps those people who need it. But I don't know much about what they do.
➤ Special members of the police force whose main task is to support individuals in the community. Broadway area and 20 Street area, but not certified to make arrests.
➤ Support officers for businesses and citizens in the core neighbourhoods which help keep the peace and provide an authoritative presence.
➤ Supporting members of the community by being visible, speaking with individuals and listening to their needs, then referring to different agencies.
➤ They are cross trained social workers that have limited power of enforcement. They wear the colours and might look like the police, but they are there mostly to garner the trust of the less privileged in order to combat social ills. This is a good program.
➤ They are supposed to help vulnerable populations find community resources.
➤ They help out on the street, I heard.
➤ They help people and walk the beat to help people to feel more comfortable.
➤ They offer support to homeless, or people who are on the street.
➤ They try to help street people in need and find somewhere they can go.
➤ To assist with certain areas of the city that can use support in the ways of programming and leadership.
➤ To help give advice, information, and general introduction to programs best suited to the situation or person, and to help be the eyes and ears for the police and write citations for minor infractions.
➤ To help people who are destitute to find homes and advise them how to get assistance and help.
➤ To help with those less fortunate.
➤ To make people aware of social services that may be available to them. To verbally try to enforce bylaws.
➤ To my knowledge, Community Support Officers, here as in other cities, essentially function as police auxiliaries and, in addition, help to direct people who need to services offered by charitable organizations and municipal government.
➤ Trained staff to provide help to those in need, keep community safe, make referrals to other agencies, handle minor conflicts/emergencies.
➤ Try to help deal with these issues.
➤ Volunteers who aid and assist people in need whoever they may be. I do believe there is a quasi-police contingent who assists as well.
➤ Watch for activity to alert police, point people who need help in the right direction.
➤ Where teams of Community Support Officers patrol specific areas of the city offering assistance to people in need of help or behavioural changes.
➤ Workers that patrol areas such as downtown and offer assistance or resources for people who may be drug users or homeless, etc.

7. Monitor panhandling:

➤ A monitoring by personnel. Visiting, interacting with such as panhandlers.
➤ A program designed to curb panhandling mainly in the downtown area of Saskatoon.

➤ My understanding of the programs is to move the panhandlers out of downtown.
➤ Officers talking to business owners, trying to hook street people up with appropriate agencies, monitoring panhandlers and ensuring they are being non aggressive and following the panhandling bylaws.
➤ People who go to interact and make super panhandlers can access the services that might help them.
➤ People working together in the downtown core. Business district to discourage activity such as panhandling, etc.
➤ Public citizen who monitor panhandling, etc.
➤ Rent a cop to keep an eye on panhandlers.
➤ They chase off panhandlers from sidewalks.
➤ They tour around downtown, Riversdale and Broadway to deal with panhandlers, and street people to help them out.
➤ They work with panhandles, street people to help them access services.
➤ This is a program to help both the people that use the walkways and to help the people who are creating issues for the people who use the walkways (streets). My fear is that we will give up too soon on improving the situation and also that the individuals that work in the program will be hurt by the element they are trying to help or situation they are trying to help improve. The boldness of the element of people is getting much more vigilant and in your face being it panhandlers, gangs who show fear or kids in groups trying to show just how tough they are to their friends.
➤ Volunteers that can remove panhandlers from areas and have a direct line to police to get assistance if needed.
➤ Walks around downtown area to help with panhandlers and improve the general safety.

8. Monitor street activity:

➤ 3 people who walk in the downtown and Broadway areas and keep watch to help citizens feel safe, and help those with addictions and substance abuse to find where to go for help.
➤ A walk about to monitor street activity.
➤ Civilians who patrol certain core neighborhoods that they are residents of, in an effort to curtail unwanted street activities in those areas.
➤ Group of people with some training to support efforts to improve our streets.
➤ Helps with loitering and drunkenness.
➤ I believe intended to move loiterers and panhandlers off the streets.
➤ I believe they patrol areas where they may be a lot of panhandlers/homeless people and offer them help and make sure they are not being overly aggressive with people.
➤ I don't know very much about it, but I think there are officers that patrol the neighbourhood and are able to help people connect with service, e.g., homeless people with shelters.
➤ Individuals who have been trained to deal with issues such as panhandling who are visibly present in the downtown core and Riversdale business district and who can respond to such issues - they are not police officers, but can call in police where needed.
➤ Interacting with street people, attempting to direct them to helping resources.
➤ It helps street people and reduces problems in public areas, for example by providing emergency accommodation.
➤ It tries to help people in need. Street people mainly.
➤ Monitor the crap.
➤ Neighborhood people walking the streets to move unwanted people out of the area.
➤ Non-official police staff who patrol the streets and monitor street activity.
➤ Not entirely sure what they do. I think they walk around and speak to people on the streets.

➤ Officers in uniform patrolling the downtown area on foot in hopes to deter illegal and dangerous people/activities.
➤ Officers with limited power to try and keep street people off the streets.
➤ On the street to help people to stay on the right side of the law.
➤ People (not police) that are on the street to help answer questions or diffuse tense situations.
➤ People confronting street activity and supposedly helping.
➤ People walking the core streets to keep bad things from happening.
➤ People who are out on foot looking for negative street activity and dealing with it accordingly if they feel safe to do so.
➤ People who patrol the downtown streets to get to know the street people and assist them where possible with finding services appropriate to their needs. I don't know how successful they've been, given the fuss there seems to be about the activity in front of the MacDonald's outlet on 2nd Avenue and 22nd Street. And maybe the fuss is an overreaction.
➤ Police more directly involved with people on the street and the communities in them.
➤ Police officers who are on foot patrol in various areas in Downtown, Riversdale and Broadway areas. They address public concerns of street safety and provide support where required.
➤ Police that are helping control and watching over negative behaviours in downtown and core areas.
➤ Social support for street people.
➤ Supporting troubled teens and being educated on the street. Preventing youth from joining or becoming involved with gangs.
➤ The officer's patrol targeted areas to deter crime.
➤ They are deterring unsavory conduct in main cores of the city.
➤ They work with panhandles, street people to help them access services.
➤ This is a program to help both the people that use the walkways and to help the people who are creating issues for the people who use the walkways (streets). My fear is that we will give up too soon on improving the situation and also that the individuals that work in the program will be hurt by the element they are trying to help or situation they are trying to help improve. The boldness of the element of people is getting much more vigilant and in your face being it panhandlers, gangs who show fear or kids in groups trying to show just how tough they are to their friends.
➤ 'Unarmed' peace officers who have a presence in areas of higher street activity who act as a deterrent to commit street crime while providing the 'street people' with access or direction to resources that might help them be more productive.
➤ Uniformed officers who periodically check in with street people and offer assistance.
➤ Watch for activity to alert police, point people who need help in the right direction.
➤ Watching for problems and trying to stop them with talk before they escalate. Showing a presence of authority in area to perhaps discourage trouble.

9. Enforce laws:

➤ Basically cops walking around downtown/Riversdale/Broadway/etc., enforcing whatever the BIDs want.
➤ Bylaw officers that point people to non-existent resources to help addiction and poverty issues.
➤ Officers that are not police but deal with street people and enforce bylaws.
➤ To help give advice, information, and general introduction to programs best suited to the situation or person, and to help be the eyes and ears for the police and write citations for minor infractions.
➤ To make people aware of social services that may be available to them. To verbally try to enforce bylaws.
➤ Uniformed, but non-commissioned non police officers. Individuals who can hand out warnings and tickets or contact police when required.

10. Don't enforce laws:

➤ It is a program involving police officers where rather than jailing panhandlers, etc., they are referring them to other programs and locations.
➤ It's a group of officers tasked with outreach and connection with street people; they're different than police officers in that their first job is to not issue tickets but to de-escalate and help persons involved.
➤ Non para-military people who interface with 'street-people'. They can't fine people or enforce laws.
➤ Non-enforcement officers that patrol the BIDs and act as eyes and ears for the community in relation to that communities' overall cultural health.
➤ Officers that patrol, but often do not have the authority to actually DO anything useful. It's a waste of money.
➤ People walking around with authority but can't arrest or have a gun.

11. Specific areas (i.e., downtown, etc.)

➤ 3 people who walk in the downtown and Broadway areas and keep watch to help citizens feel safe, and help those with addictions and substance abuse to find where to go for help.
➤ A group of foot patrol members of the Saskatoon City Police. They patrol Broadway, downtown and probably Riversdale. They try to sort out drug, alcohol problems. They are also a help to people with mental health problems.
➤ Basically cops walking around downtown/Riversdale/Broadway/etc., enforcing whatever the BIDs want.
➤ Four people hired to help direct or assist street people in downtown.
➤ Individuals who have been trained to deal with issues such as panhandling who are visibly present in the downtown core and Riversdale business district and who can respond to such issues - they are not police officers, but can call in police where needed.
➤ It is a business sponsored quasi-police patrol of Riversdale and downtown business to limit minor nuisance activities.
➤ It is a group of people hired to patrol downtown and Broadway area to handle concerns about people causing trouble.
➤ People who patrol the downtown streets to get to know the street people and assist them where possible with finding services appropriate to their needs. I don't know how successful they've been, given the fuss there seems to be about the activity in front of the MacDonald's outlet on 2nd Avenue and 22nd Street. And maybe the fuss is an overreaction.
➤ People working together in the downtown core. Business district to discourage activity such as panhandling, etc.
➤ Police officers who are on foot patrol in various areas in Downtown, Riversdale and Broadway areas. They address public concerns of street safety and provide support where required.
➤ Police officers who walk or bike around downtown, talking to people.
➤ Police that are helping control and watching over negative behaviours in downtown and core areas.
➤ Riversdale BID program, to ensure public safety.
➤ Special members of the police force whose main task is to support individuals in the community. Broadway area and 20 Street area, but not certified to make arrests.
➤ Specially trained people downtown.
➤ The community support officers protect the street safety of Downtown, Riversdale and Broadway Business Improvement Districts.
➤ These are police who walk the beat in the downtown area.
➤ They tour around downtown, Riversdale and Broadway to deal with panhandlers, and street people to help them out.
➤ They were put in place at the behest of the partnership and are a waste of money. They are mostly there to reassure people who are scared about encountering poor people downtown.

➤ To the best of my knowledge this program is the initiative of the city and business improvement groups in Broadway, Riversdale and the downtown. It involves a group on foot patrolling these areas to provide assistance to street folks and provide a sense of security for citizens.
➤ Walks around downtown area to help with panhandlers and improve the general safety.
➤ Workers that patrol areas such as downtown and offer assistance or resources for people who may be drug users or homeless, etc.

12. Negative comments:

➤ A bloody waste of money!!!
➤ A bunch of overpaid useless twits whose effectiveness is questionable at best, and who are going to get themselves hurt pretending to be police officers.
➤ A cop that is not on the street and very poor PR.
➤ Bylaw officers that point people to non-existent resources to help addiction and poverty issues.
➤ Officers that patrol, but often do not have the authority to actually DO anything useful. It's a waste of money.
➤ They were put in place at the behest of the partnership and are a waste of money. They are mostly there to reassure people who are scared about encountering poor people downtown.
➤ To the best of my knowledge, it is underfunded, understaffed, and consists of officers that try to be social workers first and policemen second. Don't get me wrong, there are lots of social issues that need to be addressed, but police officers are not the folks to do that. They have another job (or should have another job) to keep the peace by enforcing the laws of the country, city, and province.
➤ Useless.

91. Other:

➤ A group of foot patrol members of the Saskatoon City Police. They patrol Broadway, downtown and probably Riversdale. They try to sort out drug, alcohol problems. They are also a help to people with mental health problems.
➤ A program that is available for today's youth to learn what is available to them so that they can become more of an asset than a liability to society.
➤ As far as I know, they find a place for homeless people who are not eligible for the regular shelters (because of intoxication for example) to get a bed for the night.
➤ Community support officers are hired to increase safety of the public areas and to assist the people they encounter on the streets to seek out alternative methods to negative behaviours.
➤ Cops who know the usual suspects and find them in dire straits and help them temporarily shape up.
➤ Deals with lower level issues downtown, that police don't have time for.
➤ Deals with street people.
➤ Giving money to people who need it but do not deserve it? Like aboriginal, drunks, addicts, criminals, single mothers?
➤ Have been mentioned by police but nobody knows how to contact them so have never been able to receive their address or phone number. When you have a mentally challenged person in denial, there is no help until he asks for help which is too late.
➤ I believe they are in schools.
➤ I clicked Yes but meant to click No.
➤ I would only be guessing.
➤ Inform and educate the public, especially school age children.
➤ It is a group of people tasked with being a public presence to help and advice residents of Saskatoon.

➤ Officers talking to business owners, trying to hook street people up with appropriate agencies, monitoring panhandlers and ensuring they are being non aggressive and following the panhandling bylaws.
➤ People on the street who can help you but they are not police.
➤ Support for business, individuals in need.
➤ This is a program to help both the people that use the walkways and to help the people who are creating issues for the people who use the walkways (streets). My fear is that we will give up to soon on improving the situation and also that the individuals that work in the program will be hurt by the element they are trying to help or situation they are trying to help improve. The boldness of the element of people is getting much more vigilant and in your face being it panhandlers, gangs who show fear or kids in groups trying to show just how tough they are to their friends.
➤ Use of the streets other than for vehicular traffic.

Q24. To the best of your knowledge, what makes a Community Support Program Officer different from a City of Saskatoon Police Officer?

1. Cannot carry a weapon:

➤ A Community Support Officer has no police training, cannot carry a weapon and are not available 24 hours a day.
➤ A Community Support Program Officer does not carry weapons, cannot arrest a person. The role is more of a mediation one, trying to keep matters at a low level that do not require the intervention of police officers.
➤ A gun. Ability to arrest.
➤ CSP officers do not have the same authority as police officers. They cannot arrest someone, they don't carry a weapon, etc.
➤ Do not carry weapons.
➤ Does not carry a weapon.
➤ Does not carry weapons.
➤ Doesn't carry a weapon.
➤ Firepower.
➤ Guns.
➤ Lack of weapons, to state the obvious. Plus, I'm assuming different levels of training and different levels responsibility.
➤ Like I said in my last answer, the CSP officers are, to the best of my knowledge, only equipped with a water bottle and a radio. Not only does a Police Officer have the equipment to protect themselves and others, they have the advantage that more people will respect and cooperate with them than just an everyday person walking around with no protection.
➤ More of a 'social worker' approach. They are less likely to make an arrest when they see a minor crime but instead work with the individual a bit more. They are less heavily armed.
➤ No arrest powers. No weapons clearance and no release to enforce the traffic act or most parts of the criminal code. Kind of like how the parking constables are 'special constables' but have no real policing power.
➤ No arrests, no guns.
➤ No badge, no gun.
➤ No firearm, can't give tickets.
➤ No firearms, no power.
➤ No gun?
➤ No guns or authority.
➤ No guns, less authority to use force.

➤ Not a 'peace officer', unarmed, not trained to deal with crime.
➤ One has a gun, badge, and can make arrests.
➤ Police officers are trained in policing. Have authority to arrest, carry gun etc., CSP officers do not. I assume they should be educated in social services.
➤ Police officers carry guns and have the right to arrest and charge. They also wear a different uniform.
➤ The Community Support Program Officer doesn't carry a weapon.
➤ There are not gun carrying officers.
➤ They are not armed and are not law enforcement.
➤ They are not police. Don't carry weapons. Can't arrest people. Wear ball caps.
➤ They are unarmed and are more interested in the root cause of why the person is on the street vs. enforcing the letter of the law.
➤ They are unarmed and lack arrest authority.
➤ They can't arrest or charge you, do not carry guns.
➤ They can't arrest anybody nor do they carry weapons and are a complete waste of money.
➤ They can't arrest people, only report them. They aren't armed. They are only there to assist and report, not really do anything about anything.
➤ They do not carry weapons.
➤ They do not have the legal authority to arrest and detain people or carry firearms.
➤ They do not have the training or commissioning that police officers have, nor do they carry guns, and are not permitted to make arrests.
➤ They don't carry fire arms, but do have the support of the city police.
➤ They don't have guns and can't arrest anyone.
➤ Unarmed, more for support and additional eyes and ears for police.

2. Cannot make arrests:

➤ A Community Support Officer is does not have any authority to arrest or otherwise discipline any one.
➤ A Community Support Program Officer does not carry weapons, cannot arrest a person. The role is more of a mediation one, trying to keep matters at a low level that do not require the intervention of police officers.
➤ A CSP Officer cannot make an arrest of an alleged perpetrator.
➤ A gun. Ability to arrest.
➤ As previously mentioned, they are not mandated to enforce laws or by-laws.
➤ Authority to arrest.
➤ Authority to arrest/enforce, etc.
➤ Community Officers do not charge people with breaking the law.
➤ Community Support does not arrest people. They try to make contact in a positive way and help where they can.
➤ Community Support Officers are not law enforcers.
➤ CSP officers do not have the same authority as police officers. They cannot arrest someone, they don't carry a weapon, etc.
➤ CSP officers do not have the same powers of arrest or the same use of force options. I think they can write some bylaw tickets, and that's about it.
➤ CSP officers have no power to make arrests (I believe).
➤ CSPO's can't arrest people. They help people get to the appropriate place and assist with problems they might be encountering.
➤ CSPO's not involved in frontline enforcement of laws/bylaws.
➤ CSPs have no legal authority and do not enforce the law.

➤ Do not arrest people.
➤ Does not have the enforcement to issue tickets.
➤ Enforcement ability.
➤ Have time to deal with people and put them in touch with help. Police are overworked and only have time for band aid solutions, not long term solutions. CSP can't enforce laws or bylaws.
➤ I believe the former is not in a position to lay charges or make arrests, but to assist and facilitate. I'm admittedly not well versed in the program.
➤ I don't believe a CSP can arrest anyone, or use force on anyone, and I believe a City of Saskatoon Police Officer can. I believe the CSP can attempt to detain a person, and then call a COS Police Officer to come and help.
➤ I don't believe they have the power to arrest someone.
➤ I don't think they have authority to arrest anyone or intervene in criminal activities, etc.
➤ I've never seen the CSP arrest people or give them tickets.
➤ More of a 'social worker' approach. They are less likely to make an arrest when they see a minor crime but instead work with the individual a bit more. They are less heavily armed.
➤ No ability to make arrest.
➤ No arrest powers. No weapons clearance and no release to enforce the traffic act or most parts of the criminal code. Kind of like how the parking constables are 'special constables' but have no real policing power.
➤ No arrests, no guns.
➤ No firearm, can't give tickets.
➤ No power of arrest.
➤ No power to arrest.
➤ Not sure but believe they are unable to arrest and issue warrants.
➤ One has a gun, badge, and can make arrests.
➤ Only the Saskatoon Police Officer can do the arresting of a person(s).
➤ Police can arrest people, support people can't?
➤ Police have the right to arrest people.
➤ Police officers are trained in policing. Have authority to arrest, carry gun etc., CSP officers do not. I assume they should be educated in social services.
➤ Police officers carry guns and have the right to arrest and charge. They also wear a different uniform.
➤ Powers of arrest: none. Volunteers.
➤ The community officer deals with problems in a more subtle way, rather than simply using the power of arrest etc. Friendlier, understanding of people situations, has the time to establish some form of relationship with the community.
➤ The CSP doesn't enforce the law.
➤ The CSP Officer assists in dealing with frictions between business owners and the street people who can cause problems for businesses or their customers, but has little authority other than being a witness to an event, or driving off panhandlers. They can be a reliable source of support for the police, but are not themselves law enforcement.
➤ The level of enforcement. CSPO's are there as support, to offer alternatives to area occupants. SPS is there as enforcement of the laws.
➤ The level of interaction not police/interrogation/apprehension based.
➤ The officers can issue tickets and actually deal with the individual(s).
➤ The police are able to arrest those they feel are immediate threats. The police are often looked upon as the 'bad guys' and disliked no matter how they treat people. Community Support Program officers are lay people who are not seen to be a threat to street people's freedoms.
➤ The police can remove these people whereas the others can only inform the police of such people.

➤ The police is a law enforcement officer the CSP officer not.
➤ The police officer can arrest people and the community support program officer cannot.
➤ The primary focus of CSP Officers is more on helping to find solutions rather than law enforcement.
➤ They are cops, but they're focused on recognizing problems before they're large problems rather than police, who are, in effect, bylaw compliance officers who issue tickets.
➤ They are essentially bylaw officers, but they prefer to use non-confrontational, low-key interactions with persons at risk, rather than issuing tickets or otherwise confronting people aggressively.
➤ They are not armed and are not law enforcement.
➤ They are not designed to be an 'intimidating' presence. Do not arrest, but try to work with community members to address issues.
➤ They are not police. Don't carry weapons. Can't arrest people. Wear ball caps.
➤ They are not there to enforce bylaws but to offer support.
➤ They are unarmed and lack arrest authority.
➤ They can suggest but not enforce.
➤ They can't arrest anyone.
➤ They can't arrest or charge you, do not carry guns.
➤ They cannot arrest people for crimes.
➤ They cannot make arrests like the police.
➤ They cannot pick up people who are doing something wrong unless they contact the police.
➤ They can't arrest anybody nor do they carry weapons and are a complete waste of money.
➤ They can't arrest people, only report them. They aren't armed. They are only there to assist and report, not really do anything about anything.
➤ They can't make arrests, they aren't trained the same.
➤ They can't ticket persons.
➤ They do not arrest or write out fines or engage in any physical activities when encountering a suspect.
➤ They do not charge anyone; they assist them in finding help. Actually, the police for the most part do warn and assist, too, I think.
➤ They do not have the authority to arrest people, and they do not wish to catch people in criminal acts just provide assistance to both the public and those who may need it. Their role is to inform the police if any serious criminal activities are occurring, and to act as a deterrent to unsafe situations.
➤ They do not have the authority to make an arrest.
➤ They do not have the legal authority to arrest and detain people or carry firearms.
➤ They do not have the power to arrest or charge.
➤ They do not have the training or commissioning that police officers have, nor do they carry guns, and are not permitted to make arrests.
➤ They do not make arrests, investigate criminal activity.
➤ They don't handle crime.
➤ They don't have guns and can't arrest anyone.
➤ They don't have power to arrest anyone.
➤ They don't issue simple bylaw infractions.
➤ They don't make arrests.
➤ They have no power to enforce the law or interdict crime.
➤ They have very limited powers as bylaw enforcement.
➤ They probably have no power to enforce or arrest.
➤ Unable and unexpected to uphold the law.
➤ Wages and ability to enforce laws, training.

- What crimes that can be addressed. The ability to arrest. Jurisdiction and areas. Impartiality. Training, Legal definition. Target groups.

3. No authority-general:

➤ A Community Support Program Officer does not have the authority or training of a City Police Officer.
➤ Authority.
➤ Community Support Officers do not have the same authority as police officers.
➤ CSP officers do not have the same authority as police officers. They cannot arrest someone, they don't carry a weapon, etc.
➤ I would assume that since Community Support Officers have less and/or different training that Police Officers, they would have less authority than a Police Officer.
➤ Less training. No authority.
➤ No authority as a peace officer.
➤ No authority to fix a problem.
➤ No enforcement ability.
➤ No firearms, no power.
➤ No guns or authority.
➤ No guns, less authority to use force.
➤ No power.
➤ No power/authority to discourage this behaviour or to move it out of the area.
➤ No powers to enforce, not nearly as much training.
➤ Not capable of enforcement.
➤ Police have more authority.
➤ Power of the officer, greater ability to act in a situation, and full-time presence versus limited presence of community officer.
➤ The authority they are given to detain people and make arrests.
➤ The authority they have.
➤ The Community Support Worker has a much more limited authority and is more concerned about the psychosocial issues of people vs. criminal code violations.
➤ The level of training and authority.
➤ They do not have the authority that a police officer has, and the ones I have met take interest in the community programs, but they still do not have the respect of the community. Not that police in the area have more respect. I just feel that their attitude and uniform present a large barrier to the community.
➤ They do not have the same training or the same powers.
➤ They don't really have all the enforcement boundaries like a police officer.
➤ They have little or no legal power and act as citizens.
➤ They have no police powers.
➤ Training and authority.

4. No police training:

➤ A Community Support Officer has no police training, cannot carry a weapon and are not available 24 hours a day.
➤ A Community Support Program Officer does not have the authority or training of a City Police Officer.
➤ Civilians patrolling or working to assist the police who have different legal obligations and occupational rights due to training.
➤ Doesn't have the training and certification of a police officer.

➤ Education, training, experience and oversight.
➤ Effectiveness, amount of training, oversight (who keeps tabs on the CSPO's?). Police officers are able to respond in some fashion to any emergency, whereas a CSPO is useless in almost any emergency.
➤ Lack of weapons, to state the obvious. Plus, I'm assuming different levels of training and different levels responsibility.
➤ Less training. No authority.
➤ No powers to enforce, not nearly as much training.
➤ Not a paid official.
➤ Not a 'peace officer', unarmed, not trained to deal with crime.
➤ Not an actual police officer.
➤ Not commissioned officers.
➤ Not trained as a police officer?
➤ Police officers are trained in policing. Have authority to arrest, carry gun etc., CSP officers do not. I assume they should be educated in social services.
➤ Police officers have more formal training.
➤ The CSP officer is less trained, less well paid, and has fewer powers than the COS Police.
➤ The level of training and authority.
➤ They are not trained as a cop they have more of a social vs. legal role.
➤ They aren't a trained police officer.
➤ They aren't police officers.
➤ They can't make arrests, they aren't trained the same.
➤ They do not have the same training or the same powers.
➤ They do not have the training or commissioning that police officers have, nor do they carry guns, and are not permitted to make arrests.
➤ They're not sworn peace officers.
➤ Training and authority.
➤ Training and resources in handling situations that could lead to problems. Police are usually called after a situation has escalated. Community resource officers liaise on the street to watch for situations where escalation may be prevented.
➤ Training as a support person not just a protective and investigative role.
➤ Training different. Not sworn in as police officers, but affiliated with specialized training.
➤ Training, tons they can perform.
➤ Wages and ability to enforce laws, training.
➤ What crimes that can be addressed. The ability to arrest. Jurisdiction and areas. Impartiality. Training, Legal definition. Target groups.

5. Provide outreach/aide:

➤ A Community Support Officer would be more adverse and knowledgeable about referrals and other programs.
➤ A Community Support Program Officer does not carry weapons, cannot arrest a person. The role is more of a mediation one, trying to keep matters at a low level that do not require the intervention of police officers.
➤ A more hands on relationship with people they are dealing with. They know the neighbourhoods better.
➤ A police officer only encounters vulnerable populations when called up on, or part of their regular patrol. Whereas a CSP officer will actively find vulnerable residents.
➤ A support worker is just that. They are working with the people to get them the resources they need.
➤ Community Officer interacts with the public positively.

➤ Community Support does not arrest people. They try to make contact in a positive way and help where they can.
➤ Community Support Officers are more able to respond to the public, police may be automatically met with hostility.
➤ Community Support Program Officer is more direct involved in talking to the people in the community while Saskatoon police are more involved in responding to situations or problems.
➤ Community support workers are bylaw enforcers, not provincial or federal laws. They also provide some advice and solutions for those in need of 'outreach programs'.
➤ Connecting people with needed services.
➤ CSP is to aid the public, SPC is to serve and protect the public.
➤ CSP officers support and help people in need, police officers uphold the law.
➤ CSP officers work to solve social problems rather than simply removing offenders from society. That and the fact that they are much less successful in meeting their objectives than regular police officers.
➤ CSPO does outreach, referral and some enforcement SPS does law enforcement and has power to arrest.
➤ CSPO works with troubled teens. SPO works with the public as well as gangs and troubled youth.
➤ CSPO's can't arrest people. They help people get to the appropriate place and assist with problems they might be encountering.
➤ Efforts are made to suffuse situations.
➤ Have time to deal with people and put them in touch with help. Police are overworked and only have time for band aid solutions, not long term solutions. CSP can't enforce laws or bylaws.
➤ He can only offer support not much more.
➤ Helps help with addictions and who need help not punishment.
➤ I believe the former is not in a position to lay charges or make arrests, but to assist and facilitate. I'm admittedly not well versed in the program.
➤ More involved at a local one on one level.
➤ More knowledgeable about the specific programs to assist people on streets, supportive services.
➤ More of a 'social worker' approach. They are less likely to make an arrest when they see a minor crime but instead work with the individual a bit more. They are less heavily armed.
➤ More oriented to community rather than look for crimes.
➤ Police are to enforce the laws; the support officers are to help people become more responsible so as to not break the laws.
➤ Police officers are focused on stopping crime in progress or that has occurred already. It sounds like the CSOs are focused on preventing or decreasing the likelihood of negative situations occurring.
➤ Police officers are responsible for a wide swath of duties while CSOs are just responsible for community outreach and solutions. They are able to ticket and arrest if need be.
➤ Police officers enforce the law. Community support tries to offer help.
➤ Police officers have a duty to ensure public safety according the law/criminal code/etc., which includes robberies, speeding, etc. They are available throughout the city via many methods of transportation. CSPOs are there to liaise with the community and are the more proactive presence in that they are trying to ensure individual and business concerns are heard and individuals of concern in the three neighbourhoods are put in touch with the proper care. While Police Officers could do the jobs of CSPOs (if we had more police officers and such), the roles played by CSPOs do not include those of the police.
➤ Police officers have authority to arrest, deal with justice issues. CSP officers are there to ensure safety and provide support to those in need.
➤ Police put you in jail community support finds you somewhere safe other than jail.
➤ Social service versus law enforcement.
➤ Support officers do not deal with crimes but with securing proper services to those in need while police officers deal with crime and public safety.

➤ Support officers main role is to liaise and assist. Officers are on call and rush to calls which I believe the program officers don't do as much.
➤ Support program officer implies that they focus on assisting those in need by connecting them with appropriate services, whereas a regular Saskatoon police officer punishes those not complying with established laws or bylaws. I agree with both as separate entities (assisting them should solve some potential future problems, but enforcement must not be overlooked).
➤ The level of enforcement. CSPO's are there as support, to offer alternatives to area occupants. SPS is there as enforcement of the laws.
➤ The Saskatoon Police have the ability to use whatever action needs to be taken to get control of a situation and the street program officer tries to reason with the individual until the police are called if the situation requires their assistance.
➤ Their work is to support more with positive suggestions.
➤ These people make assessments, and work with other agencies to bring specific services to this individual.
➤ They are cops, but they're focused on recognizing problems before they're large problems rather than police, who are, in effect, bylaw compliance officers who issue tickets.
➤ They are more like a social worker or advocate or association.
➤ They are not out looking for criminals, just people in need.
➤ They are not there to enforce bylaws but to offer support.
➤ They are not trained as a cop they have more of a social vs. legal role.
➤ They are on foot and more direct contact with the community and those who live and work there. A relationship is built up and that makes everyone feel more comfortable all round.
➤ They are there to help not just to arrest offenders.
➤ They are to observe only and to report undesirable activity to Police if necessary.
➤ They are unarmed and are more interested in the root cause of why the person is on the street vs. enforcing the letter of the law.
➤ They can't arrest people, only report them. They aren't armed. They are only there to assist and report not really do anything about anything.
➤ They only work with people who need assistance; police deal with crime as well as assist people in need.
➤ They work with the community to solve issues.
➤ They're supposed to be more laid back, and more willing to engage community partners (agencies).
➤ Training and resources in handling situations that could lead to problems. Police are usually called after a situation has escalated. Community resource officers liaise on the street to watch for situations where escalation may be prevented.
➤ Visibility and community interaction.

6. Relief/support for police:

➤ A CSP Officer is a business owner within the area, and help they City of Saskatoon Police Officer.
➤ Civilians patrolling or working to assist the police who have different legal obligations and occupational rights due to training.
➤ Cops enforce the law, community support help supply info to the police.
➤ Have time to deal with people and put them in touch with help. Police are overworked and only have time for band aid solutions, not long term solutions. CSP can't enforce laws or bylaws.
➤ Police cannot be everywhere at once and this allows business owners and others to step in to help identify potential problems and try to fix the problem before it becomes a legal matter.

➤ Police officers have a duty to ensure public safety according to the law/criminal code/etc., which includes robberies, speeding, etc. They are available throughout the city via many methods of transportation. CSPOs are there to liaise with the community and are the more proactive presence in that they are trying to ensure individual and business concerns are heard and individuals of concern in the three neighbourhoods are put in touch with the proper care. While Police Officers could do the jobs of CSPOs (if we had more police officers and such), the roles played by CSPOs do not include those of the police.
➤ Support is assist in solving a longer term issue. Police have bigger things to worry about.
➤ They are there to assist people and Saskatoon Police Officers are there to uphold the law.
➤ They do not have the authority to arrest people, and they do not wish to catch people in criminal acts just provide assistance to both the public and those who may need it. Their role is to inform the police if any serious criminal activities are occurring, and to act as a deterrent to unsafe situations.
➤ They don't carry fire arms, but do have the support of the city police.
➤ They support the law, and act as a liaison to the City Police.
➤ Unarmed, more for support and additional eyes and ears for police.

7. Friendlier/more personable:

➤ CSP Officers are more personable and are there to help less fortunate people. City of Saskatoon Police Officers is only out to write tickets and enforce the law.
➤ CSPO is less grumpy than a PO.
➤ I think that the CSP Officers would take a gentler approach to those they encounter on the streets, so as to give a more approachable appearance and demeanour than a regular police officer would.
➤ More friendly. Less uptight and more courteous.
➤ Should be more approachable. Have never seen one on the streets though.
➤ The community officer deals with problems in a more subtle way, rather than simply using the power of arrest etc. Friendlier, understanding of people situations, has the time to establish some form of relationship with the community.
➤ The police are able to arrest those they feel are immediate threats. The police are often looked upon as the 'bad guys' and disliked no matter how they treat people. Community Support Program officers are lay people who are not seen to be a threat to street people's freedoms.
➤ They're supposed to be more laid back, and more willing to engage community partners (agencies).

8. Not in uniform/no badge:

➤ No badge, no gun.
➤ One has a gun, badge, and can make arrests.
➤ Police officers carry guns and have the right to arrest and charge. They also wear a different uniform.
➤ They do not have the authority that a police officer has, and the ones I have met take interest in the community programs, but they still do not have the respect of the community. Not that police in the area have more respect. I just feel that their attitude and uniform present a large barrier to the community.
➤ They, I think, don't wear a uniform.
➤ Uniform.

9. Target certain areas/jurisdictions:

➤ CSP Officers concentrate solely to specific issues concerning an area they are working in.
➤ Geographical location. Jurisdiction. Primary focus.
➤ Just that their focus is in a different area of expertise.
➤ Not sure except the location of the city which they target their jobs.

➤ To me the main difference is they are on foot in the various neighbourhoods.
➤ What crimes that can be addressed. The ability to arrest. Jurisdiction and areas. Impartiality. Training, Legal definition. Target groups.

91. Other:

➤ A Community Support Officer has no police training, cannot carry a weapon and are not available 24 hours a day.
➤ Business people.
➤ Community Support Program Officers do nothing to help a situation other than blame the one complaining. They are lazy, e.g., assault by lady over 80 on Cree Crescent was not handled at all due to her age. I have severe disabilities and was carrying my late husband's ashes when assaulted. Lady had dementia. Building on Cree Crescent has numerous mental health issues due to overheating but nothing can be done as lady's doctor is only one who can say she's demented. I believe public health should have come out as 1 lady died now and water is being heated below building causing a real mess and building is sinking. Heated water is full of bacteria.
➤ Community support program workers should be more available when needed. The police may not be able to respond as quickly if involved in other situations.
➤ Community support workers are bylaw enforcers, not provincial or federal laws. They also provide some advice and solutions for those in need of 'outreach programs'.
➤ Could appear less intrusive have more time to spend on activities specifically designated to their position could be a better perception with regard to a power imbalance.
➤ CSP officers work to solve social problems rather than simply removing offenders from society. That and the fact that they are much less successful in meeting their objectives than regular police officers.
➤ CSPO does outreach, referral and some enforcement SPS does law enforcement and has power to arrest.
➤ Effectiveness, amount of training, oversight (who keeps tabs on the CSPO's?). Police officers are able to respond in some fashion to any emergency, whereas a CSPO is useless in almost any emergency.
➤ I am really not sure but I feel a support officer is someone who lives in the community and volunteers their time and the police officer is a member of the force and does not necessarily live in the community.
➤ I assume the program officer position does not handle violent situations.
➤ I may be wrong but I don't think the Community Support Officer can arrest the person causing a disturbance.
➤ None.
➤ Not in a car. Don't look as prepared to handle a situation.
➤ One is there to assist, the other to deal with those who refuse assistance.
➤ People take real cops seriously.
➤ Police officers are responsible for a wide swath of duties while CSOs are just responsible for community outreach and solutions. They are able to ticket and arrest if need be.
➤ Power of the officer, greater ability to act in a situation, and full-time presence versus limited presence of community officer.
➤ Powers of arrest: none. Volunteers.
➤ Professional.
➤ Roles are totally different.
➤ Seems a different mandate.
➤ SPS members actually do something and make a difference.
➤ Still don't address the critical issues.
➤ Support officers are more like security guards.

➤ That the Community Support Program Officer doesn't address some larger items that the Saskatoon Police Officer is meant to, like armed robberies.
➤ The CSP Officer assists in dealing with frictions between business owners and the street people who can cause problems for businesses or their customers, but has little authority other than being a witness to an event, or driving off panhandlers. They can be a reliable source of support for the police, but are not themselves law enforcement.
➤ The CSP officer is less trained, less well paid, and has fewer powers than the COS Police.
➤ They are not peace officers.
➤ They are not police. They are civilian.
➤ They are on foot and more direct contact with the community and those who live and work there. A relationship is built up and that makes everyone feel more comfortable all round.
➤ They do not have the authority that a police officer has, and the ones I have met take interest in the community programs, but they still do not have the respect of the community. Not that police in the area have more respect. I just feel that their attitude and uniform present a large barrier to the community.
➤ They have a much more targeted and focused role.
➤ They have a vested interest in keeping their business clean.
➤ They're a member of the community, rather than a peace officer.
➤ To me the main difference is they are on foot in the various neighbourhoods.
➤ Wages and ability to enforce laws, training.
➤ What crimes that can be addressed. The ability to arrest. Jurisdiction and areas. Impartiality. Training, Legal definition. Target groups.

Q28. Why did you rate the overall effectiveness of the Community Support Program as less than 8?

1. Have not seen/heard a difference:

➤ Although I have not seen these people, any intervention like this cannot hurt.
➤ Because I do not know if much has changed since the CSP has been implemented.
➤ Because I do not know if they are effective or not.
➤ Because I have never seen them in action and have not heard anything about them in the news since their inception.
➤ Because I have not personally witnessed them in action, I therefore have no way to judge their effectiveness.
➤ Because I have not seen a difference, however that does not mean the methodology behind the CSP program is flawed. I think the problem is vast and with limited CSP officer's change will take time. CSP are only one strategy need in a solution that needs to have more than one vein.
➤ Because I have not seen them but it seems their focus is to help people in need and undoubtedly they are of assistance to others. And I believe they would be a positive help to people although I have not witnessed it.
➤ Because I have not seen them in action, nor have I heard or read any reports or studies that would give me any information as to their effectiveness, so I can't really say. I imagine that they are a positive presence in the areas mentioned, but I don't really know.
➤ Because I have not specifically seen them and do not know what their affect has been.
➤ Because I have seen a slight change in one area but don't know about the others.
➤ Because I haven't seen/heard of any improvement.
➤ Because I haven't noticed a difference, personally. This may just be anecdotal, and I don't have any stats to back up my rating.
➤ Because I haven't seen them in action, nor have I heard of them interacting with anyone. So it's hard to say if they are effective, or affective, at all.

➤ Because I know very little of the program and have never seen member of the program in public.
➤ Because I see no difference in the frequency of pan handlers in the downtown area. Still get asked for money by at least 2 panhandlers every time I walk from Midtown plaza to TD bank, a block away
➤ Because I'm completely ignorant of their impact having not seen them. It is not fair for me to rate this plus or minus either way. Asking people to 'choose' an answer means that people will feel obligated to choose one, even if they don't know. That skews the results and ruins the intent of the questionnaire. I'm not sure why I would be asked this question, or at least not offered an alternate like 'I do not know'.
➤ Because I'm not seeing a difference.
➤ Because there is no report stating that they make a difference.
➤ Because, though I generally pass through the Riversdale area almost daily, I have only seen the community support program once.
➤ Have never seen one. To be effective they need to be out and about and I should have seen one by now.
➤ Have not seen and not totally familiar with program.
➤ Have not seen CSP in action.
➤ Have not seen them in action, but at the same time they seem to address an important issue with safety in the mentioned localities.
➤ Have seen or heard about anything they have done to improve the area.
➤ Haven't really heard much about it or any difference it's made.
➤ Haven't seen it so I don't really know about it.
➤ Haven't seen much difference yet.
➤ Haven't heard of any accomplishments.
➤ I am not sure that I have noticed a difference in any of these areas.
➤ I don't really notice anything different about any of the areas you mentioned.
➤ I don't see them making any difference. They have no real power to address any issue.
➤ I have heard about it and am aware, but seeing the results is not something I have personally seen yet. There is a presence and I'm sure it helps.
➤ I have heard of no success or failure stories so cannot comment.
➤ I have never actually seen a community support officer and have not noticed a very big difference in the areas.
➤ I have never seen them and am unclear of their role based on the definition I read. A public educator in the inner city and Broadway area, and based upon where I shop frequently I felt I should have had more knowledge or had an opportunity to encounter these officers.
➤ I have never seen them, haven't noticed a difference in activity.
➤ I have not heard anything either positive or negative about the program.
➤ I have not heard of any impact that they have actually had. I thought we were talking about police officers on bicycles and we evidently are not.
➤ I have not heard or seen any reports that have proven otherwise.
➤ I have not run into them personally, but have seen articles on their activities that seem to indicate they are being effective, within certain parameters. There are still problems in the areas that have traditionally been problem areas, so things are not perfect, but the feedback I have heard has been positive.
➤ I have not seen effectiveness only laziness.
➤ I have yet to see any visible change in what takes place around the neighbourhood and honestly need more information to judge if the CSP workers have any impact.
➤ I haven't experienced any change.
➤ I haven't noticed a difference. Maybe it helps to gain trust and then info to target the big players.
➤ I haven't really seen it in action, but Saskatoon hasn't really gotten any worse.

➤ I haven't seen any CSP Officers at work. Maybe they are working somewhere where I don't go. Based on, me not seeing them working, I can only give them a 5.
➤ I haven't seen any difference from last year this year.
➤ I haven't seen any of the officers walking around nor am I in those particular areas very often and when I am I can't say I've seen an improvement.
➤ I haven't seen them but don't walk around those areas much.
➤ I haven't witnessed much activity.
➤ I never see them on the streets.
➤ I personally haven't seen this program officers so as a result can't really rate effectiveness or lack thereof.
➤ I think that the idea is great but have not actually seen these people in action. I work in Riversdale and have not noticed CSP at all.
➤ If I have no idea if it's made any sort of an impact, it can't really be that effective or I probably would have heard about it.
➤ I've never seen them and I see no difference in the loitering or panhandling downtown. I am rarely in the other 2 areas.
➤ I've never seen them, I've never heard of a 'success' story but I imagine they are doing what they can and having more people on the street patrolling and offering assistance to any that may need it has to be a step in the right direction.
➤ Not aware of effectiveness.
➤ Not aware of the results of the effectiveness.
➤ Not visible.
➤ Only because I have not seen them and was unaware of this program. I am sure they are very effective but unfortunately. I am not hanging around in these neighbourhoods enough to see them.
➤ Since I have not seen the team in action, I am making an assumption that there are improvements with more to be done.
➤ The difference is not noticeable YET!!
➤ They are never seen in areas where there is a problem.
➤ While I have not witnessed someone from the Community Support Program, it seems to me that issues are being resolved, specifically downtown.

2. Problem still exists/isn't working:

➤ After my previous experiences in these areas I no longer shop, eat or congregate in these areas. I have heard of similar problems faced on Broadway and downtown by friends and co-workers. Plus there was a news broadcast recently based on the problem at 22nd and 2nd Ave. Based on these I am making a slightly educated guess these patrols are not as effective as they could/should be.
➤ Doesn't to make the areas seem or feel any safer.
➤ I don't believe that support workers are impacting the criminal element of our streets.
➤ I don't believe they are effective based upon the same issues I am seeing as I saw 3 years ago.
➤ I don't find the program effective. They have no authority or protection for their own safety.
➤ I don't think that it is 100 % effective in stopping negative activities in public areas.
➤ I feel there needs to be more at peak times.
➤ I have not run into them personally, but have seen articles on their activities that seem to indicate they are being effective, within certain parameters. There are still problems in the areas that have traditionally been problem areas, so things are not perfect, but the feedback I have heard has been positive.
➤ I just don't think it is changing anything or making people fearful of committing crimes like the presence of a police officer would.

➤ I see the same people on the street time after time panhandling.
➤ I see them and they just add an extra presence but really I haven't seen many changes.
➤ I still see groups of young people and the odd drunk person downtown, however considerably less than without. Some of the issues that cause the street activity need to be dealt with at the home level, and not strictly by enforcement and patrols. The Community Support officers do not garner the same respect as a police officer.
➤ I still see plenty of loitering/panhandling and it's an eyesore. I'm sure it would be worse without the program, but I see room for improvement. I want the problems swept under the rug.
➤ I think Broadway is a good area, so don't think things have changed in that area and I avoid Riversdale as much as possible, don't go in that area unless I really have to and I encourage my kids to stay away from there.
➤ I think that they are just starting out and there are so few of them around that their impact so far hasn't really been noticed. If they were able to expand a little more and make themselves more present in the communities I think their impact could be greater.
➤ I think the program is good, but the problems still exist. More people need to be on board to address the issues that are at the root of unsafe streets.
➤ It is a joke. A band aid for those areas by moving the people rather than helping them.
➤ It isn't working.
➤ I've never seen them and I see no difference in the loitering or panhandling downtown. I am rarely in the other 2 areas.
➤ Majority of problems are happening at night when Community Support is not present.
➤ Meh. Be stricter!
➤ My personal experience was to try and off load responsibility to me when it should have been a police issue.
➤ No change.
➤ Not a lot has changed.
➤ Seen a difference but not as much as it is needed. Still room for improvement.
➤ The approach is wrong. There need to be more supports for homeless people, and the Support Officers are too close to police officers and not close enough to social workers in their approach. Aggressive panhandling is a non-existent problem.
➤ The areas that have the most crime are still the same. These officers may be somewhat helpful during the day in very public places but not so much in high crime neighborhoods or at night.
➤ The 'bad spots' downtown are still scary at night.
➤ The problems are illegal behavior and the consequences of criminal behavior. There is little point in begging people to obey the law. They won't do so unless they fear a consequence for failing or refusing.
➤ The problems are ongoing and I am not sure that any program could be 100% effective. The root problems of homelessness, poverty and education are still the same.
➤ The program does not seem to have done much to provide effective help to the people who need it the most. It appears to be mostly a public relations initiative.
➤ The program is ok, but not great. Need more visibility especially after supper in downtown.
➤ The program needs to have more officers involved in the communities listed and a few more years under its belt to give a more qualified opinion.
➤ The solution to a significant part of the problem in downtown and Riversdale is homelessness and not enough affordable housing. People walking around chastising loiterers is not the answer. More permanent housing solutions are required.
➤ There are no resources available for the officers to use. Crime has not been affected. It's a mere window dressing solution.
➤ There are still problems, but they are helping.
➤ There is still too much violent crime in Saskatoon, too many robberies, arsons, vandalism.

- They don't actually deter anyone.
- They patrol too fast (like they are speed walking for exercise) and avoid problem areas (back streets, alleys, parking lots) and breaking up panhandler activity.

3. No 'don't know' option:

- Because 'don't know' was not an option.
- Because I have no idea and there was no 'don't know' button.
- Because I'm completely ignorant of their impact having not seen them. It is not fair for me to rate this plus or minus either way. Asking people to 'choose' an answer means that people will feel obligated to choose one, even if they don't know. That skews the results and ruins the intent of the questionnaire. I'm not sure why I would be asked this question, or at least not offered an alternate like 'I do not know'.
- Because there is no, I don't know. I haven't seen them; I have no idea what they are doing.
- Because there was no opportunity to say not applicable due to not having seen them in action!
- Because you didn't give 'don't know' as an option.
- Because you don't have a 'don't know' category.
- Do not know much about the impact, selected a middle number. Would have set to don't know, if that was available.
- I do not spend a great deal of time in any of the areas that are involved with this program, so it is very difficult to comment on the effectiveness. I chose 5 as my response because there was no 'I don't know' option.
- I have never seen an officer patrolling over the past 12 months. Having said that, I am not sure that I am rating this fairly. There was no category to endorse 'unsure'. Maybe they are making an impact. But the majority of activity that I have seen in the last three years has been closer to Caswell and Mayfair. The areas adjacent to downtown and up to 33rd.
- I have no data on whether or not it improved the areas, and since 'unsure' was not an option, I chose 5. I spend very little time in these areas and if I do, I am driving.
- Spending precious little time in the area in the past few years disqualifies me as someone fit to judge the effectiveness of such a potentially great program. Therefore I have chosen solidly on the fence because there was no 'I don't know' option. I was mindful of not leaning in either direction.
- The survey didn't allow the honest answer: 'I don't know.'
- There was no option for not knowing what the effectiveness is.

4. Not familiar with program:

- Because I don't have enough data and experience of the CSP program to rate it higher or lower.
- Because I know very little of the program and have never seen member of the program in public.
- Because my opinion is neutral on this question; I don't have enough information to have a position.
- Don't know enough to give a proper rating.
- Have not seen and not totally familiar with program.
- I am not in these areas enough to really form an opinion as to their effectiveness.
- I am not sure of the impact that the Community Support Program is having.
- I do not know much about it but I think to be effective they would need to patrol constantly and often to make an impact.
- I don't know enough about it to know very much, but any help has to have some effect.
- I don't know enough details.
- I rarely ever go to any of the previously mentioned areas.
- I really don't know much about the effectiveness of the program so chose something in the mid-range.

➤ I'm not very familiar with it, and haven't seen them much. Although I think panhandling has gone down a bit over the last year, so it may be because of the implementation of this program. I don't know. I can't evaluate what I'm not aware of.
➤ Not informed enough about the stats of crime since they started.
➤ Not very familiar with the program. Only what I see on the news.
➤ Once I saw the pictures of the Community Support Officers, I realized I was not familiar with the program. Sorry.
➤ Only because I have not seen them and was unaware of this program. I am sure they are very effective but unfortunately. I am not hanging around in these neighbourhoods enough to see them.
➤ Well, I really don't know much about the program, but it sounds like a great idea so I can't imagine it having less than a 7/10 kind of impact.

5. Assuming/believe it is working:

➤ As I am retired and live in Wildwood so am not downtown or on Broadway or Riversdale a lot. So My 7 is not based on my not being in those areas a lot and relying on the newspaper and TV.
➤ As the program is just starting, I don't expect it to be fully effective yet. The mere presence of such a program makes me feel better about the safety and well-being of Saskatoon streets. I still see panhandlers (some aggressive), public drunkenness, and street fights.
➤ Because I don't know how effective the program has been, and 5 is right in the middle. I would like to think the program is effective as it seems like a good idea, in theory at least.
➤ Because I don't know, but I would assume they must be doing some good.
➤ Because I have not seen them but it seems their focus is to help people in need and undoubtedly they are of assistance to others. And I believe they would be a positive help to people although I have not witnessed it.
➤ Because I have not seen them in action, nor have I heard or read any reports or studies that would give me any information as to their effectiveness, so I can't really say. I imagine that they are a positive presence in the areas mentioned, but I don't really know.
➤ Because while I haven't seen them at all in person and haven't noticed any improvements downtown I find it highly unlikely that they've accomplished absolutely nothing.
➤ From what I have read and heard it seems to be working!!
➤ From what I've seen, things have been improving, but I feel that there is still work to be done.
➤ Hopeful.
➤ I am assuming the program is working as downtown seems good. Just need a lot of work in the alphabet avenues.
➤ I am sure it helped but not sure by how much.
➤ I am sure that these people are doing some good in helping the situations in areas of the city, but not having any stats it is a guess!
➤ I believe it can impact the area but cannot rate it higher because I do not know the statistics of their effectiveness.
➤ I believe that they effectiveness has curbs some of the issues but many more to come.
➤ I believe they are making a positive impact on the young group that is just on the line of turning bad. If this group is stopped at the right time they often turn things around. Also believe they have some impact on some gang activity.
➤ I believe they have made some gains in their work. However it has been a short time since implementation and there is more work to be done.
➤ I don't know enough about them, but if they are out there, I'm sure they are helping somewhat.
➤ I feel that it should be making a difference, but have never seen them or heard stories about them actually making the difference so I was unsure.

➤ I suppose if they are in the right place at the right time seeing some unpleasant activity, they would be able to contact the police to come to help out if needed.
➤ I think their presence will help the situation.
➤ I went with an average as I don't know but believe they must have some positive impact.
➤ I'm guessing by what the degree of knowledge I have at this time.
➤ I'm hoping and assuming that it is proving a deterrent to people engaging in street activity, just to be known that they have a greater chance of being seen.
➤ It is doing very well, and I do believe in time the program will do better and have a positive benefit as it goes forward.
➤ It seems to work. Social strains, increased housing cost, have increased, but you don't see more street people.
➤ Must have some effect even if I don't see it.
➤ Previously I said that I didn't know if they made a difference. The follow-up question didn't have an opt-out answer. I assumed they had a positive impact but didn't know to which degree, so I went with 6.
➤ Well, I really don't know much about the program, but it sounds like a great idea so I can't imagine it having less than a 7/10 kind of impact.
➤ While I have not witnessed someone from the Community Support Program, it seems to me that issues are being resolved, specifically downtown.

6. Anything helps-general:

➤ Any presence helps. Just not sure if they are respected enough to make a difference to those looking to cause trouble.
➤ Anyway we can have good people out on the streets has to make it a better and safer city.
➤ Because they seem to be there to address problems of all people needing help, not just the privileged.
➤ I think any attempt to improve the safety of an area makes an impact. It shows that the city is aware of the problem and is actively looking at helping the area.
➤ I think it is an effective approach but not clear on effectiveness overall.
➤ I think it will be good, but not very effective.
➤ It's a step in the right direction of addressing issues with people living on the street.
➤ Nothing is perfect, but I am sure this helps a lot of people who would otherwise be strictly on their own.
➤ Probably the presence of a uniformed official makes a difference.
➤ Their presence is probably positive but I don't know what else they might do.
➤ Their very presence will have a minor impact on illegal or at least unsavory behavior.
➤ There has been some progress in the areas but they still have a long way to go and I do believe there will be a great success rate as time passes.
➤ There is always 'positives' that result from a less authoritative 'meeting'.
➤ There out there trying to make a positive change and I'm in support of that.
➤ They are helping somewhat.
➤ They help but there is a long way to go.
➤ They provide an upside to the areas that are affected, so some improvement is better than no improvement.
➤ While the program has made a difference there is still a ways to go.

91. Other:

➤ Average.
➤ Because I think it has made a very small and probably very temporary difference.

➤ Because it is helping but people wanting to do negative behavior can always find a way to do so. CSO cannot be everywhere.
➤ Because panhandling is not a serious issue, but helping those people is important.
➤ Because sometimes no matter how much money or manpower you throw at this problem, street people have to make a choice that their lives want change. If they don't it won't matter in the end.
➤ Because the CSP does not provide any services, only referrals. Furthermore, their mandate to increase security (i.e., issuing tickets) makes them less able to connect with vulnerable populations.
➤ Because there needs to be more community support officers and programs for it to be totally effective and make real positive change in the city.
➤ Because.
➤ Because.
➤ CSP has the ability to alert SCP of any criminal activity.
➤ Efforts are being made to reach out to troubled neighbourhoods, to understand the issues, and find solutions.
➤ I am basing my opinion on the observations of others whose judgement I respect. I don't go downtown if I can avoid it.
➤ I believe that while it is possible to 'clean up' any area to some extent, illegal street activity is a reality that will never entirely go away, and typically if you 'clean up' an area, the undesirable activity will migrate to another neighborhood. I support the idea of having more eyes to see, and a greater presence in any area is an excellent initiative.
➤ I feel that even though they are there to help an individual they can't prevent everyone's actions that are in the wrong.
➤ I have seen them in action at my work place but couldn't really help us until the police came.
➤ I think the model is too close to policing. Should be more community centred. Uniforms shouldn't look like police.
➤ I think the program needs to be in place longer so that the street people know that this is not an exercise and that the officers are there for the duration so behave. Maybe more beat officers may also help the situation.
➤ I think they do too much babysitting. You can't help these people unless they want to help themselves.
➤ I would like to think that this program would help but it is also up to the individuals they are helping. The panhandlers may be annoying but these young kids think they rule the streets. Tougher measures should take place like shipping these young kids off to a place away from big cities to a place where they teach them about positive lifestyles.
➤ IF they were effective, then this survey would not be required.
➤ It seems that they have made a difference as we are told that crime stats are down, something must be making that happen. If this is the reason, then they should be recognized for the work they are doing.
➤ It works in some cases but not strong enough or forceful enough.
➤ It's a make work project.
➤ It's too early to know if the program is helpful or how helpful.
➤ It's great to have people to help others in higher risk areas. I have seen them around, provide a certain calming effect to see some uniforms that would help in an emergency situation. Not sure they have had time be established and be as effective as hoped right now.
➤ Programs will not stop without proper social programs.
➤ The CSOs are good although I would prefer to see more CSOs and less police officers. I think people are more comfortable approaching a CSO. I'm not entirely sure if the CSOs are a good thing as I am not in favour of ticketing vulnerable persons and don't know how often this happens with them.
➤ They are useless.
➤ They have limited powers in dealing the root causes of homelessness, poverty and addiction.

APPENDIX B - QUESTIONNAIRE

City of Saskatoon Street Activity Study 2013 Version 2.0 May 28, 2013

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the following study. This questionnaire involves asking your opinions and thoughts on street activity and public safety in Saskatoon. This study is worth 20 points and should take about 15 minutes to complete.

QUOTAS

	Male	Female	Total
18 to 34	100	103	203
35 to 54	111	115	226
55+	76	95	171
TOTAL	287	313	600

	FSA
S7H	99
S7J	79
S7K	118
S7L	111
S7M	75
S7N	73
S7P, S7R, S7S	15
S7T	13
S7V	17
S7W	12
TOTAL	600

	Aboriginal Ancestry
Yes	90

No	510
TOTAL	600

SCREENING QUESTIONS

1. What year were you born?

Text Box

Prefer not to say

2. Please indicate your gender:

Male

Female

3. Do you live within the city limits of Saskatoon?

Yes

No [thank and terminate]

4. What are the first three digits of your postal code: [Display list]

S7H

S7J

S7K

S7L

S7M

S7N

S7P

S7R

S7S

S7T

S7V

S7W

5. Do you consider yourself to be of Aboriginal ancestry?

Yes

No

TOP OF MIND IMPRESSIONS

6. This study is about your impressions of street activity and public safety in Saskatoon. First of all, overall how safe do you feel walking or cycling in public areas (i.e. streets, parks, outside of businesses) in Saskatoon?

Very safe
Somewhat safe
Not very safe
Not safe at all

7. Do you feel more or less safe than you did three years ago in Saskatoon?

More safe
About as safe as three years ago
Less safe
Not applicable

8. How safe do you feel walking or cycling in each of the following areas of the city and situations?

[Randomize order]
Downtown during the day
Downtown during the night
Riversdale business area during the day
Riversdale business area during the night
Broadway business area during the day
Broadway business area during the night

Very safe
Somewhat safe
Somewhat unsafe
Very unsafe
Unsure

[Ask for each item rated “somewhat unsafe” or “very unsafe” in Q8 – don’t specify day/night]

9. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in [insert response from Q8]?

Textbox

10. Next we’d like to understand how you feel about public spaces in Saskatoon. Please finish the following sentences:

The safest area in Saskatoon is _____
The least safe area in Saskatoon is _____

11. Which of the following activities have you witnessed or encountered in public areas in Saskatoon, such as on streets, in parks, or outside of businesses, within the past 12 months? (Select all that apply).

[Randomize order]

Busking (people performing on the street for money)

Panhandling

Charity activities (such as the Salvation Army's Jingle Bell Santa campaign)

Drug trafficking

Public drunkenness

Groups of young people

Loitering

Street vendors (such as a hot dog cart)

Prostitution

Street fights

None of these

12. How much of a positive or negative impact does each of the following have on public safety in Saskatoon?

[randomize order]

Busking (people performing on the street for money)

Panhandling

Charity activities (such as the Salvation Army's Jingle Bell Santa campaign)

Drug trafficking

Public drunkenness

Groups of young people

Loitering

Street vendors (such as a hot dog cart)

Prostitution

Street fights

1- Very negative impact on public safety in Saskatoon

..

10 – Very positive impact on public safety in Saskatoon

13. Do you feel each of these activities has increased, decreased, or remained about the same, compared to three years ago?

[Randomize order]

Busking (people performing on the street for money)

Panhandling

Charity activities (such as the Salvation Army's Jingle Bell Santa campaign)

Drug trafficking

Public drunkenness

Groups of young people

Loitering
Street vendors (such as a hot dog cart)
Prostitution
Street fights

Increased a lot
Increased some
About the same
Decreased some
Decreased a lot

14. Please indicate on the map where you have witnessed or encountered negative street activity in the past 12 months (such as public drunkenness, prostitution, drug trafficking, etc.).

[\[http://code.google.com/apis/maps/documentation/javascript/examples/overlay-remove.html\]](http://code.google.com/apis/maps/documentation/javascript/examples/overlay-remove.html)

15. Which of the following do you believe is the biggest issue related to street activity in Saskatoon?

[Randomize order]

Busking (people performing on the street for money)
Panhandling
Drug trafficking
Public drunkenness
Groups of young people
Loitering
Prostitution
Street fights

PANHANDLING EXPERIENCES

[skip this section if “panhandling” not selected in Q11]

16. How frequently do you witness or encounter panhandlers in Saskatoon in each of the following situations?

On my way to / from work
On transit / while waiting for transit
When shopping
When going to movies, bars, restaurants or night clubs
Other times: _____
Frequently
Sometimes

- Rarely
- Never
- Not applicable

[Skip to next section if 'never' or 'not applicable' for all of the above]

17. Please indicate on the map where you have witnessed or encountered panhandling within the past 12 months.

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18. How often have you witnessed or encountered a panhandler acting aggressively?

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Frequently

COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM

UNAIDED RECALL

19. What first comes to mind when thinking about methods or programs that are currently used to address issues related to street activity in Saskatoon?

[Text box]

CLAIMED RECALL

20. Have you heard of the City of Saskatoon Community Support Program (CSP) or Community Support Officers?

- Yes
- No [skip to Q22]

PROVEN RECALL

21. To the best of your knowledge, what is the Community Support Program (CSP)?

[Text box]

PROMPTED RECALL

22. In July of 2012, the City of Saskatoon established a Community Support Program (CSP) aimed at addressing street activity in the Broadway, Downtown, and the Riversdale Business Improvement Districts. This program includes and engages:

- **The Public** through a highly visible presence that reassures and responds to the public in the Downtown, Broadway, and Riversdale Business Improvement Districts.

Business Owners through foot patrols that liaise with local businesses to identify issues and collaborate to generate solutions.

- **Vulnerable Persons** by connecting community members in need to the appropriate service providers or other supports.

Knowing this, have you heard of this program?

Yes

No [skip to Q30]

23. Community Support Program Officers and City of Saskatoon Police Officers are...

Completely the same [Skip to Q25]

Somewhat different

Completely different

24. To the best of your knowledge, what makes a Community Support Program Officer different from a City of Saskatoon Police Officer?

[Text box]

25. Where have you seen the Community Support Program Officers? (Select all that apply)

[Include the following pictures of CSP Officers for clarity]



[Randomize order]

Broadway area

Downtown area

Riversdale area

I have never seen a Community Support Program Officer

[Ask Q26 to those who answered 'yes' in Q22, else skip to Q30]

26. How do you believe the presence of the Community Support Program Officers has impacted safety in the...

[Randomize order]

Broadway area

Downtown area

Riversdale area

The area is much safer

The area is somewhat safer

The presence of the Community Support Program Officers hasn't had an impact on the safety of the area

27. On a scale from one to ten, where one is 'not at all effective' and ten is 'extremely effective, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of the Community Support Program in addressing issues related to street activity in Saskatoon?

1 – Not at all effective

...

10 – Extremely effective

[Ask Q28 if Q27 rated less than 8, else skip]

28. Why did you rate the overall effectiveness of the Community Support Program as a [insert from Q27]?

[Text box]

29. Using the same scale, how effective do you believe the Community Support Program has been at specifically addressing the following issues in Saskatoon?

[Randomize order]

Busking (people performing on the street for money)

Panhandling

Drug trafficking

Public drunkenness

Groups of young people

Loitering

Prostitution

Street fights

1 – Not at all effective

...

10 – Extremely effective

Not Applicable

ADDRESSING THE ISSUE

30. How effective do you think the following actions/programs would be in reducing the impact of negative street activity in Saskatoon?

[Randomize order]

Increased mental health supports

Increased affordable housing supports

Increased drug treatment supports

Increased job training and education

Increased fines and jail time

Increased policing

Increased number of beds for Detox Centers

Establish an Intox Center (often called “wet beds”), a place where someone can go even though they are under the influence

Very effective

Somewhat effective

Not very effective

Not effective at all

DEMOGRAPHICS

Finally, we have some questions to help analyse your responses. Please be assured your responses will remain confidential and only be used in aggregate with other responses.

31. What specific neighborhood do you live in?

[display if FSA = S7T, S7J, S7V, S7H, S7N, S7S, S7W]

Adelaide Churchill

Arbor Creek

Avalon

Brevoort Park

Briarwood

Buena Vista

College Park

College Park East

Eastview

Erindale

Exhibition

Forest Grove

Greystone Heights

Grosvenor Park

Haultain

Holliston

Lakeridge
Lakeview
Lakewood S.C.
Nutana
Nutana Park
Nutana S.C.
Queen Elizabeth
Silverspring
Stonebridge
Sutherland
The Willows
University Heights Development Area
University Heights S.C.
University of Saskatchewan Management Area
Varsity View
Wildwood
Willowgrove
Rosewood
Evergreen

[display if FSA = S7M, S7L, S7K, S7R, S7P]

Blairmore Development Area
Blairmore S.C.
Buena Vista
Caswell Hill
Central Business District
City Park
Confed S.C.
Confederation Park
Dundonald
Exhibition
Fairhaven
Hampton Village
Holiday Park
Hudson Bay Park
Kelsey Woodlawn
King George
Lawson Heights
Lawson Heights S.C.
Marquis Industrial
Massey Place
Mayfair
Meadowgreen
Montgomery Place
Mount Royal
North Park
North Development Area
Nutana
Pacific Heights

Parkridge
Pleasant Hill
Richmond Heights
River Heights
Riversdale
Silverwood Heights
Westmount
Westview

32. Which of the following best describes your household?

Couple with no children under 18 years of age
Couple with children under 18 years of age
Single
Single parent with kids under 18 years of age
2 or more unrelated single adults
2 or more related adults
Other: _____
Prefer not to say

33. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Some high school
Completed high school
Some technical school or college
Completed technical or college diploma
Some university
Completed university degree (Undergrad, Masters or PhD)
Prefer not to say

34. Do you own a business in Saskatoon?

Yes
No

35. Do you work in any of the following areas?

Broadway business area
Downtown business area
Riversdale business area
None of the above

36. How long have you lived in Saskatoon?

< 1 year
1-5 years
6-10 years
11-15 years
16+

37. Into which range does your annual household income fall?

Less than \$30,000

\$30,000 to just under \$60,000

\$60,000 to just under \$90,000

\$90,000 to just under \$120,000

\$120,000 or more

Prefer not to say