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9.1. Why do you not feel safe walking or cycling in downtown?

- A lady got mugged last year right outside of my work at 4 in the afternoon, and there was a machete assault during the day near where I park my car.
- A lot of unsure characters throughout downtown. I am fine with the begging, but with little children I am not safe with being followed for money.
- As I've gotten older, I've become more cautious. Rarely go downtown at all, especially at night. Usually walk with friends when parking downtown to attend Persephone or a movie.
- At night I do not feel safe walking alone but I do feel safe when walking with another person. There doesn't seem to be a police presence at night nor a way to get help in an emergency. During the day, the bike lanes do not feel safe. Making a bike lane isn't just throwing paint on the pavement and then wasting money repainting it every year because it rubs off. A proper bike lane constitutes a widening of the street and it should be away from heavy traffic between parked cars and the sidewalk. I have never felt safe at any hour of the day on corners such as the one on 22nd Street and 2nd Avenue by the McDonald's. There are groups of people always gathered there and I have been approached for money there quite a few times.
- At night, there are many people hanging around.
- During the day, I feel safe but at night there are more people that are coming out of bars that are drunk and unpredictable.
- Fear of people who are drunk or strung out, fear panhandlers getting violent.
- I don't feel very safe cycling almost anywhere in Saskatoon - drivers, for the most part, disregard the rights of cyclists.
I see groups of people that make rude and unsafe comments & gestures.

Issues crossing at intersections due to traffic (during day). At night would feel safe in a group; however, not too comfortable being by myself for theft and violence issues.

It depends on the time of day...at night there are a lot of people that can possibly be intoxicated or high or just bored with nothing better to do...I was almost attacked once, but managed to get away and that has made me more afraid.

Just not at night, easier to be attacked.

Too many homeless people and panhandlers.

Very busy downtown and lots of strange characters seem to be downtown. Tend not to go downtown unless absolutely necessary as do not like going there as is busy, strange characters and limited parking.

With the mob like attacks happening day or night, I feel no one is really safe - the youth in ANY city is getting out of hand. There is no respect to the law and it is only going to get worse until a parent is jailed if their child, grown or young, commits a serious crime and then parents will take their job as a parent more seriously! Teenage years of a youth is a very important time when a parent needs to be very involved with their child - these are proven to be the years that when their brains wiring becomes hard wired with lessons from parents and environment.

A lot depends on the activity going on. If there are a lot of intoxicated people standing outside bars at night, I feel less safe.

A lot of panhandlers and questionable people sometimes. Bus depot area is questionable at times.

A lot of panhandlers.

Abundance of rude drunks/rude teenagers walking streets at night.

Addicts on the streets, panhandlers, etc.

Afraid of getting mugged.

Aggressive panhandlers and groups of youth loitering and posturing for each other.

All kinds of groups of guys who I assume are gang members are hanging around all over. Sometimes they are drunk and shout at passers-by in muscle cars revving their engines.

All of the drunk First Nations mulling around panhandling.

All the bums.

Amount of homeless people on street corners, groups of unsettling looking teens hanging around businesses.

Any area of the city at night is not very safe if you are alone. Many strange people come out at night.

As a single white female, I don’t think it is a good idea to be walking alone downtown!

Assaults, robberies during evenings/nights.

At night - report of some crimes, occasionally aggressive drunk persons around.

At night there are a lot of people hanging around and a lot of dark areas and alleys. If I was with someone else I wouldn’t be as scared.

At night time, it’s very unnerving with the amount of people that seem ready to attack you at any second.

At night time, there are not that many people out, so it feels less safe. There are also a lot of incidents that happen downtown at night time - robberies, stabbings, etc. and lots of drunk people out from the bars.

At night, not much traffic and the potential of panhandlers getting aggressive. No street cameras as well.

At night, nowhere in city is safe.

At night, the area brings out more rowdy people.

At night, the drunks and druggies are about not to mention the gangs a woman alone is NOT safe.

At night, there are a lot of intoxicated people wandering around downtown. Also, you hear of attacks, etc. in the news. I think it’s best to be cautious downtown at night. Especially when alone.

At night, there are gangs of people walking around at times. Streets aren't populated so there is
nobody around to help you or yell out to. Bus mall downtown also attracts some interesting characters as does the bus depot.

- At night, there are questionable people and no apparent police walking around.
- At night, too many young kids walking the street looking for trouble.
- Bad guys.
- Bad people and lots of crime at night.
- Because drivers are crazy and don't seem to have respect for pedestrians.
- Because I don't see too much police sightings.
- Because I don't.
- Because many of the people seem to be either drunk or on drugs and are asking for money. When you do not give them money they can become quite angry and rude.
- Because of panhandlers and gangs of kids just hanging around.
- Because of reports of assaults and robberies.
- Because of some of the pan handlers and people at night
- Because of the large congregation of people hanging around the bus terminal.
- Because of the people that are loitering around the downtown area at night.
- Because so many cars and bus.
- Because the downtown area is busier during the day and often meet panhandlers. Night time is different altogether and do not like being downtown at night alone.
- Because there are a lot of gangs downtown and that frightens me a lot. Not only are there gangs, but there are kids or young adults that are just up to no good. A white female biking or walking is 'easy pickings' for lack of better terms.
- Because there are a lot of young groups of people who belong to gangs and are just looking for trouble hanging out down there at night.
- Because there are all sorts of people down there who look kind of 'sketchy' to use a completely politically incorrect term, and a few times, I have been heckled at being a young blonde woman in my twenties. Being alone and very slight, there isn't much I could do if something were to happen. Around the bus depot is especially hazardous.
- Because we are one of the crime capitals of Canada. Why would you feel safe?
- beggars/drunks.
- Bums.
- Bus mall.
- Car traffic.
- Close to the west side and even during the day there are a lot of sketchy people there.
- Concern about coming across a small or large group of youth (or older people) who appear menacing or gang like.
- Constantly being asked for money. Often groups of young people and unemployed people hanging in groups around street corners. Overt drug use as well as drunks.
- Crazy people talking to themselves, drug dealers and the beggars and people that live in the old Capri building across from the Galaxy Theatre hang out there smoking in front, begging for money or smokes and you see them all over downtown and they are not very friendly when you say 'no' to them.
- Crime and sketchy people around. Afraid to get mugged, raped, or worse.
- Crime that happens at night downtown and it is always random so you never know if you will be attacked or not. I know of people that have randomly gotten attacked downtown.
- Crime, people wanting money.
- Crime, sketchy looking individuals and groups.
- Crime/gangs.
- Crimes have been committed there recently.
Cycling is dangerous for me on any street, downtown there are too many panhandlers and gang members hanging around.

Cycling, I feel safe. Walking, I feel less safe due to the fact that there are fewer people around later at night and I was once followed by someone while walking to the bus mall at night. Ever since, I've been a little nervous.

Cycling, the traffic downtown is terrible. Walking, the number and type of people there.

Dark, bars.

Daytime O.K. At night, too many unusual characters around.

Different crowd at night without much police presence...

Don't know.

Downtown at night is not very well patrolled. Also, it is not lit that great either.

Downtown can be quite quiet and empty at night in certain areas. Therefore, not too many people around for protection or help if required.

Drivers and cyclists not being safe drivers/riders.

Drivers are crazy. No proper bicycle paths.

Drivers are not considerate of pedestrians or cyclists. Very little police presence.

Drivers aren't watching for pedestrians/cyclists at crosswalks and even when the walk light is on and people are crossing, they don't pay attention or are paying attention but are inching their vehicle forward into the walk while people are still crossing in front of their vehicle. Some vehicle drivers have yelled (and been quite vulgar) at pedestrians for taking too long to cross the street at the crosswalk. Cyclists ride their bikes on the sidewalk and I've seen near misses between cyclists and pedestrians on the sidewalks where bikes are supposed to be riding. When a cyclist is on the road, often times vehicles don't give the rider enough space to safely ride, the vehicles tailgate the cyclist, pass extremely close and then the vehicle drivers sometimes yell at the cyclists for being on the road. Vehicles exceed the speed limit, and are running red lights. In the evening, there needs to be brighter street lights operating in the downtown some areas are very dim. This lack of lighting encourages people to lurk around areas that do not have a lot of foot traffic and harass individuals and couples.

Drivers.

Drunk people, drugs, and bums.

Drunk people.

Drunker.

Drunks, bums, panhandlers. I am always afraid someone is going to hit me or take my purse.

due to news reports and the statistics posted on the news with regard to crime rate.

Due to the amount of panhandlers wandering around.

During night it almost looks like a ghost house. Not able to see much people around. But if there are some, most of the time it gives me an impression of some 'gangs' mainly of teenage group, I guess, lingering around with a cigarette in one hand and making fun among themselves and personally, I don't feel safe near by a gang like that all by myself.

Fear of attack.

Fear of being mugged, etc.

Female, older, alone at night = target. During the day, probably just fine, but you encounter some groups of young people, or the odd panhandler that do not give the feeling of safety to me.

For one thing, I am a senior citizen and I don't go downtown unless I have a reason and I would not feel safe downtown at night at all.

Friends have been assaulted and robbed near the bars downtown and the Midtown Mall.

From listening to media reports of happenings.

Gang activity.

Gang members or groups of 'sketchy' people tend to parade around it.

Gang violence.
- Gangs and or groups of young people intimidate or attack.
- Gangs.
- Generally do feel safe, prefer to avoid the experience.
- Have been almost hit by vehicles walking at a crosswalk from people yelling at me. Have been hit by vehicles and being yelled at to get off the road. Have been physically grabbed by panhandlers while with my kids.
- Have heard about assaults and other types of violence in the area.
- Have heard about crimes in downtown area, beggars approaching.
- Have seen plenty of people intoxicated from drugs and alcohol in that area.
- Have you checked the stats?
- Heard and seen too many bad things at night.
- High Aboriginal population, homeless, panhandlers.
- Homeless people and groups of teens.
- I am a single woman and there are a large amount of bars. Businesses are not open at night. There is not a lot of light. It is close to both the core neighbourhoods and the river.
- I am a young female and I wouldn't want to be downtown at night by myself.
- I am always concerned with the number of cyclists using the sidewalks.
- I am always uncomfortable walking alone at night.
- I am approached by panhandlers or others seeking money, and I don't know their intentions.
- I am always concerned with some First Nation guys walking around.
- I am not a very big woman, and am pretty much at the mercy of anyone that might choose to attack me. Also, I am not very confident on my bike. I have occasionally been brave enough to ride downtown, but I don't like the closeness of the traffic.
- I believe lot of people behave abnormally.
- I do feel safe there for the most part.
- I do not feel safe at night if I am alone. There are often groups of people that make me uncomfortable.
- I do not feel safe walking downtown because many times cars do not look both ways when turning and if you aren't careful, you can get run over. Secondly, the buses are just as bad. As I was crossing 23rd Street in the winter, I proceeded to walk across the street once the walking light had changed and a bus nearly missed me as all my hairs stood on end!
- I don't feel comfortable during the night walking anywhere. Nothing particular about downtown.
- I don't feel safe at night as of the types of people who hang around there at night.
- I don't feel safe only at night. You may run into people who were drinking and these people are not always easy to reason with.
- I don't generally go downtown walking or cycling. If I am walking, it is around the Midtown Plaza area.
- I don't know but I feel unsafe.
- I don't like walking at night at all. Never have.
- I don't want to get mugged or attacked.
- I feel less safe at night (i.e., after 11:00 pm). This is because of the reduced visibility. This is due to the reduced public foot traffic.
- I feel safe during the day. However, at night there is some gang activity and groups of individuals have been known to try to gang up on people for money or steel whatever they can from them.
- I feel safe walking or cycling in downtown during the day.... I don't feel safe walking or cycling during the night anywhere.
- I feel that at night, there is a higher risk of crime.
- I feel that drivers are too distracted, and aren't paying attention. Everyone is always looking for a parking space, or looking for street names, etc.
- I feel unsafe after dark because there are too many undesirable people quite willing to rob me.
I feel unsafe walking in the downtown area when there are groups of people hanging out in any particular spot.

I find it has a lot of 'sketchy' people at night hanging around the streets. I just don't feel comfortable, especially around the bus depot area.

I generally don't feel safe cycling in busy areas because I don't trust drivers to pay enough attention. As for walking, I tend to be intimidated by panhandlers and groups of aggressive looking men - particularly at night.

I have been approached and hassled by Aboriginal groups (gangs).

I have been approached downtown with unwanted attention. I was once cornered at the bus mall downtown and sexually assaulted. The security people they have there now sit with the teenagers smoking and don’t even pay attention to what's going on. Some of them are as intimidating as the people you are worried about! Many people approach you for money and other things. Most are nice but some get angry when you refuse or ignore and you never know what people are going to do.

I have been harassed and threatened when I walked to my car one evening. There are drunk people walking around and some are passed out.

I have encountered few instances where people approach me for money in a way I cannot ignore. The activities of some people who look uncivilized are very scary and don’t look appropriate. I have also heard instances of robbery, threat and assaults in downtown area.

I have had negative experiences with panhandlers following me, etc.

I have had slurs shouted at me once or twice in the past.

I have heard of some unsafe incidents.

I have mobility trouble and hearing and I don’t know the area and business that well.

I have personal knowledge of the gang activity downtown.

I have seen some people that look suspicious when I used to have to take the bus home later in the evening. And have had some people stop to ask for a smoke and I do not like that because who know what they could really do to you if they don’t have smokes maybe they will want your money to get smokes.

I just don't feel comfortable.

I know people that have had felt or been threatened after hours.

I mostly feel safe, but if I try to avoid walking in poorly lit areas and through the bus mall alone at night.

I see a number of younger males hanging around in groups. They seem to be eyeing everyone and everything.

I see groups of people dressed alike wandering through back alleys.

I work for a company that works with former criminals and am quite aware that this is a frequent area that they visit.

I worry about gangs and druggies, etc. that will select me at random and rob/injure/assault me.

I would never feel completely safe by myself after dark Downtown. Just being alone.

Idiot drivers.

If I am by myself, I feel more unsafe. If it is not busy then I feel unsafe. If there are people loitering asking for money, I feel unsafe.

I'm not very comfortable with some of the people that hang out there.

In order to get to my parking space, I have to pass a liquor store and a bar ... More than once I have encountered an unpleasant situation. Where I park, it is not unusual for 'crowds' to be gathered, drinking, drugs and indecent activity and this has all been between the hours of 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

In various parts of downtown, you often see large groups of young adults exhibiting disrespectful and rude behaviours. There are also more reports yearly of people being beaten up and or mugged in the downtown area. Although not usually a problem for me, I often hear from others that panhandling deters them from some downtown shopping.

Indians, drunks.
- It is often very dark at night with few people around. The few people who are around are usually drunk or acting in a way that makes me feel unsafe.
- It is too dark.
- It’s dark, less people about.
- It’s a weird feeling that I can’t describe.
- It’s not that I don’t feel safe it’s just I know not to feel 100% secure because something could always happen.
- I’ve been threatened by people in downtown in the evenings.
- I’ve gotten asked for drugs then insulted because I said no.
- I’ve had friends who have been mugged downtown, and there are a lot of alleys. There are also a lot of streets that don’t have frequent people passing by. Downtown has a lot of bars and pubs, and draws a lot of undesirables to certain places.
- I’ve had my car broken into downtown on 1st Ave at 9 pm on a Sunday night; there’s been stabbings, there are creepy people, my friend was mugged.
- Just in the evenings, you never know what to expect.
- Lack of visible police presence.
- Large groups of teens gathered around areas like the bus mall (often drunk and hollering at others).
- Leery - probably paranoid about being mugged.
- Lots of alleys.
- Lots of bars and events at night, drunk and drugged up people.
- Lots of bars and people hanging around on the streets.
- Lots of beggars, druggies and welfare people. Especially by McDonalds on 2nd, outside the Dollar Store on 2nd and near the Lighthouse. I never go there with my little son.
- Lots of homeless people, lots of people asking for money or smokes.
- Lots of panhandlers and shady characters.
- Lots of people who just seem to hang around, not sure what they are doing, usually groups of 3 or more.
- Lots of sketchy people wandering around.
- Lots of thugs around.
- Lots of transients, youth gang members.
- Mainly due to being accosted by people on the street, e.g., panhandlers, others looking for a handout, etc.
- Marginalized, financially desperate individuals are increasing in our downtown areas.
- Media/press reports of incidents, fights, break-ins, trouble.
- More people ‘hanging around’. There have been issues with crime downtown that I have not heard of at Circle Park Mall, for example.
- More people up to no good out and about.
- Mostly traffic doesn’t respect pedestrians and cyclists. Some of the worst offenders are the city bus drivers. Just all around impatient... I know many people who avoid McDonald’s area sidewalks, especially because there are a lot of people loitering, day and night.
- Motorists don’t pay much attention to pedestrians when crossing streets.
- Mugging.
- My aunt was approached by two men who were trying to get her to go with them several years ago in the evening. It was a scary event for her and made me a lot more cautious of the area.
- News stories.
- Not a busy area at night.
- Not as many people around downtown at night.
- Not enough police present around, people sleeping on benches begging for money mattress laying on
Not many people around, homeless people, no visible police.

Not so much based on the area, but rather on the time of day. I don't really like being out at night alone in any town/city, regardless of my perception of the safety of the area.

Not sure of some of the people who are downtown at night.

Not sure of the individuals I come into contact with.

Not sure there is any protection for a person walking downtown after the normal company of other shoppers is gone and bars close, transit bus waiting areas, etc. One is vulnerable to gang activity, etc. (I think) I avoid going there at all after dark without my car.

Not sure what the gang of kids are up to.

Old gals like me have had their purses stolen in broad daylight as we are an easy mark. Also, beware of native girls in groups, they are dangerous also.

On one particular day while downtown for lunch, witnessed some gang activity.

Only at night would I feel unsafe. It is because of the possibility of running into drunks or criminal types. Cycling would be okay because I would be on the move, but not walking. I had a friend who was downtown at suppertime walking to a restaurant and was accosted by two people he believed were going to try to steal his jacket.

Only during the night time. Downtown is a crowded area and at night, visibility is limited if cycling through there.

Other people walking in the area.

Panhandlers and homeless.

Panhandlers abound.

Panhandlers and cracked sidewalks.

Panhandlers and gang activity.

Panhandlers and natives kids playing on the statues downtown, skateboarders.

Panhandlers and youth can seem to get very aggressive.

Panhandlers especially those that follow you down the street.

Panhandlers make me uneasy.

Panhandlers, large groups of men hanging around on park benches, people who have been drinking, groups of teens/kids swearing and being loud.

Panhandlers.

Partially physical mobility issues make me feel like an easy target.

Past history of violent crimes, bus mall environment.

Past incidents of stabbings and fights in the downtown area, as well as stories I have heard from people about being approached and asked for money.

People are not friendly.

People don’t pay attention to cyclists.

People have harassed me at night while cycling. I've been chased.

People who hang around there.

People, especially at corner of 22nd St and 2nd Avenue, loitering.

Personal safety - crime, gangs, hoodlums.

Questionable people hanging around at night.

Random sketchy people hanging out in groups when there is nothing open. Not safe for cycling, no good bike paths.

Reporters are always talking about stabbings on the news.

Reports of assaults, robberies, etc. in late hours.

Rif-raft from the public transit.

Saskatoon is overrun with native gangs who are very dangerous.
- Seems to be more transient people around.
- Shady people, gangs or at least large groups of dangerous seeming people. Lots of drunks, angry, possibly mentally disturbed people who threaten passers-by on the street.
- Shady people.
- Shifty people are out at night.
- Sketchy people loitering.
- Sketchy people, transients, news reports, experiences of other people.
- Sketchy people.
- Sketchy people.
- So many panhandlers and 'rough-looking' individuals.
- Some of the grubby people hanging around Midtown Plaza.
- Some of the people hanging around, especially the McDonalds.
- Sometimes a lot of people wandering around.
- Streets are mostly deserted, businesses are closed.
- Streets too crowded for cycling, walking is okay in the daytime and night time in well-lit areas.
- Tend to stay out of the area due to homeless and poor lighting.
- The Aboriginals that are downtown make it unsafe.
- The activities of people downtown after dark are there for other reasons than day time citizens whom are there for business.
- The amount of crime now being acknowledged by hearing it on the news.
- The amount of homeless individuals as well as younger people who just hang around.
- The amount of traffic during the day and the lack of respect drivers have for cyclists.
- The bike paths downtown exist in some areas and not in others. Drivers don't seem to watch out for cyclists.
- The bus terminal is quite filled with drugs and crime.
- The characters that I see there. I am referring to the drunks (could be drunk or high) that are wandering or that look like were just in a fight (missing teeth, unkempt hair, etc.).
- The downtown always seems to attract questionable people/activity.
- The groups of thugs that hang out on the streets and block the sidewalks. They are rude, spit and are vulgar. I feel like someone is going to steal my bag or push me around.
- The panhandlers scare me.
- The people on the street are there mainly to party. In all areas of the City, it is obvious that alcohol and drug consumption results in other criminal activity. This applies to Riversdale, downtown and Broadway etc.
- The streets are very busy and not cycling-friendly.
- The traffic...cars and cyclists. Panhandlers. Some buskers make me nervous.
- The unknown.
- The winter is fine; however, in the summer in the evenings there are people whom I find very uncomfortable. They are usually high or intoxicated and are asking for money. This is a problem that is in every large city and I am not sure if there is a solution to the problem. I don't believe that any of them would try to hurt anyone but they can be intimidating.
- There are a lot of homeless people downtown who can sometimes act unexpectedly. I feel pretty safe walking in a group at night, but I wouldn't walk alone.
- There are a lot of scary looking people walking around down there.
- There are a lot of street people hanging around.
- There are a lot of weird, creepy people that come out at night. I just wouldn't chance my safety.
- There are a number of people loitering and some directly panhandling.
- There are aggressive panhandlers, people coming out of bars, young men in rowdy groups.
- There are crowds of low-life’s and addicts always hanging around. And they can sometimes be aggressive when panhandling or asking for smokes. Especially by the McDonalds.
- There are few people.
- There are often street kids and aggressive panhandlers on the streets, especially at nights.
- There are people there at night that do not seem peaceful or responsible.
- There are quite a few crowds of rough looking people who ask for money or are smoking and taking up the entire sidewalks. I’m asthmatic and can’t breathe when I inhale cigarette smoke.
- There are so many crowds of rough looking people just hanging around in groups. There are also people requesting my money and I am so afraid if I don’t just give it, they will take it.
- There are so many random crimes.
- There are some very odd people downtown, being accosted by various panhandlers and various 'street people', I always feel like I have to hold onto my purse more tightly and not make eye contact with anyone.
- There are too many beggars and low income type people.
- There are too many gang members hanging around that area at night. The downtown bus terminal is the worst. I don’t want to get jumped or anything.
- There are too many panhandlers and street youth harassing residents.
- There are too many people hanging out, most of them men, and some with obvious mental illnesses.
- There are too many transients in the downtown core and you don't even dare leave your door unlocked in your vehicle as you are driving through the area.
- There are WAY too many people who hang around downtown with no job or reason that just bother people for money, cigarettes, they congregate in groups and spit and swear and accost old ladies for change! I work downtown and am COMPLETELY DISGUSTED WITH THE SASKATOON CORE. I have seen police completely disregard drunks on benches and teenagers on bikes blocking corners and crosswalks. Makes if angry and ashamed at the same time!
- There have been instances of robberies on the street in broad daylight so....
- There have been stabbings in front of Midtown Plaza in broad daylight and I seldom see a police officer outside a car.
- There have been too many bad things happen.
- There is a lot less people in the downtown at night.
- There is lot of crime / drugs downtown and all it takes is for you to bump in to the wrong person and you may be in trouble.
- There is no respect for pedestrians or cyclists.
- There is rarely police presence on the streets.
- Things I have seen.
  - Too many bums constantly coaxing. To many groups of unruly tuffs circling around.
  - Too many dark alleys, busy corners.
  - Too many foreign people in the areas without work or funds.
  - Too many people getting jumped and beat up in Saskatoon.
  - Too many scary people. Have approached tried to steel my purse, one person held a knife to my back for my bus pass.
  - Too busy too many bums, crime.
  - Too many bad drivers.
  - Too many bums.
  - Too many dark alleys.
  - Too many disreputable characters hanging around, especially around the welfare office.
  - Too many groups of shady looking youth. I live and work downtown. I am walking the same route every day, and some days I stay at work late. Around McDonalds is especially bad. Drug deals going.
down there. In the evening on the riverbank, walking trails, I have been approached for money by drunk. Large groups of youths hang out after dark north of the Bess down by the river.

- Too many incidents have occurred in this area; too many unsavoury looking people hang around downtown. There are far too many people with knives in this city.
- Too many Indians in groups of 3 and 4 walking the streets in packs.
- Too many Indians.
- Too many individuals loitering around usually in groups of two or more. Their conversations are often laced with profanity and they show little or no regard for others as far as stepping aside to let you pass.
- Too many knifing and gang related incidents.
- Too many loiterers. Some can be aggressive if you accidentally step in their path.
- Too many natives and punks hanging out not making a contribution to the bettering of the downtown core and the police doing nothing about it.
- Too many panhandlers approaching people.
- Too many panhandlers get a little scary sometimes.
- Too many panhandlers.
- Too many people begging for money.
- Too many people milling about, coming up to you asking for money.
- Too many people milling around.
- Too many people not watching out. Was ran over once by a bike.
- Too many people who might harm me; panhandlers.
- Too many pubs and night life and gangs.
- Too many punks and panhandlers hanging around.
- Too many reports of people being jumped or approached for no reason.
- Too many reports of unsafe situations or injury... Wouldn't risk it...
- Too many seedy people.
- Too many sketchy people lingering outside harassing each other and bystanders. An example is outside Galaxy Cinemas.
- Too many strange people on the sidewalks, talking to themselves, panhandling, hanging around smoking outside McDonalds, the Lighthouse, etc.
- Too many street people and youth gangs.
- Too many undesirables hanging around.
- Too many unsavoury people hanging around.
- Too many weirdoes begging for money.
- Too many young punks wearing gang colors.
- Too many young punks who think they can do anything they want.
- Too much crime.
- Too much crime.
- Too much criminal activity in that area.
- Too much gang activity. Too many poor people desperate means calls for desperate measures!
- Too much history, sensationalized articles/info in media, groups of young people hanging around makes one feel unsafe when passing them (generally go across the street).
- Too much traffic to cycle. Some areas not as busy do not feel safe walking during the day. If it's a crowded business area, feel safe walking during the day because more people are around.
- Too much violence anywhere in the city now.
- Traffic is heavy.
- Traffic is too heavy to bike downtown. Drivers are not considerate of bikers.
- Traffic with cycling during the day. Not enough night time foot traffic because not many
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9.2. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in Riversdale business area?

- A need for more foot patrols, bike patrols and cruisers.
- As I’ve gotten older, I’ve become more cautious. Have seen some creepy people in that neighborhood, while working at St. Paul’s Hospital. Somebody tried to scam outside the hospital, bum smokes etc.
- During the day, I feel safe but at night there are more people that are coming out of bars that are drunk and unpredictable.
- Gang activity in this area is very prevalent. They seem to do as they please with immunity for their actions.
- Gangs and drug activity.
- Have been approached by drunk or aggravated individuals. Signs of drug use. I know this is a complex issue and requires actions that support education, health, healthy food availability, reduce poverty, and deal with racism and aboriginal issues.
- I don’t feel very safe cycling almost anywhere in Saskatoon - drivers, for the most part, disregard the rights of cyclists.
- I don’t have a reason to go to that area at night. A couple of times I caught the bus 11pm after a movie at the Roxy, there was no problem. I did feel unsafe however.
- It’s not that I don’t feel safe in Riverside business area, it would be the same for any area if by myself.
- Just not at night, easier to be attacked
- Same as Downtown - With the mob like attacks happening day or night, I feel no one is really safe - the youth in ANY city is getting out of hand. There is no respect to the law and it is only going to get worse until a parent is jailed if their child, grown or young, commits a serious crime and then parents will take their job as a parent more seriously! Teenage years of a youth is a very important time when a parent needs to be very involved with their child - these are proven to be the years that when their brains wiring becomes hard wired with lessons from parents and environment.

- The area has a longstanding reputation that most Saskatoon residents would be lying about if they claimed to be unaffected by it. The reputation is, unfortunately, supported by more numerous/regular instances of public intoxication and other worrying behaviours.

- The same as above, and many ask for money, etc.
- Too much crime, lots of undesirables.
- A lot of cars don't bother to follow road signs/lights and I have almost gotten hit on several occasions.
- A lot of crime is noted there.
- A lot of crime.
- A lot of foot traffic of questionable looking people. Lots of things in the news about stabbings, etc. in that area.
- A lot of loitering gives one an uneasy feeling.
- Actually, the area is better now that the 'Stroll' has moved. This area is also getting more developed. Still concerned about getting panhandled.
- Addicts on the streets, panhandlers, etc.
- Admittedly largely due to the general perception of crime rates being higher. Friends have been propositioned by prostitutes in the area. I worry about upsetting someone for refusing to give them spare money (as I do when asked in any area of the city; however, I am asked more frequently in this area).
- Afraid of getting mugged.
- Again hearing of all the happenings in that area.
- Again things i have seen day or night.

- Again, historically, I've had problems when walking in the area. Though I was actively threatened upon my last visit; while walking at night, a group of people yelled from across the street and asked if me and my friend were members of a rival gang. We assured them we weren't, and were told if we were we'd be dead. As such, gang activity in the area makes me feel particularly unsafe.

- Again, it depends on the time of day and activity going on. I tend to want to avoid intoxicated people at night. I usually feel safe during the day when there are many people about.
- Again, it's the type of people hanging around, particularly at night. And next to no police protection.
- Again, it’s only at night that I might feel unsafe.
- Again, mostly of the First Nations.
- Again, very little police presence.
- Alcohol, gang activity.
- Alcohol/drug users, lack of police presence.
- All of the drunk natives!!! Plain as day that’s why.

- All the people that you see 'tweeted' out walking down 20th. The prostitutes and the riff raff hanging out on the streets. Went into Great West Furniture and the guy standing out front was so drunk he peed himself.... Nice...like I am going back there!

- All the street people.

- Although the area has improved significantly over the past few years, it still houses a group of people who are somewhat unsavoury and the level of crime in this area continues to be high.
- Always too many funny people around.
- Any area with pawn shops, Money Marts, boarded up housing/businesses conveys that this is not a
Thriving area. The whole 'alphabet city's' reputation, while perhaps unwarranted...still is in the back of people's minds including my own.

- Area not very clean/ neat looking.
- Area's reputation.
- As a woman, I feel uncomfortable and very vulnerable being in that part of the city after dark because there are frequently drunk/high people wandering the streets.
- As above really. At night, not a lot of traffic or people. The people that are around are drunk or impaired half the time, too.
- As above. [Drivers and cyclists not being safe drivers/riders.]
- Assaulists or robberies as above.
- At night, because of drunks and druggies, gangs, etc. A woman is not safe there, only in broad daylight.
- At night, I feel more unsafe, not during the day. This is due to Riversdale’s proximity to the transition house on Avenue C., the Riversdale Liquor Store, and various ministries on 20th Street.
- At night, there are too many people of ill repute around.
- At night, there is a lot of drunks and youths around.
- At night, too much crime and bad activities going on.
- Bad name for itself.
- Bad people and lots of crime at night.
- Bar activity.
- Because it is in the hood, my skin is the wrong color, and because it is scuzzy.
- Because it’s in the ghetto or slums n there many opportunists just waiting.
- Because of all the gangs in the city. Not only are there gangs, but there are kids or young adults that are just up to no good. A white female biking or walking is 'easy pickings' for lack of better terms.
- Because of groups of 'loiterers' hanging around.
- Because of reports of assaults, robberies and stabbings.
- Because of the crime.
- Because of the drugs, prostitutes, pimps.
- Because of the reputation that it has for being a rough neighbourhood. I would never walk in this area alone at night and would avoid it entirely.
- Because there are always lots of sketchy people out and about. Many are dirty and ask for money, etc.
- Because there are drunks there.
- Because there seems to be very shady characters walking around when I have visited the area.
- Because we are one of the crime capitals of Canada. Why would you feel safe? I am assuming here that you mean Riversdale.
- Being approached by undesirable individuals.
- Bothered by unwanted and drunk people.
- Car traffic.
- Choose one or more: Aboriginal thugs and lowlifes. Low income dipshit losers. Hookers, druggies and intoxicated crackers or meth-heads. Drunk, stoned and hairspray-huffing natives.
- Closer to the hot spots for gang activity.
- Concern about coming across a small or large group of youth (or older people) who appear menacing or gang like.
- Constantly being asked for money or cigarettes.
- Core center of crime.
- Crack heads and drunks roaming the streets.
- Crime and gangs.
- Crime and sketchy people around. Afraid to get mugged, raped, or worse.
- Crime, gangs, etc.
- Crime/gangs.
- Despite the Riversdale improvement movement, there continues to be poverty throughout its neighbourhood which contributes to continued crime. Poverty creates desperation for many people and high risk behaviour.
- Different crowd at night without much police presence...
- Dilapidated buildings (including residential homes) and groups of people gathered in certain areas make me feel unsafe. An example of this would be in front of the Barry Hotel where they sell alcohol.
- Ditto [While most young people are fine, the chance of encountering groups of young people 'out for fun' has increased somewhat in the last several years. As a male I feel safer than some of my female friends.]
- Do you mean Riversdale business area? Pretty much the same reason as the downtown answer. Too many people with nowhere to go congregating and trying to impress each other and themselves with a 'tough' act.
- Doesn't feel like a safe neighbourhood.
- Don't feel safe down in Riversdale because there are people I don't want approaching me or my family if I were to shop in the area. If the people aren't intoxicated, they are aggressive and I believe have bad intentions.
- Don't know the area very well.
- Don't know the area well, not always well populated, large groups of kids and teens, people drinking/drunken, etc.
- Don't know this area of the city as well. There can be people on the street that appear to be gang members.
- Don't know.
- Drivers.
- Drunk people, drugs, and bums.
- Drunks and punks.
- Drunks.
- Due to some types of people in the area.
- Due to street walkers and crime.
- During the day when I've walked in this area, I've been harassed by people for money, for just walking on the public sidewalk, insulted and called names for no apparent reason. I've also had people with large dogs on leash think it's funny to loosen the leash or let it go and then the dogs lunge at you while barking and snapping at you and the owner laughs and thinks it hilarious. I don't walk in the Riversdale area at night because it's bad enough during the day. And because of the above, I've stopped walking in the Riversdale area during the day.
- Encounter people who are obviously impaired by alcohol or drugs day or night. We hear stories of area and hear news reports of knifings and other offences, prostitution for instance.
- Far too dark in places and too many natives not working lurking the streets!!!
- Fear of attack.
- Fear of being mugged, harmed, etc.
- Feel like there is a higher chance of something happening there than other areas of the city.
- Fewer people.
- Gang activity, native youth hanging out in large groups.
- Gang activity.
- Gang activity.
- Gang violence. My brother-in-law was mugged near there.
- Gangs / groups of people that linger around make me very uneasy and I'm afraid they may harm myself. I definitely wouldn't walk or cycle in this area alone - with someone else maybe.
- Gangs and criminal activity.
- Gangs and stuff.
- Gangs of people loitering in front of businesses or on the sidewalk in general.
- Gangs, hang outs, crime rate.
- Gangs.

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<td>Have heard about assaults and other types of violence in the area.</td>
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<td>Have not had personal experience, but heard lots of negative comment through media, individuals’ personal comments mostly from those that do not live in the area. (Night time.) Have walked during the day to work and have not had a bad experience yet.</td>
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<td>Have only walked Riversdale area during the day. Intoxicated people on the street at all hours.</td>
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<td>Have seen intoxicated people on the streets during the day, know of gang activity in area.</td>
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<td>Heard many reports of crime in that area. Stabbings near St. Paul’s Hospital. Gang activity.</td>
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<td>I am aware of the greater amount of gang activity there.</td>
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<td>I am little worried about street gangs in the Riversdale area.</td>
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<td>I am never in the business area in the evening and very seldom in the daytime; although, when there, I am very careful because of the appearance of many of the people on the streets, the crime reported and it is where many poorer people hang out who are hanging around the streets.</td>
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<td>I am sure you are referring to 'Riversdale' and not Riverside. And why do I not feel safe? Because on a Saturday afternoon of a lovely Saturday in July, I went shopping at a store on 20th Street and when I came out of the store, I had an Aboriginal woman come from behind and started screaming at me. The...</td>
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<td>Store owners were very quick to come out but that has ended my desire to shop in that area.</td>
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<td>I am uncomfortable with the number of people that appear to be wondering about with no direct purpose.</td>
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<td>I can honestly say it is just what I hear...I have no first person opinion on that.</td>
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<td>I do know that Riversdale had a disproportional amount of crime compared to other places. I tend to be cautious to not walk at night many places.</td>
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<td>I do not like it because of the crime activity of that neighbourhood.</td>
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<td>I do not see enough policing through the area at night in correspondence with the transient population who take shelter there in the evenings. I used to live on 20th Street and drove the main 20th, 19th and 18th Street corridors quite frequently and saw enough situations that I just avoid it all together in the evenings for the most part now.</td>
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<td>I don't feel as though the area is safe, in general. I do not enjoy walking alone in this area as it is a lower-income area and there are just too many reports of attacks in the news to make me feel comfortable alone or in a group while there.</td>
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<td>I don't feel safe at night as of the types of people who hang around there at night.</td>
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<td>I don't feel safe during the night walking anywhere. Nothing particular about Riverside.</td>
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<td>I don't feel safe cycling because the lanes are so narrow. I'm afraid I'll get hit by a car.</td>
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<td>I don't go into that area very much but when I do, I see a lot more people walking around that I would want to avoid no matter what part of the city I was in.</td>
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<td>I don't like cycling or walking around unfamiliar areas alone.</td>
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<td>I don't like walking at night at all. Never have.</td>
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<td>I drive through this area every day to and from work and I constantly see drunks, and hookers. It's a little better during the day as there are people around but still sketchy.</td>
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<td>I feel this area has a high level of crime due to the poverty level.</td>
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<td>I grew up in that neighbourhood. It was not always safe 45 years ago and I don't any improvement. Large groups walking together are disquieting.</td>
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<td>I grew up there many years ago and even then, I had to be careful, but now you get accosted for money at any time of the day or evening. The evenings are mostly the prostitutes and Johns and I would never, ever walk down 20th or 22nd St. Or anywhere else there, either.</td>
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<td>I have been held up by knife there and approach by people asking for drugs, money and things.</td>
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<td>I have heard bad things about the area.</td>
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<td>I have no personal experience in that area as I have stayed away from that area for many years. I am basing my decision strictly on media and what I hear about the area.</td>
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<td>I have read and heard too many instances in this area which were credible information. As well, there are too many dark areas.</td>
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- I hear a lot of crime and violence goes down in that area. I don't go in that area often, but from what I've heard in the media, it's pretty unsafe at night.
- I just don't know that area of the city as well as areas I am in more often.
- I just get a bad vibe from the people I've seen there (and I rarely go there, so my opinion is probably influenced by the media, etc.).
- I know of several people who have been accosted and robbed at knife point. I also think there is gang and drugs activity there.
- I never go to the Riverside area.
- I realize this area is receiving extra police attention. I have been a teacher in the inner city and am aware of 'rough' life some of the children have to endure that live in this area. Anger and despair are strong motivators and well as the drug traffic that also happens, not only here, but in other areas of Saskatoon. Just a lot of economic problems in Riversdale.
- I see more evidence of gangs there and also more people under the influence of either drugs or alcohol. I also have to admit that some of my discomfort is history based in that this area has traditionally been a source of unsavoury incidents.
- I see people who are drunk and that is not safe. You don't know what they may do next.
- I suppose...fear of the unknown...makes me nervous.
- I used to live there. Too many Indians and tough drunks and gang ties around.
- I work for a company that works with former criminals and am quite aware that this is a frequent area that they visit.
- I would not feel safe at night walking anywhere on the west side of the City
- I would not go there at night. As for day time, see above. [During the day, probably just fine, but you encounter some groups of young people, or the odd panhandler that do not give the feeling of safety to me.]
- I'm not very familiar with that area so I would be scared of being lost or inadvertently going into an area that is unsafe.
- I'm not familiar enough with the area to feel safe enough to walk there at night.
- I'm very wary of groups of teens hanging out.
- In general, I find that the majority of panhandlers and homeless people are in the downtown and Riversdale areas. When these people approach me, which is often, as I live and work downtown, I find it unnerving.
- In the evening, there seems to be a lot of people just 'hanging around'. I feel safer when there seems to be a purpose for people to be where they are.
- In the past, I have been confronted by persons who made me nervous.
- Individuals I see walking down the street and hanging around, sort of scary.
- It feels sketchy and the potential for getting mugged seems greater.
- It happens to be for most of the city's life a bad area, and is well known to be a bad area, as well as reports of bad occurrences happening there.
- It has a reputation for being unsafe.
- It has the reputation of a being a higher crime area.
- It is a low income area and the people that live around there make me feel unsafe.
- It is kind of rough. A lot of shady people hang out around there. Seems like I have less in common with those people.
- It is more likely that drunk or high people will be out at night.
- It looks run down and whenever you read about a stabbing, it seems that it happens in this area.
- It may be a perception that has developed of this area but I feel that some of the residents that hang around make me nervous, I don't trust them. This is only at night.
- It’s a rough neighbourhood.
- It’s dark, less people about.
- It’s not the best neighbourhood and it isn’t as well lit and I hear lots of stories of things around there.
- It’s quiet.
- It’s the ghetto.
- It’s the hood...too many lowlifes around, day or night.
- It’s a lower income residential area.
- It's a relatively poor and bad area of the city with probably more crime. As well as the fact that it’s far from where I live and I’ve only ever passed through that area by the car a few times so I don't know the area well.
- It's always been a sketchy area, and sketchy people still tend to hang out there.
- It's always been an inner city neighbourhood so I still see it as that way. However, I will say the area is starting to improve.
- It’s just a sketchy neighbourhood. It is getting better, but ultimately it is unsafe, particularly at night.
- It’s just scary...
- It's the hood.
- I've heard there is a lot of gang activity there.
- I've noticed numerous times driving through the area, that there are often people who are intoxicated or maybe under the influence of some drug.
- Just about every day/night you hear about stabbings, attempted abductions, shootings, etc. in Riverside. I have reason to drive in that area, and there appears to be people strolling around impaired at any time of day.
- Just an unsafe feeling because of the reputation.
- Just in the evenings, you never know what to expect.
- Knowledge of incidents occurring in that area.
- Lack of police presence, and I do know that there is gang activity in that area, and police presence should be increased in that area in the evenings. I am referring to Riversdale and surrounding area.
- Lack of visible police presence. Proximity to river area.
- Late at night.
- Less people at night.
- Less people walking all around so if anything happened, there would be less potential help as well as I have spent time Downtown and on Broadway during the day and at night so I am comfortable with it.
- Less people.
- Lot of drug users in this area just makes me feel unsafe.
- Lots of alleyways and few businesses are open in the evening.
- Lots of crime.
- Lots of transients and youth gang members.
- Lots of undesirable people in that area; higher crime area.
- Low income area with problems with housing, graffiti, children out late at night because their parents don't care. I know it's not all, but quite a few. I was born and raised in Riversdale. Hate to see it deteriorate so much.
- Many crimes have been committed there recently.
- Many drunk aboriginals.
- Many of the people look like they are just waking up from an all-night bender.
- Many people cycle. I’m afraid of meeting with a clash.
- Many street people, people obviously intoxicated, etc.
- Marginalized, financially desperate individuals are increasing in the Riverside business areas.
- Media reports of incidents in this area.
- Media reports of violence seem to centre on this area.
- More natives that yell at me and cyclists that don't move for you and seem to come towards me. Lots of sketchy people and drugged looking people.
- Mostly probably stereotypes. I have not actually been there at night for a few years.
- Mugging.
- Natives and other unsavoury individuals that I have encountered on previous occasions make me feel unsafe.
- Need more police present - to many shady people - too many people walking in groups.
- News stories indicate there is a lot of crime activity in that area.
- News stories.
- News, third party reports.
- Not a lot of people around at night.
- Not a safe area as people are drinking and doing drugs as well as prostitutes.
- Not as busy of an area, not as many people around.
- Not enough evening/night businesses/cafes to keep pedestrian numbers up.
- Not familiar with the area; therefore, perceived as a higher risk area for encounters with individuals either drunk or on drugs.
- Not good people live in the area.
- Not light enough. And the population is rather scary.
- Not politically correct, but the aboriginal gangs make it totally unsafe.
- Not so much based on the area, but rather on the time of day. I don't really like being out at night alone in any town/city, regardless of my perception of the safety of the area.
- Not sure of the area.
- Not sure of the individuals I come into contact with.
- Not sure where Riverside is. If it means Riversdale business area then it would be that there is news about bad things happening in Riversdale. I think that the news is more about what is happening in residential areas however I make the connection between the residential and the business area.
- Not sure.
- Not sure.
- Not very well lit.
- Not well lit, too many young people with nothing to do.
- Oh, come on. Unless you are in a gang, you stay out of Riversdale.
- On a few occasions, witnessed altercations between drunk individuals and other such violence.
- Only at night do I not feel safe.
- Only at night would I feel unsafe. Again, due to the chance of running into drunks or criminal types.
- Only at night would I not consider myself safe there. Potential for crime is much higher in this area at night.
- Only place I often see people who are obviously inebriated.
- Other people walking in the area.
- Panhandlers and gang activity.
- Partially physical mobility issues make me feel like an easy target.
- Past experience. Living in Saskatoon for long time; know where not to play.
- Past history of area.
- Past history of violent crime.
- People don't pay attention to cyclists.
- People who hang around there.
- Perception is it is a rougher area for violence and therefore makes it unsafe.
- Personal safety - crime, gangs, hoodlums.
- Poor reputation of area, news reports of drug/gang activity nearby, panhandlers/homeless people loitering in area. Just the overall bad reputation in Riversdale/King George area.
- Poorly lite area and general people hanging out on streets.
- Possibility of being accosted by persons wishing for money.
- Potential of gang related activity.
- Pre-conceived sense of unease at night in this area
- Primarily news and crime rate.
- Probably just not comfortable with what could be bad, i.e., gang activity / initiation.
- Probably more of a perception of its former self, but it is still surrounded by inner city housing and transient residents. I've traveled through Riversdale daily, to and from work for the last 20 years. The core area of 20th has improved over the years (essentially being shuffled farther west) but the transient to poor working class persona of Riversdale still remains. The (my) perception is that crime is more prevalent in these type of neighbourhoods.
- Prostitutes and johns in the area. Feel there is more open crime, drugs, etc. Some of the area is more rundown and you see people who are not well kept. Raises concern of more crime, drug and alcohol use and poverty.
- Quite a few beggars and panhandlers; groups of loiterers.
- Reported crimes.
- Reports of crime, and seeing drunkenness and prostitution right there.
- Reputation of area and amount of crime.
- Reputation that gangs and crime occur there
- Reputation. There are more unsavoury characters hanging around than in other areas. I grew up in that area, so know it well.
- Riversdale has always been an unsafe place.
- Riversdale is alright, but I know the area isn't the best in the city.
- Riverside has always been known for a high crime rate in Saskatoon. Can be an area of possible gang related crimes.
- Rough areas.
- Rough neighbourhood.
- Rougher area.
- Rowdy people under the influence.
- Run-down buildings, prostitutes out in the open.
- Same as above. [Cycling, the traffic downtown is terrible. Walking, the number and type of people there.]
- Same as above. [Drivers are not considerate of pedestrians or cyclists. Very little police presence.]
- Same as above. [Mainly due to being accosted by people on the street, e.g., panhandlers, others looking for a handout, etc.]
- Same as above. [Media/press reports of incidents, fights, break ins, trouble.]
- Same as above. [People have harassed me at night while cycling. I've been chased.]
- Same as above. [Shady people.]
- Same as above. [Sketchy people, transients, news reports, experiences of other people.]
- Same as above. [Too many Indians in groups of 3 and 4 walking the streets in packs.]
- Same as above. [You just never know what may happen.]
- Same as downtown answer. [Gangs and or groups of young people intimidate or attack.]
- Same as in the downtown area. [To many foreign people in the areas without work or funds.]
- Same reason as above and used to work at SPH, so saw lots going to work early in the morning that did not make it look to safe to walk around.
- Same reason as above. [people are not friendly]
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<td>Saskatoon is overrun with native gangs who are very dangerous.</td>
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<td>Seems to be a fairly large gang presence as well as a number of tough/rough looking people and areas. But, I have never lived there so am unfamiliar with the different parts of Riversdale so that is disconcerting.</td>
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<td>Seldom go there but have do volunteer work in the area and have also been approached in a negative experience relating intimidation from First Nations people.</td>
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<td>That’s not my area of town. Lots of drunk or homeless people that have asked me for money.</td>
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<td>That’s where most of the gangs are. They do random stupid things to anybody just for fun or initiation. Also a lot of drugs are in this area, too.</td>
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<td>The natives who are on the street are not curtailed in their activities which begin with improper upbringing and learning how to be responsible citizens. Their role models are of the same persuasion.</td>
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<td>The actions and looks of people, drugs, alcohol, gangs, prostitutes, not very many police, and houses that are very unsafe.</td>
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<td>The people who hang around this area may be looking for trouble.</td>
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<td>The same as above but it looks to me they are dressed in gang colors</td>
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<td>The social demographic changes later in the day and there are times that the aggressive behaviour of 'some' of these youth triggers a defensive reaction and I would prefer to leave the area.</td>
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<td>The whole area is not safe for walking by oneself. It’s getting much better, but one has to take care of their own safety by not putting yourself in a spot where something could go badly.</td>
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<td>The wrong kind of people living in and around there. Too much welfare with nothing to do.</td>
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<td>There are a lot of people with nowhere to go and this makes one feel unsafe. Also, no police walking around.</td>
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<td>There are a lot of roamers at all times of day.</td>
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<td>There are a lot of undesirables on the street.</td>
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<td>There are drunk and stoned people walking around. I have been yelled at on more than one occasion while driving through area. Therefore, I would feel even more unsafe walking or biking.</td>
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<td>There are many indigent individuals, numerous individuals who are extremely intoxicated and gang members.</td>
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<td>There are not a lot of people around the business area in the evening.</td>
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<td>There are not many businesses in the area I would visit, so when I do go to visit the area, it is only for a quick stop. There are more individuals that are looking for money than most places which can make anyone feel uncomfortable. You are never sure how they will react if you don't give them something.</td>
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<td>There are some very strange people in that area!</td>
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<td>There are too many crimes.</td>
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- There are too many violent incidents happening in that area on an almost weekly basis.
- There aren’t enough people around.
- There have been many incidents in Riversdale over the past few years that tell you to be careful. We live near here and know all about it!
- There is a lot of pedestrian traffic there and some people make me feel intimidated. Seems to be more drinkers and drugs on the streets at night.
- There is a lot of poverty in that area.
- There is a lot of traffic that use that route to get downtown. When walking I feel like I will be hit by a cyclist.
- There is always crime in the news from this area. Usually violence or drug related.
- There is evidence of some gang activity.
- There is lots of gang activity there. I have never been jumped but have heard of others and I wouldn’t go walking around in any of those areas at night by myself anyway.
- There is more gang related incidents that I just want to avoid. This is the tough part of the city; I am not street smart and just stay away to avoid any problem.
- There seems to be a high native population there. Many look unsavoury.
- There seems to be more night-time violence in that part of the city than elsewhere.
- Think about that question for a moment...
- This area is known for poverty and crime.
- This area is the home of many street gangs that operate in the Riversdale Community.
- This I do not know as I never go to that area.
- This is in the midst of a large amount of gang activity and there has been more crime in this area.
- This is one of the highest crime areas in Saskatoon. There are more people looking for something to do.
- This is the highest crime area in Saskatoon.
- To me, lower income areas mean young people have less activities, less money to keep them busy. This makes some of them less confident that they will be able to get ahead or get what they think they want out of life. Makes them frustrated and they have to take it out on someone.
- Too busy, too many bums, crime.
- Too many aboriginal people.
- Too many down and outs.
- Too many drugs and homeless.
- Too many drunk natives.
- Too many drunk natives. Would never be in riverside business area alone.
- Too many drunks and native gangs.
- Too many gang and seedy people.
- Too many gang associations with that area.
- Too many gangs and Aboriginals.
- Too many gangs.
- Too many gangster-type ruffians in that area, plus inattentive drivers.
- Too many Indians and mixed breeds.
- Too many Indians.
- Too many natives and the crime rate in the area.
- Too many natives standing around smoking, blocking the sidewalk, just being ignorant.
- Too many people asking for money.
- Too many people getting jumped and beat up in Saskatoon.
- Too many people hanging around looking to make trouble.
- Too many people hanging around with no apparent purpose.
- Too many people hanging around with nothing better to do than to harass or bother people walking.
- Too many people milling around
- Too many people under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Too many people up to no good hang around; hear of too much violence in this area. Very sketchy people.
- Too many reports of assaults, robberies, etc.
- Too many shady characters hanging around and looking for something to do.
- Too many sketchy people walking around.
- Too many social problems, too many inebriated people and panhandlers.
- Too many stabbings going on in that district.
- Too many stabbings in the area.
- Too many stories about gangs as well as prostitution.
- Too many undesirable people loitering in the area.
- Too many undesirables in the area; feel that I could be accosted by the wrong people.
- Too many unemployed people hanging out trying to bum money or cigarettes from you. Some obviously on drugs of some sort.
- Too many unsavoury characters, not friendly.
- Too many unsavoury people are evident.
- Too many unsavoury people hanging around.
- Too many young punks who think they can do anything they want.
- Too much crime activity.
- Too much crime going on, both day and night.
- Too much crime in that area.
- Too much crime reported.
- Too much crime.
- Too much criminal and gang related activity in that area.
- Too much drug activity.
- Too much riff raff standing around with nothing to do. Liquor store not in a great spot.
- Too much risk of getting robbed or assaulted by gang bangers and addicts.
- Too much violence occurring, you hear about it in the news and from friends.
- Too much violence.
- Traffic, drivers do not obey rules.
- Transients walking around aimlessly.
- Type of people hanging around.
- Type of people occupying the district.
- Unable to defend myself if accosted.
- Unfamiliar neighbourhood.
- Unfamiliar, not an overly safe area.
- Unknown.
- Unpredictable situations or characters out at night..... Won't risk it.
- Unsure of the area.
- Unsure, ha, ha.
- Usually a lot of people wandering around.
- Very high Aboriginal population, gangs, homeless, drugs, alcohol, prostitutes, panhandlers.
- VERY scary people, it's grungy, there's NO way that I would go walking in that area by myself at night. Never.
- Way too many knifings and gang related incidents.
- Way too many sketchy people hanging around.
- Way too much crime reported in the alphabet streets.
- Weirdos.
- When I was 18 and fresh from the farm, I had a bunch of 12 year olds come out of the alley at us and we wondered who was waiting in the dark. I don’t even feel safe driving with the windows open in my car. I used to pull the hub caps off my truck before going to that area of town. It has a bad vibe, a lot of crime happens down there. I am there only if I have to.
- When it is dark out.
- You can see obvious prostitutes and junkies walking around in broad daylight.
- You hear a lot of people getting stabbed and jumped in that area (the news).
- Young people dressed like gang members and the cat calls that they do.
- You’re joking right???? Have you seen the dirt bags around there???

9_3. Why do you NOT feel safe walking or cycling in Broadway business area?
As I've gotten older, I've become more cautious. Feel fine walking there in the daytime. My granddaughter tells me it's less safe at night, because she knows some of the kids who hang there.

I don't feel very safe cycling almost anywhere in Saskatoon - drivers, for the most part, disregard the rights of cyclists.

Just not at night, easier to be attacked

Same as Downtown - With the mob like attacks happening day or night, I feel no one is really safe - the youth in ANY city is getting out of hand. There is no respect to the law and it is only going to get worse until a parent is jailed if their child, grown or young, commits a serious crime and then parents will take their job as a parent more seriously! Teenage years of a youth is a very important time when a parent needs to be very involved with their child - these are proven to be the years that when their brains wiring becomes hard wired with lessons from parents and environment.

There have been attacks to people in that area, that I have heard about at night.

Too many people hanging about, a lot of people asking for money etc...on the streets. Drunk people out after the bars let out.

A lot of bars, a lot of drunk people.

A lot of bars.

A lot of noisy bars, noisy motorcycles; I think it is a nice area to shop or enjoy entertainment.

A lot of pubs/bars make for intoxicated people on the streets at night.

A lot of punk kids.

A lot of transients (young people that are dirty with their large dogs) sleeping all over, under the bridge, in the parks along the river, in the Cosmo Senior Centre 'back yard', in a van in front of the Cosmo Senior Centre, on benches on 11th Street E. This is so disturbing each summer. I don't know if they travel here from other cities or if they come from here originally. Also, there is not enough of a police presence to deter these people from 'setting up camp'. It feels that this area is being ignored and I'm scared it is destined to become an East Hastings! :(

A mix of different type of people which can cause tension.

Addicts on the streets, panhandlers, buskers, etc.

Afraid of getting mugged.

Again, I don't go there.

Again, it's a high traffic location for walkers and bar patrons, and its proximity to the west side also serves as a funnel for more dangerous individuals.

Again, there are often intoxicated people walking around the area at night. Simply due to the pubs, and there just seems to be more violence in Saskatoon overall.

Aggressive youth that are walking around in groups.

As above. [Assaults, robberies during evenings/nights.]

As above. [I feel safe walking or cycling in downtown during the day.... I don't feel safe walking or cycling during the night anywhere.]

As above...too many bicycles on the sidewalks.

As the above comments and around the bar move loud and vocal profanities from the crowds of people who are under the influence of what I know not.

At night I don't feel safe walking anywhere in this city. Yet again there are a lot of helpless people who may need aid but take an intimidating approach when requesting help.

At night it isn't safe with youth hanging out.

At night just not that safe to walk anywhere anymore.

At night there are bars on Broadway and drunk people wander late night. Just isn't good for a woman to walk at night anywhere in the city; predators and crazies everywhere these days.

At night, some very sketchy people hang around this area.

At night, there are too many crowds hanging around the alcohol establishments.
- Bad experiences in the past that does not make me want to go to that area.
- Bars on Broadway.
- Because of all the gangs in the city. Not only are there gangs but there are kids or young adults that are just up to no good. A white female biking or walking is 'easy pickings' for lack of better terms.
- Because past criminal activity.
- Because we are one of the crime capitals of Canada. Why would you feel safe?
- Bikes and skateboarders on the sidewalks.
- Bother by unwanted people.
- Broadway area is the scariest of all. There are people hanging about who are high, on drugs and a person never knows what they want. At least in Riversdale, all they want is my money.
- Broadway at night is completely different than during the day. Due to the excess of night spots and bars in the area, the nights are filled with people who do not live in the area and consequently, when inebriated, have few reservations about defecating, damaging the neighbourhood properties or simply finishing off their fabulous night by getting into a good fight.
- Broadway is fine during the day. At night, depending on the time, there can be drunk people which can cause trouble and there can be people looking for something to do.
- Bud's clients. Although, Broadway is not nearly as bad as Downtown or Riversdale.
- Busy area.
- Busy with a lot of different people.
- Car traffic.
- Concern about coming across a small or large group of youth (or older people) who appear menacing or gang like.
- Creepy people from the artsy community.
- Crime and sketchy people around. Afraid to get mugged, raped, or worse.
- Crime.
- Cycling I feel safe. As for walking, Broadway, the street itself, doesn't make me feel unsafe, just the side streets because they're not as well lit.
- Cyclists and skateboarders present a problem for me
- Daytime is fine. These three areas you name are places where people are drawn to. Add the presence of place that sell liquor to that, it removes that feeling of safety.
- Different crowd at night without much police presence...
- Ditto [While most young people are fine, the chance of encountering groups of young people 'out for fun' has increased somewhat in the last several years. As a male I feel safer than some of my female friends.]
- Don't go there at night, but have heard from others there are undesirables on the streets.
- Don't know.
- Don't really hang out in that area.
- Drivers.
- Drugs, alcohol, bars, homeless, panhandlers.
- Drugs.
- Drugs??
- Drunk people from the bars.
- Drunker.
- Drunks.
- Drunks.
- Due to numerous reports of people carrying machetes and the number of break ins that I've heard about from friends that live in that area.
- During day ok - night probably not feeling safe in any area in the evening.
- Ever since this city has grown in the last three years, a lot more gangs have emerged and a lot more transients have moved into the city that makes me feel unsafe.
- Feel pretty safe there.
- Feel safer than either of above, but still cycling in traffic is dangerous, and as a woman, I always feel somewhat unsafe walking alone at night.
- Feel safer there than downtown or Riversdale, but I am still cautious.
- Gangs of younger people.
- Have heard about crimes in this area.
- Have to deal with cars.
- Heard it is rougher.
- Heard that Broadway at night isn’t a very safe place to be and that thugs and druggies hang around there a lot at night.
- High concentration of bars, leading to run-ins with intoxicated individuals/groups.
- History of violent crime.
- I am no longer familiar with the Broadway area as I once was.
- I am relatively comfortable walking in the Broadway business area during the day. However, the bars and night clubs along Broadway produce a different crowd at night. Most of these are individuals who are drunk and exhibit unpredictable behaviour.
- I am unsure of the area, as I no longer frequent the Broadway area.
- I do not feel safe in any of these areas.
- I do.
- I don’t feel comfortable during the night walking anywhere. Nothing particular about Broadway.
- I don’t feel safe at night as of the types of people who hang around there at night.
- I don’t feel safe in any old accessible neighbourhoods since the 40’s and 50’s when one could walk or go anywhere and leave your bicycle downtown without even locking it up and it would be on the bike rack when you got back to it from a movie you were attending.
- I don’t feel safe walking in Saskatoon at night in general.
- I don’t know but I feel unsafe.
- I don’t know.
- I don’t like walking at night at all. Never have.
- I feel mostly safe in the day, not in the night, too many undesirable people.
- I feel safe in the anytime at night one is not sure who is out there that may harm you.
- I feel safe on Broadway. The bikers there look after rough racial stuff there after daylight hours.
- I feel the same about the Broadway area. I have had no bad personal experiences but hear a lot of media and other comments that make me feel somewhat unsafe in this area.
- I feel unsafe in this area due to the groups of people hanging out.
- I generally don’t feel too safe at night. I do enjoy Broadway area and on occasion spend time there, but there is many bars located along Broadway and people who are under the influence are frequent late at night around there.
- I have several friends who have been mugged in that area over the past 5 years.
- I think that after hours, it is a gathering place for vagrants, drug dealers, etc. I never go to these areas walking alone or walking at all, so am not sure any of this is correct...just my perception.
- I work for a company that works with former criminals and am quite aware that this is a frequent area that they visit.
- I would never feel completely safe by myself after dark in this area. Just being alone.
- I would walk in the Broadway business area, but not alone. It is always safety in numbers.
- I’m unfamiliar with this territory and there are a lot of drinking places at night.
- In the day time it’s okay. At night; however, I feel there are loads of youths in the city and they’re all over causing trouble. If I had to walk around at night, however, I would rather be in Broadway.
- In the evening, there are many people drinking in the bars and it makes me feel uncomfortable to be around people who obviously have had too much to drink. Groups of young people are intimidating.
- It is fine during the day but has a tendency to get pretty rough in the late evenings.
- It's busy at night with bar crowds. Somewhere to just be more aware of your surroundings and act with a bit more caution.
- It's dark, more people about, who appear to be intoxicated and aimless.
- It's not as bad as the other areas, but I still do see the occasional drunk during the day. I’ve noticed more 'commercial' drug use in the Broadway area, like the hippies smoking weed.
- It's only at night I feel less safe. I do not know this area very well so I would feel uncomfortable walking or cycling at night.
- I've heard about robberies happening there lately.
- Just don't feel safe.
- Just in the evenings, you never know what to expect.
- Just the other night, I was walking around down there, I got approached by numerous people on different occasions asking me for money, smokes, if I wanted to come drink, etc.
- Just too many things happening.
- Lack of visible police presence. Proximity to river area.
- Less people.
- Lots of bars and different kinds of people, not too far away from Riversdale and downtown.
- Lots of bars and drunk/high people at night.
- Lots of bars and events at night, drunk and drugged up people.
- Lots of bars.
- Lots of bars.
- Lots of people hanging around in the night, bars and nightlife scene. Lots of apartments and people moving around the streets.
- Many druggies hang out there.
- More rough looking area. The punk looking kids or emoes as people call them and more skateboarders that zoom pass me.
- More so at night, I wouldn't feel safe walking around this area by myself, maybe with a group I would be okay.
- My daughter was mugged during the Fringe Festival and even though the suspect was identified, no charges were laid.
- Not as bad as the other areas, but as it’s near proximity to downtown, it is also a haven for drug activity and gangs.
- Not at night...too many bars.
- Not much room; doesn't feel open.
- Not so much based on the area, but rather on the time of day. I don't really like being out at night alone in any town/city, regardless of my perception of the safety of the area.
- Not sure of the individuals I come into contact with.
- Not sure.
- Nowhere is safe at night in city.
- Once again, there are some people who are very intimidating and they seem to be more visible at night.
- Once more. [Have you checked the stats?]
- Only at night, and during the day as long as I am on the sidewalk or on a non-busy adjacent street.
- Only at night. I would not walk alone anywhere at night.
- Only during the night and it's because of the bar scene there and some drunk people that get rowdy.
Only in evening, unless with someone. I don't feel safe out on my own in any area in city at night.

Panhandlers.

Partially physical mobility issues make me feel like an easy target.

People begging and garbage diggers.

People don’t pay attention to cyclists.

People drive too fast sometimes.

People who hang around there.

Personal safety - crime, gangs, hoodlums.

Purse snatchers, youth gangs.

Questionable people hang around.

Reports of crime in the area.

Rowdy bar goers.

Same as above, but to a lesser extent. [Lots of undesirable people in that area; higher crime area.]

Same as above. [Drivers are not considerate of pedestrians or cyclists. Very little police presence.]

Same as above. [Mainly due to being accosted by people on the street, e.g., panhandlers, others looking for a handout, etc.]

Same as above. [People have harassed me at night while cycling. I’ve been chased.]

Same as above. [Shady people.]

Same as above. [Too many Indians in groups of 3 and 4 walking the streets in packs.]

Same as above. [You just never know what may happen.]

Same as above. It seems far too many aboriginal youth are around for my safety.

Same as above. [A need for more foot patrols, bike patrols and cruisers.]

Same as above. [It’s not that I don’t feel safe in Riverside business area, it would be the same for any area if by myself.]

Same as Downtown answer. [Gangs and or groups of young people intimidate or attack.]

Same as my answer for downtown, plus Broadway has this reputation against them that only ‘freaks/weirdoes’ hang out there. I don’t agree with this statement, but when you grow up in the city and that’s drilled into you it kind of lingers.

Same as the previous questions. [Again, it depends on the time of day and activity going on. I tend to want to avoid intoxicated people at night. I usually feel safe during the day when there are many people about.]

Same reasons. [Fear of being mugged, harmed, etc.]

Saskatoon is overrun with native gangs who are very dangerous.

See answer to downtown. [The people on the street are there mainly to party. In all areas of the City, it is obvious that alcohol and drug consumption results in other criminal activity. This applies to Riverside, downtown and Broadway etc.]

Seems very unsafe at night.

Seen bad things there too.

Shady characters, crazy drivers.

Some boisterous people depending on time and whether events are on.

Some loitering in the area and questionable behaviour from some individuals.

Some of same as the Downtown answer: Drivers aren’t watching for pedestrians/cyclists at crosswalks and even when the walk light is on and people are crossing, they don’t pay attention or are paying attention but are inching their vehicle forward into the walk while people are still crossing. Cyclists ride their bikes on the sidewalk and I’ve seen near misses between cyclists and pedestrians on the sidewalks, but the right in the heart of Broadway it’s not very safe for cyclists to be on the road because it’s very crowded with two lanes of traffic and parking. Walking on the heart of Broadway is not too bad at night, but once you leave Broadway Avenue, there’s not enough lighting for people to feel safe.
- Some violent crimes against people have happened there. I'd feel ok walking during the day, though.
- Sometimes a lot of people wandering around.
- Sometimes it's really busy around there and there are a lot of different types of people. Some of the people I know have been harassed or pick-pocketed in that area.
- Stories of people getting beaten up.
- Stories of people getting mugged by groups of teenagers, lots of people drunk at night on the weekend, drifters.
- Stories of things that happened.
- Strange people.
- Street kids' have invaded Broadway at night. I have experienced them 'swarming' individuals.
- Street people and panhandlers.
- The amount of bars and have experienced incidents when drunk people will come up and verbally harass you.
- The people that hang out there creep me out.
- The population that hang out there.
- The same as above. [During night it almost looks like a ghost house. Not able to see much people around. But if there are some, most of the time it gives me an impression of some 'gangs' mainly of teenage group, I guess, lingering around with a cigarette in one hand and making fun among themselves and personally, I don't feel safe near by a gang like that all by myself.]
- The skaters and taggers and young people.
- The smell of pot in the air street busking.
- The unknown.
- There are a lot of people and bars and no police presence.
- There are a lot of pubs in that area and sometimes people of all ages under the influence of alcohol can behave erratically or unpredictably.
- There are a lot of sketchy people on Broadway at night.
- There are many people that hang out in this area and there are not any instances on Broadway that I know thus far but the atmosphere on Broadway has a similar feeling as Strathcona in Edmonton does and I'd just as soon stay away.
- There are often sketchy people around at night.
- There are weird people on Broadway and a lot of bars, so there are lots of drunk people at night.
- There is more traffic. When I get out to walk across the street, I make sure that the drivers can see me. Not just here but in any area. It also depends on the time of day and the events happening. Of the three, I think Broadway area would be safest, yet I have seen different activity in each of these areas.
- This I do not go very often and would not go at night.
- This is only at night and mainly because of the bars in the area.
- This is only at night. The types of crowds that develop in and around spots that serve alcohol.
- This night time with the bar traffic.
- Too many drunks at night.
- Too many people getting jumped and beat up in Saskatoon.
- Too many bars in the area.
- Too many beggars.
- Too many drunks outside the bars.
- Too many Indians.
- Too many intoxicated people wandering the streets.
- Too many large groups of people, mostly young, hanging around the numerous bars, walking the street is a balancing act avoiding the groups on the street.
- Too many people milling around
Too many people out on the streets.

Too many reports of people being jumped or approached for no reason. Also, there are a lot of pubs around the area and occasionally you find some drunk person causing a raucous or hassling somebody.

Too many shady people.

Too many strange people hang out there.

Too many unsavoury characters.

Too many weird people over there.

Too many weird people.

Too many weirdoes at night.

Too many young punks in the area.

Too many young punks who think they can do anything they want.

Too much crime.

Too much violence.

Traffic, drivers do not obey rules.

Type of people hanging around.

Type of people wandering around area. All three areas have had violence of one kind or another in them both during the day and night time hours.

Unfamiliar with the area.

Unfortunately, my friend was beaten by a bunch of drunks who were from the bar district while he was closing up from work one evening on Broadway; this is one of the main reasons why I do not feel safe. Maybe more of a police presence in the area would improve that.

Unsure of the area and know that there is drug activity there.

Weirdos.

White trash hippies.

Worry about drinkers. But never had problems in that area.

You never know what might happen.

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

10_1. Walking in Saskatoon at night, I feel safer when...

Bright lights, people walking around and traffic.

I am with someone else, there is sufficient lighting, there are police bikes or police on foot.

I don’t walk at night except to my car in my parking space, which isn’t that safe, as it’s in a downtown busy alley.

I’m with a group, bright lights, more people around in general.

It is a public event - where there are a lot of other people around - for example, fireworks.

Main streets, with other people. Would not walk during the night.

Not alone, obviously...

There are people, traffic, but I have little need to be walking around at night.

Walking at night is not a common activity; however, darkness creates no additional feeling of being unsafe.

12 p.m.

A group of people are with me.

A man is walking with me.
- Accompanied by police.
- Accompanied by someone.
- Accompanied by someone.
- All time.
- Area is well lit and there are people around.
- Areas are well lighted, no persons.
- Areas are well lit and I don’t see the people that are looking like they just were in or about to fight.
- Areas are well lit (3)
- Before dark.
- Carrying a gun.
- Does not apply.
- Don't feel safer.
- Don't know.
- Don't know.
- Escorted by bodyguards? Armed with the chalice of invincibility? I have no idea how to properly answer this question as it is far too vague.
- Events are on and there are lots of people around.
- Everyone is around.
- Group.
- I am accompanied by my husband.
- I am around many people and in high traffic areas.
- I am carrying a gun.
- I am close to home.
- I am friends.
- I am in a familiar area.
- I am in a good neighbourhood and with others.
- I am in a group (11)
- I am in a large group of adults.
- I am in a neighbourhood far from 20th and alphabet city.
- I am in a safe neighbourhood.
- I am in a vehicle. Greater police presence on the street walking the beat would be beneficial.
- I am in a well lit area.
- I am in a well-lighted area.
- I am in a well-lit, populated area.
- I am in a well-populated and lighted area.
- I am in an area I know well.
- I am in an area of the city I know well.
- I am in areas with many other people visiting at the same time at night, or in enclosed areas.
- I am in my lit up neighbourhood.
- I am in my neighbourhood or with my dog.
- I am in my neighbourhood.
- I am in my own area.
- I am in my own neighbourhood (Nutana Park).
- I am in my own neighbourhood, walking with companions or in areas with visible police or security presence.
- I am in my own neighbourhood, with another person.
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- I am with my husband or another male or in my neighbourhood.
- I am with my husband or friends.
- I am with my husband who is more than capable of taking care of the situation.
- I am with my husband.
- I am with my husband.
- I am with my husband or a group of people.
- I am with my husband or friends.
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- I am with my husband.
- I am with my husband.
- I am with my spouse and in downtown during a busy time (not real late in the evening, i.e., midnight).
- I am with one or more people.
- I am with other people and/or see the presents of Saskatoon City Police.
- I am with other people I know.
- I am with other people in well-lit areas.
- I am with other people, or close to my home.
- I am with other people, rather than alone.
- I am with other people.
- I am with others, the area is well lit, and there is a fair bit of traffic.
- I am with others.
- I am with others; there are well lit areas, not near bars, not near groups of obstinate teens (making verbal threats to all who pass them).
- I am with people and stay on the main streets.
- I am with people or my dogs.
- I am with several people.
- I am with somebody and in areas that I feel are safer.
- I am with somebody else.
- I am with someone and in a well-lit area.
- I am with someone and the area is well lit and populated.
- I am with someone else (friends or family).
- I am with someone else and only going to a vehicle.
- I am with someone else on the east side.
- I am with someone else, area is well lit, and there are people around.
- I am with someone else, preferably a man.
- I am with someone else, preferably my husband.
- I am with someone else.
- I am with someone or the sun hasn't gone down.
- I am with someone or there is an event going on.
- I am with someone, or the area is well lit.
- I am with someone.(13)
- I am with someone\public and well lit.
- I avoid the more questionable areas.
- I can park my car closer to where I am going to be.
- I can see police on their bikes or walking.
- I carry an alarm and have a cell phone.
- I do not feel safe walking at night anywhere in the city.
- I do not feel safe walking at night; if there was a large group I would feel somewhat safe.
- I do not go walking at night!
- I do not walk anywhere at night!!!!!!!
- I do not walk anywhere at night.
- I do not walk anywhere at night. If I did, I would walk with someone.
- I do not walk at night.
- I do not walk at night.
- I don't go.
- I don't go beyond my turf.
- I don't go out at night for reasons other than safety.
- I don't go walking in Saskatoon at night!!
- I don't have to be around people who are high/drunk.
- I don't walk at night in areas I don't feel safe in.
- I don't walk at night in Saskatoon.
- I don't walk at night.
- I don't walk at night. Also, I and my friends do not frequent downtown businesses at night either.
- I don't walk in Saskatoon at night.
- I don't walk in Saskatoon at night.
- I don't worry.
- I don't.
- I don't.
- I drive instead.
- I get to my destination.
- I go with friends.
- I have 2 or 3 of my grown sons with me.
- I have a companion.
- I have a company.
- I have a dog.
- I have a friend with me or I’ll drive.
- I have a gun AND police escorts!
- I have a HUGE male walking with me.
- I have a lot of other people with me.
- I have a male walking with me.
- I have a partner.
- I have a purpose or a friend along.
- I have a really big guy with me or I see police around.
- I have company.
- I have my dog and with someone.
- I have my dog with me or am with a large group of people.
- I have my dog with me.
- I have my dog, in well light areas.
- I have my dog.
- I have my dogs with me.
- I have my dogs.
- I have my dogs.
- I have my two German Shepherds with me.
- I have other people with me.
- I have others with me, when I'm in a better area of the city.
- I have some company and people around.
- I have someone with me and am wearing kicking shoes.
- I have someone with me and I am familiar with the area.
- I have someone with me and I'm in a familiar area.
- I have someone with me, and we are in a well-lit, safe area.
- I haven't had a bad day and don't look vulnerable to someone who may be looking for an easy target.
- I just don't anymore.
- I know the police are patrolling the area or aren't far away. When I am with my husband or a large group of people.
- I know where I am headed and where I am.
- I never walk at night is Saskatoon, even with an escort. I have male friends that have been jumped when there were 2 or more together, even.
- I never walk in Saskatoon at night.
- I see a police officer nearby.
- I see a police presence.
- I see a police presents on foot or on bike not a car.
- I see beat cops.
- I see more cops and not bother by unwanted people.
- I see police cars or police officers on foot or bike patrol.
- I see police from time to time.
- I see police patrolling the area. Or when I'm in a group.
- I see the odd police patrol car.
- I stay in the lighted areas of any area.
- I stay on the main streets.
- I walk in my home area.
- I walk with a man.
- I walk with other people or in a well-lit park or trail.
- I walk with someone else.
- I'm downtown.
- I'm in a group.
- I'm in my own neighbourhood of Richmond Heights but I do not walk at nights anywhere in Saskatoon.
- I'm not alone.
- I'm not alone.
- I'm not doing it.
- I'm with a few people.
- I'm with a group of people, can see my surroundings.
- I'm with a group of people.
- I'm with a group or another person.
- I'm with a large group of people.
- I'm with another person.(3)
- I'm with groups, in well-lit areas.
- I'm with my dog, friends or boyfriend.
- I'm with other people.
- I'm with people.
- I'm with someone else.
I’m with someone or it is a well light area.
I’m with someone, or have something with me to defend myself.
I’m with someone.(3)
If accompanied by one other person.
If I am with someone.
I’m a block from my house.
I’m east of the river.
I’m getting closer to home. I generally avoid walking at night in most areas of Saskatoon.
I’m in a car.
I’m in a developed, highly populated area.
I’m in a familiar place. For example, in the neighbourhood where I live.
I’m in a good neighbourhood.
I’m in a group or in an area I know well.
I’m in a group.(3)
I’m in a large crowd.
I’m in a large group and in a good area of town.
I’m in a larger group.
I’m in a store or mall.
I’m in a well-lit area.
I’m in a well-lit area.
I’m in a well-lit, familiar area.
I’m in more crowded or well-lit areas.
I’m in my own ‘hood’.
I’m in my own area.
I’m in my own area.
I’m in my own neighbourhood.(3)
I’m in my yard.
I’m in neighbourhoods in which I spend the most time / am most familiar with.
I’m in well-lit areas or if I’m with someone else.
I’m just taking a walk with my spouse in a residential neighbourhood close to home.
I’m not alone.(6)
I’m on a well-lit, high traffic street.
I’m on busy, well lit streets and in an area I’m familiar with.
I’m on the east side.(3)
I’m traveling with three bikers.
I’m walking with a man.
I’m walking with another person or in a group.
I’m walking with someone else.
I’m walking with someone or on a busy street.
I’m well away from heavy traffic.
I’m with a big dog.
I’m with a group of friends.
I’m with a group of people in high traffic areas.
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- It is well lit.
- It is well lit; well patrolled.
- It isn’t pitch dark.
- It’s cold because there are less people out.
- It’s well lit.(3)
- It’s a well-monitored area with lots of people.
- It’s well lit, presence of other people.
- Lighting.
- Lots of people around...
- Love to carry a big gun. ;) Really does not matter.
- More activity.
- More people are around. The area is well lit.
- My dog is with me.
- My husband and others are with me. I do not go walking at night, only from venues to car.
- My husband is along.
- My husband is with me.(3)
- Near home.
- Never.
- Never.
- No cars are around.
- Not alone, well lit, foot and car traffic.
- Not alone.
- Not alone.
- Not walking.
- On main streets.
- People are about.
- People around.
- Police are monitoring these areas.
- Police are present.
- Police are visible and there are other people around.
- Probably wouldn’t walk anywhere in Saskatoon at night, by myself or with people.
- Public lights are on.
- Several of my friends are with me.
- Several people are walking with me in some areas.
- Someone is walking with me.
- Someone is with me.(6)
- Someone walks with me.
- Somewhere in the day, or well-lit at night.
- Space is lit.
- Street lights are working and bright. No drunk people staggering around loitering.
- Street lights on working and installed.
- Streets are well lit.
- The area has street lights, path lights.
- The area is properly lit.
- The area is well lighted.
- The area is well lit with many people. If I am with someone else. Seeing police patrols makes me feel
The area is well lit.
The area is well lighted and I am with someone.
The areas are more lighted and there is police or more people, normal people around.
The neighbourhood is clean and familiar and well lit.
The north end.
The route is well lit.
The street lights work and I’m in a group.
The streets are well lit and I know the area.
The streets are well lit.
There are a lot of other people walking, cycling and driving, businesses open, good lighting.
There are bright street lights, and other people around.
There are businesses open that I can go into if I need help.
There are houses around with lights on/activity, and lots of street lights. Or when there are public events where the streets are filled with people.
There are lots of other people around.
There are lots of people and obvious police presence.
There are lots of people around and it’s well lit.
There are lots of people around.
There are lots of people good lighting and a police presence.
There are lots of streetlights, businesses open nearby, or security/police are visibly patrolling the area.
There are many people around.
There are many people present and it’s early in the evening.
There are more people around and I am in a neighbourhood I know.
There are more people around and police are present.
There are more people around.
There are more people around.
There are more people in a group.
There are more people on the street and there is more light.
There are more people on the streets. Lighting is sufficient.
There are more than two of us.
There are other people about; well-lit areas.
There are other people around, not necessarily with me, just other people out and about.
There are other people around.
There are other people walking and going about their business.
There are other people walking/biking.
There are plenty of street lights and police foot and bike patrols.
There are police around.
There are police on foot patrol.
There are things open and lots of people around and people in uniform keeping a casual eye on things.
And when I know buses are running.

- There are well lit streets, police/security presence is definitely visible and there are lots of people around.
- There is a cop next to me, which is never.
- There is a group including younger people.
- There is a group of people.
- There is a group of us and it definitely helps if a person sees security people/policemen/women in the area.
- There is a lot of lighting and traffic.
- There is a lot of traffic and am on well-lit streets and roadways.
- There is a police presence.
- There is a police presence.
- There is a sidewalk, lighted pathways, crosswalks with flashing lights and other pedestrian facilities. I also feel safer when the speed limit is lower and/or drivers are not speeding.
- There is a significant amount of public traffic.
- There is a strong police presence or a large number of other people around.
- There is a visible police presence.
- There is adequate street lighting and there are others out walking at night.
- There is either a lot of activity around; people and/or vehicles/ or nobody.
- There is good lighting and I am walking with a larger group.
- There is good lighting and pedestrian traffic, not people just hanging around.
- There is good lighting.
- There is light and people around.
- There is lots of pedestrian traffic and open businesses.
- There is more than one person walking and only in the bright lit up streets.
- There is more traffic.
- There is security checking time to time.
- There is someone with me.
- There is street traffic, or when I am with another person (safety in numbers).
- There is well lighted areas and not group of kids.
- There plenty of street lights.
- There're people around.
- There's a strong police presence (walking, biking, cars), well lighted areas. Also, when there is lots of public activity still going on in the area.
- Traffic is moving, no Indians.
- University.
- Walking in a group.
- Walking in any area.
- Walking in well-lit areas.
- Walking on busier streets.
- Walking with a police officer. Twice an officer joined me partial walk home when I left work late at night to walk my 7 blocks home. Thank you!
- Walking with others.
- We are two or three together with at least one male.
- Well lighted and more people around.
- Well lit, patrolled by police, busy.
- When I am listening to music.
- When I am with a group and not alone.
- When I am with someone else.
- When I'm with someone else.
- When in a group.
- When in a group.
- When there are lights.
- When there are other people around me that I know.
- With a friend.
- With a group of friends.
- With a group of people. (5)
- With a group of people. Don't walk after dark by myself.
- With a group of people. In a well-lit area.
- With a group, in a more public/ busier areas such as open restaurants, etc.
- With a group.
- With a group.
- With another person.
- With my husband.
- With other people in my group.
- With other people.
- With others. (3)
- With someone and lighted area.
- With someone else. (3)
- With someone else. (5)

10_2. There are places in Saskatoon I don't go alone because...

- No foot patrols, bike patrols or police cars.
- 20th Street.
- 20th Street.
- 22nd St, 20th St.
- 7-11 store on 22nd.
- A lot of criminal activities.
- A woman walking alone may be a target.
- A) I am a woman. Every woman must be alert for risk in public; we've all learned that. B) They are places lots of youth hang out, especially at night.
- Afraid of being mugged and assaulted.
- Afraid of gangs.
- Afraid of theft or violence.
- Afraid.
- Anywhere late at night, I do not go walking alone. I feel safer in my car.
- Areas are somewhat suspect during certain hours!
- As a female I feel more comfortable with more than one person.
- At night, I don't feel safe.
- Bad reputation, drug/gang activity, no need to ever go to some places.
- Because I feel it is unsafe to do so.
- Being approached by 'undesirable' persons. I have been verbally abused in the past by a group of
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I am a woman.
I am afraid I will be accosted.
I am afraid I will be robbed or stabbed.
I am afraid of being attacked or assaulted; I don't even go to late shows at the mall or a walk in late evening.
I am afraid of being confronted / physically harmed or beaten.
I am afraid of being mugged or worse.
I am afraid.
I am always with someone.
I am an outsider.
I am aware crime activity takes place and I don't want to put myself in the wrong place at the wrong time.
I am big so it does not matter.
I am cautious.
I am concerned about my safety.
I am concerned for my safety.
I am 'differently enabled' and cannot defend myself from attacks let it be by other people or Mother Nature.
I am familiar where crime does take place.
I am fearful for my safety.
I am fearful of them.
I am getting old and can't run like I used to.
I am insecure.
I am not comfortable.
I am not familiar with the area.
I am scared at night of being assaulted.
I am scared.
I am unfamiliar with the area if assistance is required.
I am worried about my safety.
I am young and female.
I avoid putting myself in risky positions.
I believe it is not safe.
I believe that I really don't belong there, no one knows me. There is no reason for me to be there.
I believe the criminal element is prevalent in certain areas of the city.
I believe there are people or groups in the area who have no regard for human life and may hurt me for no reason.
I cannot think of a place I would avoid just because I was alone.
I certainly would not go walking in the bar area or 20th street at night.
I do not feel comfortable with the people that people in those areas.
I do not feel I could protect myself in the event of an attack.
I do not feel safe to go out at night. I also prefer to stay in at night for other reasons.
I do not feel safe.
I do not feel secure, safe nor am I going to start trusting someone passing me on the street as being safe if I do not know them. I, in fact, drive in my vehicle with my doors locked as I am driving, whether it be day or night.
I do not trust that I'm safe, or would know what to do if something bad were to happen.
I do not want to put myself in an unsafe situation.
I do not want to risk a confrontation.
I don't feel completely safe.
I don’t feel safe.(5)
I don’t need to get hurt.
I don’t the area, I feel unsafe.
I don’t want to get into a fight.
I don’t want to get mugged or raped.
I don’t want to get stabbed.
I don’t believe I belong in those areas and I’m just asking for trouble.
I don’t feel comfortable because of the shady characters (drug dealers, prostitutes, homeless).
I don’t feel comfortable being there as a single female.
I don’t feel safe as a young female alone there.
I don’t feel safe as a young woman walking alone at night.
I don’t feel safe doing so.
I don’t feel safe during the evening or night as some people are out to cause trouble.
I don’t feel safe or I am unfamiliar with the area.
I don’t feel safe, as a single woman.
I don’t feel safe, or don’t wish to place myself at risk whether real or perceived.
I don’t feel safe.(25)
I don’t feel safe. There are too many people hanging around and are very intimidating.
I don’t go looking for trouble.
I don’t go out at night alone or avoid areas I am uncomfortable in.
I don’t have any business to be there.
I don’t have any business to do there or they are too far from where I live.
I don’t know the area or it is too dark.
I don’t know the neighbourhood that well and wouldn’t know where to go or what to do if something bad happened (there are only places I wouldn’t go after dark. During the day, I’d go anywhere in the city).
I don’t know the neighbourhood well enough.
I don’t know the neighbourhood well.
I don’t know the routes.
I don’t know who I will encounter, even during the day!
I don’t like to.
I don’t need anything there.
I don’t need to.
I don’t need to.
I don’t need to. I’m not afraid to go anywhere in Saskatoon alone.
I don’t think it is wise.
I don’t think it safe for a female alone.
I don’t want to be confronted by a group of people because I’m alone and vulnerable.
I don’t want to be hurt, or worse.
I don’t want to be hurt.
I don’t want to be targeted by drunks or street people.
I don’t want to deal with the people begging for money, and I don’t want to be afraid that I’ll be jumped.
I don’t want to die.
I don’t want to get jumped.
I don't want to get mugged or jumped.
I don't want to get mugged or stabbed.
I don't want to get raped or stabbed.
I don't want to risk something happening, especially if my son is with me.
I don't want to take chance.
I enjoy company.
I enjoy company.
I fear for my personal safety.
I fear for my safety.
I fear of any attacks by unknown people.
I fear the criminal element may take advantage of me. For example, grab my purse.
I feel a certain amount of intimidation may occur and I am a small female, older person.
I feel awkward and out of place. Little kids annoy me, so I stay away from any place that caters to them. Movie theaters are also another area where I never go alone because it just seems weird.
I feel I could be attacked.
I feel I could be robbed.
I feel I’ll be attacked.
I feel out of place (e.g., some places on the west side).
I feel somewhat unsafe.
I feel they are unsafe.
I feel too isolated or there are too many unknown people.
I feel uncomfortable with who may approach me. I believe in most instances, the victim knows the assailant, but not in all cases. I would not want to be the 'one instance'.
I feel unsafe and because I am becoming a senior. I will only go out in the day unless I am with someone else.
I feel unsafe in these areas, mostly because of the people.
I feel unsafe or I’m unfamiliar with the area and it is outside of my 'safe zone'.
I feel unsafe sometime.
I feel unsafe。(4)
I feel unsafe. I have attended events in Riversdale at night alone but parked close by and knew the people I was going to be with. I have volunteered in the Riversdale area during the day and was advised not to carry a purse. I parked close by the place.
I feel unsafe; I feel that something bad might happen to me.
I feel very unsafe, and a police officer has told me the safest place at night is at home.
I feel vulnerable.
I go where I wish.
I have a bad, eerie feeling when I’m there. It's a known area for crime, hookers, and drunks.
I have been accosted by natives.
I have family who work in law enforcement and corrections, and I know too much about what goes on.
I have had bad experiences in relation to being hounded for money, being accosted because I did not provide it and general safety concerns.
I have heard of women getting attacked there.
I have no interest in certain places.
I have no need to be there.
I have no need to go there.
I have no need to go to places where I would not be willing to go alone.
I have no need to go.
I have no need to.
I have no need.
I have no occasion to.
I have no one to go with me.
I have no reason to go there.
I hear it may not be safe.
I know better.
I know it is not safe.
I know it's got a reputation of being unsafe.
I know of none.
I know they have a bad history or reputation for crime.
I love to walk and clear my mind.
I may be accosted or panhandled.
I may be attacked or raped.
I may be attacked.
I may be mugged and or assaulted.
I may have a higher chance of being attacked.
I might die.
I never go anywhere alone.
I never go out alone at night.
I never go there.
I never really go anywhere alone.
I perceive a criminal element, be it gang activity, poor bar/night club reputation, prostitute boardwalk, etc., exists in that neighbourhood / part of town.
I perceive it to be too dangerous.
I prefer not to be hassled or challenged.
I prefer to go with someone else.
I pretty much don't like to go to places anywhere on my own except perhaps restaurants.
I think that something might happen.
I typically don't go alone to many places.
I want to live.
I was recently attacked and I'm scared.
I will go anywhere alone if I need to. I just might be careful to be more aware of my surroundings.
I worry about my personal safety.
I worry about my safety.
I worry about our safety and safety of my vehicle.
I worry about safety.
I would be afraid of being mugged, kids being rowdy and threatening.
I would be afraid to.
I wouldn't feel safe.
I wouldn't feel safe at night in some places.
I wouldn't feel safe.
I wouldn't go to Broadway or Riversdale alone at night.
I wouldn't go walking around in Pleasant Hill or Confed on my own at night, but if I was driving, there aren't any places I wouldn't go.
I wouldn't walk down 20th alone at night. Mostly because it is an unfamiliar place for me.
I wouldn't want to chance my safety.
I'm a small female.
I'm afraid to get bothered.
I'm not interested.
I'm scared of getting robbed or annoyed by street people.
I'd amend this; there are places I wouldn't go, but have little or no occasion to go there in the first place.
If anything happened to me, no one would be around to help.
I'll go anywhere alone.
I'm a woman and I'm smart. Don't tempt fate!
I'm afraid of being attacked by gang members.
I'm afraid of being attacked.
I'm afraid of being robbed.
I'm afraid of drunks or unfriendly people assaulting or otherwise bothering me.
I'm afraid of gang activity, and they are too quiet and dark.
I'm afraid to.
I'm cautious.
I'm nervous something will happen.
I'm not as familiar with them as my own neighbourhood or other neighbourhoods that I need to frequently go to.
I'm not that stupid...
I'm not willing to take the chance.
I'm scared of the type of people around.
I'm scared of violence.
I'm scared to.
I'm uncomfortable with the unknown types of people I may encounter.
I'm uncomfortable.
I'm unsure of them.
I'm white.
I'm worried about becoming a crime statistic.
I'm worried someone might try to hurt me or steal something from me.
It is common knowledge that women should not go alone at any time of day.
It is low income and has lots of crime.
It is night.
It is not safe as you will get mugged, beaten up or worse.
It is not safe to walk the streets at night on most of the west side of the city.
It is not safe, too many loiterers.
It is not safe.
It is perceived unsafe.
It is the unknown that is scary and even parking underground at the Midtown Plaza is dangerous.
It is too dangerous at night.
It is too scary.
It is too unsafe.
It is unsafe for a female, especially one with white skin.
- It isn't safe.
- It isn't wise to walk alone.
- It just isn't safe as there is risk of assault, theft, etc.
- It scares me.
- It simply is not wise to put myself in harm’s way.
- It would be foolish to take chances.
- It would be stupid.
- It's dangerous.
- It’s dangerous.
- It’s not safe or wise.
- It's a dumb idea.
- It's after dark.
- It's damn dangerous!
- It's dirty and I’ve heard about crimes and can see sketchy people.
- It's full of gangs.
- It's harder to be aware of my surroundings.
- It's just not smart.
- It's just too darn scary!!! You run the risk of getting stabbed or harassed.
- It's not safe and unwise to do so because of gang activity.
- It's not safe.
- It's unsafe.(4)
- It's weird.

- Know criminal activity.
- Late at night - report of crimes. All areas ok during the day.
- May get robbed.
- Most places and areas at night... I live in Erindale and there are problems there also.
- Most places I wouldn't go alone are mostly because there is no reason for me to go relative to the perceived risk.
- My ex-husband is a police officer and told me that these are high crime areas.
- No such places.
- No, there are not.
- No.(3)
- None.(5)
- Not a good reputation.
- Not enough traffic and visibility.
- Not safe.(3)
- Not true. I go anywhere alone.
- Not true. I'm comfortable anywhere in Saskatoon alone.
- Of a feeling of safety in numbers...and sometimes even the numbers don't help with a safe feeling.
- Of an unsafe environment.
- Of chance of being robbed.
- Of crime and not wanting to become a statistic.
- Of fear of crime.
- Of fear of gangs.
- Of fear of personal assault or robbery. Reports of crime from media.
- Of gang activity in the area.
| Of gang activity.                         |
| Of gang activity.                         |
| Of gang presence.                         |
| Of gangs of people that hang out.         |
| Of gangs.                                 |
| Of groups of young males seem to be hanging around in numbers. |
| Of high crime problems.                   |
| Of high drug use and gang activity.       |
| Of high volume of transients, drug users and gang members. |
| Of increased chance I may be attacked.    |
| Of Indians.                              |
| Of known gang activity.                   |
| Of much crime.                            |
| Of my knowledge of incidents occurring.   |
| Of my worry of being hurt in a robbery kind of attack. |
| Of Native gangs.                          |
| Of news coverage of the area.             |
| Of noise which causes me a lot of confusion at times. |
| Of people hanging around or drinking or arguing. Also, I hear about incidents that have been affected by crime. |
| Of previous bad experiences.              |
| Of reports of high crime rates in the area. |
| Of risk of gang violence.                 |
| Of safety issues                          |
| Of stabbings, muggings, raping.           |
| Of street gangs.                          |
| Of the amount of homeless people or the feeling that they are unsafe because of the amount of crime that you hear on the news. |
| Of the area it's in.                      |
| Of the area.                              |
| Of the bad reputation.                    |
| Of the clientele.                         |
| Of the crime rate and drug presence.      |
| Of the crime.                             |
| Of the danger of being harmed, robbed.    |
| Of the First Nations.                     |
| Of the gang activity.                     |
| Of the gangs and stabbings.               |
| Of the gangs.                             |
| Of the high crime rates.                  |
| Of the high incidence of crime against people. |
| Of the illegal activities.                |
| Of the inhabitants.                       |
| Of the number incidents that happen there on a regular basis. |
| Of the number of violent crimes reported in the area. |
- Of the people hanging out on the streets.
- Of the people in the area.
- Of the people on the streets.
- Of the people that could be there and want to hurt me.
- Of the people that frequent the areas.
- Of the people that hang around.
- Of the people that walk around.
- Of the people who hang out there.
- Of the people you see walking around. Unsaoury characters.
- Of the possibilities of danger.
- Of the punks hanging around.
- Of the reputation of the area.
- Of the riff raff that exists on the street.
- Of the significant risk of being assaulted.
- Of the type of people/gangs/ junkies walking around.
- Of their reputation.
- Of thieves.
- Of thugs in groups.
- Of undesirables.
- Of what I heard from others.
- Otherwise, I would probably get mugged.
- People get mugged on streets because there aren't enough frequent passers-by, Saskatoon has one of the biggest crime rates around, and it is dangerous to come across drug deals (frequent in this city).
- People will rob you.
- Pleasant Hill.
- Poor or insufficient lighting, gangs, drunks.
- Previous crime activity.
- Questionable people hang around and harass passers-by.
- Random street crime is more likely to occur.
- Reports of crime in the news, reputation of the area, and because I don't go many places alone anymore. I've seen how people act, and there are too many crazy, nasty people who wouldn't think twice about harming another.
- Risk of assault, robberies, etc.
- Risk of getting mugged or verbally abused.
- Riversdale area, Chinese restaurants at night.
- Riversdale, 20th Street, 22nd.
- Safety is in numbers.
- Safety.
- Saskatoon has the highest violent crime rate in the country. Stabbings seem to be an epidemic.
- Scared of getting mugged.
- See previous list of losers. Also, we are VERY cautious at night anywhere, even drive-thrus on east side, due to several attacks that have occurred.
- Simply unsafe alone.
- Some areas of the city have more crime rates.
- Some people are not good mostly in downtown.
- Sometimes I go alone depends on what occasion. I'm not afraid to go alone.
- Stabbings.
- Strange people.
- Street activity is dangerous.
- Targeted for being Indian. Drive by yelling. Things thrown at me.
- That seems to be where all the big crime happens. Gangs.
- The area does not feel safe.
- The area has a lot of crime.
- The area is generally unsafe even in a group setting.
- The areas have people that make me feel scared.
- The crime rate is high and it can be very frightening.
- The demographics are intimidating.
- The goings-on with no policing or if they have intervention. The outcome is no resolution for anyone but the perpetrator (who has the upper hand).
- The native gang activity, addicts, homeless, violent youths, drunks.
- The people hanging out in those areas are not the type of people I wish to associate with.
- The people in the neighbourhood are gang members or the homeless are hitting you up for money.
- The people look kind of scary.
- The people that live in the area.
- The people that live/hang out there.
- The perception of troubled areas is strong.
- The police department cannot or will not protect you.
- The potential of being victim of a crime.
- The quality of the people that are living there. Usually low income (welfare) areas.
- The reputation of the area.
- The unknown.
- The west side has a lot of problems and I have no desire to go there, to be completely honest. I would like to go for more walks along the river in the later evening hours, but often don't feel safe.
- There are a lot of bad actors hanging around.
- There are a lot of people wandering around.
- There are all kinds of natives or homeless people.
- There are areas where bad element of folks frequent.
- There are drunks, drug users, and many not working looking for drug and liquor money.
- There are no areas during the day.
- There are no areas I won't go alone. This may have something to do with me being male.
- There are no public spaces I won't go alone.
- There are none except at nights.
- There are not enough street lights, too many drunks/drug addicts.
- There are people who have nothing to lose by committing crimes against others.
- There are questionable people and people who run in packs.
- There are too many crazy people such as gangster types.
- There are too many drunk people and too many natives.
- There are too many scary people walking around.
- There are wandering groups of undesirables.
- There aren't any places in Saskatoon that I go to where I feel like I need to take another person with me.
- There does not seem to be a visible police presence. I did not see the police when I went to River Landing on July 1st weekend. It was so busy and the couple that ended in the river that day were with a group that were all drunk and approached me and left me shaking. I looked for police on their bikes,
but they were not to be seen. PS. The Jazz Festival was still on and the whole area along Spadina was 'crazy' with people...no visible police or security.

- There have been people who have been jumped or robbed in the area.
- There is a high amount of gang activity, drug use and a history of crime there.
- There is a high crime rate.
- There is a higher degree of crime than other areas of the city.
- There is a lot of gang crime, muggings, etc.
- There is criminal activity happening.
- There is more illegal activity going on in that area whether it be the selling of drugs, prostitution or violence.
- There is more likelihood of being approached by someone that could potentially be dangerous or just getting into an unsafe situation.
- There is no place I won't go.
- There is no where I won't go alone.
- There is not enough lighting.
- There is safety in numbers.
- There is the potential for it to be unsafe.
- There is too much danger.
- There isn't anywhere I don't go alone.
- There isn't enough of a police presence in the area to discourage dangerous activity.
- There should not be any places a person is afraid to go. Any area is as safe as you want it to be. Some people like to influence other people to think areas are bad.
- There’s too many crimes around that area.
- There's a chance of getting jumped.
- They are always in the news as places where criminal activity takes place.
- They are boring, e.g., big box malls.
- They are dangerous at night.
- They are extremely unsafe.
- They are known for crime and bad issues.
- They are known to have a high crime rate.
- They are not busy.
- They are not safe at night.
- They are not safe.
- They are not well lit or police patrolled.
- They are poorly lit or have low amount of pedestrian and/or vehicle traffic.
- They are rough areas!
- They are unsafe and dirty.
- They are unsafe at night.
- They are unsafe.
- They are unsafe.
- They are unsafe. People getting attacked.
- They aren’t safe.
- They aren't well lit and there is an increased amount of foot traffic that is sometimes undesirables.
- They don't feel secure.
- They have a high crime rate.
- They have a history of being unsafe.
- They have a reputation for high incidences of violence.
They make me nervous.
They may have higher rates of crime and poverty.
They're unfamiliar.
Threat of being approached.
Too many drunks, addicts, panhandlers.
Too many Indians.
Too many instances of robberies, assaults are happening all over the city.
Too many 'Johns' try to pick me up.
Too many knifings and gangs, robberies.
Too many of today's young people have been taught a sense of entitlement and lack of respect for others. That sometimes translates into victimizing older people verbally, physically or by theft. I don't want to be a victim.
Too many people looking to steal from someone, or use someone unknown to prove something to themselves or someone else.
Too many people with nothing to do but drugs and booze.
Too many people.
Too many tough people just hanging around.
Too many trees.
Too much crime.
Too much gang stuff and hookers.
Too much street crime.
Too much violence.
Too nervous about being approached.
Unsafe.
Unsavoury people about.
Unsavoury people in the area.
Unsure of safety.
Unsure of the area and people.
Unsure of young groups/gangs.
Untrue, I've been in really bad areas alone.
Walking alone as a female can be dangerous.
Walking alone at night anywhere by yourself is just stupid and it just gives people an opportunity to approach you.
West side.
West side.
Why look for problems?
Will avoid any place that young persons congregate.
Worried about my safety.
Would be scared to walk alone, especially at night.
You just never know.
You might get mugged by gangs in some areas of the city.
Young gangs.

10_3. The safest area in Saskatoon is...
Again, I don't share the opinion that one area is safer than the other... I would not go anywhere at
night alone.

- I feel safest where I live, Nutana. It is all relative though as this is where I spend my time and invest my effort into my neighbourhood.
- Lawson Heights, Silverwood, River Heights.
- Most area's on east side, west side away from 20th street.
- North end, east side.
- 20th Street.
- 4th Ave between 22nd and 23rd St.
- 4th Avenue....only because the police station is there.
- 8th Street.(3)
- A friend’s house.
- A place that doesn't really exist.
- A state of mind, in some cases. Throughout my life there have been few places or times when I felt unsafe, or people by whom I felt threatened. I went pretty much where I wished, that was not bold or brass and I just had no desire to get into 'mischief or grief.
- Adelaide/Churchill.
- All newer areas, Dundonald, most areas but 20th and 22nd.
- All over, but some might say the east side is safer than the west side.
- All park.
- An area with which one is familiar.
- An elderly gated community.
- Any of the large malls.
- Any of the neighbourhoods on the outer edge of the city.
- Any one of them at times.
- Anything outside of the core areas. For example: newer residential developments.
- Anywhere as long as one doesn’t act like a target.
- Anywhere but the west side.
- Anywhere during the daytime.
- Anywhere outside the above.
- Anywhere there are a lot of people around.
- Anywhere there are no people around, or anywhere there are lots of people around and where the sober people outnumber the drunk people!
- Anywhere.
- Arbor Creek.(3)
- Area around the 'Willows'.
- Around home.
- Around the police stations.
- Around the Royal University Hospital.
- As above, there are none.
- As of now, part of east side of the city.
- As safe you want it to be.
- At church.
- At home! In my own neighbourhood!
- At home.(4)
- At night, I don't know where that would be. Daytime, outside the core neighbourhoods.
- At the malls.
- Avalon.
- Avondale.
- Briarwood and surrounding areas.
- Briarwood area.
- Briarwood or other suburb type areas.
- Briarwood.(9)
- Briarwood/Lakewood.
- Broadway business area.
- Broadway, but I feel safe in Riversdale since I'm familiar with the area.
- Broadway.(8)
- Broadway/Nutana area.
- Buena Vista.
- Buena Vista.
- By the river during the day or where there is a fair amount of people.
- Can be anywhere.
- Can't pick one; many safe neighbourhoods.
- Can't think of many spots that I don't feel unsafe in.
- Caswell Hill.
- Churchill/Adelaide.
- City Park.
- City Park.
- Close to a police station.
- College Drive, Preston Ave.
- College Park.
- College Park.
- Depends on the age and gender of people visiting and living there.
- Don't know, most areas seem roughly the same.
- Don't know, the 'burbs on the east side I guess.
- Don't know, your house?
- Don't know.(20)
- Don't know. I live in Silverwood and I feel pretty safe.
- Downtown and east side and the north end of town!!
- Downtown around the Bessborough.
- Downtown during day and far residential areas at night.
- Downtown during the day.
- Downtown during the day.
- Downtown, daytime.
- Downtown.(7)
- Dundonald or Park Ridge.
- Dundonald, River Heights, Silverwood.
- Dundonald.(3)
- East and north side.
- East and North sides...
- East College Park.
- East College Park.
- East of the river.
- East Saskatoon.
- East side - Lakeridge, Lakeview, Briarwood.
- East side and university.
- East side in general.
- East side new areas (Willowgrove).
- East side of river, although, I am unsure.
- East side of the city in general.
- East side of the river (3).
- East side or North end.
- East side residential areas.
- East side suburbs.
- East side, well lit, shopping malls.
- East side (34).
- Eastview.
- Erindale, Beechwood.
- Erindale, but only because I’m familiar with it.
- Erindale.
- Erindale.
- Erindale/Arbor Creek.
- Events held within a building.
- Far northeast corner.
- Far West side.
- Farthest east side.
- Fieldhouse.
- Gated communities.
- Hampton Village, Willowgrove, Stonebridge...newer areas.
- Hampton Village.
- Hamptons.
- Hard to say. There are no 'no go' areas during the day. Reasonable care has to be taken when walking at night.
- Heritage/Briarwood.
- Holiday Park because the Hells Angels are here and they don’t put up with stuff happening around their clubhouse.
- Holiday Park.
- Hollister.
- Home (3).
- Hopefully my home?
- I am not sure.
- I believe that the public transit area is very well protected with the security in place.
- I do feel safer if I am on the east side of the river, even though I do realize harm to myself could also happen in these areas too.
- I don’t feel there is just one safe spot.
- I don’t believe there are any. There are some that are better but none that are completely safe.
- I don’t believe this really is one.
- I don’t feel I can name one as many areas are safe.
- I don’t know if there is any ‘safest’ place in Saskatoon.
- I don’t know if there really is a safe place here anymore.
- I don’t know, I feel safe where I live.
- I don't know.
- I don't think any area can be designated as the safest.
- I don't think any area is totally safe, but I would say the east side.
- I don't think one area is safer than another.
- I don't think there is a safest area.
- I don't think there is really any safe place in Saskatoon anymore.
- I feel all areas are about the same.
- I feel it's Dundonald.
- I feel safe in my neighbourhood; I feel safe downtown during the day.
- I feel safe in the north end of the city, which is where I live.
- I have no idea.
- I have no idea.
- I have no idea. I'm sure there are many. Some that come to mind are University, Nutana, Brunskill, S.E. Nutana, Avalon, Lakeview, Willows Housing Area, etc.
- I really have no idea.
- I seem to prefer Broadway.
- I think that you have to be careful everywhere.
- I think the newer areas (my preference is the east side).
- I truly do not know.
- I would guess the newer areas of the city.
- I'm not sure.
- I'm not sure.
- I'm not sure. I know I feel safe here in City Park.
- I'm not sure. I lived in an east side neighbourhood that was safe but it has had its problems with criminal activity as well.
- In and around University.
- In front of the police station.
- In my home.
- In my house.
- In my neighbourhood!
- In the suburbs.
- In your house.
- In your own home.
- In your own house with the doors locked.
- Indoor public facilities such as Cosmo Civic Center, Shaw Center, Lakeview Center, etc.
- Inside my house.
- Inside my own home with the door locked.
- Inside my secure apartment.
- Is my immediate neighbourhood (i.e., within 2-5 blocks of my home)? This applies at night and when alone. If during the day and not alone, I feel comfortably safe anywhere in Saskatoon.
- Is there one?
- Is there one?
- Is there really a safe area in Saskatoon?
- Is there such a thing?
- It depends on the time of day.
- It's all pretty much the same.
- It's all relatively safe before 11 pm, after 11 pm is different.
- Kinsmen Park.
- Lakeridge. (3)
- Lakeview, 8th Street.
- Lakeview.
- Lakeview.
- Law Silverwood.
- Lawson Heights / Silverwood.
- Lawson Heights / Silverwood.
- Lawson Heights and the northwest end of Saskatoon.
- Lawson Heights area.
- Lawson Heights mall area.
- Lawson Heights, Eight St, etc.
- Lawson Heights. (5)
- Let me know and I will gladly move there. But I feel safer in eastside. My kids can play in our neighbourhood and no one verbally or physically attacks them.
- Likely the Willows area, if not the Stonebridge district in general.
- Located on the eastern edge of the city.
- Lots of east side neighbourhoods.
- Major parks during the day and residential malls such as Lawson Heights, etc.
- Lots.
- Many places. This depends not solely on the area but the people who make it unsafe that you can meet in any area.
- Market Mall area.
- Maybe Dundonald.
- Montgomery Place.
- Montgomery. (5)
- Most east side communities.
- Most newer residential neighbourhoods in the city (both sides of the river).
- Most of east side.
- Most of Saskatoon is very safe.
- Most of the city, most of the time.
- Most of the city.
- Most of the east side. (3)
- Most other areas, especially residential.
- Most places around the city.
- Most places in daylight.
- Most places, especially south of river.
- Most places.
- Mostly on the east side of the city.
- Mostly on the east side.
- My area of residence on the east side.
- My area, Avalon.
- My backyard. (4)
- My garden.
- My home in Pleasant Hill Community. :)
- My home neighbourhood.
<p>| My home. (6) |
| My home. I really think you can be safe or unsafe anywhere if you are in the wrong place at the wrong time. Bad things happen everywhere at one time or another. |
| My house and the police station. |
| My house because I wish you try to break in. |
| My house. (10) |
| My neighbourhood (Nutana). |
| My neighbourhood feels best. |
| My neighbourhood, I still feel safe and haven't reason to not believe that. |
| My neighbourhood. (6) |
| My own backyard. |
| My own home. |
| My own neighbourhood where I know people. |
| My own neighbourhood! Brevoort Park. |
| My own neighbourhood. (3) |
| My street. |
| Near home. |
| Newer areas. |
| Newer areas. |
| Newer developments such as University Heights, Willowgrove, etc. |
| Newer, east side areas. |
| No area is really safe. There's too much crime and WAY too much gang activity. |
| No distinction. |
| No idea. |
| No idea. |
| No one place is totally safe due to much gang activity in Saskatoon. |
| No place is any safer than any other. |
| No place is truly safe, crime can happen any place. |
| No safe area in Saskatoon. |
| No safe places. |
| None of them. |
| None. (3) |
| North East quadrant of the city. |
| North east. |
| North end (?). |
| North end (Lawson). |
| North end and most of the east side. |
| North end. (7) |
| North Industrial area. |
| Northeast. |
| Not in Saskatoon. |
| Not sure about that. |
| Not sure if there is one. |
| Not sure really. |
| Not sure, 8th Street. |
| Not sure. (17) |</p>
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<td>Not to be found any more. Crime is everywhere.</td>
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<td>Personally any area of the city is safe one has to be aware of their surroundings and walk without fear and keep in mind your destination and walk directly to it.</td>
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<td>Probably somewhere that has rich houses or along the Meewasin Trail because there are always people on it.</td>
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- Silverwood or Stonebridge.
- Silverwood.
- Small cul de sacs in Eastview.
- Some of the residential areas.
- South east areas.
- Southeast corner.
- Southeast side of city.
- Southeast side of the city.
- Southeast.
- Stonebridge, Broadway.
- Stonebridge.
- Suburban east side.
- Suburban residential areas outside of downtown/core areas.
- Suburbs such as Lakeview.
- Suburbs.
- Suburbs/some parts of the east side.
- Sutherland.
- That is getting harder as the years go by. I used to think it was the east side, but not so sure.
- The airport.
- The area that has the most common sense and respected type folks.
- The area where I live.
- The east side of the city.
- The east side residential areas.
- The east side suburban areas such as Lakeridge, Briarwood, Willowgrove, etcetera.
- The east side.
- The east.
- The eastern suburbs.
- The eastside in suburbs like Erindale or Briarwood or any of them.
- The eastside.
- The far east side.
- The industry parks where only people that are working or have businesses are.
- The malls.
- The new areas like, Hampton Village, Stonebridge and Willowgrove, although I still wouldn't walk alone at night in these areas.
- The new development areas.
- The newer areas of the city, Stonegate, Rosewood, Hampton Village.
- The newer areas. Willowgrove, Stonebridge.
- The newest developed areas.
- The north and east side.
- The north end residential.
- The north end.
- The north end.
- The police station.
- The quiet suburbs.
- The same as all the areas.
- The suburbs – Willowgrove.
The suburbs.
The University area.
The U of S.
The University during the day.
The upper east side.
The Willows residential area.
The Willows.
The University.
There are none.
There aren't any 100% safe areas. I suppose I feel safer around the University and certain crescents in Holliston/Nutana, but I know of incidents that have occurred all over. For example, I feel quite safe on my block in Forest Grove, but our neighbours have been broken into. Conversely, I don't feel extremely unsafe anywhere in Saskatoon.
There is none.
There's crime in all areas, so I don't find any area safer than another.
To be honest with you, there really is no 'safest' area. Over the past several years, many reported crimes from robberies to stabbings to beatings and other crimes have happened in every area of Saskatoon.
Twentieth Street, where I live.
U of S campus.
U of S.
University area.
University campus.
University grounds.
University Heights.
University of Saskatoon.
University.
University.
Unknown as crime doesn't discriminate.
Unknown as there is crime in all areas of the city; it only varies in degree.
Unknown to me.
Unknown to me??
Unknown.
Unsure, most of the newer neighbourhoods seem very safe.
Unsure.
Unsure. Bad things can happen anywhere.
Upscale residential areas.
Usually Erindale/Willowgreen, but there have been many break-ins lately.
Varsity View.
Well lighted streets and parks. Again, not a specific area, all areas have their challenges.
Well lit, populated areas.
Westmount.
Where the people are.
Who knows? I feel safe on 8th street areas.
Wildwood area.
Wildwood, Lakewood.
Wildwood.
- Wildwood? I don't really know.
- Willow Grove or Stonebridge.
- Willow Grove.
- Willowgrove or Silverspring.
- Willowgrove, Briarwood, Rosewood, all far east side of Saskatoon and the North end.
- Willowgrove.(6)
- YWCA area.

10_4. The least safe area in Saskatoon is...

- 20th and 22nd Streets, Broadway area at night, river walk from University to Riversdale.
- 20th, way better than it was but parts are still uncomfortable sometimes.
- 22nd Street, between Avenue H and Whitney Avenue.
- Any area where, as a pedestrian I have to rely upon the intelligence and common sense of motor operators.
- Areas of poverty. More issues related to education, health, drug use, etc.
- Downtown 22nd, 4th to Idylwyld has been a problem for me due to panhandlers and street persons.
- I really don't have an answer for that, all areas are equally unsafe, even Dundonald where I live.
- Probably parts of 20th and 22nd Streets, especially Friday and Saturday late nights.
- The bus mall, parts of 33rd, 22nd and 20th Streets.
- The weekends bring out people and the young people standing around pub corners and 7-11 corners seem very intimidating. My busy alley has a hotel with a pub and the weekends are sometimes very noisy. And the alley itself brings those leaving the pubs, which can be noisy and 'confrontational'...I guess "noisy drunks" would describe them! I would not venture out. There again, POLICE PRESENCE is so necessary as the city is growing by leaps and bounds.
- Westmount, King George area. Anywhere along 20th.
- 11th Street to 22nd Street and Avenue S to Idylwyld Drive. Even downtown area I don't really feel safe either.
- 16th and Ave D.
- 18th - 22nd Street.
- 19th - 22nd between Idylwyld and Confed at night (and I live in Holiday Park!).
- 19th - 22nd Street areas.
- 19th St through 33rd St.
- 19th St.
- 20-22; H-W.
- 20th and 22nd Street.
- 20th and 22nd Streets.
- 20th at night.
- 20th St and Alphabet Avenues.
- 20th St and Ave F.
- 20th St and other inner city areas.
- 20th St area.
- 20th St area.
- 20th St areas and in parks, especially at night.
- 20th St at night (I'm assuming-it looks pretty unsafe with its jaywalkers and classy bars (aka Blue Diamond). Not so safe....
- 20th St W and area.
- 20th St, west side.
- 20th St.(5)
- 20th St., Idylwyld N., to a lesser extent the neighbourhoods around Pendygrasse.
- 20th Street and 22nd Street
- 20th Street and 22nd Street from Ave P, west to Circle Drive.
- 20th Street and area, 22nd Street West, sometimes riverbank at night.
- 20th Street and area.
- 20th Street and Avenue B.
- 20th Street and Riversdale.
- 20th Street area.
- 20th Street around St Paul's Hospital.
- 20th Street at night.
- 20th Street between Ave A and Ave W.
- 20th Street from Idylwyld to Whitney Ave. And also 22nd St. in the same vicinity.
- 20th Street to 33rd Street area.
- 20th Street West and Spadina Crescent.
- 20th Street West.(6)
- 20th Street, by far.
- 20th Street, Idylwyld to Ave P.
- 20th Street, the whole street.
- 20th Street.(22)
- 20th Street/Riversdale.
- 20th Street; Riversdale and Confederation Park, Pleasant Hill and Westmount.
- 20th to 23rd Street, Idylwyld to Circle Dr.
- 20th to 38th from Idylwyld to about Ave P.
- 20th West.
- 20th, 21st Streets.
- 20th, 22nd, Avenue H areas.
- 20th, all along it!!!!!
- 20th.
- 20th.
- 21st/22nd Street area.
- 22nd St and Ave P and surrounding area.
- 22nd St W, where people keep getting hit by cars.
- 22nd St.
- 22nd St.
- 22nd Street and surroundings.
- 22nd Street area on the west side.
- 22nd Street area.
- 22nd Street around Avenue H to P.
- 22nd Street West.
- 22nd Street West.
- 22nd Street, especially around Ave. P.
- 22nd to 11th, Circle Dr. to Ave B.
- 22nd to 19th from Ave A to Ave W South.
- 33rd and Idylwyld.
- 51st.
- A combination of Meadowgreen, Pacific Heights, and Confed. Although I know there is really no 'safe' part of the city.
- A combination of Alphabet streets.
- According to the news, the Pleasant Hill area.
- Again, this depends not on the area, but people who make it unsafe that can be in any area of the city.
- All of the west side.
- All over the gangs are in all areas. You would be a fool to think you could be in one area over another and be 'safe'.
- All the letter avenues.
- Alleys at night.
- Along 20th St.
- Alphabet avenues and 20th to 22nd Street.
- Alphabet City (Pleasant Hill, etc.).
- Alphabet City.(7)
- Alphabet soup.(3)
- Alphabet streets off between Riversdale and 33rd.
- Alphabet streets.
- Alphabet streets.
- Alphabets (mostly around St. Paul’s Hospital).
- Alphabets.
- An area around 33rd Street and Avenue D.
- An area with which one is unfamiliar.
- Any of the Avenues A, B, C areas on the west side.
- Any one of them at times.
- Any place that's very dark and where people have been drinking to excess.
- Anyplace in the alphabet streets.
- Anything on the West side of the city.
- Anywhere at night.
- Anywhere else.
- Anywhere in the 'alphabet avenues' south and parkades.
- Anywhere with letters for avenues, 20th Street, 22nd Street, downtown, Idylwyld and 33rd area, Meadowgreen, Caswell Hill, most of the city.
- Anywhere you are alone and not paying attention to what is going on around you.
- Anywhere you are alone.
- Anywhere.
- Area around 22nd St W.
- Area around St. Paul’s Hospital.
- Area bordered by 20th St up to 33rd between Idylwyld all the way west.
- Areas west of Idylwyld.
- Around 20th Street, especially smaller streets leading off 20th, at night. Back alleys anywhere.
- Around Fairhaven and downtown at night.
- Around night clubs.
- Around St Paul’s Hospital.
- Around St Paul’s Hospital, Ave H South, Ave W-X along 22nd St W.
- Around the hospitals.
- As I said before, from what I hear...Riversdale.
- Ave D to Confed and 22nd South to Gordie Howe Park.
- Avenue A through Avenue S.
- Avenue A to M.
- Avenues between 21 and 19.
- Between 18th and 20th Streets.
- Between 18th St. and 22nd St.
- Between Idylwyld and Circle and the river.
- Between Idylwyld Drive to Circle Drive on 20th St.
- Blocks immediately off 20th and 22nd streets - west of Idylwyld Drive.
- Broadway and Downtown.
- Broadway and Riversdale at night.
- Broadway.
- Broadway.
- By my parking space.
- Caswell area.
- Caswell Hill, Riversdale.
- Caswell Hill.
- City center.
- Close to 20 and Ave P.
- Close to the river where there are few lights.
- Confed Park / Massey Place (at least it was a few years ago, it may be better).
- Confed.
- Confederation area.
- Confederation area.
- Confederation.
- Confederation.
- Core area.
- Core area.
- Core areas.
- Core neighbourhoods on west side.
- Core.
- Depends on the age and gender of people visiting and living there.
- Deserted areas; stroll around St Paul’s Hospital.
- Deserted ones, places where there aren’t businesses open or people keeping an eye on the street, park, etc.
- Don’t know.
- Downtown and 23rd down to 11th Streets.
- Downtown and Riversdale.
- Downtown and Riversdale. Also around St. Paul's Hospital.
| Downtown area. | Downtown at night or 19th/20th St near St. Paul's Hospital and Meewasin Trail behind University that hasn't been well-lit EVER and we've ever wrote to city council about it. It's scary!! |
| Downtown at night.(4) | Downtown away from the Galaxy Theatre area, bus mall. |
| Downtown core and surrounding area. | Downtown during nights. |
| Downtown or 20th St in the evening. | Downtown west. |
| Downtown.(6) | East side. |
| East side. | Exhibition. |
| Fairhaven and Pacific. | Fairhaven area, Ave B to Ave W (S) and Confederation areas. |
| From Idylwyld Drive to Circle Drive, from 36th Street to Holiday Park area. | From Idylwyld to Whitney Ave and 24th St W to 11th St W. |
| H to P, between 20th and 33rd. | I do not know. There are varying degrees of safety in each area. |
| I don't believe there are any least safe public areas. | I don't know.(5) |
| I don't think one area is safer than another. | I have no idea. Avenue P seems to be a bad area at least according to the Star Phoenix. |
| I think Riversdale and surrounding area. | I think Riversdale and surrounding area. |
| I would say along Spadina Crescent or along the trail. I was an avid user of the Meewasin Trail, but no longer do. | I would say between Ave B-P. |
| I would think it would be around 20th St. | I'm not sure. |
| Idylwyld. | I'm not sure, but I would think Riversdale area. |
| I'm not sure.(3) | In public parks. |
| Inner city neighbourhoods at night. | Inner city, Confederation. |
| Inner city, west of Idylwyld. | Inner city. |
| Inner city. | It is a full moon and crazy stuff is happening. |
| It is a full moon and crazy stuff is happening. | Just west of Idylwyld in the Avenues. |
| Likely the 19th and 20th streets area, west of Idylwyld. I suspect that this is the case because of the presence of 'johns' and others involved in questionable social behaviour. | Lawson Heights. |
| Maxwell Crescent. | Maybe around Mayfair. |
- Mayfair area.
- Mayfair.
- Mayfair.
- Meadowgreen.
- Meadowgreen.
- Meadowgreen/ King George area.
- Midtown region in late evening.
- Most of the avenues on the west side.
- Near St. Paul's Hospital.
- No distinction.
- No idea.
- No idea.
- None in particular that I can think of.
- None really.
- North of 20th Street and West of Idylwyld in the Alphabet Avenues.
- Not at home.
- Not just one area - Riversdale, sections of Idylwyld Drive, sections of 33rd Street and part of Confederation Park and Pacific Heights as well as some area in the Sutherland and Nutana areas.
- Not sure - probably Riversdale.
- Not sure area's name - Avenues H to L from 22nd Street to 33rd.
- Not sure.(3)
- Nowhere specific.
- Office towers/bathrooms at night when no one is around.
- On any street between 3:00 am to 5:00 am.
- Or could be anywhere depending on the situation.
- Park trails at night, around bars and nightclubs.
- Parks with groups of kids such as Lakeview.
- Parts of downtown or 20th Street.
- Parts of Riversdale and Pleasant Hill.
- Pedestrian walks.
- Places around Riversdale.
- Pleasant Hill (around St. Paul's Hospital).
- Pleasant Hill / Westmount / Riversdale.
- Pleasant Hill at night.
- Pleasant Hill on 20th from About Ave B to V.
- Pleasant Hill or Mayfair.
- Pleasant Hill, Riversdale and Meadowgreen.
- Pleasant Hill, Riversdale.
- Pleasant Hill, Riversdale.
- Pleasant Hill.(19)
- Pleasant Hill/Riversdale.
- Poorly lit walking paths.
- Pretty much anywhere.
- Probably around 20th St and 22nd.
- Probably around Ave H South and 19th Street.
- Probably Ave P and 20th area.
- Probably non-existent. Any place can be a dangerous place and revengeful anger out of control, vengeful people can be anywhere at any time. Probably times of the month or year are of more consequence than city areas. Ones demeanour and deportment while out and about can be a factor too.

- Probably parts of the west side.

- Probably the older, inner city areas and downtown. Places such as bars, etc. where incidents often occur.

- Riverbank area near Avenue H.

- Riverbank.

- Riverdale / 20th St area.

- Riverdale / 20th Street.

- Riverdale / Pleasant Hill.

- Riverdale and area around St Paul’s Hospital.

- Riverdale and downtown core.

- Riverdale and Holiday Park.

- Riverdale and Mayfair/Caswell.

- Riverdale and Meewasin Trail in Riverdale.

- Riverdale and Pleasant Hill.

- Riverdale and some of the west side.

- Riverdale and the area west of St. Paul’s Hospital.

- Riverdale and the west side - 20th Street area.

- Riverdale and west.

- Riverdale and west.

- Riverdale area at night. Downtown at night when the bars close.

- Riverdale area from Idylwyld to Whitney and from 22nd to 11th St.

- Riverdale area.(7)

- Riverdale at night.

- Riverdale business district followed by downtown McDonalds and Midtown Plaza areas.

- Riverdale but do not look at the most unsafe areas because the criminal activity is mobile.

- Riverdale district, Confed and City Park.

- Riverdale including 20th Street and nearby streets.

- Riverdale or anywhere central west side.

- Riverdale or Caswell Hill.

- Riverdale, 20th Street.

- Riverdale, 20th, 22nd.

- Riverdale, 20th, 22nd.

- Riverdale, and by St. Paul’s Hospital.

- Riverdale, anything in that area, especially 20th St, and anything from 33rd St South, west of Idylwyld.

- Riverdale, Caswell Hill, Meadowgreen, Confederation, Mount Royal.

- Riverdale, Confed, some areas of Fairhaven.

- Riverdale, Confederation Park.

- Riverdale, Fairhaven.

- Riverdale, Pleasant Hill, Holiday Park.

- Riverdale, Pleasant Hill, Westview.

- Riverdale, St. Paul Hospital area, Confederation Mall area.

- Riverdale. (79)

- Riverdale/ 20th Street West.
- Riversdale/20th - 21st Street.
- Riversdale/Holiday Park at night.
- Riversdale/King George area.
- Riversdale/King George neighbourhood.
- Riversdale/Pleasant Hill.
- Riversdale??
- Riverside.
- Seven eleven on 22nd.
- Some might say the west side, but I don't think it is that unsafe.
- South alphabets, 20th Street.
- South alphabets.
- South of 20th St west.
- South of 20th St., and west of Idylwyld.
- South of 22nd Street.
- South of 22nd.
- South side of 22nd St. W.
- Southwest.
- Taylor Street East.
- The 15 block radius around 22nd and Ave. P.
- The 33rd Ave area, as there had been an increase in obvious prostitution and 'legal' massage parlours. I feel the city is turning a blind eye and not addressing the issues that are clearly just moving or expanding from the 20th location.
- The abc avenues between 20th and 22nd.
- The alpha ghetto.
- The alphabet area of the west side.
- The alphabet avenues between 17th St and 23rd St.
- The alphabet jungle.
- The Alphabet Streets from 20th to 22nd St.
- The alphabet streets.(3)
- The alphabet streets/20th street area.
- The 'alphabet' zone.
- The alphabets.
- The area around 20th St.
- The area around Avenue P and 22nd St.
- The area around St. Paul's Hospital.
- The area between and including 20th and 22nd Streets.
- The area including 20th Street around St. Paul's Hospital.
- The area north of Ave H along 22nd and 20th.
- The area west of St. Paul’s Hospital.
- The area with the least community involvement with each other.
- The areas that make me nervous are the bus terminal at Wildwood Mall (especially after school when the teenagers are around), the bus terminal behind Confed Mall at night, Ave W and 22nd Street after dark, Avenue P and 22nd Street after dark, Broadway Business District late at night in the hours just before and after the bars close, and around St. Paul's Hospital after dark... I don't avoid them, but I am more on guard when in these areas, especially if I am alone.
- The core neighbourhood along 22nd St.
- The core neighbourhoods.
- The doctor.
- The Galaxy Theatre, Midtown Mall.
- 'The hood' 22nd - 17th roughly.
- 'The hood' and Pleasant Hill.
- The hood, aka 20th Street between Idylwyld Drive and Avenue W.
- The hood.
- The hood.
- The inner core, 22nd St.
- The poorer neighbourhoods on the west side, not sure of the names. 20th St, 22nd St, 33rd St.
- The Riversdale/Mount Royal area any time after dark.
- The same as all the areas.
- The south alphabets.
- The south avenues, especially between 20th and 22nd.
- The south lettered avenues (B - U South).
- The stroll at night.
- The Transit Mall on 23rd Street.
- The U of S campus.
- The west side (Confed, Dundonald, Fairhaven).
- The west side between 20th Street and 33rd Street from Avenue C to W.
- The west side business district.
- The west side community.
- The west side of downtown.
- The west side.
- The west side/downtown.
- The west; Riversdale or Mayfair.
- There's crime in all areas, so I don't find any area safer than another.
- This week would likely be the Exhibition.
- Those without adequate lighting, does not have to be a specific area, back alleys.
- Toon town.
- Traffic intersections.
- Unable to come up with answer.
- Underground parking.
- Unknown to me. I don't know the city all that well yet.
- Unknown.
- Unknown.
- Unsure, I am a west sider.
- Unsure.
- Vicinity of St Paul's Hospital.
- Walking alone at night in an unfamiliar area.
- West and downtown.
- West of Idylwyld.
- West of the river from 11th Street to 39th and as far west as Diefenbaker Drive.
- West Riversdale.
- West Saskatoon along 22nd/20th Street.
- West Saskatoon.
- West side - between Idylwyld and Ave W and 19th St to 33rd St.
- West side (known as the letters) Avenues A through Z.
- West side 22nd St area.
- West side and 20th Street!! We once lived in the west side and was chased! That was a very scary! Just made it to my apartment door where it locks immediately or they would have got me, 5 guys! Still get goose bumps just thinking of that.
- West side around 19th to 22nd Street in the alphabets, especially from Ave H to Whitney Ave, also around 33rd from Idylwyld to around Ave P.
- West side Ave P – W.
- West side including 20th and 22nd streets from Ave B to the outskirts of the city.
- West side of Saskatoon.
- West side of the city, 20th Street.
- West side of the city.
- West side of the city.
- West side, 20th Street.
- West side, the alphabet, 33rd, downtown, 20th, 22nd.
- West side, though it's moving east as well.
- West side.(29)
- West-end 20th and 22nd Street strips.
- Westside beyond the business area.
- Westside-Pleasant Hill.
- Westview.
- Where most of the crime happens based on the Star Phoenix map, the streets around the vicinity of St. Paul’s hospital. Next would be downtown.
- Wherever an out of control party exists.

### 10.5. Public spaces I enjoy visiting include...

- All the outside pools, all places that hold the big events, jazz, FolkFest, Cruise Night, Fringe.
- Anywhere riverside, Meewasin trails, forested parks.
- Bessborough area near river, Meewasin trail.
- Civic Pools, library.
- Concert venues, Farmers Market, malls, parks, River Landing.
- Diefenbaker park, Exhibition, Kiwanis park.
- Downtown along the river, smaller community parks, university campus.
- Downtown, local parks, mainly in Dundonald.
- Downtown, the river, the parks.
- I like to use the parks, especially along the river.
- Library, Forestry Farm, and parks.
- Meewasin trail, parks.
- Meewasin trail, River Landing.
- Meewasin, parks.
- Mendel Art Gallery, Persephone Theatre, malls, Broadway district, walking along the river, public parks, splash pools and spray parks.
- Mendel Art Gallery, Remai, restaurants, Galaxy Cinema, Roxy theatre, Tim Horton’s, McDonalds, Burger King, etcetera.
- Mendel gallery, parks.
- Midtown plaza, Bessborough park.
- Parks, community centers.
- Parks, riverside.
- Prairieland Park, the University, downtown.
- Public parks, River Landing, Meewasin Trail, Farmers Markets, 2nd Ave Downtown, Broadway, 3rd Ave downtown, Persephone, Roxy, Broadway Theatre, Art Gallery, Outdoor pools, USED TO ENJOY CYCLING AND WALKING ON VICTORIA BRIDGE TO River Landing - have been to River Landing much less since the bridge closed. I used to walk a loop in the evening but the Idylwyld Bridge is not a pleasant bridge to walk across and Broadway is further from our home and just not as convenient for cycling as it has many pedestrians. I am concerned that the new Victoria Bridge will be yet another vehicle bridge with walking and cycling an add on. The old Victoria Bridge felt more like a safe, pleasant walking and cycling bridge. I have seen many such similar bridges renovated in other American and European cities to GREAT success for areas such as River Landing/arts/activity areas. I am deeply concerned over this cities approach to the new Victoria Bridge being yet another vehicle bridge with no regard for future public transit, and encouragement of pleasant, safe places to walk and cycle. Especially linking areas high in active walking and cycling already such as that of River Landing, Nutana, and Broadway, areas already with shortage of vehicle parking.
- Public parks, such as Kinsmen Park, the park near the Bessborough hotel, and neighbourhood parks such as BV park.
- River Landing, Broadway, Forestry Farm, public pools.
- River Landing, Farmers Market.
- River Landing, Mendel Art Gallery and MV trails.
- River Landing, public places.
- River Landing, the weir.
- Shopping, art galleries, museum type architecture or River Landing.
- The parks, such as Kinsman Park, Meewasin Trail.
- 8th St., downtown, the new park(s) by the river, Stonebridge/Briarwood parks.
- Again, daytime and malls.
- All of them.
- All of them.
- All parks, window shopping.
- All the parks along the river.
- All the parks associated with the Meewasin Trail, Mendel, and Broadway area.
- All.
- Almost any place if I am with others.
- Along river.
- Along the river near the Bessborough.
- Along the river.
- Any event or park along the Meewasin Trail.
- Any park.
- Any place along the Meewasin Trail.
- Any summer city events, the river, Parkridge.
- Anything along the river.
- Anything by the river.
- Anywhere in Saskatoon during the day.
- Are the zoo, Kinsmen Park, River Landing (during day) and the horse track.
- Arenas.
- Around the river - any green space.
- Art galleries, churches, riversides, movie theatres, malls, library, etc.
- Art gallery.
- Ball park. Football stadium. Parks.
- Bess Park, ball parks, U of S campus.
- Bess Park, east side park.
- Bess park.
- Bessborough Gardens, Mendel, pier.
- Bessborough Gardens, theatres, malls, any park.
- Bessborough Park, Downtown Area.
- Bessborough Park, Kinsman Park, Meewasin trails.
- Bessborough Park, parks on the east side.
- Bessborough Park (3)
- Bessborough Park; River Landing; the weir and some parks.
- Book stores, Staples, Walmart.
- Broadway (Lydia’s, Stores, Amigos), downtown (Galaxy, Midtown Plaza, Winston’s etc.), art galleries (aka, Mendel, SCYAP, etc.)
- Broadway and downtown.
- Broadway area, downtown, 8th Street, parks, Meewasin.
- Broadway area.
- Broadway, along the river, the Forestry Farm.
- Broadway, downtown, Meewasin Trail.
- Broadway, downtown.
- Broadway, Kiwanis Park, the riverbank.
- Broadway, parks during the day.
- Broadway, parks on the east side.
- Broadway, River Landing, anywhere along the river.
- Broadway, River Landing, Diefenbaker Park.
- Broadway, River Landing, walking trail (by the weir).
- Broadway, trails along the river.
- Broadway.
- Broadway. Many parks.
- Buena Vista park, pools, libraries, campus, Meewasin Trail.
- By the river, Broadway, Kiwanis Park. The zoo.
- By the river, downtown area.
- Centennial Auditorium, Mendel Gallery, library.
- Centre Circle and 8th, east side.
- Circle Center Mall, Market Mall, Galaxy Theatre.
- City parks (Bessborough, Meewasin), downtown.
- City parks, city galleries, the river area, downtown.
- City parks.
- Community centres.
- CUC, TCU Place, River Landing, malls, theatres.
- Delta Bessborough area.
- Diefenbaker Park and the U of S.
- Diefenbaker Park.
- Don't know.
- Don't spend weekends in the city so don't participate.
- Down by the river, downtown.
- Down by the river.
- Downtown mall and river bank.
- Downtown, walking along the river, Farmers Market.
- Downtown and Broadway.
- Downtown area.
- Downtown businesses, Midtown Mall.
- Downtown during the day, parks, trails.
- Downtown only during the day.
- Downtown restaurants and businesses. Public recreation areas such as golf courses.
- Downtown riverbank.
- Downtown Saskatoon, the parks, the Forestry Farm, walking along the river.
- Downtown, Broadway malls.
- Downtown, Broadway, the weir.
- Downtown, Broadway, University.
- Downtown, Broadway, University.
- Downtown, Broadway, various parks and community gardens (mostly in the core neighbourhoods).
- Downtown, Broadway.
- Downtown, business areas on the east side during the day.
- Downtown, by the river.
- Downtown, Farmers Market, River Landing, Broadway, north end where I live.
- Downtown, Kinsmen Park, actually all parks.
- Downtown, Meewasin trails, Mendel Art Gallery.
- Downtown, Meewasin.
- Downtown, River Landing, anywhere along the river.
- Downtown, River Landing, the mall.
- Downtown, River Landing.
- Downtown, river side, any area near water.
- Downtown, riverbank downtown; Farmers Market, Forestry Farm.
- Downtown, the north end of the city, near the university.
- Downtown, University, Grosvenor Park, Kinsmen Park.
- Downtown.
- Dundonald, Willowgrove.
- East and west of Bessborough, University park area.
- East side parks.
- Enjoy the river bank however would like to see the addition of street vendors.
- Everywhere east of river.
- Everywhere.
- Everywhere.
- Ex.
- Exhibition, zoo, Teacher Credit Union, Galaxy.
- Farmers market and parks.
- Farmer's Market, Broadway and the Meewasin trails.
Farmers Market, Kinsmen Park, galleries, museums.
Farmers Market, many parks.
Farmers Market, Meewasin trails, 2nd Avenue, Broadway Ave.
Farmers Market, River Landing.
Farmers Market, the weir.
Farmers Market.
Farmers Market.
Festivals when they are on downtown.
Few.
Forestry Farm, Farmers Market.
Forestry Farm, public pools, University grounds.
Forestry Farm, rinks.
Forestry Farm, River Landing.
Forestry Farm, stores.
Forestry Farm, U of S, Waneskawin, riverbank.
Forestry Farm, Western Development Museum.
Forestry Farm.
Forestry Farm.
Galaxy Theatre, Midtown Plaza, Meewasin trails, Spadina Crescent.
Galleries, Farmer’s Market, special events along the riverbank.
Galleries, parks, shopping mall, library.
Golf courses, Forestry Farm.
Golf courses, Spadina trails.
Golf courses, TCU Place, Credit Union Center.
Golf courses.
Grocery stores and Canadian Tire.
Hockey rinks, entertainment venues, river bank during the day.
I don’t visit many public places, maybe the Farmers Market every once in a while.
Kelsey Park, Bessborough river bank. Many I would like to go and used to, but can no longer navigate as well, not have had the free time to do so.
Kinsmen Park, all libraries, most parks (in the daylight), all malls, Mendel Art Gallery, and the grounds, the weir.
Kinsmen Park, Arbor Creek water park, Downtown River Area, Cameco Ice rink.
Kinsmen Park, Bessborough area, War Memorial Park, River Landing.
Kinsmen Park, Bessborough Park, River Landing.
Kinsmen Park, Diefenbaker Hill, Broadway.
Kinsmen Park, Forestry Farm, River Landing, Diefenbaker Park.
Kinsmen Park, Forestry Farm.
Kinsmen Park, Kiwanis Park, Meewasin Trail and the U of S campus.
Kinsmen Park, Meewasin Trail.
Kinsmen Park, Meewasin trails.
Kinsmen Park, playgrounds...
Kinsmen Park, River Landing and George Ward pool.
Kinsmen Park, Rochdale Park.
Kinsmen Park, the Forestry Farm.
Kinsmen Park, the weir, riverbank, parks.
- Kinsmen Park, the weir.
- Kinsmen Park, Western Development Museum, U of S.
- Kiwanis Park, Meewasin Valley, bike trails, U of S campus.
- Kiwanis Park, walking along the river.
- Kiwanis Park.(13)
- Kiwanis Park. Spading Cr, Forestry Farm.
- Lawson Mall.
- Libraries, parks, malls, galleries, etc.
- Libraries, the river paths, green spaces and paths in my neighbourhood, and 20th Street area.
- Libraries.
- Library or the mall.
- Library, civic centers, parks, Mendel Art Gallery.
- Library, Meewasin Trail along Spadina Ave, the area around Bessborough.
- Library, parks, University campus.
- Library, spray parks, playgrounds, paddling pools, restaurants, parks.
- Library.
- Library.
- Local parks and spray parks.
- Lots of families.
- Lots of people.
- Mall, etc. where lots of people are.
- Malls during the day.
- Malls, coffee shops, restaurants, stores.
- Malls, museums, etc.
- Malls, restaurants, Mendel Art Gallery.
- Malls, river front.
- Malls.(7)
- Market Mall, Kinsmen Park and some other parks, library, church.
- Meewasin park areas.
- Meewasin Park, Kinsmen Park, Sutherland off-leash, Kiwanis Park, school playgrounds.
- Meewasin Park, Kiwanis Park, Forestry Farm.
- Meewasin Park.
- Meewasin Trail by the river, various spray parks with my kids, Kinsmen Park.
- Meewasin Trail in the daytime, not alone; museums; malls.
- Meewasin Trail when I have someone to walk with.
- Meewasin Trail, area around Persephone (during the day) University areas, i.e., Diefenbaker Park.
- Meewasin Trail, Kinsmen Park.
- Meewasin Trail, public parks, golf courses.
- Meewasin Trail, the river bank, Bessborough Gardens, Civic Square (in front of City Hall).
- Meewasin Trail, WDM, Briarwood Park.
- Meewasin Trail.(7)
- Meewasin Trail. All over.
- Meewasin trails along the river, the trails along Silverwood, and Bessborough Hotel.
- Meewasin trails, River Landing... And parks in my area.
- Meewasin Valley Park.
- Meewasin Valley Trail.
- Meewasin Valley, riverbank downtown, Farmers Market, Broadway.
- Meewasin Valley.
- Meewasin Valley.
- Meewasin.
- Mendel Art Gallery (at its present location), Kinsmen Park, Victoria Park, Forestry Farm.
- Mendel Art Gallery, Kinsmen Park, FM Library.
- Mendel Art Gallery, Meewasin trail, shopping on Broadway or downtown, church on Sunday, art exhibitions, University, Farmers Market.
- Mendel Art Gallery, the River Landing, downtown, Broadway, parks around Saskatoon.
- Mendel Art Gallery.
- Mendel Art Gallery.
- Mendel Art Gallery.  Remai Arts Centre.  Any movie theatre.
- Mendel, Kinsmen Park, Marr, zoo, WDM.
- Mendel, parks, tennis courts.
- Mendel; river both sides; zoo; parks.
- Midtown Mall, Centre Mall, Broadway District, Galaxy Theatre.
- Midtown plaza and shops downtown.
- Midtown, Lawson Heights Mall, U of S, Centre Mall, Broadway shops.
- Most mall areas.
- Most parks, civic centres, zoo.
- Most parks.
- Movie theater, mall.
- Movie theaters, malls, stores, soccer fields.
- Museums, art centres, the new River Landing area, during the day.
- Museums, malls, theatres, some parks.
- My local parks in the Lakeview area.
- Near the river.
- Neighbourhood parks, dog walk parks, malls.
- Neighbourhood parks, River Landing, Kinsmen Park.
- New developed river side, few parks.
- No Indians.
- None in particular.
- None really.
- None.
- None.
- Not many.
- Nothing in particular.
- Nutana parks and the river bank.
- Off leash dog parks.
- Park area along Spadina from the Bess to University Bridge.
- Park by St. Joseph's School in particular, parks in general.
- Park spaces by the river.
- Park, Meewasin.
- Park.
| Parks - riverside areas as well as others, walking through neighbourhoods. Have NOT walked Riversdale area, shopping districts. |
| Parks along the river, shopping centres, gym and 2nd Ave and Broadway shopping/coffee shop areas. |
| Parks along the river. |
| Parks along the river. |
| Parks and bike trails. |
| Parks and downtown park area. |
| Parks and Forestry Farm. |
| Parks and malls.(5) |
| Parks and paddling pools. |
| Parks and riverside during the day. |
| Parks and shops. |
| Parks and the MVA areas. |
| Parks and the riverbank. |
| Parks and the riverbank. |
| Parks by the river during daylight hours only. |
| Parks during daylight hours. |
| Parks during the day with my grandchildren. |
| Parks in my neighbourhood and River Landing. |
| Parks in my neighbourhood, downtown, Broadway, Farmer’s Market, riverbank walking trails. |
| Parks in my neighbourhood. |
| Parks on eastside. |
| Parks on the riverbank, Mendel Art Gallery (where it is now). |
| Parks river bank. |
| Parks, along the river. |
| Parks, ball diamonds. |
| Parks, bars, clubs. |
| Parks, Broadway Ave, riverbank. |
| Parks, Diefenbaker Place. |
| Parks, dog walk parks, downtown, Riversdale. |
| Parks, downtown, Farmers Markets, Forestry Farm. |
| Parks, downtown. |
| Parks, library. Galleries, stores. |
| Parks, Meewasin trails. |
| Parks, Meewasin. |
| Parks, Mendel, Persephone, shops and malls. |
| Parks, museums. |
| Parks, pools. |
| Parks, river area. |
| Parks, river bank, U of S. |
| Parks, River Landing, Meewasin, etc. |
| Parks, river paths, River Landing, malls. |
| Parks, riverbank. |
| Parks, shopping malls, TCU Place, Credit Union Centre, skating rinks, ball fields. |
| Parks, shopping, theater, recreation, golf, festivals. |
| Parks, Spadina, bridges. |
- Parks, sports fields, riverbank.
- Parks, spray parks, libraries, malls.
- Parks, stores, etc.
- Parks, the river walking area.
- Parks, the river walkways.
- Parks, the riverside.
- Parks, theatres, shopping malls.
- Parks, trails and festivals.
- Parks, weir, museums.
- Parks, zoo, pools.
- Parks (21)
- Parks/paths by the river, the University, Gabriel Dumont Park.
- Parks/playgrounds, 2nd Ave, Broadway.
- Places that have large crowds.
- Pools, libraries, River Landing.
- Prairieland Park.
- President Murray Park, river bank on the east side.
- Preston crossing shopping area.
- Public library, Farmer's Market, Broadway area. The riverbank.
- Public library.
- Public parks in the day time.
- Pubs.
- Restaurants, shopping centers.
- River area.
- River area.
- River areas, Broadway, Diefenbaker park.
- River bank and zoo.
- River bank area by the weir.
- River bank behind the university, the weir, anywhere near the river on both sides.
- River bank, river crossing, University campus.
- River banks.
- River centre, Kiwanis Park.
- River during the day.
- River Landing and along riverbank.
- River Landing and Bess Park.
- River Landing area and Mendel Art Gallery.
- River Landing during the day, train bridge during the day.
- River Landing during the day.
- River Landing, actually, all along the river. Kinsmen Park!
- River Landing, all along the river on the paths, U of S grounds.
- River Landing, anywhere by the river.
- River Landing, Bessborough Park, neighbourhood parks.
- River Landing, Broadway, and some of the bridges.
- River Landing, Diefenbaker Park, along river by Bessborough.
- River Landing, downtown parks, parks, downtown, Farmers Market, U of S, Forestry Farm.
River Landing, Galaxy Theatre area, Kinsmen Park.
River Landing, Glen Reeve ball diamonds.
River Landing, Kinsman Park, Kiwanis Park.
River Landing, Kinsmen Park at the train and merry go round, the Mendel Art Gallery.
River Landing, Kiwanis Park, Lakewood Park, and other parks.
River Landing, Kiwanis Park, Mendel Art Gallery.
River Landing, Meewasin Trail, Broadway area.
River Landing, Meewasin Trail, several parks.
River Landing, Meewasin Trail.
River Landing, neighbourhood parks, U of S campus.
River Landing, parks, spray parks.
River Landing, parks.
River Landing, Rotary Park, Kiwanis Park, Slimmons Park.
River Landing, soccer fields.
River Landing, Sutherland beach off leash dog park.
River Landing, the bridges, numerous parks, dog off-leash parks and looking at the new bridge being build.
River Landing, the weir.
River Landing, walking along river path, Farmers Market.
River Landing,(12)
River Landing, Forestry Farm, Meewasin Trail.
River Landing, Meewasin trail.
River parks, downtown, shopping malls.
River parks.
River side.
River valley, Farmers Market.
River valley, off leash dog parks, Shaw Centre.
River valley.
River valley/Meewasin Trail, Kinsmen Park.
River walk, Broadway area, Meewasin Trail, any of the park areas.
River walk, Broadway, MVA the whole trail downtown, but don’t like to pay for parking.
River Weir area; Jazz Fest by the Bess.
River, downtown, Forestry Farm.
River, zoo, Mendel, pools.
River.
Riverbank and park south of the Bessborough, Riverbank and Meewasin trail south of the water treatment plant, Meewasin Trail in Victoria Park, Friendship Park, Rotary Park, parkland around the Cancer Clinic, Kinsmen Park, Farmers' Market Square.
Riverbank and parks.
Riverbank area by Bess.
Riverbank near the Bessborough; River Landing.
Riverbank parks all along the river, shopping areas like downtown or Broadway, art galleries, Farmer's Market.
Riverbank parks in my area.
Riverbank Parks, the University grounds, Public Parks, Broadway, and dog parks.
Riverbank parks.
- Riverbank walking trails both sides of the river, downtown malls and shopping.
- Riverbank, biking on the Meewasin trails.
- Riverbank, city parks.
- Riverbank, downtown, University.
- Riverbank, Farmers Market, spray parks.
- Riverbank, golf courses, restaurants, malls.
- Riverbank, libraries, malls, most parks.
- Riverbank, parks.
- Riverbank, parks.
- Riverbank.(3)
- Riverbank. Mendel.
- Riverbank. Parks. Places to bike and walk with my kids.
- Riverfront, dog parks.
- Riverfront, Kiwanis and Kinsmen Park, Mendel.
- Riverside parks, University campus, Exhibition grounds.
- Riverside, Midtown Plaza during day time.
- School parks, bike trails and walking down the street.
- School parks.
- Shaw center, Public libraries, hockey arenas, TCU place, Credit Union Center, Remai Art Centre.
- Shopping centres and parks.
- Shopping malls, libraries, public parks.
- Shopping, parks.
- Some parks.
- Spadina Crescent, Forestry Farm.
- Sporting events.
- Sports centres, parks, shopping centres.
- Sports venues, shopping centres, theatres, and riverbank.
- Spot by the river.
- Spray parks and swimming pools, libraries, shopping centers, Farmer Market.
- Spray parks, Farmers Market, Lawson and Lakewood Civic Centre, Kinsmen Park, malls.
- Spray parks.
- Stores, the riverbank during the day.
- Street fairs.
- TCU Place.
- The Bessborough, Farmers Market, malls, theaters.
- The Broadway theatre and shopping/dining area; the Meewasin Valley Park way; the green spaces in and around the U of S campus; our neighbourhood parks; our art galleries.
- The civic centers, malls.
- The conservatory at the Mendel.
- The East.
- The extensive trail system along the river.
- The Forestry Farm, certain parts of the riverbank.
- The Forestry Farm, Kinsmen Park.
- The Forestry Farm, the library. Long walks south of 11th St. on the river bank.
- The Forestry Farm, the trail by the river, Kiwanis Park, Cumberland Park, etc.
- The golf courses.
- The Huskies, the Blades, anything on the riverbank.
- The libraries.
- The mall and river area.
- The mall, restaurants.
- The mall.
- The malls.
- The Meewasin Trail (daytime) and River Landing.
- The Meewasin Trail, along the river, University campus.
- The Meewasin Trail, nature walks in Wildwood, River Landing.
- The Mendel Art Gallery, TCU Place, the Meewasin pathways.
- The Mendel Art Gallery.
- The Mendel Art Gallery...shall not attend when it moves...River Landing is too busy and I have misgivings about the safety in that area. Some of the summer activities are crowding too many people in for the spaces. Need more restrictions for bicycles being brought in to the functions and people trying to ride them in amongst the crowds.
- The Mendel, Francis Morrison.
- The park by the Bessborough, Meewasin trail.
- The park in Sutherland, Lakeview Civic Centre, YWCA, University Campus, ACT Arena.
- The park, mall.
- The park.
- The parks in my neighbourhood, the Meewasin Trail and the Art Gallery.
- The parks in my neighbourhood; Kiwanis Park, Victoria Park, River Landing.
- The parks, the civic centres, anywhere pretty.
- The parks, the Fieldhouse, skating arenas.
- The parks.
- The parks.
- The parks... I find them peaceful, beautiful and it is one place where pets are usually welcome.
- The river bank along Spadina and the U of S Campus.
- The river bank in the daytime, University.
- The river bank parks, the Mendel, the Forestry Farm, the Meewasin area, downtown, Broadway, Riversdale, Caswell Hill, the Farmer's Market.
- The river bank parks.
- The river bank, Broadway Avenue, and Downtown.
- The river bank.
- The river bank.
- The river banks and parks around the river.
- The river banks.
- The river front.
- The river trails.
- The river weir, the Mendel Art Gallery, River Landing, libraries, public swimming pools.
- The river, downtown.
- The river, Midtown Mall.
- The river, the Mendel, Broadway, the Farmer's Market, Massey Park.
- The river, the zoo, Diefenbaker Park, the Ex.
- The river.
- The river.
- The riverbank along Spadina Crescent.
- The riverbank around the Bess.
- The riverbank parks, trails.
- The riverbank, Meewasin Trails, Downtown, Broadway, parks.
- The riverbank.
- The riverbanks.
- The riverfront.
- The riverside, galleries, theatres, parks.
- The walking trail along the river, Kiwanis park and Gordie Howe Park.
- The weir and River Landing.
- The weir, Bessborough Park, Meewasin Trail.
- The weir, Meewasin trail, neighbourhood parks.
- The weir, parks, golf courses.
- The weir.
- The zoo, Meewasin trail.
- The zoo, parks, outdoor entertainment venues.
- The zoo.
- Theatres, the Mendel.
- Theatres.
- U of S, golf courses.
- U of S.
- University area.
- University campus, River Landing, Meewasin Trail, Kiwanis Park.
- University.
- Unknown.
- Various places.
- Victoria Park. The weir. The sculpture garden.
- Walk along the river.
- Walking along the river, library.
- Walking along the river.
- Walking around the neighbourhood, park by the school.
- Walking by the river.
- Walking by the river.
- Walking in my neighbourhood, east side activities and shopping.
- Walking in the parks.
- Walks all along the river trails, especially at dusk; unfortunately, I don't always feel very safe doing so.
- Wanuskewin Park, civic centres.
- Wanuskewin, Spadina walking trails, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
- Water park.
- WDM and Forestry Farm.
- WDM, Kinsmen park, Mendel Art Gallery, and the River Landing park.
- WDM, Shaw or other aqua facilities, libraries.
- Weir, downtown most of the time.
- Wherever there are more people.
- With someone.
- Zoo, Forestry Farm, Berry Barn, parks, by the river (trail).
10.6. Events in public spaces that I look forward to include...

- Anything on the riverbank, theatre, Festival of Trees, Enchanted Forest.
- Canada Day, Jazz Festival.
- Car shows, the Fringe.
- Community Powwows, Ex, Community BBQ and celebrations.
- Ex parade, Canada Day celebrations.
- Exhibition, FolkFest.
- Exhibition, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Farmers Market, River Landing events.
- Fireworks, Jazz Festival.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan, the Jazz Festival.
- Fringe, Jazz Festival, Taste of Sask.
- I no longer attend e.g. Jazz Fest., Taste of Sask., etc., the crowds make me nervous and I find there is no POLICE PRESENCE. Very much needed. I loved to walk the Meewasin Trail, but no longer do that. As Saskatoon grows, it is very much lacking a very visible POLICE PRESENCE. Those officers on their bikes seem to miss the goings-on, as I have witnessed. Bring back the actual patrol officers.
- Jazz City, Fringe, Fireworks, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan, Taste of Saskatchewan, Wakeboard Festival, Back Alley Antics, Farmers Market, River Landing Arts Festival, Broadway Street Fair, 2nd Ave Street Sale, Ice Cycle, Summer Cycle event, Pride Parade...
- Jazz Fest, Fringe, eat Saskatoon.
- Jazz Festival, Children's Festival, Taste of Sask., Fringe.
- Jazz Festival, FolkFest, Fringe.
- Jazz Festival, Soccer Events in Lakewood.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Fireworks, Fringe.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Ukrainian Day in the Park.
- Many of the street affairs, such as The Fringe and sidewalk sales.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the Fringe, Jazz Festival, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
- Taste of SK, FolkFest, Fringe Festival, Jazz Festival.
- The Fringe, Fireworks to music, air show, the Ex.
- A few question marks about potential violence/harassment.
- A police presence and many people.
- A Taste of Saskatchewan. Parades.
- Activities along the river area downtown. Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Farmer's Market, Saskatoon Ex.
- Activities in the park, FolkFest, street sales (sidewalk).
- Activities in the park.
- All downtown events.
- All festivals.
- All of them, especially downtown events.
- All of them.
- All of them.
- All outdoor daylight programs.
- All sporting activities.
- All the downtown festivals.
- All the festivals, i.e. Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, etc. Farmers Market, events on the riverbank, Canada Day celebrations.
- All the festivals.
- All the summer events.
- Any event held at Kiwanis Park.
- Any festival by the river in the summer, concerts, sporting events.
- Any riverside concerts and events.
- Any.
- Anything by the river.
- Anything in the summer by the river.
- Anything on Broadway. I also like The Fringe and FolkFest.
- Anything on riverbank, concerts, etc.
- Anything on the riverbank.
- Anything.
- Are the Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan, Taste of Saskatchewan, and horse racing.
- Attend few public events. Enjoy going to the Farmer’s Market occasionally and enjoy some parks in the daytime.
- Ball diamonds.
- Ball games.
- Bandstand in Bessborough Park area.
- Being well organized, security, lots of people.
- Bessborough park River Landing.
- Bessborough, Exhibition grounds.
- Bessborough.
- Blues Festival, Jazz Festival, Canada Day, etc.
- Broadway, downtown, Diefenbaker Park.
- By the river, CUC.
- Canada Day at Diefenbaker Park.
- Canada Day, Children’s Fest, Fringe Festival.
- Canada Day.(4)
- Canada Remembers Airshow.
- Car show downtown, Taste of SK. October fest, the Ex.
- Car shows and outdoor concerts that are free.
- Children’s Festival and Fringe Festival.
- Children’s Festival.
- Children’s Festival, Jazz Festival and The Fringe.
- Children’s Festival, Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Fringe Festival.
- Concert in the park.
- Concert venues.
- Concert, food fare.
- Concerts and festivals.
Concerts at Credit Union Center.
Concerts at Credit Union Centre.
Concerts at Saskatchewan Place, Persephone Theatre, Exhibition.
Concerts, art shows, festivals.
Concerts, Exhibition, Taste of Saskatchewan.
Concerts, festivals, and community events.
Concerts, Fringe Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
Concerts, holiday celebrations.
Concerts, movies, social gatherings.
Concerts, movies.
Concerts, river side events.
Concerts, sporting events.
Concerts, sports, festivals, etc.
Concerts.
Credit Union Centre.
Cruise Night, super run, the Ex.
Cruise Night, Taste of Sask.
Cruise Night.
Cruise Weekend...the Ex....FolkFest.
CU Center.
Daytime events in downtown parks.
Daytime festivals, concerts, etc.
Daytime parks and malls.
Do not attend.
Don’t know.
Don’t spend weekends in the city so not sure.
Don’t do that. Don’t like crowds.
Don't know.(3)
Don’t usually go.
Down by the river during the day, CCU, TCU (if with someone).
Downtown along the river.
Downtown events but parking is bad. Otherwise I like Broadway.
Downtown events.
Downtown riverside.
Downtown summer events.
Dragon Boat Festival.
Dragon Boat racing.
Dragon Boats, fireworks, any river activities, Farmers Market.
Enjoy the Jazz Festival.
Entertainment events, fireworks display, Jazz Festival, trade/craft shows, theatre, in the evening I do not go unaccompanied.
Events downtown.
Events in Kiwanis Park or Diefenbaker Park.
Events in parks.
Events in which I may have some interest! (This is a meaningless question!)
Events on the river and in parks.
Everything I enjoy.

Everything.

Ex, Canada Day.

EX, summer events.

Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, Cruise Weekend.

Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan.

Ex.(4)

Exhibition, FolkFest, Jazz Festival.

Exhibition, Fringe, parades.

Exhibition, Jazz Festival, large events at the Credit Union Centre, etc.

Exhibition, Jazz, Taste of Saskatchewan.

Exhibition, Pion-Era, Gordie Howe - Bob van Impe softball complex.

Exhibition, Taste of Sask., parade, Riverfront Sale, Farmers Market.

Exhibition, Taste of Saskatchewan, Ukraine Day in the Park.

Exhibition, Taste of Saskatchewan.

Exhibition.(4)

Exhibitions and performances.

Family fun.

Farmers Market, Fringe Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan.

Farmer's Market, the theatres, Art Galleries, Festival of Lights.

Farmers Market.(3)

Farmer's Market. Jazz Festival. FolkFest. Most riverbank events during the summer.

Farmers Markets.

Festival of Trees.

Festivals (Jazz esp.) Taste of Sask. Fireworks, Ex.

Festivals (Taste of SK, The Fringe, etc.).

Festivals (when I have someone to go with), sometimes concerts, sometimes a movie (if I can afford one).

Festivals along the river.

Festivals and free events.

Festivals and special events.

Festivals in Saskatoon.

Festivals in the park during the summer.

Festivals, Farmers Markets, Cruising Days. Sidewalk sales.

Festivals, music events.

Festivals, theatre, performances.

Festivals.(3)


Fireworks at Diefenbaker Park.

Fireworks Festival.(4)

Fireworks on Canada Day.

Fireworks on the river bank.

Fireworks show, outdoor music, drama, outdoor craft shows. Farmer's Market.

Fireworks, BBQs, Farmers Market, sales, etc.

Fireworks, Ex, Dragon Boats, Taste of Saskatchewan.

Fireworks, Fringe, Cruise Weekend.
- Fireworks, live bands.
- Fireworks, movies in the park, stories in the park.
- Fireworks, Taste of Saskatchewan, Shakespeare on the Sask.
- Fireworks.
- FolkFest! And Taste of Saskatchewan.
- FolkFest, Dragon Boat Races, Santa Parade.
- FolkFest, Ex.
- FolkFest, Exhibition.
- FolkFest, Fringe, Farmers Markets.
- FolkFest, parades, symphonies, hockey games, Festival of Trees, many others.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan and July 01st celebrations!
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Fest, Broadway Street Fair.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival and really anything by the river.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Top of the Hops.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan, The Ex, Farmers Market.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- FolkFest, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- FolkFest, Taste of SK, Jazz Festival, The Fringe.
- FolkFest, Taste of SK, The Fringe.
- FolkFest, Taste of Sk. Sun Dog, Pioneer Days at WDM.
- FolkFest, the Ex, and the Taste of Saskatchewan.
- FolkFest. (11)
- Fringe Festival, Ex, Jazz Festival.
- Fringe Festival, Jazz Festival.
- Fringe Festival, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
- Fringe Festival, Taste of Sask.
- Fringe Festival, The Ex, Show and Shine.
- Fringe Festival.
- Fringe Taste of Saskatchewan Jazz Festival.
- Fringe, Canada Day, Jazz Festival, Children’s Festival.
- Fringe, car show.
- Fringe, Exhibition.
- Fringe, Farmers Market, and FolkFest.
- Fringe, Fireworks Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Fringe, Jazz Festival.
- Fringe, Jazz Festival.
- Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Shakespeare.
- Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival.
- Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan, Shakespeare on Saskatchewan.
- Fringe, The Ex, and FolkFest.
- Fringe, the Ex, FolkFest.
- Fringe, the Ex.
- Fringe.
- Fringe.
- Fun Day in the Park-Sutherland or Kinsmen Park.
- Games, festivals, group activities.
- Games, festivals.
- Going to the swimming pool with my family. Going to a movie.
- Golfing.
- Hockey and baseball games.
- Hockey games, concerts, theatre (plays and drama).
- Hockey games, live theatre.
- Hockey games, the parks.
- Hockey/Lacrosse games.
- Husky athletics.
- I am not sure what this question means. I look ahead to make sure there are no groups of teenagers hanging about in my path.
- I don't know right now.
- I don't know.
- I no longer attend 'events'. I enjoyed going to River Landing, but I have had a bad experience there.
- Jazz and FolkFest. Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Fest (I haven't been here long enough to really have experienced others).
- Jazz Fest, a Taste of Saskatchewan, Show and Shine.
- Jazz Fest, FolkFest, the Ex.
- Jazz Fest, Fringe.
- Jazz Fest, Taste of Saskatchewan, Broadway Street Fair, Downtown Sidewalk Sale.
- Jazz Fest, Taste of Saskatchewan, Sidewalk Sales.
- Jazz Fest.
- Jazz Fest; Children’s Festival; Cruise Weekend.
- Jazz Festival and Blues Festival.
- Jazz Festival and Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival and Taste of Saskatoon.
- Jazz Festival at the Bessborough.
- Jazz Festival events on the river bank near the Bessborough.
- Jazz Festival events, fireworks at Meewasin, Taste of Sask., etc.
- Jazz Festival, car show, flea market, pow wow, Broadway/2nd Ave Street sale.
- Jazz Festival, Children’s Fest. Any other outdoor events.
- Jazz Festival, etc.
- Jazz Festival, FolkFest, etc.
- Jazz Festival, FolkFest, Taste of SK, fireworks.
- Jazz Festival, FolkFest.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe Festival, FolkFest, the Ex.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe Festival, the Ex.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe, drama, symphony, Jazz in the Bassment.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival, Fringe.(3)
- Jazz Festival, hockey games, concerts.
- Jazz Festival, Ice Cycle, Fireworks Festival, Pride Fest, Fringe Festival.
- Jazz Festival, open air concerts, riding a bike.
- Jazz Festival, River Landing and the Mendel Art Gallery right where it is.
- Jazz Festival, Show and Shine, Dragon Boat Races.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Sask.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Broadway Street Fair.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Dragon Boats, etc.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, Fireworks Festival, Exhibition.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan, many numerous running events.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan.(4)
- Jazz Festival, Taste of SK, Children’s Festival.
- Jazz Festival, Taste of SK, Exhibition, FolkFest.
- Jazz Festival, The Ex, Canada Day at Diefenbaker Park, the Fringe Festival, Broadway and 2nd Ave sidewalk sales.
- Jazz Festival, the Ex, theater, golf, walking, Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
- Jazz Festival, the Meewasin skating rink, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival.(13)
- Jazz Festival. Shakespeare on the Sask., the Fringe ...
- Jazz Festival. Taste of Saskatchewan. Any event that is crowded.
- Jazz Festival. Taste of Saskatchewan. Fringe Festival.
- Jazz Festival/Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Jazz Festival; Taste of Saskatchewan; 2nd Ave Sidewalk Sale.
- Jazz, Taste of Saskatchewan, Children’s Festival, Farmers Market.
- Jazz. Zoo. Ex.
- July 1st fireworks.
- Kinsmen Park, River Landing and George Ward pool.
- Kiwanis Park.
- Labour Day celebrations at river walk. Farmers Market, events at Kinsmen Park, Taste of Sask., etc., fireworks.
- Labour Day fireworks, Taste of Saskatchewan, The Fringe, the Ex. I love attending all the events the city has to offer.
- Live music, movies.
- Local bands at local venues, picnics, fitness groups in the park.
- Lots of people, good entertainment and places to sit and enjoy.
- Lunch with friends.
- Marquis Downs, Credit Union Center.
- Morning pancake breakfasts, Taste of Saskatchewan held yearly in Kiwanis Park (is being held now). Public entertainment held in the parks.
- Movie theater.
- Music and arts/ foods festivals.
- Music events sporting events.
- Music festival.
- Music, children activities.
- Music.
- Music.
- Musical concerts, food festivals.
- Musical events, car shows.
- No.
- None as of right now.
- None at the moment.
- None.
- None. All too crowded for the venues. Have a look around...too many people to fit.
- Not really anything right now.
- Not sure.
- Not very many as I don't like crowds.
- Nothing comes to mind.
- Nothing in particular.
- Open air concerts.
- Orchestras, family events.
- Other people in what I am doing.
- Outdoor concerts, like our Jazz Festival or community breakfasts or memorial services.
- Outdoor concerts.
- Outdoor concerts.
- Outdoor music, activities in parks, walking, dog walking.
- Parade.
- Parades.
- Parks, theatres, shopping malls.
- Parks.
- Parks/concerts.
- Pet day in the park.
- Pets in the Park.
- Pion-Era and the Cruise Weekend.
- Pion-Era, Exhibition, fowl suppers in churches.
- Pion-Era. Agricultural events, Gardenscapes, community peak winter festivals.
- Pion-Era. Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Plays, music events.
- Plays, musicals, etc.
- Prairieland Park Exhibition. FolkFest.
- Prairieland Parks Exhibition, Rod and Customs Show, Outdoor Leisure Show.
- Pretty well anything.
- Public washrooms.
- Recreation.
- Riverside walk.
- Riversides.
- Rock band show.
- Rodeos.
- Saskatchewan Place.
- Saskatoon EX, Taste of Sask. Kinsmen day in the park, MS Walk, Farmers’ Markets.
- Saskatoon Ex.
- Saskatoon Jazz Festival, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- Saskatoon sponsored concerts, etc.
- Security.
- Security.
Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
Sidewalk sale, expo.
Sidewalk sale, Jazz Festival.
Sidewalk sale, walking the river and festivals.
Skating Park festival.
Soccer.
Softball games, car racing.
Some light.
Some sort of security/police presence.
Sporting events and occasional concert.
Sporting events.
Sports events, concerts, movies, plays, dining.
Sports events, Fringe, and Jazz Festival.
Street Fairs, the Jazz Festival, Events in Parks, on the river, at the University, Taste of Saskatchewan, arts festivals, and The Fringe.
Summer festivals.
Taste of Saskatchewan. Fringe Festival.
Taste of Sask.
Taste of Sask.
Taste of Sask. Dragon Boats.
Taste of Sask., FolkFest, events at Prairie Park.
Taste of Saskatchewan and FolkFest.
Taste of Saskatchewan and FolkFest.
Taste of Saskatchewan and Ukrainian Day in the Park.
Taste of Saskatchewan!!
Taste of Saskatchewan, and Fringe.
Taste of Saskatchewan, art on the river bank, Jazz Festival.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Broadway Street Fair, anything along the river.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Canada Day.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Children's Festival, The Fringe Festival, the Ex.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Dragon Boat Races, fireworks.
Taste of Saskatchewan, end of summer fireworks, and the other summer festivals.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Ex parade, 2nd Avenue sidewalk sale, car show, Shakespeare on the SK, Fireworks Festival.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Ex, FolkFest, fireworks.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Ex, Jazz Festival.
Taste of Saskatchewan, fireworks at River Landing, Canada Day at Diefenbaker Park, Farmers Market, Cinemas on the river bank, Jazz Festival, Fringe, Exhibition at Prairieland.
Taste of Saskatchewan, fireworks competition, Jazz Festival, Farmers Market.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Fireworks Festival, Fringe.
Taste of Saskatchewan, Fireworks Festival, The Ex, Canada Day.
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Taste of Saskatchewan, fireworks.
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- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest and the Ex.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, and Family Day at the zoo.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Blues Festival, Children's Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Ex.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Fireworks Festival, Canada Day celebrations.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Fringe Festival, sidewalk sale, Fireworks Festival, Canada Day events.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Fringe, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan, etc.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Pets in the Park.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Fringe Festival, Fireworks Festival, Canada Day fireworks.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Fringe Festival, Pride Festival, Wake Ride.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Fest, concerts.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Fest, Wake Ride, Fireworks Festival, and 2nd Avenue sidewalk sale.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Broadway Street Fair, FolkFest, Children's Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Children's Festival ...
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, etc.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Fringe Festival, walking along the riverbank, Saskatoon Exhibition.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, Fringe, FolkFest.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, fun runs.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival, or anything at River Landing/Kiwanis Park.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Jazz Festival.(3)
- Taste of Saskatchewan, other daytime events; don't go downtown at night.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, others.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Jazz Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Shakespeare, Fringe, Exhibition. The Mendel.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, sidewalk sales.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Sporting Events, Jazz Fest.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, The Ex, Canada Day in the park.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the EX.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the Exhibition, FolkFest, The Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the Exhibition, Garden Scape, original sidewalk sale.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the fair, The Fringe, FolkFest, any outdoor activity where there are groups of individuals.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, The Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, The Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, the Jazz Festival, FolkFest, river boat tours.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, theatres.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, trade shows, Fringe Festival, Saskatoon Ex.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Wake Ride, Farmer’s Market.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, Wake Ride, running the river.
- Taste of Saskatchewan.(24)
- Taste of Saskatchewan. Broadway Fringe.
- Taste of Saskatchewan. FolkFest, air show, walking at the Field House.
- Taste of Saskatchewan. Jazz Festival.
- Taste of Saskatchewan. The Ex, etc.
- Taste of Saskatchewan, fireworks in Sept.
- Taste of Saskatchewan; Jazz Fest.
- Taste of Saskatchewan; zoo days.
- Taste of Saskatoon, Exhibition, FolkFest.
- Taste of Saskatoon.
- Taste of SK, Fringe, and Dragon Boat.
- Taste of SK, Fringe, Wakeboard, super run, Cruise Night and other car shows, CUC events.
- Taste of SK, sidewalk sales, BBQ cook off.
- Taste of SK.
- TCU, Prairieland Park.
- TCUP, Spadina River events, Diefenbaker Park.
- The dances at River Landing.
- The event with all the pavilions.
- The Ex and The Fringe.
- The Ex, concerts, hockey games.
- The Ex, FolkFest, and things by the river.
- The Ex, Fringe, Taste of Sask.
- The Ex, sidewalk sales, pride week.
- The EX, Taste of Saskatchewan, any event on the River.
- The Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, Canada Day celebration.
- The Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, Children’s Festival, Jazz Festival.
- The Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, etc.
- The Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest.
- The Ex, Taste of Saskatchewan, Pets in the Park day and free concerts in the park.
- The Ex, the Fringe, FolkFest, the new boat light festival show.
- The Ex.(6)
- The Exhibition and fireworks display at River Landing.
- The Exhibition in Prairieland Park.
- The Exhibition, fireworks, car races, horse racing.
- The Exhibition, the Fringe, Taste of Saskatchewan, FolkFest, Canada Day fireworks.
- The Exhibition.(5)
- The fireworks at River Landing.
- The Fireworks Festival, the Jazz Festival. Races such as the Bridge City Boogie and the Sask. Marathon.
- The Fringe Festival.
- The Fringe, Art in the Park, the Jazz Festival, Canada Day and other fireworks displays.
- The Fringe, car show, fair.
- The Fringe, Farmers Market.
- The Fringe, Jazz Fest, Air Show, and Cruise Night.
- The Fringe, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan.
- The Fringe, The EX, FolkFest.
- The Fringe, the Ex.
- The Fringe, the Exhibition, the market, fireworks, activities on River Landing, Taste of Saskatchewan.
- The Fringe, the sidewalk sale downtown, free activities (yoga) in the park, block parties, street hockey tournaments, the car show, the bicycle festivals.
- The Fringe.
- The Fringe.
- The Fringe. Taste of SK.
- The Fringe; Cruise Night; Taste of Saskatchewan.
- The Jazz Festival and functions of that nature.
- The Jazz Festival, Shakespeare on the Sask., Taste of Sask.
- The Jazz Festival, the Fringe.
- The Jazz Festival,(5)
- The mall, restaurants.
- The occasional concert.
- The ones at Innovation Place or U of S Campus.
- The race track, the river bank festivals.
- The Saskatoon Ex.
- The Saskatoon Exhibition, the Saskatoon fireworks display in September and the air show.
- The summer festivals.
- Things at public parks, like on Canada Day at Friendship Park.
- Things at the museum.
- Too many to mention.
- Unknown.
- Victoria Park, River Landing.
- When they have the old cars. I forgot the name.
- Yearly events.
- Zoo.

11. In your own words, how would you describe...

11_1 Busking

- A person or small group of artists (musician, acrobatic) performing on a street corner hoping for tips.
- A way of asking for money thru entertainment (guitar, singing, etc.).
- Asking for money while performing. (Music, etc.)
- Don't mind if controlled--during Jazz Festival, Fringe, etc.
- Fun, enjoyable and entertaining.
- Licensed sharing of music with the public, in the hopes of making 'tip' money.
- OK, as long as they don't pressure people.
- People playing musical instruments, singing or performing tricks to amuse people and gain funds.
- People who play music, show talents on the streets in exchange for donation.
- That is when they are playing an instrument or singing for money. Whatever, I don't really pay attention nor give money to them.
- Usually, I think of busking as people playing instruments along the sidewalks.
- A bit annoying, but harmless.
- A decent way for people to make some money while showing their talent (I enjoy this when they are
not in my face, and actually have talent to show).

- A good profession which I sometimes enjoy and support.
- A good way for musicians to get some money.
- A great addition to the vibrancy of the city.
- A legitimate occupation.
- A musician playing for donations.
- A musician playing music on the street, hoping people will throw them change.
- A nice touch for the culture.
- A performance on the street - singing, acrobatics. Performer usually asks for money at the end of her/his performance.
- A person providing some entertainment (most often playing music) in a public area with the hope of people donating money to them.
- A person trying to earn money using a talent to entertain passers-by.
- A positive way for musicians to display their talent.
- A reasonable means of income for those who seek the city permit to do so, good entertainment.
- A street performance art business that’s often against city bylaws.
- A street performance for money.
- A vibrant part of our community, especially during events such as the Fringe.
- A way of bringing happiness and interest to the life of the busker and the passer-by who may walk by, stop and enjoy or even toss in some coin. It beats bumming!
- A young entertainer.
- Acceptable.
- Accepted.
- Add positively to the atmosphere of a street, esp. Broadway.
- Adds to the life and dynamic of the city.
- Against the law.
- All right if they aren’t in your path.
- All right if you are a musician and would like to make yourself known and to make extra money.
- All right.
- All right.
- Always the same people, very few of them, though.
- An honest way to make a living.
- An unprofessional person trying to make a living on a street corner.
- Annoying and a nuisance.
- Annoying but not threatening.
- Annoying.(17)
- Appropriate at events.
- As a way to add life to the city streets! I love it!
- Asking for money with entertainment of some type from passing public.
- At least they are making an effort for loose change.
- At least they are working for the money they get.
- At street entertainer.
- Awesome.
- Awesome. I like to see it, support it, and sometimes do it myself.
- Bad.
- Bad.
- Bravo to those who have the courage to do it.
- Busking doesn’t bother me if they’re good and if they don’t stop singing and ask me for money. I frequently drop a Loonie into busker’s guitar cases.

- Busking is an artistic performance in a public location with the hope of financial compensation at the end of the performance.

- Busking is fine when done through the Downtown Partnership.

- Busking is nothing more than a slightly more sophisticated method of panhandling.

- Busking is to perform on the street in the hopes of making money.

- Can add to the cultural feel of a neighbourhood as long as they don’t aggressively approach you.

- Can be annoying, depending on how they are busking.

- Can be entertaining, can be irritating.

- Can be harmless.

- Can do without it, somewhat unsavoury looking characters.

- Completely dependent on the talent, but generally appreciated.

- Cool.

- Crap.

- Creative, I welcome.

- Criminal.

- Deal with real crime.

- Depends on how well they can play/sing.

- Depends on whether or not a person has any talent. Good musicians on the street are a treat.

- Dining or playing music on street corners, etc., having a cap or container to collect donations.

- Do not know what this means.

- Does not bother me.

- Doesn’t bother me, as long as they are not hounding me for money.

- Doesn’t bother me, at least they are giving bad something for the money they are trying to earn. Not like the panhandlers.

- Doesn’t bother me.

- Don’t know what this is. But if it’s the musicians... I like it, they give us entertainment and we give what we can.

- Don’t know.

- Don’t know.

- Don’t care.

- Don’t know as have never seen any.

- Don’t know what it is.

- Don’t know what that is.(7)

- Don’t know what this means.

- Don’t know.(14)

- Don’t like it.

- Don’t like it.

- Don’t like, makes me feel uncomfortable.

- Don’t really care.

- Downtown and liquor stores have way too many.

- Draw business away from the business downtown.

- During summer events this fits as long as it fits the event.

- Enjoy it.

- Enjoy the shows.

- Enjoyable at times.
Enjoyable entertainment.
Enjoyable if buskers are not aggressive.
Enjoyable if the music and singer are good.
Enjoyable provided it is auditioned and approved.
Enjoyable.
Enjoyable.
Enjoyable; if it sounds good (to me). I will stop, listen, and drop some money in.
Entertainers on the street.
Entertainers performing on the street hoping to make some money from people passing by.
Entertainers trying earn extra money.
Entertaining and a good way of seeing some talented individuals; it also livens up the area slightly, if the performance is good.
Entertaining and a good way to give something back to those giving you money.
Entertaining and a nice addition to the street scene.
Entertaining and cultural street entertainment for money.
Entertaining and enjoyable when performed in conjunction with an event (i.e., Fringe Festival).
Entertaining and resourceful people.
Entertaining as long as they’re not harassing anyone. Why not share their love for music while earning some cash?
Entertaining at times.
Entertaining for money.
Entertaining hoping to get money.
Entertaining if not strongly intrusive.
Entertaining in a public space to earn monetary donations.
Entertaining in public for donations.
Entertaining on the street for money like playing music.
Entertaining people for money.
Entertaining really, I don’t mind.
Entertaining the public and hoping to make some money.
Entertaining with music or song in a public area with the hope of being compensated.
Entertaining, and an attempt to earn money for the performers.
Entertaining, cultural, different, artistic, fun.
Entertaining, people trying their skill for patrons.
Entertaining.
Entertaining; I enjoy it.
Entertainment being offered in exchange for a free will offering.
Entertainment for donations.
Entertainment hoping to make money from donations.
Entertainment in public for money donations.
Entertainment on the streets.
Entertainment to make the outdoors enjoyable.
Entertainment.
Excellent activity learning to play an instrument.
Exchanging a talent in public spaces for money.
Fair.
- Fine as long as not aggressive.
- Fine as long as they aren’t too loud.
- Fine by me.
- Fine if they can play an instrument properly.
- Fine in certain places and times.
- Fine.
- Freelance musicians/entertainment...adds to the flavour of the street and city.
- Fun activity to see and listen to.
- Fun and interesting.
- Fun to listen to.
- Fun to watch and listen to.
- Fun, harmless.
- Fun.
- Generally a nuisance, but can be a pleasant break.
- Generally enjoyable.
- Generally entertaining.
- Get a job, quit mooching....
- Get a job.
- Get a real job because you are doing something doesn't mean I have to pay you.
- Get a real job.
- Getting to listen to music (good hopefully) - they are looking for donations.
- Giving a performance for money.
- Glorified panhandling.
- Good for some.
- Good on them.
- Good way to show off your talent and the potential to receive small amounts of cash.
- Good, old fashioned street entertainment.
- Good.
- Great activity.
- Great for atmosphere in the city.
- Great for Fringe Festival.
- Great idea, at least they work for their money.
- Harmless and enjoyable usually, provided I’m not asked for money.
- Harmless entertainment.
- Harmless.(4)
- Have no idea.
- Hippies trying to make a living off some sort of skill or talent they have.
- I actually enjoy buskers and they are not pushy.
- I am sorry, I don’t know what that is.
- I appreciate this. People are doing something to earn some money from passers-by and some are quite good.
- I can ignore them.
- I do not know this term.
- I do not mind.
- I don’t know what this is.
- I don’t know.
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<td>I don't consider these to be 3 separate issues, they are all the same. People with time on their hands trying to find a way to separate me from my money and I consider myself lucky if that's all they want to do.</td>
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<td>I don't see a lot of busking as I don't often go into the downtown area, but as long as they aren't aggressive, I have no problem with it.</td>
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<td>I enjoy good entertainers.</td>
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<td>I enjoy listening to the music and don't mind dropping coins if it is good. These people are harmless, because they don't bother you.</td>
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<td>I quite like it. It is entertaining and I don't mind giving a little donation to someone who is working for their money.</td>
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<td>I think if they don't get in people's faces and allow people to either listen, walk by without asking for money and not block business then it should not be a problem.</td>
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<td>I think it is an okay activity as I can either ignore or partake as well as give or not.</td>
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<td>I think it's great and there should be more of it.</td>
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<td>I think this is OK as long as it is in a public area, not in front of someone's business.</td>
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- I'm fine with it.
- If done well, can be a lovely addition to a summer day. If done by someone smelling of alcohol, dirty, and off key with no instrument - not good.
- If done without harassment, this is fine.
- If not in your face or aggressive, it's okay.
- If the person has genuine talent, it is fine.
- If the sound is good, ok.
- If they are real buskers, not panhandlers, I think they are good.
- I'm fine with busking as long as it does not become a noise disturbance.
- I'm not intimidated by this.
- I'm okay with busking; some of the entertainment they provide is enjoyable.
- Individuals asking for money in exchange for singing, playing, entertainment of some sort.
- Individuals peddling their wares, be it art or other...
- Infrequent.
- Interesting and adds a lot to the environment.
- Interesting and often enjoyable.
- Interesting way for people to make money.
- Interesting, entertaining.
- Interesting (3)
- Irritating, disgusting, threatening, burden on society, etc., etc.
- Is a form of street entertainment where an individual or group of individuals display a talent hoping to get donations from passers-by.
- Is a great way for individuals to show their talents.
- Is a legit way for performers to earn money.
- Is all right because they are honestly trying to make money and it can be entertaining.
- Is better than panhandling.
- Is not a problem as I see it.
- Is ok as long as no harm or distracting to anyone.
- Is okay if they're not begging.
- It adds character to the city but annoying if the busker has NO talent or is excessively loud (or both).
- It can be entertaining or annoying, but I never pay for it.
- It doesn't really bother me unless they can't carry a tune.
- It is nice to see on Broadway.
- It is tolerable.
- It makes me feel sad for them, which makes my day start off emotionally.
- It's good to see few in number.
- It's ok by me. People are at least working for their money.
- It's a way for people to make some money.
- It's fine if it's at least 10 feet away from doorways of businesses.
- It's just there.
- It's OK. Just trying to make a little money.
- It's okay if they have some talent. The ones down at Midtown Plaza usually don't.
- It's okay.
- It's okay. Sometimes I enjoy it.
- Kind of entertaining.
- Kind of quaint in areas like Broadway. As long as they don't seem demanding of money and are respectful for the noise levels.
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<td>Most of the time talented musicians looking to earn extra money. Occasionally, crazy people with only two strings on their guitar.</td>
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<td>Most performers are enjoyable.</td>
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- Not sure how I would describe this.
- Not sure what it is.
- Not sure.(6)
- Not too bad at least it is somewhat entertaining.
- Not too bad, if they are singing or playing instruments it can be entertaining and may stop and listen and donate change.
- Nothing against people wanting to make extra money by performing.
- Nothing to worry about.
- Nuisance.
- Often entertaining; adds to ambiance of public spaces.
- OK as long as they don't push for money.
- Ok at least there is some talent that is enjoyable to watch and worthwhile giving money to.
- Ok at the Fringe.
- Ok at times during the evening but kind of a pain during business hours.
- Ok entering.
- Ok for festivals.
- Ok if controlled and not begging.
- Ok if done properly.
- Ok if good entertainment and not bad for businesses.
- Ok providing they don’t block or make it difficult to enter stores.
- Ok, as long as the music is good and they are respectful to pedestrians.
- Ok, gives a performer confidence playing in public.
- Ok, I guess.
- Ok. Repetitive.
- Okay if person is publicly respectable.
- Okay in some places.
- Okay sometimes.
- Okay when events are on, not always every day.
- Okay within limits.
- Okay, fun.
- Okay, I guess.
- Okay.(18)
- One step above panhandling but at least they provide something in return.
- Only seen once twice.
- Pain in the butt.
- Pain in the...
- Part of certain areas and districts. Not intrusive.
- People actually providing a form of entertainment for cash.
- People entertaining passers-by and accept money for their troubles.
- People performing in a public location to earn money.
- People performing on the street to make some money.
- People performing on the streets for no money.
- People performing some sort of entertainment.
- People playing an instrument for donations.
- People playing bad music badly.
- People playing music for fun and spare change.
- People playing music hoping to get some money from passers-by.
- People playing music on the street.
- People providing some form of entertainment for donations.
- People showing off their unique talents - singing, painting, drumming, playing guitar, juggling, etc.
- People singing or playing music hoping for donations.
- People who are on a corner dressed not too shabbily and performing for money. At least people are DOING something to earn some money. Entertainment is a way to earn money.
- People who entertain and receive financial gifts from watchers who enjoy what they do.
- People who play a musical instrument for money.
- People who play music on the street, and hope to receive money; I enjoy hearing the music they play, but generally don't leave any money. People busking don't bother me at all.
- People who provide some form of entertainment for donations.
- People who are on a corner dressed not too shabbily and performing for money. At least people are DOING something to earn some money. Entertainment is a way to earn money.
- People who entertain and receive financial gifts from watchers who enjoy what they do.
- People who play music or entertain for donation.
- People with TALENT (and preferably a licence) providing good entertainment with an open case for tips.
- Performers playing their trade for donations.
- Performers. We should have areas, like in Victoria, where buskers can get a licence and perform for the public.
- Performing art (music, dictation) for money.
- Performing arts for donations from public.
- Performing entertainment for money.
- Performing for financial benefit.
- Performing for handouts.
- Performing for money.(3)
- Performing in a public space for donations.
- Performing in hopes people will give money.
- Performing art (music, dictation) for money.
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- Performing for money.(3)
- Performing in a public space for donations.
- Performing in hopes people will give money.
- Performing music on sidewalks and other public spaces in the hope of pedestrians paying as they pass by.
- Performing on the street with a dish/container for the chance of earning money.
- Performing on the street, hoping for money but not harassing anyone for it.
- Performing on the streets for money.
- Performing some arts in the street, asking for money.
- Performing to earn money.
- Performing various types of entertainment in public areas with the expectation of cash donations.
- Persons who entreat others just for money.
- Playing a musical instrument/act of entertainment for a donation of money.
- Playing an instrument and accepting tips from passers-by.
- Playing an instrument and singing in public while having a container set out for donations.
- Playing an instrument in a public place for donations into, e.g., a guitar case.
- Playing an instrument in public with a hat, etc. on the sidewalk.
- Playing an instrument or performing for loose change.
- Playing an instrument with the case open for spare change.
- Playing an instrument, sketching or juggling, etc. and wanting money for the service.
- Playing an instrument.
- Playing for money.
- Playing music and having something set out to collect donations.
| Playing music for free and people give donations if they like it. |
| Playing music for money - okay if they have talent. |
| Playing music for money in public places. |
| Playing music for money. |
| Playing music for public enjoyment. |
| Playing music for the benefit of the public. |
| Playing music in a public space, while welcoming donations as a thank you for the entertainment or in support of the talent. |
| Playing music in the hopes of getting tips. |
| Playing music in the streets for money. |
| Playing music on the street for money. |
| Playing music on the street to entertain and make some money by people's offerings. |
| Playing music or other talent for donations. |
| Playing music or providing entertainment in a public place for voluntary donations. |
| Playing music to request money, usually the person is quite artistic and often has another job but is busking for fun/extra income. |
| Playing music, juggling, doing something that is talent and collecting tips. |
| Playing music/instruments for money. |
| Playing musical instruments out on the street. |
| Playing or performing on the street in the hope that passers-by will pay for what you are giving them. |
| Pleasant when it is controlled by the city (busking by license only). |
| Pleasurable, especially during weeks that the buskers are 'licensed'. |
| Providing a form of public entertainment, hoping for donations but not soliciting them. |
| Providing entertainment (usually music) to passers-by with hope of money being donated. |
| Providing entertainment for passers-by for tips. |
| Public performance by one or more individuals for purposes of entertainment which may result in financial reward. |
| Rather entertaining and very enterprising of the busker. I am not bothered at all by it. Whom are they harming? |
| Reasonable and usually heavy only during the Fringe. |
| Reasonable choice of job if the person is talented. |
| Reasonably okay, especially if not in front of a liquor store. |
| Respectable, someone wishing to add culture and music for spare change. |
| Safe and acceptable. At least they are trying to give something in return. |
| Safe, for the most part. |
| Seems fine. |
| Seems to be better now laws have been brought forth to curb hassling the public. |
| Selling goods from a street cart. |
| Sharing talent on the street with the option for people to give money. |
| Should be allowed if you are entertaining for money, that is fine. |
| Should be banned. |
| Should not be allowed close to business entrances but otherwise do not have a problem with it. |
| Should not be allowed. |
| Shouldn't be allowed. |
| Showcasing talent and hoping for donations. |
| Showcasing talent for change. |
- Showing talent for money/donations.
- Singing for money.
- Singing for your dinner.
- Singing or playing music for money.
- Singing/doing another activity for extra money. Not because of homelessness.
- Sitting around playing music and expecting money, even when it sounds horrible.
- Some good entertainment.
- Someone performing on the street for money.
- Someone playing music for money on the street.
- Someone providing entertainment for donations.
- Someone showing talent for money.
- Someone trying to make some money by providing entertainment. At least they show some initiative.
- Someone trying to raise money through a special talent.
- Someone who enjoys entertaining. And likes to be shown appreciation for his efforts.
- Someone who is playing guitar/drums/instrument or singing and has a hat/guitar case open and wants money.
- Someone who is trying to get money in exchange for talent.
- Someone who sings or plays guitar for money.
- Something that takes away from the beauty of Saskatoon.
- Something to do with the Fringe Festival.
- Sometimes enjoyable, sometimes annoying.
- Sometimes entertaining, sometimes hard on the ears.
- Sometimes entertaining.
- Sometimes entertaining. Doesn't really bother me.
- Sometimes entertaining...sometimes irritating.
- Sometimes great, sometimes terrible, often hilarious. Kudos to the people who put themselves out there. I have a personal rule that if I derive enjoyment (including humour) from their playing, I support them. I would like to see more good buskers in Saskatoon; I think it adds character to a social space.
- Sometimes it is quite entertaining.
- Sometimes ok musicians, lots here; however, addicts or lazy people who can't or won't get jobs.
- Sometimes ok.
- Sometimes OK.
- Somewhat entertaining and has some street appeal.
- Sort of fun to look at.
- Street entertainer seeking payment for performance.
- Street entertainers putting on a show.
- Street entertainment soliciting donations.
- Street entertainment which I sometimes enjoy.
- Street entertainment.
- Street musicians performing for money.
- Street musicians playing for spare change. It's okay during Jazz Festival, but otherwise I don't appreciate it.
- Street performances.
- Street performers who do it for a living.
- Street performers.
- Street performers/entertainers looking for handouts/money if you like their music or form of
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<td>Very interesting. I like it.</td>
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<td>Welcome.</td>
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<td>What do you want, a definition? I don't understand your question.</td>
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<td>What people do during the Broadway Fringe Festival.</td>
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<td>When someone is playing guitar or performing, I have the choice to stand and watch and contribute if I want.</td>
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<td>Wonderful to hear...wish they had a bigger forum.</td>
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**11_2 Panhandling**

- Annoying, makes me feel guilty at times.
- Disappointing, sad, I never give them money, no need for it, plenty of help out there for anyone.
- People asking for money on the street, typically associated with homeless people.
- The more panhandling there is the more I think this city should be addressing issues of poverty, education and affordable housing. Outlawing panhandling or hassling panhandlers does not address the issue of why these people must rely on this for income. Also issues of mental health need be addressed.
- A blight.
- A direct request for money.
- A find it extremely annoying as I have been harassed by male panhandlers while trying to enjoy our downtown.
- A general nuisance, especially if they will not accept I have no change as an answer.
- A major annoyance. People don’t need to get in other people’s faces to get money to feed their addictions.
- A major nuisance.
- A means of earning some sort of income when either: a) you have no skills or; b) your situation precludes you from using your skills.
- A nuisance and an eye sore.
- A nuisance by the Midtown mall.
- A nuisance in the downtown area.
- A nuisance, there must be some way to get these people productive in society and earning a living, even if it is picking garbage off the green spaces in town.
- A nuisance.
- A nuisance.
- A person begging for money or food.
- A person or group of people who beg for money, sometimes in an aggressive manner to intimidate a cash 'donation'.
- A person sitting on a curb or park bench asking for money from passers-by.
- A person standing or walking on the street begging for money.
- A sign of the times.
- A sign of the times. Not everyone gets to cash in on the economy boom and as cost of living increases, and without help, the poor fall further behind.
- A sign that we are not doing enough to help street people. A negative thing.
- Acceptable with limited numbers.
- Accepting money from people for no service or goods to offer.
- Actively asking people for money as they pass you.
- Addicts and mentally marginalized people asking for money.
- Addicts harassing for change to use for drugs/alcohol.
- Against the law.
- Aggressive, especially downtown.
- An annoyance and potentially a safety issue when approached.
- An annoying form of begging for money.
- An indigent approaching people for money.
- Annoying and a nuisance.
- Annoying and go get a job!
- Annoying and invasive.
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<td>Annoying; prefer to give money to local charities.</td>
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<td>As a way for people who are struggling to survive to get some spare change. The streets are free public spaces.</td>
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<td>As above. [Irritating, disgusting, threatening, burden on society, etc., etc.]</td>
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<td>As above. There should be work for everybody and everybody should be willing to work or starve. [I don't consider these to be 3 separate issues, they are all the same. People with time on their hands trying to find a way to separate me from my money and I consider myself lucky if that's all they want to do.]</td>
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- Asking for money in return for nothing in a public place.
- Asking for money on the street.
- Asking for money while doing absolutely nothing.
- Asking for money without doing anything to earn it.
- Asking for money without entertaining like sitting in front of a mall on the ground with your hat out.
- Asking for money. (10)
- Asking for money. Wish it didn't exist.
- Asking for spare change.
- Asking or begging for money.
- Asking passers-by for money. (3)
- Asking people for money as they walk by.
- Asking people for money in a public space.
- Asking people for money on the street.
- Asking people for money while on the streets.
- Asking people for money.
- Asking people to give money.
- Asking strangers for money in public places.
- Asking strangers for money.
- Attempting to make money by pushing others to give it to you.
- Avoid areas where this is done, it spoils the downtown experience.
- Bad, annoying, unnecessary.
- Bad.
- Bad.
- Bad. Get approached downtown and on 8th Street day and evening.
- Beggars who lack ambition to work for a living.
- Beggars. Hate it. There are enough social programs in Canada to assist people who are not able to work.
- Begging - approaching someone for donations with a cap out or can or just hand extended out.
- Begging for change, homeless people.
- Begging for drug/booze money.
- Begging for loose change from passing public.
- Begging for money by social misfits.
- Begging for money from passers-by.
- Begging for money in public places.
- Begging for money in public.
- Begging for money or food from strangers.
- Begging for money sitting on the ground with a hat. I hate it. There are so many in the down town area first thing in the morning. There is a lady that stands by the Lululemon store and she needs to be removed. She sounds drunk and is asking for money. It turns me off to see these people especially when you see them all over the city asking for money because they don't have money for food. They need to be removed from the area.
- Begging for money through harassment of the public.
- Begging for money. (20)
- Begging for something.
- Begging on the street.
- Begging or asking for money.
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- Doing nothing, asking for money.
- Don’t agree with it and will not support it.
- Don’t like.
- Don’t agree with it.
- Don’t know. (5)
- Don’t like at all. I believe there are agencies to help people.
- Don’t like being approached for money.
- Don’t like it makes our city look bad.
- Don’t like it when are aggressive.
- Don’t like it. (3)
- Don’t like it. Shouldn’t be allowed!!
- Don’t like it. They can get in your personal space and appear unbalanced mentally which scares me because I don’t know what they might do.
- Don’t like to see it and don’t want to be approached.
- Don’t like, makes me feel uncomfortable.
- Don’t like.
- Down in their luck.
- Emotional blackmail (and sometimes physical intimidation) as a means of earning money.
- Everyone is able to get a job if they try.
- Extremely annoying. (3)
- Feel sorry for some of them, however, have offered to buy them a meal and the offer is often refused! So is it a job or a need for the panhandler?
- Fine so long as they are polite.
- Freeloaders, lazy people.
- Frustrating and intrusive. I used to be employed at a bank and was shocked at the amount of money that panhandlers came in. I think 99% of these people could have meaningful work but choose not to because they can make the same amount of money sitting on a curb.
- Funny.
- Get a job, I have to have one to eat, etc.
- Get a job. (3)
- Get a real job and quit asking me for handouts!!!
- Get away from me.
- Get them off the street.
- Gets annoying.
- Give them a warning and then ticket them the next time.
- Giving money to people on the street who ask for money or play music on the street.
- Go get a job.
- Good for some.
- Good on them.
- Gross.
- Guilt inducing.
- Harassing or bothering people for money without attempting to earn the funds.
- Harassing since they want money for booze.
- Harassing.
- Hardly necessary. If you are young and healthy, get a job. If you are old and decrepit, Social Services.
- Harmless.
- Hate being asked every time I go in or out of the stores.
- Hate it, I find it super annoying.
- Hate it. (4)
- Have referred people to agencies which help.
- Heartbreaking that the supposed lead economy in the country has so much of this. I live and work in central Saskatoon and am familiar with most of the 'regulars' on 2nd Avenue. I support them sometimes, not every time. I also support community organizations like the Food Bank and Learning Centre and Friendship Inn and Canadian Mental Health Association, but understand that every individual faces their own barriers to assistance. I have never once felt intimidated or pressured by the people who ask for change on 2nd and on 21st. I firmly believe that at the root of many people's issues with panhandling is the fact that they are uncomfortable to the point of fear of people who are poor and who struggle with mental health and addictions, not because they've ever actually been personally threatened.
- Homeless individuals begging for money.
- Homeless people asking for money.
- Homeless/migrants asking for money without providing any service or entertainment.
- I am dead set against this. I would prefer if it was outlawed.
- I am very annoyed by them. They should not be allowed to sit downtown by the doors at Midtown or anywhere else.
- I am very thankful for the blessings I have in life. I am happy to give a little to someone less fortunate than I. I realize some are scamming people, but no one lives like that without some kind of losses in life.
- I avoid whenever I can. I do not give to panhandlers.
- I completely go out of my way to avoid them.
- I do not give money, but I have bought food.
- I do not support this. I don't think it should be tolerated.
- I don't know.
- I don't like it when you see them give their friend a 20 out of their pocket or they have a cell phone and I just don’t like it when they have their animals with them, can they really take care of them??
- I don't agree with it but I feel sorry for some of the people.
- I don't agree with it.
- I don't care.
- I don't know.
- I don't let panhandlers irritate me as I totally ignore them; although, when they openly 'ask' for change, I feel they result in giving areas downtown a poor image. As long as I don't have to step around them or their dog or whatever, I can totally ignore them.
- I don't like because some of the people panhandling are downright rude or are on something.
- I don't like it.
- I don't like it.
- I don't like it. There needs to be enough support services set up so people don't need to panhandle.
- I don't like to be asked for money.
- I don't like to be harassed for money. Some are very pushy.
- I don't notice this a lot.
- I feel bad for some of the folks panhandling. They are living on the street and have no other means of support. There are others that can't make ends meet because of the paltry payments they receive from Social Services, and then there's the folks who are just trying to get enough for another fix (drugs or alcohol). The panhandlers downtown are annoying, and I am tired of being 'hit-up' by the same people on an almost daily basis. Most of the ones I run into are polite and don't harass you if you don't give them anything.
| I feel most panhandlers could have a fulltime job, but are too lazy to find one. |
| I generally don't give money to them, but understand their need to do it. I don't like when they approach me, because they can get aggressive. |
| I hate it and it scares me. I would think that some of the agencies would step up and help these people. |
| I hate it. |
| I HATE it. I worked 2 jobs while raising kids on my own and I’ll be damned if I'm going to hand over hard earned money to someone too lazy to get a job and likely will blow it on cigarettes and booze! It should not be allowed within city limits. |
| I have misgivings because I always feel I should give something, because I cannot judge their situation. They may be on the street or have low incomes. |
| I have to dodge these lowlifes every day on my way to do the bank deposit. Get rid of them. |
| I ignore them. |
| I ignore. |
| I just think they should get a job. |
| I never give money, but will give food or drinks. |
| I never give to panhandlers. |
| I really have not seen much of it but I have heard it is horrendous downtown by the Midtown Plaza. It is really scary being approached by someone asking for money. |
| I think it is a growing problem and there should be more of an effort to get them off the streets. |
| I think it is not right, I’m not going to give my hard earned money to someone who just sit there all day with a sign 'I need food' everyone has to start somewhere; go flip burgers. |
| If we were not living in a selfish, capitalistic world, and everyone’s basic needs were taken care of, there would be no pan handling. |
| Illegal and a pain in the neck. |
| In most cases, this is someone trying to get money without working. |
| Inappropriate and displeasing. |
| Indigent people who hope to receive money from passers-by. |
| Infrequent. |
| Intimidating. |
| Irritating as there are lots of resources out there. |
| Irritating, especially downtown near Midtown Plaza. |
| Irritating, most of them are lazy but a some aren’t given a chance at a job because of prejudice. |
| Irritating, unless they have a clever way to get my change. |
| Irritating.(3) |
| Irritating. If you have time to sit on your duff and beg for money, you have time to go and get a job. There are lots of help wanted signs out there. And if I had spare change, I’d put it in my kid's piggy banks, not your grubby hands for cigarettes and coffee. |
| Is a pain to everybody. There are enough jobs out there. |
| Is annoying sometimes because I feel most of the beggars are able to work and make money. |
| Is offensive because of the aggressive, in your face nature. |
| Is something I will not support. |
| It disgusts me as most of these people are smoking or have a big dog with them, I think they could actually work if they wanted to. |
| It does look bad, and is kind of disgusting. |
| It is begging...get rid of them. |
| It is sad. I would like it if they were given a job by the city. |
| It reflects negatively on the experience and is annoying if they are aggressive. |
| It should be banned. |
- It should not be allowed by the mall entrances as it intimidates children and also gives them ideas on how they could make a fast buck.
- It should not be allowed in downtown Saskatoon. I am tired of always being asked for money when I'm walking.
- It's a nuisance.
- Just asking for things and money.
- Lazy man's way of getting money.
- Lazy useless people.
- Locating yourself in a busy public area and asking for money.
- Looking for handouts.
- Looking for handouts.
- Major pain.
- Makes me uncomfortable when I try to get somewhere and I encounter panhandlers.
- Makes me uncomfortable.
- Makes me very uncomfortable and I would take a different route if I can get out of going by someone who is panhandling.
- Makes the city less appealing to visitors.
- Makes things difficult when trying to reach your destination pretty much anywhere I have encountered.
- Many panhandlers simply sit with their hat or whatever and ask for a handout; others can be quite demanding. I do not give money to panhandlers. At my age, I can still handle these types, but I have seen them almost demand older people give them money.
- Mental health issues.
- Mildly annoying as I walk by.
- Minor irritant.
- More annoying.
- Most are as above mentioned.
- Most hated thing.
- Much the same as above. Don't annoy people.
- Must be stopped. I have watched elderly citizens of Saskatoon being approached and very frightened.
- Must stop.
- Necessary for some.
- Necessary.
- Needs to go away.
- Needy people trying to scrape by.
- No need for it, there's welfare, social systems, etc... People need to get off their lazy butts!!
- No objection is polite.
- No objection provided the person does not harass.
- No opinion.
- No problem as long as the person does not move or speak.
- No worse than giving to a charity except the person panhandling gets to keep all the money.
- No!
- Non-threatening.
- Nope. If you have nothing to offer me, such as music or juggling, I have nothing to give you.
- Not a big problem yet, but people need to be educated not to give money (buy a lunch for someone).
- Not acceptable anywhere. I think they should take advantage of the services available to help them out instead of hounding the public.
- Not an ideal way of helping those who need financial help.
- Not appealing at all, I just walk by and get a little nervous.
- Not appreciated, I have children and I get asked when they are with me. I do not support panhandling.
- Not as visible as past years.
- Not awesome. If you want money from passers-by, do something to earn it; sing a song, drum on a box, something. Then you’re busking instead of begging.
- Not cool.
- Not cool.
- Not desirable.
- Not fine.
- Not good for the city imagine.
- Not good.
- Not necessary.
- Not ok...get a job.
- Not so tolerable, as you don't know if they honestly need it for the right reasons, or pretending needy.
- Not sure.
- Not sure.
- Not the best.
- Not wanted!!
- Nuisance.(3)
- Nuisance; makes people uncomfortable.
- Offensive.
- Offensive.
- Often jobless or homeless. In the summer, numbers increase including kids from other parts of Canada.
- Ok, never had a negative experience, one must give, always praised.
- Ok.
- Other than the few who are rude and grab someone. Most are respectful and politely ask. But I still don’t give anymore due to the few who have gotten physical or verbal with me.
- Out of control in Saskatoon.
- Out of control.
- Over exaggerated problem. Yes, there are some very aggressive panhandlers, but most are quite pleasant.
- Pain in the ass.
- Pain in the ass.
- Pain in the butt.
- Panhandlers are a pain to the arse. They are RUDE, smell bad, often have mental health issues, and lie about their needs. There are some lazy people, too, who don't go out to get jobs, even though they are perfectly capable. It really irritates me when panhandlers smell like alcohol and smoke cigarettes. How dare they do that when begging money from others?!
- Panhandling degrades Saskatoon.
- Panhandling is for the most part a deadbeat's way of getting something for nothing.
- Panhandling is to ask or beg people for money.
- Pathetic.(3)
- People asking for a hand out.
- People asking for money ('spare change') from all passers-by.
- People asking for money or smokes, usually begging people.
- People asking for money.
- People asking for money.
| People asking for spare change. |
| People begging for money usually to buy drugs. |
| People begging for money. (3) |
| People begging to earn extra money. |
| People just sitting there asking for money. Can you spare a little bit of change? Or people with signs about bad situations asking for money 'Trying to get to BC, need money for food'. |
| People looking for money to support drug/alcohol problems without even trying to work. |
| People of low IQ or alcoholics. |
| People on the streets who ask for money. |
| People outright asking for money. |
| People sitting around asking for money for nothing. |
| People sitting or standing around asking for money. |
| People sitting outside stores asking for money. |
| People that beg for money. |
| People that need to obtain proper employment. |
| People walking or sitting on the sidewalk asking anyone who goes past them for money. |
| People who are too lazy or unwilling to work. |
| People who ask for change on the street. |
| People who ask for money - typically homeless. |
| People who ask for money and often intimidate or threaten if no money is forthcoming. |
| People who ask for spare change on the street because they need help. |
| People who either of their own making or not are down on their luck and need appropriate access to services to gain a hand up. |
| People who have many problems (including mental health). Asking for money. |
| People who prey on others sympathy as a means of income, when there are social programs that would help them change their lives for the better. |
| People who, for many reasons, are unable to access social services or maintain their own place. |
| Pesky. Amazingly, though, I'm not being approached. |
| Poor people asking for change. |
| Poor people asking for money. I'm indifferent to them. |
| Positioning oneself in a high traffic public space to ask for monetary donations for personal use. |
| Prefer not to support panhandlers. |
| Probably make more than I do. Pay taxes. Leave me alone. |
| Problems for some people! |
| Rampant downtown. |
| Really annoying. |
| Really dislike it; they should get a job. |
| Requesting money from strangers while sitting or standing around. |
| Rude, threatening and bad behaviour. |
| Sad or annoying. |
| Sad that people don't have what they need. |
| Sad to see people's needs not being met, sometimes annoying if it is persistent. |
| Sad, unfortunate, difficult, symptom of a capitalist system. |
| Sad. |
| Sad. |
| Said way to receive cash. The labour mark in Saskatoon is booming. There is no reason why people should be panhandling. |
- Same as above. [Downtown and liquor stores have way too many.]
- Same as above. [If not in your face or aggressive, it's okay.] 
- Same.
- Scares me.
- Scary.
- See above. [What do you want, a definition? I don't understand your question.]
- Seems less and less downtown.
- Selling illegal wares.
- Should be abolished, give money to organization to help those in need.
- Should be against the law.
- Should be banned as they are people trying to get something for nothing, some are employable, those that aren't should utilize the services that are available i.e.: Friendship Inn.
- Should be banned with hefty fines. McDonalds is always hiring.
- Should be banned.
- Should be dealt with.
- Should be illegal.
- Should be outlawed and dealt with severely.
- Should be outlawed.
- Should not be allowed or tolerated.
- Should not be allowed, should be charged for panhandling.
- Should not happen in the city. I don’t like being accosted with ‘hey mister can you spare some change' especially when it is the same person holding the same sign day after day.
- Shouldn't be allowed.(4)
- Shows that not all citizens have equal opportunities.
- Sick and tired of the same old people downtown where we go all the time. Get a life and quit smoking while asking for handouts.
- Sitting around asking for money.
- Sitting around asking for money along the street.
- Sitting around begging for money.
- Sitting asking for money.
- Sitting doing nothing except begging for money!!! And dirty and dishevelled.
- Sitting in a public place with a dish or contained asking for money.
- Sitting on the sidewalk/street corner asking for money.
- Sitting on the street begging for money, usually unsavoury looking and always ask you for your change.
- Sitting with a container for money in front of you.
- Slight disturbing but more sad.
- Solicitation for funds from passers-by for one's own financial gain.
- Some are too aggressive and scare me.
- Some good and some bad.
- Someone begging for money on the street.
- Someone begging for money who not always requires money. Two people I witnessed had more expensive clothing than I and another walked to his car which is more expensive that mine.
- Someone begging for money.
- Someone begging for money.
- Someone in need of money bagging for it.
- Someone sitting in a public area asking for money.
- Someone who is sitting/standing/approaching you and asking for money usually near a mall, or fast
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<td>Tell them to beg off and get the heck out of there.</td>
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<td>Loitering makes me feel unsafe, especially when many loiter together.</td>
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<td>Loitering, like beauty, is in the eye and mind of the beholder. If folks who have nothing to do congregate in a common area and proceed to create problems for those folk who may have something to do (accomplish) then they should be dispersed.</td>
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<td>Nuisance, creepy.</td>
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<td>On occasion if a number of people are loitering around in an area and I don’t feel comfortable with the way they look, I have altered my route so that I don’t have to go by them.</td>
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<td>A bit of a harsh term. People should be allowed to 'loiter' as long as they don't negatively impact on someone else's livelihood/enjoyment of the surroundings.</td>
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- A crude display of lack of respect for themselves and others.
- A group that hangs around a point for more than half an hour (often being boisterous and annoying passers-by).
- A little scary at night.
- A nuisance especially the smokers smoking in areas that smoking is prohibited.
- A nuisance! If one isn’t going somewhere, doing something then go sit out of the way under the bridge! People who just hang around irk me, give me the heebee jeebees, them I don’t trust.
- A nuisance.
- A person or group of persons standing or occupying a place or site for no specific reason.
- A police matter.
- A problem in some areas of the city.
- A problem in the down bus mall area.
- A problem. No goal, no ambition.
- Absolutely hate it, especially in my Broadway neighbourhood. When I go for a run in the morning, and they are sleeping under the bridge, I am scared of their large dogs and what they might do if they wake up. One was squalling in my alley beside my house for hours the other day, yet there was a perfectly fine park with shady trees across the street where he could have sat. I don’t trust them...their eyes seem blank and they really scare me. Also, drunk guy with mental issues talking nonsense came into our garage and thank goodness my husband was there because I was so scared. Again, with them sleeping around my house and it seems they are 'allowed' to unless I call police to get them removed.
- Again, a warning, with a ticket the next time.
- Again, more lowlifes to avoid.
- Again, there is failure in 'the system' when people are just hanging around on the streets.
- Again...get rid of them. The Social Services people need to wake up.
- Against the law.
- All depends, ok if they don't bother anyone and a pain if they are drunk and a nuisance.
- All right with me, as long as it's allowed.
- Also annoying.
- An inconvenience.
- An overblown/overhyped concept. It's been a long time since I was a teenager, but if they're hanging around in groups, I don't see the harm.
- Annoying and a nuisance.
- Annoying and creeped out.
- Annoying and depending on the size of the group intimidating.
- Annoying and intimidating.
- Annoying and should be a bylaw against it.
- Annoying and sometimes intimidating.
- Annoying and wonder what people are standing around for and what their motives are.
- Annoying because you need to walk around them and that's usually when trouble happens.
- Annoying groups of teenagers usually, hanging around for no reason.
- Annoying to everyone around.
- Annoying when others block my way.
- Annoying, and somewhat intimidating, especially when you have a group of rowdy teenagers.
- Annoying, intimidating.
- Annoying.(13)
- Annoying. A little bit frightening to others.
- Around liquor board store.
- As above. [Irritating, disgusting, threatening, burden on society, etc., etc.]
- As above. Many minds can think up many more things than one mind alone can. [I don't consider these to be 3 separate issues, they are all the same. People with time on their hands trying to find a way to separate me from my money and I consider myself lucky if that's all they want to do.]
- As long as it is not for long periods of time.
- As long as they don't confront me.
- Asking for trouble.
- At least get outta the way of others.
- Bad habit.
- Bad kids looking for trouble, not even safe in the Midtown Plaza.
- Bad.
- Bad.
- Becoming a serious problem in Saskatoon.
- Being in a public place without purpose, and annoying or harassing others in that place.
- Being in a space when you do not need to be there.
- Being in an area with no real purpose for some time.
- Being sketchy.
- Bored with nothing to do.
- Boring no point in it.
- Bothering people for something like money, smokes or food in a public place.
- Bothers me.
- By yourself-stupid, with someone-gossiping.
- Can be concerning.
- Can be intimidating.
- Can be reduced if given areas for people to hang out.
- Can be seeming as a threat to people in the area. Can push away customers.
- Can be threatening depending on time of day and area.
- Can be unnerving, unsure whether someone is going to rob you or attacked.
- Can be unsettling - you don't know what their intention is.
- Can't stand people that loiter outside businesses.
- 'Casing out the place', looking for crime opportunities, gang intimidation.
- Causing a disturbance in flow traffic through a set of doors.
- Common.
- Creepy.
- Creepy. Why are you hanging around?
- Criminal.
- Dangerous.(4)
- Deal with real crime.
- Define. Do I loiter?
- Depending on my impression of the people, unsettling.
- Depending on the circumstances, I usually try and avoid those people, especially if it is in the downtown shopping area.
- Depends how long they loiter.
- Depends if you are causing a disturbance.
- Depends on if making trouble, if not no issues.
- Depends on the loiterer.
- Depends on the reason and appearance of individual.
- Depends on the type. If the person is homeless and just sitting there, I have no concern. However, the type that loiter looking to harm someone are scary. The problem is to know the difference, so I probably should say it makes the area unsafe because it could be a gang or criminal, etc.

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<td>Fine so long as they are polite and leave people alone.</td>
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- Get a job, find something to do.
- Get a job.
- Get out of my way!
- Give a person something constructive to do and they will not stand around and get in trouble.
- Gives a poor impression of the city.
- Go away.
- Go directly to jail. What are you scoping out?
- Go home and do your chores get help.
- Good for some.
- Good on them.
- Gross and annoying and unattractive to the area.
- Groups of individuals horsing around.
- Groups of people congregating in public places, goofing off, boisterous behaviour, loud and obnoxious.
- Groups that are loitering make me uneasy and afraid to walk by them.
- Hanging about any one area for an unreasonable length of time ... Doing nothing.
- Hanging about, possibly being a nuisance.
- Hanging around a building, not asking for money, just hanging out. Maybe hindering someone from getting past them into a business.
- Hanging around a public place.
- Hanging around a selected location with a bit of intimidation thrown in.
- Hanging around a specific place for an excessive amount of time usually without purpose.
- Hanging around an area for no apparent reason.
- Hanging around an area with no purpose for being there.
- Hanging around an area with no purpose.
- Hanging around an area with no purpose.
- Hanging around an area without a need to be there.
- Hanging around and doing nothing productive.
- Hanging around and general causing mischief.
- Hanging around and making people feeling uncomfortable.
- Hanging around and probably making a nuisance of oneself.
- Hanging around being in the way of shoppers.
- Hanging around buildings not looking for anything but trouble.
- Hanging around business or places with no real purpose.
- Hanging around businesses and parks with no real purpose.
- Hanging around doing nothing for hours.
- Hanging around doing nothing.
- Hanging around for no particular reason in places that aren't waiting areas.
- Hanging around for no reason on the street.
- Hanging around for no reason.
- Hanging around in a place with no obvious legitimate purpose for being there.
- Hanging around in an area for no reason.
- Hanging around in an area where the only purpose would be looking for trouble.
- Hanging around in doorways, stairwells or businesses with no intention of doing business.
- Hanging around in front of a place of business and obscuring the entrance.
- Hanging around in groups and basically causing a nuisance.
- Hanging around in public places with no purpose or looking for an opportunity to cause trouble.
- Hanging around in public places.
- Hanging around in public spaces in a manner that suggests potential trouble (i.e.: loitering tends to appear more suspiciously motivated).
- Hanging around mall entrances or downtown.
- Hanging around often hassling people.
- Hanging around on streets.
- Hanging around outside businesses doing nothing.
- Hanging around outside businesses for no good reason.
- Hanging around outside in public spaces for longer periods of time without any clear purpose, often drunk or smoking Marijuana.
- Hanging around outside of businesses or in malls or parking lots, usually kids will loiter to hang out with friends.
- Hanging around outside of storefronts.
- Hanging around outside/inside a business and pestering people for money.
- Hanging around perhaps causing trouble.
- Hanging around places of business.
- Hanging around public buildings.
- Hanging around public places with no real purpose.
- Hanging around public places.
- Hanging around somewhere where people should not be.
- Hanging around stores, parks, etc.
- Hanging around the same public space repeatedly without visible purpose.
- Hanging around waiting to cause trouble.
- Hanging around with no purpose.
- 'Hanging around' with no purpose.
- Hanging around with no real purpose.
- Hanging around with the possibility of creating trouble.
- Hanging around.(7)
- Hanging out a place for no reason or gain.
- Hanging out and about with nowhere to go.
- Hanging out for an extended period of time and giving a menacing appearance.
- Hanging out front of buildings.
- Hanging out in an area with a group of people, for no purpose at all.
- Hanging out in front of or around businesses with no intention of making purchases.
- Hanging out in groups looking at people walking by and doing nothing else.
- Hanging out in public places for extended periods of time with no purpose, hovering.
- Hanging out somewhere purposelessly, usually in a group.
- Hanging out with no cause or reason.
- Hanging out with no purpose.
- Hanging out with no reason to be there.
- Hanging out with nothing to do.
- Hanging out with nowhere to go.
- Hanging out.(3)
- Hanging out; often in groups, noisy.
- Hanging outside stores and businesses.
- Happens a lot in some areas.
- Happens at malls all the time.
- Hard to decipher what is actually loitering.
- Harmless.
- Hate it. (4)
- Haven't really encountered it.
- Homeless people hanging around places where they might be able to use bathrooms, or just to be in a heated/cooled area.
- Homeless people with no place to go.
- I also ignore.
- I am not exactly sure what that is. I think it has something to do with handing out flyers.
- I disagree totally.
- I do not like groups of people hanging around certain areas all the time. They are more of a threat.
- I do not see this too much, except at the bus mall.
- I don't like to see a group of young males hanging around the entrance to businesses, it's scary.
- I don't care for it, makes me nervous.
- I don't care.
- I don't know. How do we know someone is loitering?
- I don't like it as groups of people like that are intimidating.
- I don't like it.
- I don't like it. I think these people could be spending their time much better.
- I don't mind groups of people being together at a park having fun. I don't like groups congregating on corners so that others are uncomfortable using the space. For example, corners on Broadway with benches where untalented buskers take over the space.
- I don't really know how you are defining the term. Loitering for what purpose? Waiting for the bus? Waiting for a late friend? Unanswerable without a further definition.
- I feel a little unsafe when walking near several in a group loitering as that is when they can cause trouble. I try to walk as far away as possible from a group of loitering people.
- I feel it can present a problem, depending on who is doing it.
- I feel uncomfortable walking by people who are loitering. Usually they are up to no good.
- I find it intimidating because I feel people that are loitering have a hidden agenda and that makes a situation unpredictable.
- I find loitering to be frustrating because it is usually the same people on a regular basis.
- I never really notice this as much in the city, maybe it's the places I go. But I don't feel anything towards this matter at this time.
- I think that loitering leads to trouble.
- I try to avoid them.
- If in large groups it's like gang activity designed to intimidate.
- If it affects business, then they should be out of the way.
- If someone is not supposed to be there then they should not be there.
- In front a business (restaurant or convenience store) or in a mall just hanging around with no intentions of buying anything from the stores.
- In some areas, it's bad because you know those certain people are up to no good.
- Individuals and groups hanging around and generally getting into trouble.
- Individuals are not a problem. The larger the group, the less desirable it is.
- Individuals who don't have a productive outlet or activity to occupy their time.
- Instead of loitering, use your time in some creativity.
- Intimidating, especially with people that have been drinking.
Intimidating.

Irrelevant, harmless, uncommon.

Irrelevant.

Is a group of individuals occupying a public spot in a way that impedes foot traffic or business access.

Is not acceptable and really a concern for innocent people. Loitering street gangs should be prohibited.

Is not necessary.

Is someone who is just hanging around an area but not necessarily looking for trouble.

Is suspicious behaviour.

Isn't that what public spaces are for?

It all depends on where and what they look like.

It depends how you define loitering.

It depends on the circumstances.

It depends on where they are loitering and why. Sometimes it leads to mischief but sometimes it is completely innocent, I suppose supervision is needed.

It seems at times they are very threatening and alarming to the general public - this when either under the influence of whatever or seems gang colors.

It shouldn't be allowed.

It's not always apparent who is loitering unless you have a business location.

It's a nuisance.

It's hard to tell who is loitering but as long as they keep to themselves, it is fine.

It's not that much a problem, I don't think.

It's usually 'punk teenagers' with little more to do. Sometimes it's destructive. I think it's a bigger problem than we realize and should be stopped.

Jail is the place most should be.

Just a common nuisance that isn't addressed enough.

Just hanging around doing nothing.

Just hanging around in front of a business.

Just hanging around, not necessarily doing anything wrong.

Just hanging around.

Just hanging out with nothing better to do.

Just hanging out.

Just walking about with no purpose.

Kids and natives hanging around.

Kids hanging out.

Kids need things to do as do our welfare folks. Get them to clean the garbage on Circle Drive, go to school and become Special Care Aides. If disabled people can work at SARCAN and lead productive lives, then there is no excuse for the sheer laziness that is constantly demonstrated by our society now.

Kids need to find something to do besides hanging around in groups and bothering people.

Killing time.

Lame.

Large groups of people standing around in public places for extended periods of time.

Lazy bums.

Lazy, annoying, and at times destructive.

Limited concern.

Lingering in one location with no business for extended periods of time.

Littering and bothering businesses without an appointment.

Loitering is hard to define...perhaps the person just has nowhere else to go.
- Loitering is not a crime; however, it's an indicator of the lack of public facilities/resources available to people.
- Loitering is terrible!
- Loitering is to linger or wait in a place.
- Loitering you see more in the winter. If we had a place for the homeless to sleep at night, there may not be as much as there is.
- Looking for something to do which can include random street crime.
- Looking for trouble to happen.
- Looking for trouble.
- Looks threatening or the possibility of a threat.
- Losers.
- Losing time somewhere doing nothing?
- Makes a store look unfriendly or unsafe.
- Makes me feel somewhat unsafe.
- Makes me feel uncomfortable.
- Makes me nervous sometimes.
- Makes me nervous.
- Makes me uncomfortable to see people hanging around.
- Makes me uncomfortable when it's groups, especially near the bus depot.
- Makes me uncomfortable when there are a number of people in a group.
- Makes me want to hurt someone.
- Makes one very apprehensive.
- Makes the city less appealing to visitors.
- Meh.
- Mildly annoying as I walk by.
- Mildly annoying.
- More not cool.
- More police presence needed to discourage this.
- Most unnerving, and should be reported to police.
- Move on, please.
- Much more annoying that panhandling.
- Mulling about for no reason.
- Must be stopped. You cannot find a bench downtown that does not have a smoker, intoxicated person, to enjoy.
- Must stop.
- Necessary sometimes.
- Needs to be cracked down on - no reason - makes everyone feel unsafe when they see them.
- Needs to be enforced more.
- Needs to be minimized.
- Needs to stop.
- Nerve racking.
- Never really notice. Does not really bother me.
- Never!
- No opinion.
- No problem as long as they don’t bother others walking by.
- No problem with it as long as the loiterers are respectful of people who are going about their business.
- Non constructive use of time.
- Non-issue.
- Not a crime.
- Not a fan when it is near businesses.
- Not a problem unless it is a large group or restricting the pedestrian flow.
- Not a problem.
- Not a problem.
- Not bad usually, but same crowd on 20th every day.
- Not certain of the motives of some of these people!
- Not desirable.
- Not having anything to do, maybe wanting to make trouble.
- Not necessary - people should be made to move along.
- Not ok.
- Not ok...get a job.
- Not okay - particularly bus mall.
- Not so good.
- Not sure.(3)
- Nothing better to do.
- Nothing better to do?
- Nothing to do.
- Nothing you can do about them.
- Nuisance.
- Nuisance.
- Offensive.
- Often kids just 'hanging out'.
- Often people that hang around the bars and street corners and won't move if you come along.
- Ok as long as you do not interfere in the peaceful lives of others. Everybody has to be somewhere.
- Ok as long as you don’t overstay your welcome.
- Ok if they are not bothering people.
- Okay.
- One person's people watching is another person's loitering. How that is defined by passers-by probably depends a lot on how the person looks.
- Out of control, disruptive.
- Pain in the ass!
- Pain in the ass.
- Pain in the butt.
- Peaceable assembly, you mean?
- People (usually kids) hanging around doing nothing but making people nervous.
- People (usually teens) hanging out.
- People dressed poorly who look like they have nothing to do.
- People hanging about sitting or standing with no intention of moving and have no purpose for being there.
- People hanging around a store.
- People hanging around an area.
- People hanging around establishments for no purpose other than have nothing else to do.
- People hanging around in an area with no specific purpose apparent other than to be there.
- People hanging around in an area.
| People hanging around public spaces for long periods of time (also associated with busking and/or panhandling). |
| People hanging around with nowhere to go. |
| People hanging around. |
| People hanging inside and around businesses and not purchasing anything. |
| People hanging out for long periods of time. Usually up to no good. |
| People hanging out in front of businesses. |
| People hanging out, not doing anything except getting in the way of foot traffic. |
| People have always loitered, but they are braver in numbers and kind of scary. |
| People just sitting or standing around in front of businesses or sitting on benches. |
| People looking to get in to trouble. |
| People need a PURPOSE and HOPE! |
| People sitting or standing around for no reason. |
| People standing around doing very little. |
| People standing around taking up space. |
| People that aren't busy enough! Loud and boisterous loiterers are annoying, especially when their language is offensive. |
| People that hang around a certain area for no reason. |
| People too lazy to work. |
| People up to no good. |
| People up to no good. |
| People who are probably homeless and hang around in public places. |
| People who hang around in groups intentionally or unintentionally intimidating the public. |
| People who hang around private dwellings or businesses and make noise or are otherwise disruptive. |
| People who just hang around a place with no reason to do. |
| People who just hang out near businesses but don’t necessarily want anything. |
| People who need a place to stay because they have nowhere else. |
| People who stand around public spaces. |
| People with no definite cause but possibly would join an event that could be destructive. |
| People with no initiatives to better themselves. |
| People with nothing to do and nowhere to go, gathering in a specific place, entertaining themselves as best they can with what they have. Usually at the expense of other individuals not in their group. |
| People with nothing to do, so they hang out together at different locations. I don’t believe they mean anyone any harm, but at times they do look menacing. |
| People with nothing to do. |
| People with nothing to do. |
| People with time to burn or just waiting/watching. |
| People, alone or in groups, just hanging around doorways. |
| Police should move the persons along. |
| Potential problem waiting to happen. |
| Potential trouble. |
| Questionable people hanging around outside of a business being creepy. |
| Quite a bit around the downtown area. |
| Quite often groups looking for trouble. |
| Really annoying. |
| Same as above. [If not in your face or aggressive, it’s okay.] |
| Same as above. [Should be banned with hefty fines. McDonalds is always hiring.] |
- Scares me.
- Scary.
- Scary.
- Scary. Folks in groups looking for trouble.
- See above. [What do you want, a definition? I don't understand your question.]
- See panhandling.
- See panhandling. [Usually its stupid east side kids that think it's cool to slum it for a day.]
- Should be against the law.
- Should be banned.
- Should be better patrolled.
- Should be illegal.
- Should be monitored better. There are always gangs of people loitering inside and outside the malls and downtown.
- Should be monitored.
- Should be restricted in some areas.
- Should not be allowed, as you don't know their intentions.
- Should not be allowed, especially when it is teens standing around smoking.
- Should not be allowed.
- Should not be allowed.
- Shouldn't be allowed.
- Sitting near/in a business with no intention to purchase.
- Social misfits, not panhandling.
- Socializing.
- Someone standing outside a certain business asking for money.
- Someone up to no good, no business actually being where they are.
- Someone who is hanging outside a business with no real purpose.
- Someone who stands around.
- Something kids do.
- Something that takes away from the beauty of Saskatoon.
- Sometimes intimidating.
- Sometimes it's an issue. When shopping and you want to sit and rest but loiterers just sit there and not give anyone an opportunity to sit.
- Sometimes people have nowhere else to go, as long as they aren't bothering anyone, who cares?
- Sometimes people just hang around, enjoying the scenery. I don't find it annoying.
- Sometimes threatening.
- Somewhat creepy.
- Somewhat dangerous.
- Somewhat frightening.
- Somewhat of a nuisance, and a problem in downtown Saskatoon.
- Somewhat scary.
- Somewhat worrisome, not sure what they will do.
- Spending more time in an area that usual, with one’s intent being other than the intended use for the space. For example, a hitch hiker standing near a popular business or intersection trying to get a ride.
- Spending much time being a nuisance in a group, that makes others feel uncomfortable.
- Spending time in an area with no specific purpose.
- Standing around a business up to no good.
- Standing around an area but not actually utilising the area for its purpose.
- Standing around doing nothing in groups - can be threatening depending on the group.
- Standing around where you shouldn’t be.
- Standing around with no particular purpose, looking for something to get into, vandalism.
- Standing around.
- Standing around/ hanging out around businesses not buying anything, creating problems indirectly with space, etc.
- Standing by public areas, causing problems and have no particular reason for being there other than to be seen.
- Standing doing nothing to get a job and hoping to catch a glimpse of dropped coins and such.
- Standing in groups in areas where people need to pass through.
- Standing outside of a business’s doors and asking for people for money when they leave. Ex. Scotiabank ATM downtown in the Scotia Center.
- Standing still.
- Staying around an area for no good reason.
- Staying here and there on the way without any purpose in particular. Just hanging around.
- Staying in one place doing nothing.
- Staying longer than needed.
- Staying on an area you shouldn’t really be in for long periods of time.
- Streets are public spaces for everyone so I don’t have an issue with loitering.
- Strictly forbidden.
- Suspicious, makes Saskatoon unsafe.
- Suspicious, unnecessary, and potential conflict.
- Suspicious.
- Taking up a space on a public street and remaining there as if you owned it for some specific purpose.
- Terrible.
- That is people with nothing to do in their life that congregate together to look for trouble.
- The art of hanging around doing nothing.
- The art of remaining in one location for long periods of time without apparent justification.
- The city should be kept cleaned.
- The loitering is more disconcerting than the panhandlers. A crowd is always more intimidating than a panhandler. There is a corner downtown that is a favourite hang-out spot and the sidewalks are filthy with cigarette butts, litter and saliva spit on the ground. I often avoid crossing the street to that corner. Generally, when I run into a number of people loitering, I am nervous. With nothing to do, who knows what they might do...go hang out in a park already.
- The only thing some people have to do.
- There is absolutely nothing wrong with it.
- There is no need for it.
- There should be ZERO tolerance for loitering. There is NO useful purpose for it and no good comes of it.
- These people should be told to go find something else to do. They are a nuisance and like to start trouble.
- They should get a job.
- This depends on where and if they are bothering anyone.
- This drives me crazy, and is the main reason I don’t go down to Midtown Plaza and to where the bus stop areas of the malls, as you have to fight your way through the scuzzy smokers and kids spitting and swearing.
- This frightens me.
- This is a problem downtown, especially at the McDonalds location. I have seen drug deals going down in downtown back alleys and also feel that this is going on at the street level also. I cannot say for sure,
but at Tim Hortons, 7 Eleven and restaurant location I also feel that this situation is also prevalent.

- This is a real problem.
- This is getting out of control.
- This is needless hanging out and disturbing the other participates.
- This is very intimidating and should be controlled better.
- Threatening.
- Threatening.
- Time to get a job.
- To be discouraged.
- To be nipped in the bud if people have no legitimate reason for being in a public space.
- To move slowly or stay idle.
- To roam in a place without any purpose or idly.
- Too much time on their hands.
- Totally against it. Only seems to bring trouble!!
- Totally unacceptable.
- Trouble waiting to happen.
- Trouble waiting to happen.
- Trouble.
- Troubled youths/adults hanging around giving off a vibe that they're up to no good.
- Unacceptable.(5)
- Uncomfortable and potentially dangerous.
- Uncomfortable.(3)
- Undesirable.
- Unknown.
- Unnecessary.
- Unnecessary.
- Unnecessary/no purposeful hanging around...
- Unsafe, looking for trouble.
- Unsafe.
- Unsettling.
- Unsure why people loiter: are they bored? Nowhere to go due to homelessness, poor home situations? And if so, would they go to activity shelters or continue to loiter? Big social problem, especially as the city's population grows.
- Unsure.
- Unwelcome, but it's not like most of the people doing such are given much other choice for entertainment, there isn't much outside of Egdaz for free ways to keep themselves busy and there's stigma attached to that. Any other free things like sports teams are never made easily available and there isn't much outside sports for fun things to do for those in poverty.
- Useless people sitting in useful people's way.
- Usually acceptable.
- Very afraid of these people.
- Very annoying.
- Very annoying.
- Very much depends who and what people are doing or if they are intimidating to others.
- Very uncomfortable and potentially dangerous.
- Waiting longer than necessary at a location.
- Walking randomly without any purpose.
- Wandering without purpose.
- Waste of time, idle hands. . .
- Waste of time.
- We are always aware of people hanging around waiting to get into some kind of trouble.
- When in large groups, makes me uncomfortable.
- When kids ‘hang out’.
- When someone is hanging around for a period of time.
- Whose definition.
- With no apparent purpose, spending an inordinate amount of time in a public area.
- You’re up to no good. Move on so I don’t have to make a big circle around you.

16. Please describe your impression of a typical panhandler. What are their defining characteristics?

- A person begging for money...young and old. I define them as having social problems and would like to see them gone from areas where I would like to shop...even around some of the strip malls on 8th Street. I’m told; however correct this is, some of these panhandlers make a very good ‘wage’ begging! Stripes me...our City Councillors need to take a stand to alleviate the invasion on people. Guess times have really changed...
- Asking for money, usually poorly dressed.
- Dirty, older, possibly drunk.
- Dirty, sitting on the ground with their hat on and asking for money.
- Dirty, smelly, aggressive.
- Dressed poorly, unclean.
- Drunkenness, homeless, desperate for money, most likely to either get more drugs or alcohol, maybe a few that will actually get food.
- Find them sad, but annoying. Some use guilt. Some are aggressive.
- Grubby looking usually intoxicated, stopping customers at a business entry.
- Hard to say, Most are quiet and ask for any spare change and are passive as people move on. A very few can be somewhat more aggressive. Providing the numbers are not too high the passive ones do not really cause any problem. I would like to see an outreach programme that gets them off the streets and helped where possible, including mental health problems that afflict many.
- Homeless, last resort for money.
- Homeless, therefore unclean, lacking clothes for the environment, poor English, sometimes suffering from a mental illness like schizophrenia....
- I do not pay enough attention to panhandlers to consider myself skilled enough to decide what is 'typical' within the group. Typically, they all ask for something for nothing. One of the more blatant freeloaders whom I have observed in the Broadway area and along the length of Eighth Street East can be characterized as an actor, playing a part. He is a little more sophisticated in that he typically offers something - usually, I believe, some pencil drawing of sailing vessels - on which he has placed some $ value. He has been written about in the local newspaper which seemed to stamp him with some folksy cachet. He was, and is nothing more than a panhandler. The major characteristic(s) of panhandlers is a desire not to work like ordinary folk do and instead look for something for nothing.
- I must admit that my typical first assessment of panhandlers is whether or not they appear physically capable of working (emotionally/mentally capable is another story, and one with which I am sympathetic). That being said, I do tend to see dirtier, more ill-kempt people out panhandling, and they more often than not come across as less well-spoken, less well-educated. I have been seeing more young people panhandling these days, which I find disturbing on a few levels. One recent young
woman (late teens, maybe) was supposedly travelling across Canada and ran out of money, so was panhandling.

- I would say that some of these individuals are disadvantaged and may be dealing with one or more of the following challenges: poverty, low education, family violence issues, drug addiction, mental health issues, unaffordable housing, etc. Finding ways to deal with the individual situation(s) that have had them resort to panhandling to make a living can help reduce this activity and improve the life of our community.

- Late teens to early twenties, travelling across the country and asking for money. Typically in groups of 2 or more.

- Male, dirty, bearded.

- Male, more than 20 years old.

- Many different ages, male and female.

- Most of the ones I have seen seem to be older men, sitting outside midtown, asking for money for a coffee. Often, they seem to be pretty sad with dirty clothes, etc. You see them often in the early morning when I go to the market.

- No boundaries, often dirty very persistent.

- Non-conforming to society, not interested in working a traditional job, sometimes because of disability, but sometimes appear physically capable, but enjoy the freedom of panhandling, and in some cases drug/alcohol addiction is a factor.

- Older clothes, often sitting with a hat tipped up. Sometimes it is just a person walking around asking for money. Sometimes they are on the side of the road with a sign. White/aboriginal don't matter -- I've met both.

- Poorly dressed, look like they have substance abuse problems.

- Scruffy, sometimes persistent.

- Scruffy, unkempt and unclean.

- Someone who impedes your walking down the street has their hand out, often young men.

- Someone who is down and out, asking for handouts on the street. May or may not be harassing of passers-by, usually not. Sometimes they are obviously phony, like pretending to be travelling but are at the same location day after day.

- Standing or sitting, asking for money.

- Typically, they are 'on something' - unclean appearance.

- Unbathed, dirty clothing, look tired.

- Unkempt, unshaven, 'weathered'.

- Unwashed, lazy, untrustworthy.

- Usually not well dressed, often overweight, down and out.

- Usually unkempt dress and hair, otherwise claiming to be deaf, often intimidating, sometimes drunk or stoned.

- Varied - some look like they need assistance but others look like they are just lazy and looking for a free handout. Hard to define between them. They all look very insecure, unconfident and unable to cope in the world.

- A beggar who would rather bug strangers for money than improve their situation. Some have mental illnesses. Others are just scammers.

- A person going around asking for more money.

- A person who is too lazy to get a 8-5 fulltime job.

- A sign explaining their plight and a big friendly dog. Usually they look unkempt. Smoking, too.

- A typical panhandler asks you for spare change. Lately, they follow you and sometimes touch you when asking. They seem drunk and high. Most are men and they are disgusting.

- A typical panhandler in Saskatoon wears a leather jacket, jeans and boots and smokes. Begging for money and getting in my face about it because I will not give any money.
- A typical panhandler is outside a business (or church). It is usually a male, with a hat in hand or on the sidewalk. Often hygiene is not good. Quite often a comment such as 'spare change?' is made.

- A typical SK panhandler can be well-dressed or poorly dressed but their defining characteristic is that they want you to give them money despite having no product or performance that can be exchanged.

- Aboriginal.

- Aboriginal; grubby.

- Addicted to drugs or alcohol.

- Aged, scruffy and dirty clothing, dirty face and hands.

- Aggressively seeking money and offering nothing in return. Generally keep to the same location every day.

- Alcoholic, drug abuser.

- Always have a hand out and approach you with the question, 'can you spare some change?' They have different looks, some are clean, some are dirty in appearance, others have backpacks and bags with them. It varies.

- Annoying, aggressive and ubiquitous...at least downtown.

- Annoying.

- Anyone asking me for spare change, ranging from very poor to 'normal' appearance.

- Anyone who is sitting around with hat out looking for money or asking for spare change or cigarettes.

- Appear poor (clothing torn, ripped, stained). Usually male. Generally appear physically capable of working. Often seem as though they abuse drugs or alcohol (shakiness, slurred or difficulty speaking, claim money is for food but then change story when offered a meal) or have mental issues (sometimes similar symptoms I think). Quite often belligerent or aggressive.

- Appear poor, dishevelled, occasionally have noticeable mental illness.

- Appear to be unemployable, some by choice, some by circumstance (e.g., mental illness). A bit rough looking, but for the most part fairly polite. Down on their luck.

- Approaching people walking by and asking for money. Some tend to be quite aggressive, and persist in asking for money. Some tell a long story as to why they need the money. A few panhandlers are rude to you if you don't give them anything.

- Ask everyone for money, very blunt. Sometimes quite pushy. Not threatening, but very invasive.

- Asking for money, hanging around and following you on the street. Not dressed well and complaining.

- Asking for money.

- Asking for money.

- Asking for money. I suspect many of the people panhandling have mental health issues.

- Bad.

- Badly dressed, look dirty, artsy.

- Begging for money without offering at least a token value in exchange, such as musical performance, etc.

- Begging for money.

- Begging for money.

- Begging for money. Poorly dressed. Sometimes inebriated.

- Bums, nasty looking, need to get a job. I don’t contribute to them.

- Can be anyone begging for money, a smoke, whatever, and they seldom take no for an answer.

- Can be demanding and aggressive if you refuse them money although the majority of them just leave you alone when you refuse them.

- Can't find a job.

- Clothes that are out of style, not very clean.
- Clothing is dirty, sick, tired, lost.
- Could work but choose not to.
- Deal with real crime.
- Desperate, intimidating, aggressive.
- Destitute street people who have no skills to earn a living.
- Dirtier clothes/body, unshaven, messy hair. Sitting against a busy building.
- Dirty and begging for money.
- Dirty and disrespectful.
- Dirty and grubby. Loud.
- Dirty and increasingly forceful, usually show strong signs of drug abuse.
- Dirty and scary, some are aggressive.
- Dirty and scummy.
- Dirty clothes, run down, depressed, a mess.
- Dirty clothes, unkempt appearances, smokers, addictions.
- Dirty clothes, untamed hair, dirty face, sometimes torn clothes, smell bad, teeth are usually missing or not straight.
- Dirty looking and want money.
- Dirty looking, usually a unkempt appearance, usually unshaven, hair somewhat messy, aggressive.
- Dirty unkempt older male sometimes native.
- Dirty worn out clothes, has a sign, usually says 'spare change' and becomes angry if responded with 'No', 'Not for you', or 'Sure, I'd love some'. Will say it's for coffee but by the breath, it is clearly for booze. An un-kept appearance.
- Dirty, aggressive, rude, unkempt.
- Dirty, annoying, in my face, disturbing.
- Dirty, annoying.
- Dirty, beggars.
- Dirty, begging, insistent, persistent.
- Dirty, dishevelled, asking for 'spare change', sometimes with a sign asking for money, typically elderly, sometimes with a backpack.
- Dirty, drunk or high on drugs, lazy.
- Dirty, drunks who can make more money doing nothing then getting a job because they have no 'job acquiring' skills.
- Dirty, holding a can or a hat wanting people to put money into it.
- Dirty, holding their dirty cap, sitting cross legged on sidewalk or sitting on one of the benches, asking outright got money for a coffee?
- Dirty, homeless, unkempt. Usually males.
- Dirty, lazy and a little off.
- Dirty, lazy, and aggressive.
- Dirty, lazy, annoying.
- Dirty, lazy, unkempt, need a bath, etc.
- Dirty, long hair drunks.
- Dirty, long hair, and smelly.
- Dirty, look homeless.
- Dirty, men, older. Then there are the young hustlers on street corners saying they need money as they are traveling across the country.
- Dirty, often aboriginal, often male. Sometimes young people with a dog.
- Dirty, old clothes, usually male, holding out a hat for money, hangs around downtown.
- Dirty, persistent.
- Dirty, poor.
- Dirty, possibly mental ill, drug addict, young or old, generally aboriginal, annoying, sometimes aggressive, sometimes clean cut, tries to give you some story looking for sympathy which is a total lie.
- Dirty, sad, despite.
- Dirty, sad.
- Dirty, scruffy, unshaven, they can be any race.
- Dirty, smelly, rude, scary, homeless, drunk, spends their money on booze, gambling, aggressive.
- Dirty, smelly.
- Dirty, smelly.
- Dirty, unhealthy looking.
- Dirty, unkempt and usually malnutrition.
- Dirty, unkempt individuals.
- Dirty, unkempt, annoying.
- Dirty, unkempt, possibly drunk. Of aboriginal decent.
- Dirty, unkempt, ragged.
- Dirty, unkempt, unmotivated.
- Dirty, unpleasant, forceful.
- Dirty, unshaven, can barely speak.
- Dirty, unshaven, just sitting there. Hat in hand sometimes.
- Dirty.(3)
- Dirty. Perhaps homeless.
- Dishevelled, desperate.
- Dishevelled, smell, smoking, dirty.
- Don’t know.(3)
- Don't think there is a 'typical' panhandler.
- Don't want to work or maybe can’t because of the drugs they buy with the money.
- Down and out people either by their own choosing or victim of circumstances.
- Downtrodden, baseball cap, raggedy-looking.
- Dressed awful and going from person to person.
- Dressed dirty/sloppy, looking despondent.
- Dressed very poorly and asking for money or smokes. Very pushy people and scary.
- Drunk or in drug hangover or hungry.
- Drunk, scruffy and annoying.
- Each of the regular panhandlers downtown is different. One is a psychotic drug addict. One is quiet and pleasant. One is loud and irritating and a little off. They are all different.
- Either mentally challenged or drunken natives.
- Either young (under 25) or older (over 40). 70% First Nations/30% Caucasian. Most do not 'seem' to be suffering from mental disorders, but who knows.
- Except for seasoned regulars that are somewhat older and less assertive, there are the summer transients that are younger, scruffier and have a more deserved attitude.
- Facing mental illness; unemployable.
- Fairly passive but still annoying.
- Fat, lazy, dirty, tattered clothing, extremely resilient to very cold or warm temperatures.
- Few look down on their luck, some look mentally ill.
- First Nations, dirty and frankly, makes me so, so mad.
- Frequently poorly dressed and unkempt.
- Friendly, non-threatening, polite.
- From what I have seen, they can be young, old, male or female. They can appear young and healthy or old and bent. They are just people who have made a series of wrong choices in life.
- Generally a little grubby or unkempt, looking as though they may be a little lacking in hygiene.
- Generally aboriginal.
- Generally don't seem to have great hygiene. Their clothes may be a bit worn, or not particularly clean.
- Generally downtrodden, grubby, somewhat aggressive about asking for money.
- Generally polite about asking for money, but often intrusive when standing in or near doorways to public areas such as malls and banks.
- Generally poorly clothed, often dirty. Sometimes clearly drugged.
- Generally quiet, simply sitting on the ground asking for spare change.
- Generally shabby looking; holding hat/cup for change.
- Generally tend to be poorly dressed and have dirty clothes and/or hair. Often smoking cigarettes. Tend to ask for money or cigarettes. Not gender or race or age specific, I have encountered every type of panhandler.
- Generally unkempt looking but not always sitting on the sidewalk against a building with a hat out asking for spare change; sometimes the hat is on the sidewalk beside them and they look asleep.
- Generally unshaven with tattered clothing; overall a bit unkempt. They are often sitting on the sidewalk near the mall or a business, asking for change.
- Generally, an unclean, poorly dressed, unkempt and dishevelled individual.
- Generally, they are not well groomed or clean and sit around near mall entrances or other high traffic areas.
- Generally, they are sitting on the ground, with a receptacle for money in their hand or on the ground in front of them. Sometimes, they have a sign and/or a pet.
- Greasy, persistent, invasive.
- Grubby clothes, almost no sign of good hygiene, skinny and dirty.
- Grubby looking, offensive odour, smooth talker, pushy, always seem to go after females rather than males.
- Grubby people that you cannot tell if they even have homes to go to.
- Grubby, some are scary looking, dirty, smelly, scary.
- Grungy clothing, linger at popular shopping places, don’t always take no for an answer, men.
- Grungy, often Native. I have seen panhandlers walking around with a bottle of liquor within 20 minutes of begging for money outside of businesses before.
- Haggard looking, usually with a pet.
- Hanging about asking for money, or smokes. They can be any age or gender. Some are rude, some are nice, some throw the food you bought them and say I asked for money bitch, some talk on their cell phones... Some have mental disabilities and may have more trouble accessing the help they need to make a positive change. There is no typical other than the asking for stuff.
- Happy but in need of cash.
- Hate them.
- Holding out a hat, asking for money, singing a song with a guitar case open looking for money.
- Homeless people begging for money.
- Homeless, dirty.
- Homeless, grimy, dirty, sad looking. Impression is use some of that money that you’re 'earning' to clean
yourself up and get a damn job.

- Homeless, unbathed, broke.
- Homeless.
- I am at a loss to have to describe a typical panhandler...they appear to be mentally challenged, poorly dressed, difficult to understand. To put it mildly...they really scare me!
- I am not a fan of panhandlers who bother people. If they are just standing there, not saying anything, it doesn't bother me much. I used to work downtown and ALWAYS got asked by the same people every day (they used to hang out outside of Midtown Plaza main entry). Also asked for cigarettes. Defining characteristics are that they are dirty and annoying and get in the way of people who are trying to make their way around.
- I am not sure there is a typical panhandler except it is my belief they are using the money for drugs.
- I don't even think half the people that panhandle in Saskatoon are actually homeless.
- I don't like it, they are dirty, messy, they need to get a job.
- I don't believe there is such a thing as a 'typical panhandler' other than that they all ask for money, using many creative stories.
- I don't know that there is a typical panhandler. One sees everyone from young to older, from clean and well presented to unkempt and not very clean. The ones I meet are polite, thanking me whether I give them anything or not, and usually respectful of boundaries. They are people who are having hard luck, whether short or long term, who are in a position of having to ask for help from others, in the majority. I judge each on the circumstances, the situation, and my instincts. As long as they are polite, I have no problem with them. There but for the grace of God go any of us.
- I don't know.
- I don't know. The only thing I know is that it is on the west side of the city and is nearby 22nd Street West. In nut shell, I do have a very negative impression about the west side of the city.
- I don't usually believe that they need money for food. Their request for money is more likely for alcohol or drugs. I do feel sorry for their situation but I don't think that giving them some change is going to do anything to change it. There are organized social programs that can help them if they really want help.
- I feel that they are at least trying to entertain a person, not always very well. They don’t usually ask for money, so they aren’t as bothersome.
- I feel that they hang around the liquor board stores which does not bother me!! But it does in the streets when you get approached by them!! Some scary looking dudes!! Long hair, dirty cloths and dirty period!!
- I find a lot of panhandlers to be under the influence and fairly rude.
- I find panhandlers annoying as there are shelters and food banks in the city and programs for people to get help. Panhandlers generally seem to be drunk or high, dirty, unwashed, street people begging and/or accosting strangers for money.
- I really don’t like this question, seems very stereotypical. You want me to tell you how a panhandler looks like? Because they must all look the same right? What is this question going to help with, except make people feel like they should be judging a certain group of people because of their occupation 'they' must all act the same/ have the same characteristics. What are the defining characteristics of a research analyst? Please describe your impression of a person who would include this question.
- I see them as people who do not know of some of the social things available to them to help them get a job and off the street. I do not think down upon them.
- I understand needing money, but not appropriate.
- Ill kept, poor clothes thin, dirty, and sitting down.
- In my opinion, panhandlers are basically lazy people that don’t think they need to contribute to society by paying taxes for one thing. They are living off the sympathy and wages of hard working people.
- In need of social services help, mental illness issues.
In poor health (mental and physical), poor hygiene, male, aboriginal, 35 to 50 years of age.

In Saskatoon, the panhandlers I have seen are well enough dressed and often are smoking. They are sitting on the street and do not look like they are suffering.

Insistent, ask everyone despite how wealthy they seem.

Intimidating, unkempt, annoying, bothersome, persistent.

Intimidating, very forward and demanding.

Intimidating.

It is very pathetic.

It tends to be an unshaven male, 30-55 years of age, with worn and dirty attire in my experience.

It’s usually in downtown area. They look dirty and lazy and begging for some money.

Jobless, smokers, friendly, hungry.

Just negative, them asking for money for food, bus and they look like they could work.

Lame stories asking for money, only a few have a good story. Usually dirty and dishevelled. Often won’t accept no as an answer right away. Not very aggressive though.

Late teens, to mid-twenties, male, dirty.

Lately the panhandlers that I have met are from other countries, i.e., Mexican, Romanian, some are unke
mpt and unclean.

Lazy and dirty.

Lazy and just downright pathetic.

Lazy and unwilling to work.

Lazy dirty.

Lazy down and outer.

Lazy people who rely on others to support them. I have often seen panhandlers who solicit money and, as soon as they have enough, use it in the nearest local establishment for a drink (alcoholic beverage).

Lazy, aggressive.

Lazy, con artist.

Lazy, dirty, want to get something for nothing, have habits they can’t afford like smoking. Usually need a bath and a shave; apparently many of them make more money than I do so they should be able to afford the bath if they can afford to smoke?

Lazy, more than anything. They can get in the way if not in appropriate spaces. Much less of a problem than when I lived in Calgary.

Lazy.

Lazy.

Lethargic, squatting on corner, hat out.

Like it their life.

Likely an older person with mental health problems.

Look a bit grubby, dirty clothing.

Looking for money. Typically make people uncomfortable.

Looking for something for nothing, seem to think they are entitled to your money.

Looking poor and unkempt.

Looking rough, unshaven, dirty, bad hygiene.

Looks grubby, can be aggressive.

Looks lost, unkempt, possibly mentally ill. Usually male.

Low socioeconomic status, socially disadvantaged, and often lacking the skill set to know how to search for work.

Male usually, looks unkempt.

Male, 30s to 40s, unkempt. Frequently acts intoxicated or drugged.
- Male, 40 to 50.
- Male, unkempt, may have the appearance of substance abuse, age varies, can be aggressive or rude.
- Male. Caucasian. Look as though they don't need my money. Sleazy.
- Marginalized, lowest income, often older.
- Men sitting or standing with a cap or cup which indicates the request for money. I indicate gender because I have encountered a woman panhandler.
- Mental health issues, social and emotional trauma, in need of assistance.
- Mental health people that have fallen through the cracks which are many.
- Mental illness, poor, alcoholic.
- Messy, dirty, drunk, pushy, and many times Aboriginal (not saying this to racial profile) and it is sad the percentage of street people are first nations.
- Messy, unkempt.
- Middle age.
- Middle aged men, looking haggard, not kept well but understandable considering what they do all day.
- Middle-aged to older white or Aboriginal man, scruffy looking with longer hair. Wears baggy clothes. Will sometimes approach and ask for money quite aggressively.
- Most appear to be homeless and some seem to have disabilities. Most are not very clean. Usually they are very polite in how they ask for the money and when you say you have none do not become rude or aggressive . . .
- Most are on welfare. Over 50, some on OAS. A few young ones were so aggressive they were removed from the police for running after and touching citizens to try to get money. We have had the same ones for years and they all have their spots. Most smoke and take coffee breaks from time to time. Have had a lot of nasty conversations with some of them and never donate. They give you some of the wildest stories, especially new young people.
- Most are poor, some have drug addictions, some are mentally ill, not all are violent.
- Most are unbathed, dirty raggy old cloths.
- Most of the panhandlers seem to me to persons suffering from mental disability and are probably unemployable. They are doing what they can do within their limitations.
- Most of them around here exhibit obvious signs of either alcohol or drug abuse, or mental illness.
- Most panhandlers I've seen are not usually dressed well. Many are well spoken, unshaven and some even persist to the point of following individuals down the street. Many panhandlers that I've had contact with will often ask for money for things like buy food or coffee. Some have approached me with the smell of alcohol on their breath which tells me that the money will be used for purposes other than food or coffee.
- Most seem to be lazy, and very pushy about getting spare change. Which is stupid considering most people don't even carry cash these days. I would prefer to give them a cup of coffee or something to eat than money. Then at least you know they are not buying alcohol, cigarettes or drugs with it.
- Mostly dressed in dirty clothing, looks like they slept in the clothes they're wearing, and their appearance is not groomed.
- Mostly people with drug and alcohol problems, a few homeless.
- Mostly scruffy looking, unkempt appearance.
- Musical attention.
- My impression of a typical panhandler is the usually look dirty, like they need a shower, they look tired or warn out, they usually have longer hair some have scratches and what not, some have pets, they usually have a hat or cup that they put the money in they almost are always wearing dark coloured clothes such as brown or black.
- My opinion is they lack the ambition to find a suitable job to earn a living.
- Native people.
- Needy.
- Needy. Unkempt.
- Never specific characteristics... They all dress differently... Some are dressed in nice clothes and some are dressed pretty rugged.
- No defining characteristics. Can be anybody.
- No set age, tend to look scruffy.
- None I know of.
- Normally look very run down.
- Not able to. Can't ID such various personalities.
- Not always clean or respectful. Sometimes aggressive.
- Not clean clothes, usually smoking.......
- Not clean looking very dirty.
- Not dressed very well, not groomed well, loitering around businesses, especially the Midtown Plaza.
- Not good.
- Not interested in him or her.
- Not sure.
- Not very clean but then if they didn't look the part, no one would give them any money.
- Not well dressed, not very clean, pushy.
- Nuisance, dirty, lazy, intimidating, annoying, disrespectful.
- Numb question. Walk near Midtown plaza and you will see the same panhandlers.
- Often dirty, and persistent with their asking, have a small bag with most of their belongings, sitting downtown by the mall where there is a lot of pedestrian traffic and people shopping; more shopping may mean that people have more change on hand. They don't necessarily just want money, they also want food or smokes or alcohol.
- Often look homeless, so one wonders what personal problems they have - alcohol, drugs, etc.
- Often seem to be homeless, usually young. Most that I have seen look hung-over or coming off a high.
- Old tattered clothing, looks dirty. I generally have very little sympathy for those panhandling. I will not give them money, I don't know what they'll do with it. I'd rather buy someone a coffee or a meal.
- Old, dirty clothing, often smoking, look unclean, sometimes quite aggressive.
- Old, dirty, dressed in smudged and tattered clothes.
- Old, torn clothing. Lack of personal hygiene. Mostly of aboriginal descent.
- Old, wearing raggedy clothes, sitting on a corner of a street begging.
- Older, possibly disabled, possibly not capable of working.
- Ones that have approached me were dirty and smell of alcohol.
- Panhandler looks unkempt, sometimes dirty, poor clothing for weather conditions, always asking for money, begging.
- Panhandlers are people who solicit extra money in various ways to earn a living or extra money. Some are homeless and or disguise themselves as poor for extra cash.
- Panhandling/not dressed in business suit.
- Pathetic bums, dirty, unshaven.
- People sitting or standing outside of stores downtown.
- People who actually walk up to you when you approach a doorway to some business or establishment and ask you if you have 'spare change'. Male or female, white, Native, doesn't matter.
- People who don't have a job and instead of trying to fix things and try to get a job, they beg on the streets.
- People who don't work asking for money. Dressed really rough and unclean.
- People who request change from passers buy. They are generally scruffy looking and appear to be poor and on the fringes of society.
- People who want others to give them their hard earned money.
- People who would rather beg for money (because it comes easy) than get a job. They are lazy.
- People with addiction, housing issues, unemployed, young people looking for a handout, etc.
- Person needing money.
- Person sitting with hat, etc. out asking for money at entrances to public places.
- Person usually badly dressed, sometimes drunk. Aggressively asking for money.
- Playing music wanting a donation.
- Pleading for money and then yelling at you when you say you don’t have any. Some are dressed nicely and clean, some are not.
- Poor and down on their luck.
- Poor and unkempt. Most of the time they simply put out their hat for some change, but there are a few that will pester and ask a number of times. Knowing most of them are coming from hard times, I’ll typically give them change if I have some on me.
- Poor hygiene, poorly dressed (worn old clothes), not aggressive with their requests/polite.
- Poor looking, but haven’t experienced any harassment from them.
- Poor person, gross.
- Poor personal hygiene.
- Poor, begging, usually rude.
- Poor, dirty, needy.
- Poor, illiterate, dirty.
- Poor, needing help, grubby.
- Poor, rough looking, handicapped.
- Poor, unclean, annoying.
- Poor.
- Poor. Most look homeless and in poor health.
- Poorly dressed as well as dirty looking. Have seen them in Safeway parking lot and also downtown.
- Poorly dressed or uncien, but not threatening.
- Poorly dressed, dirty, rude, aggressive.
- Poorly dressed, dirty.
- Poorly dressed, less than clean, and rude.
- Poorly dressed, low self-esteem, not very well educated.
- Poorly dressed, poor personal hygiene.
- Poorly dressed, rag tag, dirty appearance; usually have an old paper cup to receive money.
- Poorly dressed, sitting on the sidewalk with a sign and a can or Frisbee or something to collect money with, back pack beside them, occasional animal with them, unkempt appearance, I have seen this for both female and male.
- Poorly dressed, slovenly, unclean.
- Poorly dressed, unclean, dirty, using a hat or an old coffee cup asking for spare change or money.
- Poorly dressed, unemployed, down on his luck and can’t find a job.
- Poorly groomed and dressed. Just asking for handout rather than trying to do something about their plight.
- Poverty stricken by disability, mental illness, addiction, lack of a support system who cannot function within regular society. Usually, they are dishvelled because of their lack of access to proper fitting/clean clothes, nutrition, housing or hygiene.
- Probably employable but not willing or able possibly due to mental or substance abuse issues.
- Pushy, dirty, sometimes intoxicated, not always pleasant, some can be very rude.
- Pushy; lazy.
- Quiet, dirty, unkempt. Most are pretty polite, though.
- Ragged clothing, foul odour, sitting on a corner with a hat or cup asking for spare change.
- Raggedly dressed. Almost all are polite. I meet them daily, have stopped to talk on occasion, and say hi most times. They are harmless. Sadly, some souls have been on the streets for years.
- Raggy clothes.
- Rather not.
- Ratty torn clothing, dirty.
- Relatively unaggressive, shabby, usually polite.
- Request for money for a cup of coffee? No particular mode of dress, well, no suits.
- Rude, aggressive, demanding.
- Run down appearance, usually quiet, not overly aggressive.
- Sad and pathetic. Usually friendly.
- Sad to say older native male, older white male.
- Sad. I find each panhandler is usually different. Not sure I could pick a similar characteristic.
- Same person comes to mind...he's big, burly with a beard...very intimidating.
- Scruffy clothes, always looking for stuff on the ground, and approach you to try and be nice to you.
- Scruffy and sometimes sickly.
- Scruffy homeless, or 'traveling' youth. It's the same people usually.
- Scruffy looking, not clean.
- Scruffy, lazy and possibly sense of entitlement.
- Scruffy, smelly, poor, desperate.
- Scruffy.
- Scruffy. Sitting. Some are quiet and don't speak to me which is good. Some speak to me.
- Seen a wide variety of panhandling 'styles' in many parts of the world and the most common characteristic of all of them is their ability to establish eye contact and engage the 'mark' in conversation.
- Shabby cloths, approaching for money.
- Shabby dressed, under the influence, poverty.
- Shabby, possible mental illness.
- Sit outside businesses, usually with a cup or hat out. Repeat 'Spare some change' to everyone who passes by. No enthusiasm in the faces or voices. Usually they are quite grubby looking and dressed grubby as well.
- Sit outside Midtown Mall. Usually unkempt, sometimes native and impaired. Sometimes white and homeless looking.
- Sitting around with a hat or something to catch money with, usually not clean. Most not aggressive some more aggressive or rude when you say no thanks.
- Sitting down looking downtrodden with a cap or dish to collect money.
- Sitting on a bench or against a building on the sidewalk. They usually have dirty clothing.
- Sitting on a street asking for money.
- Sitting on ground with their hat out asking for money.
- Sitting on ground, have a dog, smoking on city bench, asking if you have any spare change.
- Sitting on sidewalk in front of store, hat off unbathe. 'Change; no thanks'; fuck off then.
- Sitting on sidewalk; dirty, ripped or torn clothing. Most of the time not cognitively aware of their surroundings. Typically males 25+ in age.
- Sitting on the ground with a hat or similar object in front of them asking for money. Normally they are poorly dressed and unclean. There are about 4-5 regular panhandlers in downtown Saskatoon.

- Sitting on the sidewalk and expecting money from passers-by.

- Sitting on the sidewalk begging.

- Sitting on the sidewalk or on a bench with a cap in hand.

- Sitting on the sidewalk, asking for change or with a cap upturned on the ground for donations. Unclean, dishevelled, sloppy. Sometimes they are on the side of the road with a sign asking for gas money or money to pay for car repairs. This kind is usually younger people.

- Sitting on the sidewalk, or curb, with a container for money, often a sign or poster asking for donations; age varies.

- Sitting on the sidewalk, unkempt, dishevelled, holding a hat, asking every person who walks by for spare change.

- Sitting on the street with a hat or whatever in front of them sometimes with their hand outstretched to passers-by.

- Sitting or standing asking for money.

- Sitting or standing on the pavement with their hands out asking for money or cigarettes.

- Sitting outside of local business, usually dirty looking.

- Sitting quietly with a cap out on the sidewalk or standing or walking and requesting money.

- Sitting with a hat or container asking people for money, no specific age group.

- Sitting with hat out. Hanging around doors to businesses and approaching for change.

- Sitting, or standing, scruffy, male, dirty, insistent.

- Sitting, usually has a hat, doesn't look very well kept.

- Slurred speech, general uncleanliness.

- Smoking, dressed in dirty clothes, sitting on a public sidewalk in downtown. Often rude or aggressive. There are also a group of young people, usually dressed like hippies, who have backpacks and signs. They stand in the medians of major intersections claiming to be from out of town, or are travelling, and begging for money for food. BUT, they live in the city, and take public transit to their 'jobs' of bothering motorists. They sometimes have a dog with them.

- Some are very placid. One man said that's okay when I said no sorry. Others have begged and blocked my passage.

- Some dirty gross person sitting outside Midtown Plaza asking everyone for money as they try and enter the mall. Dirty clothes, sitting on the ground sometimes they have a piece of cardboard, asking for spare change. It is usually the same person/ people every time.

- Some just put their hand out; others talk to you and ask for money. Some persist in asking you as you continue to walk away.

- Some panhandlers are truly in need of assistance. Their clothes may be tattered; they may be in need of personal hygiene etc... They need access to services. Other panhandlers are those who chose to not work when able and pursue a traveller’s lifestyle. They are usually dressed in grungy clothes but seem to have fair personal hygiene. You may see them asking for money during the day for travel then in a Broadway bar in the evening.

- Some panhandlers look like the neighbours next door and other have shabby clothing and look hung over.

- Some who is lazy, with no amnion and don’t care about themselves or anyone else

- Someone dressed kind of scruffy standing or sitting in front of a business or asking for money.

- Someone forcefully asking for money.

- Someone in raggy clothes sitting on the sidewalk begging.

- Someone looking for handouts or asking for money.

- Someone sitting around asking for money.

- Someone sitting outside a busy public area such as a mall or a busy street asking for money. Most I see
are pretty incoherent. I’ve also heard they all work for someone who gets a cut off the top.

- Someone that either walks up to you, or is sitting on the ground, or comes up to your car asking for money.
- Someone too lazy to get a real job, plain trash.
- Someone wandering the sidewalks or parking lots asking for or giving you a sob story then asking for a buck or two.
- Someone who asks for money on the street.
- Someone who cannot make ends meet and resorts to asking the public for money. Downtown has an array of characteristics such as young, old, homeless, well dressed, scruffy hair to neat and tidy hair. I find at noon hour, they hang out near 2nd Avenue by Lululemon and beg for money and I then walk on the other side as I see it as annoying.
- Someone who has fallen through the cracks, and is at the mercy of the good will of others.
- Someone who is asking for money, usually downtown.
- Someone who is down on their luck. Lately, it’s been young, transient people who are on the boulevards. 80% male. 50% have a dog companion. Usually quiet, not to aggressive. Younger panhandlers tend to be Caucasian while older ones outside the Midtown mall are usually male and First Nations.
- Someone who is in a bad way for whatever reason and feels that this is the only thing they can do. They are often dirty and look rough.
- Someone who is in raggedy clothes, standing at the corner, begging for cash.
- Someone who is not clean, not well dressed, in need, but doesn't get what they need or want from other sources. I believe, in some cases, the panhandler wants money to buy liquor or gamble.
- Someone who is not dressed well, sitting on the street, holding out a cap or hat for money from passers-by.
- Someone who is out of work, poor, usually male and usually older. They are a symptom of a society that does not provide enough supports. I try to give money when I can, and when I do, the person is very thankful. I just wish I could do more, and feel sorry that I live in a city where the poor are seen as worthless.
- Someone who is sitting in front of a high traffic retail outlet with a guitar case or hat beside them and they are singing for charity. I have even been approached upon exiting a restaurant on 2nd Ave. Downtown and being asked for extra cash. I have been approached after leaving a Mac's convenience store for extra cash or a spare cigarette. One time as I was backing out from a Mac's convenience store, someone knocked on my driver door while I was backing out to leave, do not know if they wanted cigarettes or money. This is why I always have my vehicle doors locked after I'm belted in before starting my vehicle.
- Someone who isn't working. Someone who could look for work. Someone who looks sad and tired.
- Someone who seems homeless, has diminished mental capacity, smells unclean who asks anyone within earshot if they have change.
- Sometime rude, demanding.
- Sometimes they are nice looking individuals playing instruments but I still don't want to see them 'begging' for money and making me feel like I have to give them something.
- Sometimes they will ask how I am or how's it going first and short explanation before asking help a fellow out. Ok but just to ask for change straight out gets my goat.
- Somewhat unkempt, sometimes inebriated, very often aboriginal.
- Spend time in a location often sitting, with something to hold money asking people for money as they walk by or come close.
- Street persons.
- That's like asking my impression of a typical store clerk or bank teller; these are individual human beings. In broad strokes, they're generally seated. They're generally underdressed for cold weather. They're usually quiet. They usually call me ma'am and say thank you and/or god bless you, whether I
give them anything or not.

- The fat lady that screams at you downtown.
- The ones I have seen are often sitting on the sidewalk in front of a mall, poorly dressed a little on the dishevelled side and not so clean and mostly middle aged men.
- The ones I see are sitting down on the sidewalk and they ask for money, many looking physically able to work.
- The panhandlers I’ve come across are very grubby looking and unclean. But they have also all been polite.
- The typical panhandler I have encountered has been dirty with poor clothing. Many are unkempt. Poor oral and body hygiene. And lately, they seem to think that they are owed a living by those of us that do work. It is more the attitude than anything that turns me off.
- Their attire, their lack of respect for a person’s ‘personal’ space, rude, loud, inappropriate language.
- There are 2 downtown that are mentally unstable, the rest seem to be fresh off the reserve.
- There is no typical panhandler.
- There no defining characteristics of a panhandler. I have been asked for money by both genders, of various age and varying ethnicity.
- These are people who may not actually be in need but choose this way to make money.
- They all ask if you can spare some change. They are dirty and unkempt.
- They always seem uncared for. Usually of Native decent.
- They appear homeless and in need.
- They appear to be down on their luck, alcoholics or drug users.
- They appear to be homeless and in need of support.
- They approach strangers and ask for money, beggars.
- They approach you and do not take NO for an answer. Sometimes there is more than one person involved such as someone a few feet away or across the street.
- They approach you in an odd way and ask you for change for something specifically, or they just stand and hold out something, expecting donations.
- They are bums, have probably more money than I, and should get a job.
- They are dirty, poorly dressed, and have long, greasy hair. Most, but far from all, are male. Most, but again far from all, are of aboriginal ancestry. Nearly all of them feel entitled to a share of whatever I have, are not ‘begging’ but just demanding what they consider to be their due.
- They are dirty, rude, greedy, and they like to sit right in front of the business so right when you walk out after shopping, they ask for money. If you say you don’t have any, they start swearing at you!
- They are dirty, some are very mentally impaired, some are drunks or drug addicts, a lot lately seem to be lazy teens or 20-somethings. They give Saskatoon a bad image.
- They are dirty, useless, pathetic people who don’t work.
- They are dressed in rags and look like they haven’t had a shower in a very long time. They usually look at people and beg for money but don’t touch. Sometimes they come up with a phrase for money, like ‘Spare some change for a coffee?’, etc. So to the passer by, it’s not that much.
- They are generally apathetic or downright sad. They tend to be scruffier.
- They are generally quite polite. They are generally grubby, but how could they not be? They are generally wearing tattered clothing. They generally look sad.
- They are having a hard time and need some help. They sometimes appear dishevelled and tired, which makes sense as they likely are very stressed and not getting much sleep. They are usually pretty passive and friendly and grateful for whatever people can do for them.
- They are homeless bums wanting money for either drugs alcohol or both get a job and get off the streets; grow up.
- They are looking for free money.
- They are men who are homeless.
- They are mostly aboriginal; sometimes appear to be under the influence of some substance, unkempt appearance.

- They are mostly natives.

- They are not dressed very well and usually they have something out to collect money and they look kind of scruffy.

- They are often unkempt and downcast.

- They are people in need of direction so they can become a person who can contribute to society.

- They are placed in one spot in front of an opening into a place of business. They approach and ask for money. They are usually unclean.

- They are poorly dressed and not clean.

- They are sitting in a spot asking every person that comes by for money or smokes. When told no they are rude or make rude comments.

- They are sitting on the sidewalk, casually or poorly dressed, they have their eyes cast down. They are asking for money.

- They are unkempt and appear to be destitute. They sometimes look like they are stoned or suffering from some sort of mental illness.

- They are usually dirty and smelly. Some are very persistent and pushy.

- They are usually dirty and unkempt, and have no qualms about begging; you might as well call it that!! And they must not have very much pride.

- They are usually dirty, smelly and seem really down on their luck. Poorly dressed and very emotionally drained.

- They are very unclean, dressed in torn and dirty clothes and follow you down the street and ask for money.

- They are very unclean, lazy, mostly public drunkards, most of them are able to work and make money if they want. Some panhandlers are really innocent and need help.

- They are well able people who are just plain lazy to get a job who are willing to take our hard earn money. Most of them are young just plain lazy bums is what they are!

- They ask for change and have a hat or something for money. They be sitting on the sidewalk.

- They ask for money and call you a jerk for not giving them any.

- They ask for money like you owe them money.

- They ask you for spare change or they have a receptacle in front of them for loose change.

- They can be almost anyone; some are well dressed, others are grubby and dirty.

- They don't have jobs and are too lazy to get a job.

- They don't seem particularly 'typical' to me. I suppose they are more likely to be young (under 40), and probably more often aboriginal than not, and probably more often male than female.

- They look bad and usually look drunk or stoned.

- They look like they might be homeless, look unkempt and dirty. Some just hand out their hat for people to money in and others actually come up to you to ask and will follow you a bit. A lot of times, they look like they've been drinking.

- They look very dirty and can sometimes be persistent. Some will just sit on the sidewalk and ask for spare change while some will walk up to you and ask for money and have a background story of why they need money. I have increasingly seen more panhandlers sitting in front of liquor stores.

- They need to work like everyone else and stop trying to obtain everyone else's hard earned money...

- They often appear as if they are homeless, but not always. There are also those random people that hangout at intersections holding cardboard signs with their dog; I remember seeing them at Preston and 8th almost every year.

- They should get a job. There are lots of jobs available in Saskatoon.

- They usually are not dressed the best, their hygiene, they have signs, sometimes even dogs so that you feel sorry for them even more.
- They usually are wearing dirty clothes, smoking and asking for money.
- They usually have a hat or some container in front of them and they ask for spare change.
- They usually sit right by an entrance to a shop, they're not dressed very well and sometimes don't smell very good, either. A very unkempt physical appearance.
- They vary. Some appear clean, clean clothes, etc. as if they could find a job, while others appear homeless, lost, very much in need.
- They will dress shabbily, unshaved, and they don’t mind interrupting you anywhere.
- They won’t get a job and feel like society owes them something for nothing. They are annoying losers who prey on people’s kindness.
- They're asking for money.
- This person usually approaches you or calls out to you asking for money. Panhandlers are from all different races. Usually have poor hygiene.
- Tired, ragged.
- Torn clothes, dirty faces/hands, carrying a backpack/bag of some sort. Some have a dog, usually not on a leash. They carry their hat in their hands and sometimes get right in your face and ask you for money.
- Tries to look pitiful.
- Trying to make money using their talents.
- Typical 'obtrusive' panhandler is a street person. Dishevelled appearance with questionable mental facilities.
- Typical panhandlers are usually older males, from what I have seen. They have an unkempt appearance.
- Typical panhandlers in Downtown Saskatoon or Broadway Shopping District tend to have poor grooming habits, dirty clothes, may or may not look like they haven’t bathed in weeks/months, generally look unhealthy, depressed and sad. Most are polite and don’t harass you if you don’t give them anything. I know some of them live on the street, some of them are just looking for money for their next ‘fix’ and some look like they really are hungry. I know that certain of them suffer from mental health problems; some are always short because their Social Services payments do not cover the cost of living. Mostly, I think that they deserve our compassion and empathy....There, but for the Grace of God, go I. I think most of the panhandlers in the downtown area are really down and out and it’s a shame that they are desperate enough to sit for hours, begging for money.
- Typically appear to be homeless/migrant, unemployed or on social assistance loitering outside businesses or public areas asking for handouts. Quite often appear to be people with substance abuse problems. Also see younger people travelling city to city looking for handouts on street corners, etc.
- Typically dirty and looking dishevelled. I have also seen very young persons panhandling. They look like they smoke and drink so I therefore do not support that.
- Typically male, not too many females. Generally adults. Mix of both aboriginals and whites. Tend to hang around the entrance doors to malls and business. At the McDonalds on Second Avenue, they are very aggressive. More peaceful around Midtown Mall.
- Typically male, occasional female. The regulars (outside Midtown, etc.) are usually non-aggressive (probably because of the security personnel at Midtown), but persistent. Age around mid-forties to late fifties. The other panhandlers that seem to move around a lot are often more aggressive.
- Typically, in my experience, the person is usually wearing dirty clothes. They themselves may or may not be dirty. Typically, and unfortunately, the majority of panhandlers I come across are usually of Aboriginal descent.
- Ummm... I feel bad doing this because it seems so judgemental and stereotypical of me, but I guess baggy clothes, scruffy, rough..... I don't know.
- Unable or unwilling to work, dependent on others for survival. Usually drug and alcohol abusers.
- Unclean clothes and unwashed. Old, torn clothing.
- Unclean, getting more and more aggressive, smoking, unkempt.
- Unclean, obtrusive.
- Unclean.
- Uncleanliness, look of need, though generally smiling and well mannered.
- Unemployed people who may or may not have addictions.
- Unemployed, sometimes homeless usually in groups hanging out in front of malls, restaurants, liquor stores and some bars asking for money and sometimes using their numbers as an intimidation to lone passers-by.
- Unfortunately to say, majority panhandlers tend to be visibly aboriginal, generally appear mature in age (later 30s or 40s), rubby clothes, unclean, and a little lazy, sitting in a lump with a cup or hat for coins to be dropped. I always feel uncomfortable and never make eye contact.
- Unkempt and not truthful.
- Unkempt appearance, possibly handicapped, hat or other receptacle out. Sometimes ask for money explicitly.
- Unkempt appearance. Poorly dressed.
- Unkempt individuals, unappealing presentation... With all due respect to them.
- Unkempt looking.
- Unkempt, alienated, uneducated, polite, sad.
- Unkempt, asking for handouts, hat or box, sometimes has a musical instrument, smoker, has cigarettes.
- Unkempt, desperate, and I worry that we are not taking care of our mentally challenged or ill persons....
- Unkempt, dirty clothing, tattoos and body piercing.
- Unkempt, dirty, quiet.
- Unkempt, inebriated, rude.
- Unkempt, intrusive and sometimes intimidating.
- Unkempt, not dressed neatly, can be rude.
- Unkempt, poor, down and out.
- Unkempt, poor.
- Unkempt, shaky (looking for a drink or drugs), look like they could hold a job.
- Unkempt, unclean, often signs of hard drug addiction.
- Unkempt, usually male.
- Unkempt.(3)
- Unknown.
- Unmotivated, dressed poorly, unclean and some are pushy/persistent!
- Unshaved, poorly dressed, dirty.
- Unshaven, often intoxicated.
- Unshaven, worn clothing, pushy as hell.
- Unshowered. Younger.
- Unwashed, unshaven, down on their luck.
- Usually dirty, smelly, unshaven with dirty clothes.
- Usually dressed in dirty clothes, with a ball cap in hand, held upside down, looking for a handout.
- Usually dressed poorly with bad hygiene. They might have a sign with bad grammar and constantly asking people for change.
- Usually druggies unkempt and not willing to work.
- Usually fairly scruffy looking individuals, unkempt and lacking in personal hygiene.
- Usually have some visible disability or something that makes you feel sorry for them.
- Usually homeless or close to it, often dirty, often use guilt or aggression to try to make you give them money.
- Usually jobless, sometimes homeless, lack education or means of finding employment, often no family.
- Usually look dishevelled.
- Usually look unkempt but have never been aggressive towards me. I find them annoying, but not frightening, or threatening.
- Usually male, age 25-45, usually aboriginal. There are also a few young women ages 15-25, both Caucasian and Aboriginal, who can be aggressive downtown.
- Usually male, younger aboriginal or older Caucasian. Unkempt looking, skinny and in winter not dressed for weather.
- Usually males sitting on the sidewalk, with an open instrument case of an overturned hat with a few coins in it. They are usually not very well-kept looking and most of them have a cigarette in their hand or mouth. Quite a few of them have a large dog with them.
- Usually not well dressed or clean. Don’t have any ambition; some of them may be a little mentally challenged.
- Usually poor, sometimes dirty.
- Usually poorly dressed and unkempt looking. Sometimes with physical or mental disabilities.
- Usually poorly dressed, unkempt, sometimes reasonably polite.
- Usually poorly dressed, usually clean, mostly polite.
- Usually scruffy looking and unkempt.
- Usually scruffy looking, looking for money. Believe most of them have addiction issues.
- Usually scruffy, sometimes unkempt. I have met some that are dressed fairly decently and are clean. Always ask for money or something to eat.
- Usually see stupid kids on the boulevard with a sign saying they are broke and travelling, then you see the same kid on the bus headed back to the east side. The rest are usually drunks asking for money and you see them everywhere.
- Usually sitting down, begging.
- Usually sitting on the street holding out a cup or yelling at people for money.
- Usually someone who is sitting outside the Midtown mall asking for spare change and smelling of booze.
- Usually they are smokers, dishevelled and unkempt and lots have been in their 30s. Otherwise, they seem to be healthy.
- Usually unkempt appearance, dirty clothes, unwashed/uncombed hair, looks homeless, usually older people. I have witnessed young adults dressed in clean clothes panhandling.
- Usually unkempt young people with cardboard signs asking for money/food.
- Usually unkempt, usually blocking entrances to mall or liquor stores.
- Usually very quiet.
- Usually wearing grubby clothes, messy hair and need a bath/shower.
- Usually when I see them, it’s apparent they don’t have a place to live since they are dirty and have dirty clothing; some are not nice to you, some I think have a mental disorder or something of the sort. Around here, they are usually older from what I can see.
- Usually with hat/cap in hand stopping people on street and entrances to businesses. At times, very aggressive!
- Usually young people who appear to be on drugs and / or really down on their luck. Most seem to have a look of profound sadness and some look like they are hungry or need a fix.
- Usually younger various levels if entertainment prowess.
- Usually, seemingly intoxicated but not necessarily drunk, somewhat dishevelled and unkempt and usually quite soft spoken and polite.
- Very old, run down clothing. Sometimes drunk. Very persistent and annoying.
- Very unclean and usually drunk.
- Very unkempt, pushy, rude, usually stoned or drunk.
Wearing ragged clothes, usually unshaven, mostly male. Sits by doorways near major malls.

When you see the same person in the same area time after time their actions become annoying. Panhandling will not go away however I have become hard about it and refuse to give to anyone now and that many be wrong as some may need assistance at this time in their lives.

Who came up with these fucked up questions? There are no defining characteristics, the way I see it.

With some exceptions, they are 'in your face', constantly begging, generally unkempt and a pain in the neck.

You’re profiling people here, trying to establish differences, negatively. That is as dangerous as the subject matter. Racial profiling occurs in society when people in power create myths about another race or culture, then use their power to act on them. For many people of color, the anxiety of not knowing when this will occur creates daily fear.

17. Why do you believe people panhandle?

- Addictions, shelter and food.
  - Because it is an easy way to get money. Possibly, they have fallen through the cracks or have mental issues and society has let it happen. The social workers and City Council need to do what they were hired to do.
  - Because it is profitable, they can make more panhandling than working a real job.
  - Because they can, and they know enough will give either to get them away or some actually believe they should give.
  - Difficult question. . . Mainly inability to find work, because lack employment or social skills. Sometimes mental illness. A few only looking for funds to buy booze.
  - Don’t know how to get out of the alcohol or drugs, I look at most permanent homeless people are needing rehab. Some homeless people are honestly having a bad run with jobs and stuff but often get out of the rut, and if they don’t they soon turn to alcohol or drugs then it goes back to rehab. Get confidence in themselves without needing substances.
  - Don’t want to, or can’t find work.
  - Down on their luck, need money now, lazy, no marketable skills.
  - For a minority, it is because they are jobless, broke. For the majority, it is because of addiction issues.
  - Homeless, need money.
  - Homeless, unemployed, maybe new to the city and without resources, may have mental health or substance abuse problems.
  - Homeless, welfare does not give them enough, depression, poor habits.
  - I think they have lost a sense of self pride and they possibly believe they cannot achieve on their own. Perhaps they get a lot of money. I’ve heard rumours that one panhandler in particular was actually a very successful person, and made extra money by panhandling.
  - It can be lucrative. It can fill a short term need for money for food, drugs or alcohol. It is easy. They don’t see alternatives.
  - Lack of money and lack of other ways to engage in society due to disabilities or mental health issues, or addictions.
  - Money for things not covered by the province. Alcohol, cigarettes, illegal drugs.
  - No education, don’t know any better, an easy way out.
  - Often because of mental illness, addictions, homelessness.
  - Probably for various reasons, some for everyday necessities, and others for alcohol, and drugs.
  - Some do it as a solution to the economic tragedy of homelessness. Some do it because they are emotionally/mentally/physically damaged people who perhaps feel that they have no other recourse. Others, unfortunately, do it because they are shiftless and lazy and cannot be bothered to work for a
Some unable to get work, but some don't want to work.

They are probably out of work, or unable to work. Need money more than likely for liquor. Sometimes I have seen them around the Salvation Army Hostel area. Maybe it is their lifestyle. Some it is their way of life.

Too lazy to work or go to public services for help, like friendship inn or Salvation Army.

Unable to work, or too lazy to work.

A man who considers himself to be a failure may cause himself to drink, but then fail all the more completely because he drinks. Once in this state, it is financially unfeasible to come up with sufficient funds to drink, and thus he must panhandle.

A quick way of gaining money for whatever they need it for.

Addiction problem.

Addiction, poverty.

Addiction.

Addictions, mentally challenged, some (very few), who are down on their luck (no job or home).

Addictions.(3)

Alcohol and drugs but some really need the money to eat.

Alcohol, drugs, food.

Alcoholics or druggies.

Answer already provided.

Any number of reasons from don't want to work to can't get work.

As stated before, out of necessity, lack of resources, mental health.

Beats the hell out of work.

Because I have seen them.

Because it pays.

Because it's easy.

Because it's too difficult to get a job when you are homeless or very poor because you may not have the money for appropriate clothes, somewhere to clean up, etc.

Because people give them money....

Because society doesn't have enough programs to help people in need find their way back onto their feet. Also, change is scary so it can just be easier to continue the lifestyle you're used to or end up in.

Because they a) don't have a job; b) make money aside from a job.

Because they are desperate - whether it’s for an addiction or truly for food.

Because they are desperate. They lack proper skills and coping mechanisms to be productive in the workforce. They suffer from addiction and or poverty.

Because they are hooked on alcohol and drugs and have no goals in life. They are lazy people. They allowed themselves to get into this predicament.

Because they are in need of money and they do not have the physical wherewithal to work for it, either sick or dirty. Usually have addiction problems, usually homeless.

Because they are lazy and society has let them.

Because they are lazy.

Because they are lazy. They say it's because they went through something traumatic in their lives. Well, lots of people do and they are still working people.

Because they are too lazy to find a job and would prefer to just hang out all day and score some extra cash. I think it's degrading, so they are either desperate or wanting some extra money for booze or drugs. Saskatoon has a great food bank so it can't be for food.

Because they are too lazy to get a job.
- Because they are too lazy to get a real job.
- Because they are too lazy to get job, and have no personal goals in life.
- Because they are too lazy to work or nobody will give them a chance.
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should be outlawed, but if someone is in need of money, I would like to see them have an opportunity to earn it. The emphasis here is on the EARN.

- Because they need money and because social services fail them and they do not have a more productive way to earn money.
- Because they need money and don't have jobs.
- Because they need money or they are addicted to the free money.
- Because they need money.
- Because they need money.
- Because they need money. For food, alcohol, drugs, a place to sleep, etc.
- Because they need money. Most likely because they cannot find a job, and fall through the cracks of the social programs in Saskatchewan.
- Because they need money. Some do it to spend money on their habits/addictions, others do it to try and clean themselves up.
- Because they need some money. That’s probably the most obvious single reason. I myself would find it embarrassing to ask people for spare change, so I’m guessing these people don’t feel good about their station in life.
- Because they need the money and either don’t believe they can get a job nor have a record or something which makes people not hire them.
- Because they think that this is the best way to make a buck, perhaps to supplement a low income or welfare.
- Because they want money and are usually unable to earn it for themselves.
- Because they want money to fund their addictions.
- Because they want to get from here to there or just to have money to eat.
- Because they're hungry, want to get drunk or they’re bored. Young people pretending that they’re poor.
- Because they’re too lazy to get a job.
- Because they’re too lazy to get a job.
- Because they're unemployed.
- Because you can make good money doing it, as I am told. They also want you to feel bad for them when most of them don’t even need the money.
- Believe it’s the only or quickest way to get money, don't have the ability or the willingness to take advantage of public services to improve their situation, don't have ambition to make a better life for themselves so they just spend their time trying to get a bit of money for some food, alcohol or cigarettes.
- Booze.
- Can make a lot of money at their own leisure.
- Can’t find work or are too lazy. Likely have had a rough life.
- Cannot find jobs/ cannot be hired due to criminal records, etc., cannot afford any other option or are not aware of them.
- Cannot hold a job due to mental health issues and drug and alcohol issues; unable to get social assistance.
- Can’t be bothered to get a job.
- Can’t get or hold a real job.
- Can’t make rent, don’t have a job, addictions.
- Cause I get asked for money at least 4 times a week.
- Could be a number of reasons, actually needing the money, or use it for their bad habits, but I believe it’s more for their bad habits.
- Could be many reasons; either they’re just too lazy to get a job, or maybe they have reached a low point in their life and after so many things not going their way, they feel worthless and really don’t care.
- how they get money as long as they get it.
- Deal with real crime.
- Desperate for money, poverty, or unwilling or unable to work.
- Desperate, totally broke or lazy.
- Desperate.
- Desperation, or in desperate need, or sometimes pride.
- Different reasons. Some because they are mentally slow or unstable, some because they can, some to feed addictions, and others because they genuinely need to eat.
- Do not care to work, have alcohol and/or drug issues. There are jobs for people who care about themselves and want to work.
- Do not know what else to do, lack of motivation.
- Do not know.
- Do not want to access services and supports available to them.
- Don’t know.
- Don’t care anymore, easier than working.
- Don’t want to work at a regular job, maybe aren’t able to keep a regular job.
- Down in luck, lack of work, may have no city skills. No marketable skills.
- Drank there money away, does not know where to get more money, thinks others have more and should share.
- Drug addicted poor people.
- Drug addiction, mental illness. Some kids I knew in high school did it for fun, even though they had money.
- Drug and alcohol problems.
- Drug habit, down on their luck, no education, no ambition, alcohol problem, just plain lazy, because it easy to make a fast buck without working.
- Drug habit, lack of education, mental problems, easy money....
- Drugs and/or alcohol addictions.
- Drugs, alcohol.
- Drugs.
- Easier than getting a job. Unable to keep a job because of drugs or alcohol.
- Easier than working, can't get a job, transient.
- Easiest way for them to make money.
- Easiest way to make a buck. Attitude of get something for nothing.
- Easy money and do not have to do anything.
- Easy money and too lazy to find a real job.
- Easy money with little effort.
- Easy money without working for it and good enough to tide them over for their 'fix' of whatever.
- Easy money, drug money, laziness, no work.
- Easy money, homeless.
- Easy money.(3)
- Easy source of money, some out of necessity.
- Easy way to get money without doing any work.
- Easy way to make money without working or maybe don't qualify for social assistance or have spent what they have before the next payment.
- Easy way to make money. Poor.
- Easy way to supplement welfare check.
- Either can’t or don’t want to work and need money to support themselves.
Either due to health issues or slipped through the cracks of society and maybe health issues they are unable to deal with.

Either for drug/alcohol money or for food (because they have spent their money on drugs/alcohol).

Either there is no place in society that will handle them, they have no other option, or mentally they are unstable enough to hold down a job.

Either they are broke, or want booze.

Either they need money or the individual is bored.

Either too lazy to go out and get a job or uninformed as to access of public social programs.

Emotionally and mentally unstable. Many, I believe, have a crippling addiction they do not want to deal with, or cannot. The core group have been on the street for years. They all need help. The newest pro out who sits many times near Moores on 2nd Ave seems to be going downhill lately.

Feel hopeless, no family, on drugs, unable or unwilling to find a job, mentally ill, sick, each person has their own circumstances that lead them to the street. And some are just plain lazy and want something for nothing. I think whatever the case, they can use a hand.

Financially and socially disadvantaged.

For attention.

For drug money and alcohol.

For drugs, booze.

For extra cash.

For extra money.

For food and drinks (including alcohol in some situations).

For getting money without working.

For money and are either unwilling or unable to work.

For money for drugs, alcohol, or to pay for their entertainment. I think the young lazy people see it as an alternative to working.

For money to buy alcohol or drugs. I once offered a man my half of a take home pizza and he refused, so he wasn't after food.

For money to buy booze a lot of times.

For money, food, alcohol.

For money, for performance experience.

For money, it’s a substitute for gainful employment.

For money. I really believe some of the people do need it. Others may have an addiction problem.

For the money? For the most part, I think they honestly have no other way of obtaining money for whatever they need. I think many of them are unemployable due to personality problems or mental illness, and I think they have fallen through the cracks. I also believe that some of them have chosen this way of life.

Free money, no effort.

Free money, which makes it really bad for someone who is truly 'down on their luck'. But then, what about social assistance, isn't that what they’re there for?

Get further and further behind as the cost of living shoots up. Without effective programs in places to get back on track, you lose your desire. Eventually, it comes down to just survival rather than trying to get ahead.

Get money for booze or die.

Good money, some due to mental illness.

Habit. Laziness in some cases.
Homeless no address. Social assistance doesn't offer help to these people. Lack of education. Again, no set address to even use for job searching. And the few panhandling for drugs, or drinking.

Homeless or poor, unable to find work.

Honestly here in Saskatoon they do it because they can make good money, tax free, and collect welfare as well as other social benefit systems. And there are a few who for whatever reason doesn't know how to connect with the help they need ... There are lots of jobs here.

Honestly, I think most want money for alcohol/cigarettes, but they usually say it is to feed their kids, or to get a bus ticket, etc.

Hopelessness.

Hungry or addictions.

Hungry, addiction.

I already included this information in my last answer...

I am sure there are many reasons but for some it is an easy way to make money. I am sure, in some cases, it is because they cannot work but many look like they could be working or accessing services to be able to work.

I assume they are not able to raise money any other way.

I believe it is because they have a substance addiction and need the money to feed their addiction.

I believe most of them are wanting money to buy either drugs or liquor, very seldom for food.

I believe people panhandle because it is an easy way out. There are no excuses for panhandling; one can always do something to earn money. I would prefer giving money to a busker, or someone engaged in productive activity.

I believe people panhandle because they have hit a low point in their lives, no education or hardly any, faced some sort of addiction or abuse, or just have no idea how to get their feet back on the ground and find direction to looking for a job. A lot of times, people get themselves to a point that they could not get a job looking the way that they do because their clothes and appearance are unkempt.

I believe some are on welfare and need more money than they receive or they spend unwisely, e.g., cigarettes, drugs or alcohol.

I believe the ones downtown are truly just trying to survive. However, the ones I see on the exit ramp from Idylwyld onto Circle who have signs saying 'travelling, need money', etc., are just trying to scam people.

I believe there are a very few who panhandle to survive. I believe the majority panhandle as their 'job'.

I believe there are several reasons. They ask for money to support their habits such as smoking, drinking or they just need money for foods because their welfare cheque is gone.

I believe they are panhandling because it is profitable, tax free income, it's the same panhandlers I have seen for the last 15 years, and they are using the system.

I believe they do it because they're in a situation where they can't do anything else. Either they're unable to work, either because they suffer from an ailment or no employer will hire them, and they're doing what they need to do to try and survive. Granted, there are those who panhandle as a means to support their own vices as opposed to improving themselves (say through buying food), but I believe those to be in the minority.

I believe they find it easier to panhandle than to work.

I believe they panhandle because they don't have enough money to do anything. They don't have the resources, perhaps, to find their own job and make a living to support themselves. However, I know there are a lot of programs out there to help these people. Some are out there and they aren't that poor, so they're just trying to make extra dollars.

I believe they panhandle because they have addictions and they need money to buy their product.

I believe they panhandle to support their addiction

I do assume they are desperate and possibly unstable (i.e., addiction issues, mental health issues). I believe they need to feed their addictions, to either smoking and or drinking/or drugs.
I don’t.

I don’t know.

I don’t know. May be just for fun and for getting some money.

I don’t?

I have an idea they might be destitute, no job, no hope of getting one. Perhaps even homeless.

I have no doubt that those that aren’t just begging for booze/drug money are likely afflicted with mental health issues and not easily employed. Some are just having a tough time with life. Some are just looking for suckers.

I specifically know of one panhandler that was begging two elderly women for bus fare. He then got on the same bus as I did and proffered a bus pass. They panhandle for money!

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I suspect they are not aware of social service and food bank options.

I think a lot have difficulty finding jobs, for reasons out of their control. I also feel some do not want to find jobs.

I think most suffer from mental illness, do not have a home and/or steady income, and may not have access to social programs in place for them. I’m not sure we even have adequate programs for them to begin with.

I think some are just lazy and think they can get an easy dollar. Some are addicted to various drugs and need the money to service their needs.

I think some do it because they are mentally ill or otherwise unable to work. However, there are other means to support such people. It must also pay, as they continue to do this.

I think sometimes it is to eat but after talking to a former panhandler most times it is to get money for drugs.

I think that panhandling and associated phenomena like homelessness are the result of a lot of complex, interrelated social issues like mental illness, drug use, and poverty.

I think that some people are down on their luck and have strayed so far from what their life could be that they feel they have no other options. These people may have been denied services or lack education to access services. They may be ashamed to ask for real help. Others are lazy and anti-establishment and think that living a life of freedom on other people’s money is ok.

I think that there is not just one reason why people panhandle. But often it is because they need money to support drug or alcohol problems, have mental or emotional difficulties, and/or are homeless (and those problems make it difficult to get/hold a regular job). Other times, people just do it because it is a pretty easy way to make quick cash (I know some guys going to university in Regina did this).

I think they are too lazy to find real work. I think people have always given them money and they are making a living off panhandling.

I would like to think because they cannot get a job and need money.

If a person can make a $100.00 a day tax free, why work?

In need of cash.

In order to avoid actual work and to secure something for nothing.

In order to gain monetary gains. Unable to keep a job.

In Saskatoon’s current economy, I believe that current panhandlers are too lazy to find work of any kind. I also believe that many panhandlers can actually bring in more money that a full-time minimum wage earner.

In some cases the people are truly homeless and do not have the resources to get work, or feed themselves. I find a lot of the time that a lot of younger people panhandle to pay for their drug addictions or alcohol. I have seen myself someone give a guy $5 and he walked right into the bar down the street and bought a drink, as we were also in the same establishment for lunch.

In some cases, it is because they have to and others because they choose to.

It could be for many reasons but it would come down to needing money for something, perhaps to feed an addiction.
- It is a way for them to earn money. Some of them have some mental issues (either affected by drugs and alcohol in their lives, being either themselves and/or their parents) and require assistance. The assistance is not usually enough to support themselves, so they panhandle.
- It is a way to earn tax free dollars and still be in any social assistance system.
- It is an easy way to get money for what they want at the time.
- It is easier than working for some of the younger ones, or some people can't keep work for either physical or mental reasons.
- It is perceived as an easy way to get money and I believe some use it as a way to finance addictions.
- It is the easiest way to get money for them.
- It is their source of income.
- It is worthwhile.
- It works with zero effort, requires nothing except time to (unlike busking) and for those suffering from addiction, it may be their only option for money.
- It's an easy way to get money so they can go buy alcohol or drugs.
- It's easy.
- It's an easy way to get extra money. It's the job that gets them the most (tax-free) income for the effort involved. Most panhandlers need the money to feed their addiction.
- Lack of affordable housing, primarily. In some cases, the need to feed an expensive addiction can also cause people to panhandle, but I believe these are the visible minority of cases.
- Lack of ambition to get help for themselves.
- Lack of appropriate services, health, housing jobs, etc.
- Lack of employment, lack of social skills.
- Lack of employment, social assistance issues, mental health issues, because it’s easy.
- Lack of self-esteem to get work.
- Laziness to work.
- Laziness, as a lot in the city looks like they are more than capable of working.
- Laziness.(3)
- Lazy bums.
- Lazy drug/alcohol addict drifter.
- Lazy or down on their luck.
- Lazy to work...
- Lazy, addicted to drugs, disabled.
- Lazy, can make a decent wage tax free like that woman in Toronto who drove in from her luxury home to panhandle in TO.
- Lazy, handicapped, bad luck, etc.
- Lazy.(4)
- Living.
- Looking for easy money.
- Looking for money for cigarettes!!
- Looking for money.
- Looking for quick cash to fund their addiction to drugs, alcohol and cigarettes.
- Lord only knows!!!! I have no idea!
- Make money for drugs, alcohol, displaced and not having proper guidance or any education. Very lazy to work and earn money.
- Make more money than only collecting an assistance check, and going to buy alcohol and cigarettes with the money. I never give any money to these people.
- Many panhandle because of job loss, others because of mental health issues. Others because they drank heavily and the family unit has dissolved and they are out of the street, unable to hold down a job because of alcoholism.

- Many reasons, some may be hungry, others may want the money for drugs or drink or smokes. The ones from out of the country ask for their kids.

- Many reasons. Often they cannot hold a job because of mental problems. For a very few it is the way that they earn a living. Additional problems include money for alcohol and drugs.

- Marginalization. Lack of support systems, self-respect and financial means or support.

- Mental health issues. Can't afford housing.

- Mental health, addictions problems.

- Mental illness, homeless.

- Mental illness, substance abuse, mental abuse, physical and emotional abuse.

- Mental or physical illness does not allow them to earn and income and social assistance is not enough.

- Money and attention.

- Money for alcohol and drugs.

- Money for food, for drugs and alcohol, for cigarettes . . . and then there are a few who just do it to see how much they can get for nothing. There are a few, I'm sure, that panhandle because it is their only source of money.

- Money to satisfy their basic needs and/or addictions and that differs from person to person.

- Money.

- Most are down on their luck. Some do it just to make easy money and take advantage of others.

- Most are probably at the lowest point they can be at, and require handouts to survive. They may be homeless, unemployed, have drug or alcohol problems or a wide variety of other social issues that cause them to have to resort to begging on the street. I also suspect that there are some who panhandle 'professionally' and earn a reasonable income in doing so.

- Most are too lazy to get a job. They sort of get into a rut and then don't seem to want to improve themselves.

- Most because they are too lazy to get a job or have an addiction. Others because they feel they have no other choice.

- Most of the ones I give change to, I know that they are disabled or have a hard life. For some, it may be one of their few options. For others, I think they simply have time on their hands and nothing to do. They panhandle and loiter for lack of anything better to do.

- Most of them do it because they are homeless and have no way of earning money. When I see a young person panhandling, I think it's because they are just too lazy to go get a job.


- Need any money, or more money. Often, not always, used to feed addiction.

- Need money and don't want to get a job.

- Need money because they are poor. But they usually spend the money on alcohol or drugs.

- Need money for alcohol/cigarettes/drugs and sometimes food.

- Need money for good or ill.

- Need money for various reasons. Unable to get a job.

- Need money to live on.

- Need money, food, are unemployed.

- Need money, no work, want alcohol.

- Need money, usually for drugs or alcohol. In some cases, may simply have nothing better to do.

- Need money.(4)

- Need of cash. For food, rent or to support habits.
- Need to have funds to support a bad habit.
- Need/mental illness.
- Needs are not being met by social services (industry).
- No employment, not eligible for social assistance, or to feed an addiction of some sort.
- No idea.
- No idea.
- No job, and need some way of making money.
- No job, mental health issues or addictions.
- No job, no ambition to get one.
- No money and no job to work, lazy people.
- No money.
- No money.
- No other choice.
- No other way to get money, desperation.
- No sense of self-worth, have made themselves believe they can do anything but beg.
- No work. No education. No brain.
- No, get a job. McDonalds is always hiring.
- No.
- Normally, I would hope that it is because they are desperate for money, but most likely they are lazy and don't want to work. I once gave a gift certificate for food to a panhandler--dressed poorly/ragged clothes in the winter and then in spring I saw the guy dressed better using the ATM. WTF?? Lots of panhandlers also sit outside the liquor store on 8th Street or Confederation waiting to get enough money for booze or cigarettes.
- Not for food, for drugs and too lazy.
- Not having a job, can't get a job; make more money than having a job.
- Not sure, may be an easy way to get a little cash for people who can't or don't want to hold down a job.
- Not sure, most people should be able to find a job in this city, there are always places hiring for entry level jobs in restaurants, etc. Perhaps it is to feed an addiction?
- Not sure. May be true need, quick fix, easier than trying to get a job, homeless, mental/physical impairment, ...
- Nothing else to do. I do not think they are really poor; if they are, then they need a job. Perhaps they have mental health issues and then we should be helping them as programs are lacking.
- Often jobless or homeless who rely on services not readily available or are unknown. In the summer, its often younger individuals travelling across the country as they say 'experiencing life' without any restrictions.
- Out of desperation.
- Panhandlers are typically social misfits who do not have the life skills or the mental capacity to have some degree of order to their lives in terms of personal welfare, aspirations, future vision, etc. The concepts of the individual controlling their own destiny, earning one's keep. Appreciating the value of money when it is earned, are alien to panhandlers. People panhandle to supplement their social assistance handouts which are not sufficient to maintain their lifestyle, addictions, etc.
- Panhandling is a way to make money without having to work in a business setting. Panhandlers prey on the sympathy of people walking by. They panhandle to make money for drugs, drink, etc.
- People want to be helpful and will donate in many cases. It is an easy way to make some money.
- People who are poor, mentally unstable, addiction problems.
- People who live on the street or extremely low income people.
- Perhaps they need money?
- Please see previous answer. [They are people who are having hard luck, whether short or long term,
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- Some do it because they are too lazy to get a job, others are mentally unfit for work or they just cannot find work.
- Some do it because they can’t find a job, or they are physically handicapped; others do it as they are hungry and homeless; others do it because they are just travelling through the city and looking for free money.
- Some do it for income making better than wages, some for buying drugs and or booze.
- Some do it to make extra money. Some do it to help with their addiction. Some use it to feed themselves.
- Some do not have much other choice to generate income for themselves.
- Some for food but lots for money to buy drugs.
- Some for money for personal reasons, others because they are told to by a gang and other for extra money. Some because they are too lazy to work.
- Some have found it lucrative, others to support alcohol or drug habits, others with mental health issues.
- Some have mental health issues; some are on welfare; some are lazy.
- Some have no other means of income, but I’ve seen some long time ones who seem to be doing pretty well and using it to supplement their incomes.
- Some I think just habit, others I think need to cover their bad habits.
- Some is for alcohol or drugs, some is transients. You rarely see women panhandling.
- Some just took a bad road in life, others do it to support drinking and drug habits.
- Some lazy people have their habit and some people may have done due to their poverty.
- Some may beg out of need, but for a significant proportion of the panhandler society, begging is a lifestyle choice.
- Some may feel that they have no other options.
- Some may have addictions or may have mental issues but others are just trying to make some money without working.
- Some mental illness. Some are just scammers.
- Some out of necessity but the majority have found it is an easy way to get money for drugs, cigarettes and liquor.
- Some panhandle because they are homeless and employed and do it to get some food, while others do it to get money for drugs or alcohol or other chemicals.
- Some people don’t like to work and if they need to money for booze or drugs, they may have difficulty finding or keeping a job. Again, it is a series of bad choices.
- Some people don’t want to work and don’t have a family, etc., so they ask people for money so they can eat. There have been others that do it for a living; there was this one family back in the late 90s that had cell phones and were always eating out and yet they’d be seen panhandling around Midtown and all downtown. Some people are homeless and stuck so they panhandle as well.
- Some people have addictions, others are homeless.
- Some people legitimately have no jobs. I believe poverty and social issues cause desperation in some. There are some who have mental health issues and aren’t able to access proper social programming. There are some who make more money panhandling than they would if they worked minimum wage jobs. Some are just plain lazy.
- Some people say that they can make a lot of money for which they do not have to pay taxes. I believe others are poor enough that they feel that they have no choice.
- Some people use this as a way to get money rather than a job. I don’t believe that they all use the money for necessities of life.
- Some probably can use the extra money to pay for their smoking and drinking. Some of the old men seem alone and have nothing to do so pick up a little money sitting on the street all day.
- Some to feed their addictions.
- Some to survive and some for drugs.
- Some truly are desperate, others just want to make easy money without having to work for it to support drug habits.
- Sometimes need of basics, sometimes wants of drugs and alcohol.
- Sometimes they are homeless, or have an addiction problem, sometimes they have mental disabilities and cannot hold a steady job so they beg for money to get whatever sustenance they can whether it be food, or something to cure their cravings.
- Studies indicate mental disorders are directly related to living on the 'street'. I believe that is mostly the case but I believe some do it because of circumstances beyond their control (bad family situation) as well as those (a small percentage) who choose it as a lifestyle.
- Support habits.
- Survive.
- Tax free money; don't want to be tied down to a job.
- The majority because they have health or mental issues and are driven to do it because they have nowhere else to turn.
- The poverty and addiction cycle. For some people, higher education isn't possible so they get stuck in a life of addiction and don't have the resources to get themselves out.
- There are many underlying causes, mainly psychological and addictions. But basically, it's people with no job that need money for a fix... At least that's what we see on the surface.
- There successful...
- They are destitute.
- They are drug or alcohol addicts that spend their social assistance on their habits.
- They are homeless. If you don't have a job, you can't live in a house and afford rent/mortgage. If you don't live somewhere, you can't get cleaned up to go and get a job.
- They are in a bad situation and are looking for money to feed themselves either with food, booze or drugs.
- They are in need and can make a lot of money that way.
- They are lazy and don't want a regular job where they have rules to follow and other people to consider.
- They are lazy assholes.
- They are lazy bums or they have an addiction.
- They are of limited means and need a little extra money for cigarettes, coffee.
- They are too lazy or too picky to get a job.
- They are too lazy to get a job.
- They are too lazy to get jobs, or unable to do so. Usually they have some mental issues in my opinion.
- They are too lazy to work to support their habits.
- They are unable to find work they can do mentally or physically.
- They are unable to secure and maintain employment and their Social Assistance is inadequate for them to survive. There are numerous factors that may prevent them from working.
- They believe it is a way for them to obtain money.
- They believe they have no other options; unable to keep trying to get out of poverty.
- They can get easy money.
- They can get money without working for it.
- They cannot find work and they need the money.
- They can't afford school to get the degree to keep a sound job. They lost everything (bankruptcy, divorce, etc.) and can't get back on their feet. Lazy, they just don't want to put in any effort to work a 9-5 like most of us.
- They can't find/hold a job; lack skills; suffer from mental illness.
- They can't make ends meet after the bills are paid and sometimes they do it as they may have
drug/alcohol problems.

- They choose not to depend upon help available to them; they make enough for what they want; they may be unable to work or keep a job.
- They do not get enough money from the government to survive on.
- They do not have enough money for the necessities of life. In some cases, they may be solvent abusers or they may suffer from a mental illness.
- They do not have jobs and want money for mostly drugs or food.
- They do not have money to support themselves.
- They do not have money, usually to buy alcohol.
- They do not have the tools to function in regular society due to mental illness, addictions, disabilities, lack of education, or poverty and need to earn money in the only way they can.
- They do not want to work.
- They do not wish to get jobs.
- They don't have a lot of money and it's a way to get change to buy small things, possibly to fuel a drug or alcohol addiction or to buy food.
- They don't have or want to have a job.
- They don't have the determination to fix themselves up to go get a job.
- They don't know any other way to make money. It also could be that they have a mental illness or are mentally challenged.
- They don't really want to get employment (most). Some think that stuff should be given to them and others make so much doing it that why would they do anything else?
- They don't want to work and/or need money for drugs.
- They either don't believe they can get a job or have given up trying.
- They either don't want or don't know how to earn a living in a more positively-viewed way.
- They either really don't have any means of making money in more traditional ways, i.e., serious injuries, etc. or they have decided this is easier. Some people are homeless, without any means of support and nowhere to go so they have no choice.
- They feel they have no other alternatives at that point in time to get money.
- They find it a quick way to make money. A person can make more than minimum wage from collecting quarters from passers-by in an hour than if they actually have to work to earn it. They don't believe that they are able to get a job or they don't want to try to get a job. They would rather try to 'make it on their own' than use the available services at the Salvation Army or the YMCA. The spare change that they collect from pedestrians is tax-free so they can live 'off the grid'.
- They have a substance abuse problem.
- They have drug/ alcohol or other addictions; no work ethic to seek employment.
- They have few options for earning money, and it's easy to get money this way.
- They have little money.
- They have needs not being met by society. Sometimes they need food, housing, addictions programs, counselling, medications or many other things people need to function in life. I do not believe anyone would panhandle if their needs were fully being met in our society.
- They have never had to work for a living, and they are usually addicts of some kind. Some can't make a living, but most seem to feel the world owes them something.
- They have no money or jobs.
- They have no money. Some I don't think bother looking for jobs, they are fine with the bare minimum in life, I guess, and don't want to work. They probably have had a rough go at life, but haven't we all?
- They have no other resource, mental health problems, and addictions.
- They have no self-esteem mostly and it is an easy way to obtain some cash to spend on their bad habits.
- They have no skills to join any sort of workforce or they are too addicted to drugs or alcohol.
- They lack education or means to obtain employment on their own.
- They like it.
- They make more money and also on welfare and are lazy!! They are able bodies and should work.
- They may have experienced lack of opportunities and may have limited options short-term.
- They may have hit some hard times, may be unemployable, or maybe they're just couldn't be bothered to get a job.
- They may not enough to get by.
- They may think it's their only option. They may feel that everyone else is better off than them, whether that is true or not, so others should be able to help them; they may be an addict that is desperate for money.
- They need assistance. Most of them probably suffer from depression so cannot hold down a job.
- They need funds for more drugs.
- They need money and either are unable to hold competitive employment or choose a lifestyle not conducive to wanting competitive employment.
- They need money and have no job, or no desire to work.
- They need money as they are homeless.
- They need money for drugs or alcohol and smokes.
- They need money for food or drugs.
- They need money for various reasons.
- They need money to live whether that is to buy a coffee or donut or to feed an addiction they might have.
- They need money, don't have a job.
- They need money.
- They need money. They do not have a job and quite often have no place to live.
- They need money...underlying causes vary. Some require money for things that aren't essential, some need to put food on the table and some may be able to be employed, but chose not to be and some truly can't find a job.
- They need the money, either as they are unable to handle their finances or they are not stable enough to access social services. Social services do not meet their needs.
- They need the money.
- They need the money. They also need employment.
- They need the money. They likely can't get a job because they have no skills, no home, or a mental illness (including drug or alcohol addiction). There are also some who do it as a profession, would rather do that than get a 'real' job.
- They panhandle because the system of aid, financially and/or mental illness, has failed them. They are begging because there is no hope for them to have a different way of sustaining themselves. My heart believes this, but my head tells me that there are people, perhaps young people, who do it for the money for drugs, or just because it is an easy way to get money.
- They panhandle for money to support themselves and their lifestyle.
- They want free money.
- They want money for something other than food, either alcohol or cigarettes.
- They're lazy, poor; don't have anything better to do. The odd person may actually need help, but get it together people.
- They're lazy.
- They're too good to work?
- They've withdrawn from society, to support an addictive habit, to support themselves.
- To acquire funds for drugs and liquor.
- To avoid becoming part of society, having a job and a permanent place to live.
- To buy cigarettes or alcohol or greed.
- To buy drugs and booze.
- To buy drugs.
- To collect money for drug use.
- Too darn lazy to get cleaned up and get a job!! They want all of it for free!! And take what they can! Disgusting is what it is and sure hope this will get cleaned up!! But we all know it won't!!
- To either earn a living or extra cash.
- To feed a booze or drug habit.
- To feed a habit.
- To feed addictions.
- To get extra money for whatever they need/want.
- To get money for alcohol or drugs or both.
- To get money for cigarettes or alcohol.
- To get money for drugs or alcohol.
- To get money for drugs or booze.
- To get money for food or drugs.
- To get money for little effort.
- To get money for their personal needs, let it be food, clothes or their drug habits. I do not think of them as anything less than human.
- To get money for what they feel they need.
- To get money to feed an alcohol or drug habit, mostly. Sometimes just because they are hungry or homeless.
- To get money to support their habits. For cigarettes, alcohol or drugs.
- To get money, desperate.
- To get money, to screw others around. For drugs just because they can.
- To get money. They may be unable to work, but in some cases, they do it for a living or to support drug/alcohol habits.
- To get money. Usually because of poverty, but sometimes it's their way of getting an income. Many of them might be addicted to tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs, but others may just find themselves unemployed and/or homeless.
- To get money...
- To get out of working. We have excellent programs here in SK.
- To get things they're too lazy to get themselves.
- To have money to feed an addiction of some kind. They are mentally ill and have nowhere to live. We do have places for the mentally ill to live, but if you are mentally ill and an addict, you often cannot meet, or are unwilling to meet, the criteria of the accommodation and then are kicked out.
- To help with their addictions.
- To increase their discretionary spending money.
- To make money so that they don't have to get a job and so they don't have to get off welfare but can still afford some things in life.
- To make money without having to work.
- To make money.
- To make some easy extra cash, possibly take down your vehicle license plate number, etc.
- To make some money to further their lifestyle.
- To obtain money for both food, clothing and, in some cases, to support their bad habits.
- To obtain money for drugs, alcohol and maybe cigarettes.
- To supplement social assistance income. Probably to by treats, food, smokes, booze or drugs.
- To supplement social assistance, which is inadequate.
- To supplement their welfare income. The panhandlers all know one another. They are lonely people. It's a club for them even in winter.
- To supplement welfare.
- To supply a drug habit and/or to avoid having to work.
- To supply a habit.
- To supply a need they crave whether it be food, drugs, and or alcohol!
- To support a habit.
- To support a habit.
- To support addictions/habits.
- To support an addiction which they cannot get control of.
- To support an addiction, such as drugs and alcohol.
- To support their addictions.
- To support their habits.
- Too lazy or too whacked out to get a real job.
- Too lazy to do anything constructive.
- Too lazy to do anything else.
- Too lazy to earn money by working and keeping regular hours.
- Too lazy to find work.
- Too lazy to get a fuckin job and too stupid to fill out the paperwork for welfare.
- Too lazy to get a job or need more money for alcohol.
- Too lazy to get a job.(3)
- Too lazy to get a real job be it pumping gas, flipping burgers or anything.
- Too lazy to have a real job.
- Too lazy to work a real job.
- Too lazy to work for a living.
- Too lazy to work.(3)
- Unable to find a place in society where they can be productive. On rare occasions, I suspect this lifestyle is chosen.
- Unable to hold a job (reasons like homelessness and addictions, or long term illness, can result in the inability to hold a job).
- Unable to meet their daily needs, insufficient economic support, substance/alcohol abuse issues, insane price of living (rent and food).
- Unemployed, addiction issues.
- Unemployed, addictions, without housing, etc.
- Unemployed. Down and out.
- Unemployment, lack of education, homelessness.
- Unfortunate people who do not work or have shelter to live and use the money for drugs and alcohol.
- Unsure: poverty, drug’s, mental illness, and in some cases, an easy way for raising money.
- Usually because they are unable to obtain regular employment (for whatever reason).
- Usually for drugs and alcohol, sometimes for food.
- Usually for drugs but sometimes out of necessity.
- Usually they need money for drugs or booze.
- Variety of reasons - some honest in their intent to help survive. But some are lazy or to support drug.
habits etc. - which need to be stopped.

- Want money the easy way.
- Want to maintain a certain lifestyle and not be committed.
- Welfare does not give them enough to live on, but my belief is that most of them use the money for drugs or alcohol, not food.
- Well there are shelters and places to get food, but some people do not use or want to use it...mentally ill, addictions.
- While I believe some are legitimately trying to improve their situation, the ones who panhandle in the same location day after day make it difficult to believe.
- Why bother to get a real job? Just ask for money and some fool will give it to you. They make a lot of money and don’t have to pay taxes on it!!! They are too lazy to get a real job.
- Would rather get something for free than work for it.

19. What do you think panhandlers do with the money they get from panhandling?

- Alcohol, drugs, food, some may be fundraising for illegal organizations.
- Buy alcohol, cigarettes and illegal drugs.
- Buy food, cigarettes and alcohol.
- Cigarettes, drugs, alcohol.
- Drugs, alcohol...I don’t, personally, know any panhandlers so I have never asked the question to any one of them!
- Food and shelter, possibly liquor and/or drugs.
- Food, alcohol, drugs, funds to travel to another location.
- Food, alcohol.
- Get alcohol or drugs, the odd one gets food.
- Hopefully buy food, but I suspect it goes to drugs and alcohol.
- Hopefully use it to pay living expenses, but may be to feed addictions.
- I assume they drink or do drugs, or I may be totally wrong and they go eat or feed their family. I don’t know.
- Like most of us, they distribute it to meet their needs.
- Like the rest of us, money is used for whatever needs we need to satisfy. In case of people with addictions, it could be to satisfy that or it may just be to buy food or other necessities.
- Pay for the necessities of life...food, accommodation, etc.
- Perhaps only from the rumour mill, but I believe ones I have witnessed (in front of a liquor store) would be spending their earnings in the liquor store.
- Probably live better than me, or some would buy drugs or booze.
- Some eat (subsist in general). Others score, whether alcohol or drugs.
- Some probably use it for food, but I feel a lot use it for cigarettes or booze.
- Some use the money to perpetuate their lifestyle of hanging around and travelling. Others may use the money for food, accommodations or to feed the other illnesses that put them into their situations.
- Sometimes buy booze; other times make a living, therefore buy food, shelter.
- Sometimes help to support themselves; equally, others use it for drugs, etc., non-essential reasons.
- Spend it on addictions, food.
- Typically I would assume it is for an addiction - whether smoking cigarettes, drinking, illegal/legal drugs.
- Use it to buy food, drugs and alcohol.
- Whatever their individual need is: housing, food, drugs, clothing...
- Who knows? Buy food, buy intoxicants, smokes?
- A few will use it for food but most use it to support drug habits (tobacco, alcohol or narcotics).
- A lot of them are drunk when they panhandle so they probably use it to buy more booze or drugs.
- A place to stay for the night. Food. I would think booze/drugs as well.
- Addictions, poverty - food, etc.
- Alcohol and drugs.
- Alcohol, cigarettes, drugs, food.
- Alcohol, drugs, food.
- Alcohol, drugs, tobacco, maybe food.
- Alcohol, drugs.
- Alcohol, drugs.
- Alcohol.
- All kinds of things. Some probably use it to feed and clothe themselves and/or families; others probably use it to feed addictions such as drugs or alcohol, and some probably do some combination of both.
- All sorts of things, maybe buy food or travel or drugs and alcohol. Somewhat unsure.
- Anything from food to booze to drugs.
- As mentioned before, I think most are using the money for their bad habits being drugs or booze.
- Assuming they buy food, and a lot buy alcohol.
- Beer, drugs, smokes.
- Booze and / or drugs... I have witnessed people offer food instead of money and had this refused...
- Booze and cigarettes.
- Booze and drugs.(3)
- Booze, drug, food in that order.
- Booze, drugs, cigarettes, fast food.
- Booze.
- Buy addictive products.
- Buy additional food, clothing, possibly alcohol.
- Buy alcohol and drugs.(4)
- Buy alcohol and drugs.... Half the time you see them sitting on the street in front of Midtown; they are drinking out of a brown paper bag.
- Buy alcohol or drugs.
- Buy alcohol or drugs.
- Buy alcohol, cigarettes, maybe food.
- Buy alcohol, smokes, maybe drugs and some food.
- Buy alcohol.(3)
- Buy beer and cigarettes; maybe get a coffee or something to eat. I once had an experience with a friend, we were walking downtown and a panhandler approached us for spare change for 'something to eat'. My friend had a sandwich in his backpack, so he gave half of it to the panhandler. The panhandler took the sandwich and threw it on the ground saying that he wasn't hungry. From this experience, I'll no longer believe that they actually buy food with the spare change.
- Buy booze and drugs.
- Buy booze and drugs.
- Buy booze or coffee? Hopefully, they buy more food and then booze.
- Buy booze or drugs.
- Buy booze, drugs, cigarettes, food, and clothing.
- Buy booze, drugs, or food. In that order.
- Buy booze, drugs, or maybe some need to have it to stay alive.
- Buy booze, smoke and drugs. And sometime food.
- Buy booze, weed, smokes.
- Buy booze.(3)
- Buy cigarettes and alcohol.
- Buy cigarettes and liquor.
- Buy cigarettes or toxic substances to get high or food I can’t assume I have no idea.
- Buy cigarettes, booze or drugs.
- Buy cigarettes, liquor or drugs.
- Buy coffee or food or booze.
- Buy drugs and alcohol mostly, possibly some food.
- Buy drugs and alcohol.(5)
- Buy drugs and booze.
- Buy drugs and liquor.
- Buy drugs and liquor.
- Buy drugs and or alcohol.
- Buy drugs or alcohol to feed their addictions. Either that or to buy something to eat to keep them going by.
- Buy drugs or alcohol.
- Buy drugs or alcohol.
- Buy drugs unfortunately.
- Buy drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, etc.
- Buy drugs, beer, food.
- Buy drugs, booze, cigs, mouthwash, hairspray and dope.
- Buy drugs, booze.
- Buy drugs, buy booze and buy food!
- Buy drugs, cigarettes and liquor although some actually do it for food.
- Buy drugs, smokes or alcohol.
- Buy drugs.(4)
- Buy drugs/alcohol and eat.
- Buy drugs/alcohol.
- Buy drugs/alcohol.
- Buy extras, beer, smokes, some use the money to live on.
- Buy food and cigarettes, maybe drugs or alcohol.
- Buy food and drink or drugs.
- Buy food and lodging, I hope!
- Buy food and necessities. Some may use it to support drug and/or alcohol habits, but I do not think there is sufficient evidence to support/not support this.
- Buy food and pay rent, etc.; although some likely also have addictions to alcohol, cigarettes, drugs, etc. that need to be fed (just like everyone else in society).
- Buy food and some buy drugs.
- Buy food and the essentials they can use. Some will use it toward addictions, but I have seen firsthand many use their money to buy coffee and food.
- Buy food hopefully.
- Buy food or coffee maybe drugs. I think with the housing at an all-time high, I’m thinking most of them may put it towards food so they can eat.
- Buy food or drugs.
- Buy food or drugs.
- Buy food or use it to feed their addictions.
- Buy food, alcohol and drugs, not necessarily in that order.
- Buy food, alcohol and drugs.
- Buy food, alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, maybe a place to sleep.
- Buy food, alcohol, smokes.
- Buy food, alcohol. Drugs.
- Buy food, booze, drugs.
- Buy food, buy drugs, but liquor, buy cigarettes.
- Buy food, cigarettes, drugs, or alcohol.
- Buy food, drugs alcohol.
- Buy food, drugs and booze.
- Buy food, drugs, alcohol, prostitution, smoke.
- Buy food, drugs, or alcohol.
- Buy food, liquor.
- Buy food, smokes and coffee.
- Buy food, smokes, liquor and drugs.
- Buy food, those with addictions probably purchase drugs or alcohol.
- Buy food.(3)
- Buy food/ necessities they need such as medicine, water.
- Buy food?
- Buy items such as street drugs, cigarettes, alcohol.
- Buy items that they feel are important.
- Buy money for alcohol or drugs.
- Buy more booze or drugs.
- Buy necessities.
- Buy smokes and coffee and food.
- Buy smokes or alcohol.
- Buy smokes, booze or drugs.
- Buy smokes, drugs, booze.
- Buy smokes, drugs, gamble, eat, and drink.
- Buy smokes, drugs, or booze.
- Buy smokes. Buy food and clothing (I hope).
- Buy their addictions and food.
- Buy things they can't afford with the money they make from welfare.
- Buy things they need or want.
- Buy things.
- Buy what they need, though that's often alcohol.
- Buying food and basic needs.
- By booze or drugs. I have offered to buy them food and they refused.
- By cigarettes and alcohol.
- By drugs or alcohol.
- By extras such as treats, smokes, booze or drugs.
- By food, cigarettes and drugs.
- By smokes, alcohol, or other unnecessary goods.
- Cigarettes and food. Maybe a bit of travel.
- Cigarettes, booze, food, transportation, the same I do with my income. Maybe drugs in some cases.
- Cigarettes, coffee, drug money.
- Coffee, food, cigarettes, alcohol, drugs, gambling.
- Day to day living as well as extra cash for projects they might want to engage in.
- Depends on the panhandler. I’m sure that some use it for legitimate causes like food and such, but I’m sure that a lot of them do use it on unnecessary things such as drugs and alcohol.
- Depends on what they are living.
- Depends, probably get food, clothes, possibly fuel addictions.
- Depends, some probably buy food, others might buy booze.
- Depends. Provide basic necessities such as food, living costs, etc., or range to fuelling addictions. Even to stay in a shelter here in the city is ridiculously expensive ($30 a night or something), and what homeless person has that kind of money?!!!
- Depends... Some use for drugs/alcohol, some actually just need to buy their next meal.
- Different panhandlers will do different things. Some might use it for food, others for alcohol or drugs.
- Different people use it differently. See previous question why people pan handle.
- Do not have any idea.
- Don’t know, but if they are in need, it would be better if they went to an organization that could provide assistance. Money to an individual is inefficient and wasteful and I don’t have enough to give to waste it.
- Don’t know, don’t care.
- Don’t know, don’t care.
- Don’t know.(8)
- Don’t know... Food? Drugs?
- Drink and do drugs.
- Drink and drugs.
- Drink booze, buy drugs.
- Drink or drugs.
- Drink probably.
- Drink, drugs, food, travel.
- Drink; drugs.
- Drink?
- Drinking, wine.
- Drinking.
- Drug, booze, cigarettes; I know, I’ve seen them.
- Drug, booze, food.
- Drugs and alcohol, food, cigarettes.
- Drugs and alcohol.(3)
- Drugs and beer.
- Drugs and booze and smokes.
- Drugs and booze.(5)
- Drugs or alcohol. There are sources of support for other needs.
- Drugs or booze. Hopefully for food.
- Drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, or food.
- Drugs, alcohol, food.
- Drugs, alcohol, food.
- Drugs, alcohol, maybe a few buy food.
- Drugs, alcohol, some food.
- Drugs, alcohol.
- Drugs, bills, alcohol.
- Drugs, booze and cigarettes.
- Drugs, booze, alcohol.
- Drugs, booze.
- Drugs, cigarettes, alcohol, maybe food.
- Drugs, cigarettes. Interesting story - not sure if you've seen the young person who often stands on the concrete median, usually around the bottom of the Sid Buckwold bridge holding a sign that says he's broke, hungry, travelling, looking for food or spare change, etc., etc. Our family had been to a local restaurant for supper, and the baby had been given a cookie which she wasn't able to eat. We saw this man, and as we pulled up to the light, my husband rolled down the window and offered him the cookie. He turned it down, saying that he didn't eat sugary things. Really?!? I guess you're not all THAT hungry!!!
- Drugs, coffee, alcohol.
- Drugs, food, booze.
- Drugs, food, new shoes, I think there are different types.
- Drugs, liquor and food.
- Drugs, perhaps a meal, or perhaps to feed their cats or dogs. Truthfully, I don't know why people do what they do and panhandling is something I don't understand.
- Drugs.
- Drugs/alcohol/cigs/coffee/food.
- Eat and drink.
- Eat or drink or smoke.
- Eat, buy drugs or alcohol or just support them.
- Eat, buy drugs or alcohol.
- Eat, drink alcohol, drugs.
- Eat, drink and be merry!
- Eat, drink, and drugs, hopefully travel.
- Eat, drink, smoke, whatever.
- Eat, pay friends, family for food or shelter, addiction.
- Eat, put clothes on their back, and consume drugs and alcohol to escape the reality of life.
- Eat.
- Eating, smoking or drinking.
- Either buy drugs or booze.
- Either find cheap food and drink, or else use it for addiction.
- Either get something to eat or get smokes or alcohol.
- Feed addiction, food, housing and children like the rest of us.
- Feed addictions in the majority of cases but there are some who are quite disparate.
- Feed addictions, get food.
- Feed their addiction.
- Feed their addictions.
- Feed whatever addictions they have.
- Food and clothing.
- Food and entertainment.
- Food and habits I would assume? Never have asked, very seldom have contributed.
- Food or bad habits.
- Food or booze.
- Food or feed addiction.
- Food, alcohol, drugs.
- Food, cigarettes, clothes, drugs, whatever they need to sustain their lives.
- Food, clothing and shelter.
- Food, drink (sometimes alcoholic beverages). It can be a lucrative, tax-free, way to make money.
- Food, drugs, or other addictions. Or put in their bank accounts.
- Food, drugs.
- Food, liquor, gambling.
- Food, necessities (some alcohol, tobacco).
- Food, shelter, booze, drugs.
- Food, travel.
- Food.

For food and often booze and drugs, I think.
For food or to feed their addictions.
For many of them, three quarters or so would go to alcohol and tobacco, so it's fair to say about half of it goes to the government in taxes. The other quarter (more for those with illnesses other than addiction, and/or families to support) would be mostly food. Rent would be covered by welfare, most of the time.
For some, it is likely food, shelter and clothing, but for some I expect it is for drugs, tobacco and alcohol.
For the most part, I believe it goes toward daily living expenses.
Fund their addictions.
Get a 'fix' of whatever.
Get drugs or alcohol.
Get drugs, food, and alcohol.
Get food or beer.
Have not traced it. Hopefully food and rent.
Help fund their addiction to drugs and alcohol.
Help get them through to their next welfare check.
Hopefully buy food.
Hopefully for food and their families but mostly for alcohol, drugs, cigarettes.
Hopefully some actually use it for food, etc. (like they say they are going to). I think most probably use it for other purposes (e.g., drugs, alcohol, etc.).
Hopefully they spend money on basic needs.
I am hoping to buy food but probably drugs and alcohol.
I assume it varies. For most, they buy what they think is necessary.
I assume they buy liquor or drugs.
I believe some buy food to survive. Others, I believe, buy cigarettes, alcohol, drugs, etc.
I believe some do need the money to buy food; some drive nice cars and live in nice homes.
I believe the majority are actually using the money to buy food and perhaps use it to procure a cheap accommodation on cold nights and the like. But some will use the money to support vices (such as drinking or drug use).
I believe the majority use it to fund their bad habits.
I believe the 'regulars' use the money to purchase alcohol and food.
I do think they need the money for smoking and or drinking and if there is anything left over, then possibly food.
I don't feel that they all use the money for the necessities of life more but rather for those items that
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means of life. Of course, there are always exceptions to the rule.

- I think panhandlers use the money to fund their addictions.
- I think quite a few buy cheap narcotics (not drugs like marijuana, but stuff like Lysol or mouthwash).
- I think some feed habits such as alcohol and drugs. I think others supplement their incomes.
- I think some honestly use it to help out at home. Most use it to buy cigarettes, and other unnecessary items.
- I think some spend on unnecessary goods: alcohol, drugs, but many buy things they need, such as food, clothing.
- ‘I think’ some use the money for basic needs where others drink-drug the money away...
- I think the money is used for food, coffee, cigarettes, alcohol or drugs.
- I think there’s someone running them in the background who takes a cut off the top, similar to a pimp. The money the panhandler receives is probably spent on booze or drugs and little food.
- I think they buy coffee, cigarettes or food for the most part.
- I think they buy drugs. Some may buy food, but not many. Usually when they are asking for money, they are high already.
- I think they buy what they need. If they are alcoholics or drug addicted, I believe they spend the money on that. I think it’s better to panhandle than it is to be forced to sell drugs, or sex. I think some people will buy food or clothing or other essentials.
- I think they purchase drugs or alcohol.
- I think they put the money on drugs, booze and maybe food. Most likely fast food, though. If they don’t have a place to live, they probably don’t have a place to cook, either.
- I think they use it for food and drinks too.
- I think they use it to drink.
- I think they use the money to acquire whatever substance they are abusing.
- I wonder how much is spent on drugs and alcohol? People can get social assistance if they require it. That covers food, housing and basic necessities.
- I would assume the same thing I do with my money. First address my needs, then my wants.
- I would hope that they actually spend it on food or shelter. However, I see many panhandlers on the street with cigarettes in hand and a soda pop. So I think that they spend money, not to buy a meal or to pay for bus fare, but rather on luxuries such as cigarettes, alcohol and drugs.
- I would hope that they put it to good use buying food and paying for shelter, but who really knows where the money goes? They probably make more money than I do in a day!
- I would hope they buy food but I assume they often buy drugs or alcohol.
- I would hope they buy food or necessary supplies, but I couldn’t say for sure. I do not know any panhandlers.
- I would hope to buy food.
- I would imagine most panhandlers use that money to survive on a day to day basis. Buying food, shelter, etc.
- I would like to believe that some people use it for providing themselves with food and other essentials; however, that would be very naive of me. I know a lot of money gets used for drugs/alcohol or other items that provide them with a high.
- I would like to think they buy food but really have no idea what they actually do. I suppose it depends on what their problem is. I suspect some use it for drugs, booze or cigarettes. It is still a need if they have an addiction and are not being helped.
- I would like to think they buy groceries, but fear it may be for booze or drugs.
- I would think and hope that most would use for basic living expenses: food, shelter etc. But also feel that the money goes to support drug/alcohol/gambling addictions, etc.
- I would think in most cases to buy drugs, booze and cigarettes, a small amount possibly would go to food.
I’m sure some use it to buy food, but my guess is more use it to buy alcohol and smokes.

I’d guess that most of them use it for food, and some may use it for drugs/alcohol.

I’d like to think they bought food, but I know a lot of it goes to substance abuse in many cases.

If they are real hungry, they might buy food. If no, I suppose booze and/or drugs.

I’m sure some use it for drugs and alcohol; while others do use it for food.

In my experience, most spend the money in bars or to feed drug and alcohol addictions. This does not mean all are in this position, but most would fall into this category.

In some cases, I think they use it for food but most often it is either for alcohol, drugs, smokes and other habits that prevent them from obtaining and keeping employment.

In some cases, they may buy necessities (food, shelter). In many cases, the money may go towards drugs or alcohol.

It depends on the reason why they are panhandling, some may buy food, but others may be buying alcohol.

It depends on their reasons for panhandling.

It depends on their reasons. Buy food or drugs perhaps. If they are not actually either poor or homeless, they would use it for whatever they wanted to spend money on.

It depends on why they are panhandling in the first place. If they are drug addicts, they may use it to feed their addiction.

It is none of my business. Is it their business what I do with my money?

I’ve witnessed one go into a corner store and purchase scratch tickets.

Likely fuel their addictions, such as alcohol or drugs.

Likely pay for some necessities and to support bad habits like booze.

Liquor, drugs.

Live off of.

Live the kind of life they have chosen.

Live, some drink.

Live, some make a good living at it.

Live.

Mainly buy booze or drugs.

Mainly to feed themselves or buy warm clothes or blankets because they sleep outside.

Majority use money for drugs, drink, etc.

Many spend the money on drugs and alcohol.

Maybe drugs, or dog food, or cell phone bills, or food, or booze or a place to sleep. Who knows?

Most end up buying some food/drinks with some of the money, however, most use it but things such as alcohol, smokes and drugs.

Most for alcohol or drugs, but some for food.

Most for drugs and alcohol.

Most likely cigarettes or alcohol, but occasionally it is legitimately for food/water/clothes, maybe shelter or transportation.

Most of the time, I guess they spend them either for drinking and smoking. Some may be used for shopping and for livelihood.

Most of them use it to eat and shelter themselves, others use it for drugs/gambling.

Most often buy drugs or booze.

Most spend it on alcohol, drugs, gambling.

Most spend on drugs or alcohol.

Most use the money to feed their addiction (alcohol, drugs, etc.). None of them use the money for the basics of life (food, clothing, shelter) because that’s all supplied by welfare or charities.
- Most would buy cigarettes, or alcohol and/or street drugs. A minority may use it for food.
- Mostly buy liquor; some buy food.
- Mostly spend it on cigarettes, alcohol, booze and drugs, or gambling.
- Mostly spend it on non-subsistence items.
- Mostly to support alcohol and drug use.
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- No idea.
- Purchase food and drink, and in worst case purchase drugs and alcohol.
- Purchase food and necessities of life depending on addictions issues, some money may be used to feed addiction. What a ridiculous question. What does anyone do with the money they get each day?
- Purchase food, or alcohol/drugs.
- Purchase, smokes, drugs, food.
- Sadly, the stereotype is that they use it on substance abuse problems. Things that ‘food stamps’ and such will not buy.
- Same answer as before. [To get money for alcohol or drugs or both.]
- Satisfy their basic needs (food, drink and shelter) and/or their addictions, which differ from person to person.
- Smoke, drink, drugs.
- Some are actually in need; some use it for drugs, others simply choose this way to make a living.
- Some buy alcohol and drugs; others buy food and other necessities.
- Some buy alcohol or drugs. Some use it for food or drink.
- Some buy drugs, alcohol, cigarettes...some may actually buy food. I have no idea really.
- Some buy drugs, some buy food, a coffee.
- Some buy essentials, some use it to buy luxury items, some use it to feed drug/alcohol habits.
- Some buy food, others buy drugs and alcohol.
- Some buy food, some buy drugs.
- Some buy food, some smokes, and others booze. I don't think all panhandlers do it for the same reason.
- Some buy food/coffee, some buy drugs/alcohol.
- Some buy necessities, others spend it on drugs.
- Some buy themselves food and beverages. Others use the money for bus fare. Others use the money to purchase drugs, alcohol, or cigarettes.
- Some for food, some for liquor and some for gambling! They do not dress well so it’s not clothing they want.
- Some make a living panhandling so money goes for food, rent, etc. Others use it primarily for drugs or booze, depending on their life circumstances.
- Some may use it for food, others for drugs.
- Some may use it for groceries, but I suspect most use if for drugs or alcohol.
- Some of them feed themselves. Some of them drink it up, and some of them treat it like an occupation and do whatever they want with it.
- Some of them use it for food, travel or alcohol/cigarettes/drugs.
- Some provide for their families, some need coffee and food money, others need money for drugs and alcohol. There is really no telling just by looking what they need the money for.
- Some scamming panhandlers spend their money on drugs and alcohol with the few bucks they make a day. I think some other panhandlers use the money for better things such as shelter for the night, or renting a place. Some spend it on a meal, too.
- Some spend it on drugs and alcohol, others spend it on food, shelter, bus fare or pet food.
- Some to buy food and necessities, others to feed addictions, and some others to pay regular bills.
- Some use for drugs/alcohol and some to just get by.
- Some use for food and shelter. Some of the panhandlers are using for drugs and alcohol.
- Some use it for addiction or food or to make an income.
- Some use it for coffee or just to get drugs.
- Some use it for food and day to day needs. A lot of the more aggressive ones, I believe, use it to fuel an addiction.
- Some use it for food and shelter and others may use it for drugs and alcohol.
Some use it for food, etc. Most use it for smoking, drinking, etc.
Some use it for food, some for drugs and alcohol. It varies.
Some use it for good things, food and stuff; others use it for drugs/alcohol.
Some use it for liquor, or food or clothing. Most of them are on welfare or equivalent public assistance so they won't have too much to spend.
Some use it for living, others for habits.
Some use it to buy food and lodging, some for drug and alcohol use.
Some use it to eat, some to pay to stay somewhere, but probably most use it for alcohol.
Some use it to support themselves in a positive way but others use it to support addictive habits (alcohol, drug use, etc.).
Some will buy food, some will buy booze, and some will collect it as anybody would at a conventional job.
Some will use for purchase of drugs and/or alcohol while others will use for living expenses.
Some, I believe, buy food and clothes for themselves, but I think most end up spending a lot of it on drugs or alcohol.
Some, I'm sure, use the money to survive. Others, I'm sure, use it to fuel their addictions and vices.
Sometimes drugs and alcohol, sometimes basic living needs.
Sometimes they meet needs for food and shelter and other times they use it for addictions.
Spend it like everybody else.
Spend it on alcohol or drugs of some kind.
Spend it on alcohol or drugs.
Spend it on alcohol, drugs, cigarettes.
Spend it on cigarettes, alcohol and drugs. Once I offered to buy one a sandwich and he told me where to go. He did not want the food, he wanted money.
Spend it on drugs, alcohol and cigarettes.
Spend it on drugs, booze or cigarettes.
Spend it on food and/or drinks.
Spend it on food, coffee, cigarettes, alcohol, bus fare, etc.
Spend it on food, shelter, clothing, drugs, alcohol, smokes, etc.
Spend it on junk food, alcohol, smoking, drugs.
Spend it on liquor, drugs, maybe rent, etc.
Spend it on tobacco, alcohol.
Spend it on what they need.
Spend it on whatever they decide they need most at the time.
Spend it.(3)
Spend it. Some probably spend it on addictions, others on actually trying to help themselves.
Spend on drink alcohol, some food.
Spend on food and beverage and cigarettes.
Spending on drugs, cigarettes and alcohol.
Squander it as I have given money and then followed them and found they did not do what their sob story said they were going to do. I have witnessed known panhandlers eat steak in a restaurant that I couldn't afford.
Substance abuse.
Supplement their social assistance handouts to support their lifestyle, which maybe pure subsistence because they do not have the ability to manage their money and live within their means. Addiction to either alcohol or drugs is also a perceived catalyst for panhandling and monies collected would be to support those addictions.
- Support a bad habit, drugs, alcohol, etc.
- Support addiction, booze, smoking, drugs. Occasionally a cheeseburger from McDonalds...
- Support addictions, or in some cases use that as their income because they choose not to seek gainful employment.
- Support their addictions.
- Support their lifestyle, pay rent, pay for cigarettes and other habits they might have.
- 'Support' themselves and their habits. Some may use for food, but not able to access nutritious options in the areas where they are panhandling.
- Support themselves, or use for addictions.
- Support themselves.
- Supports their addiction.
- Take drugs and drink.
- That is the big question. I don't know.
- That is their living.
- That would depend on the person. I assume most of it goes to alcohol and food.
- The first thing that comes to mind is that they're trying to sustain their habits [drinking, drugs, etc.], however that may not necessarily be the case.
- The majority spend the money on rent and food; however, there always will be those with addiction issues that spend the money on substances.
- The same thing every other person who receives their income does, buys groceries, provides for their family, and they probably do buy alcohol, but that should not be a negatively defining characteristic as most of society does this as well.
- The stated purpose of the money is food. I hope it goes there.
- They buy drugs or alcohol. I have had friends who have offered to take them to get a meal.
- They buy the things they need.
- They buy whatever they are addicted to. I do not believe for a moment they buy food. In fact, if you offer to buy them a sandwich, they get quite mad.
- They do the same as you do with your money. They spend it!
- They don't use it on hygiene.
- They drink or gamble.
- They drink.
- They either use it for food and shelter or drugs and alcohol. I hope it's for food.
- They get what they want for the time being.
- They most probably support their drug habits with it, most definitely.
- They probably buy drugs or alcohol. Some may actually buy food.
- They probably use it for many things like drugs, booze, and food.
- They probably use some for drugs and alcohol.
- They survive quite well from what I understand. Some make a very good income from panhandling which they do not pay taxes on.
- They use it to meet their current needs, it may be a legitimate (food, housing) or not (drugs, alcohol), but people cope the best they can.
- They use it to pay for the same things that I use my income on: food, clothing, shelter. I don't believe most of them are homeless; I think that's something the media would like us to believe.
- They use it to support a substance abuse habit/addiction.
- They use the money to cope with their situation. Very likely, some of it goes to drugs/alcohol and some of it goes to feed and take care of themselves.
- This question assumes that all panhandlers use the money for the same reason. So my answer will be they SPEND the money!
- To buy drugs/ alcohol. There are some that are just trying to make money to support.
- To live on.
- To support their habits.
- Try to survive or drown what problems they have in alcohol.
- Unfortunately, I think a lot of them may be addicts who need money for their addiction.
- Unknown.
- Unsure, hopefully they use it for necessities, but I have a feeling that much of it goes to support habits and addictions. This could just be a preconceived notion on my part, though.
- Unsure. Maybe purchase food. Could be used for habits, smoking, and drugs.
- Use for basic needs or alcohol to self-medicate.
- Use it as untaxed income.
- Use it for alcohol or cigarettes.
- Use it for alcohol or drugs.
- Use it for cigarettes, and for drugs.
- Use it for drugs or alcohol.
- Use it for food, drugs, smokes, alcohol, and rent.
- Use it for food, or a drug addiction.
- Use it for living expenses.
- Use it for whatever need or desire they have at that moment.
- Use it for whatever they need the most.
- Use it to buy drugs, booze and food.
- Use it to buy smokes, live on it, and use it for drugs.
- Use it to support themselves and their habit(s).
- Use some of it for food, some may pay for alcohol or drugs but that is their choice.
- Use the money to continue their lifestyle.
- Usually spend it on whatever fix they are trying to get. Drugs, alcohol, smokes, or coffee.
- Various things. I really don't care if the money I give them is used to support addictions. Compassion and understanding goes a long way.
- Well, according to what this survey seems to be implying, I should be saying here that they go spend it on drugs and alcohol. I don't ask them, or wonder what they're using the money for because it's none of my business. They have a right to ask for money, and if other people feel they should give it to them, it's not my concern what they do with it. I make far more money than they do and my boss doesn't grill me over what I spend my money on.
- Well, I perceive that some may use it to augment their laziness or to buy alcohol or illegal substances, maybe even food. Some down and out looking people manage to eat at McDonalds.
- What an odd question. How in the world would I or anyone else know? I imagine they use the money try to meet their needs, whatever those may be.
- What does everyone else do with their money? Some people use it as spending money. Some use it to buy cigarettes and alcohol. Some use it as money to survive on.
- What? Seriously? Ha, ha, I never had the chance to ask a panhandler how he/she spends their money so I just imagine that they'd buy whatever they personally want.
- Who knows for sure but suspect a lot buy drugs/alcohol.
- Who knows?
- Wow!!!!!!! As many ways as there are panhandlers. Some to eat or find a place to stay. Some because of drugs and alcohol problems. No doubt quite a number have mental problems.
23. How frequently do you witness or encounter panhandlers in Saskatoon in each of the following situations?

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Driving through the city.
Dropping of my wife at work.
Entering Midtown mall at 21st and 1st.
Front of banks.
Funerals.
Gas stations.
Gas stations.
General business traffic.
Going for a walk.
Going for coffee.
Going for lunch downtown.
Going to appointments.
Going to appointments downtown.
Going to library.
Going to my bank downtown.
Going to public events
Going to the bank.
Going to the library.
Going to the liquor store.
Granary restaurant.
Grocery.
Holidays.
Home.
Huh?
I don’t know.
I usually don’t go to other places, as I can't afford to.
If I go shopping - particularly grocery shopping - alone.
In car parks.
In front of liquor stores.
In my neighbourhood.
In parks.
In parks.
In the afternoon outside a liquor store.
In the car while waiting at a light.
In the downtown district.
In the parks.
Just out running errands.
Just the instances listed above.
Just walking.
LBS.
Liquor stores.
Lunch hour.
Lunch hours.
Major functions.
Making calls downtown.
Malls and liquor stores.
Midtown Plaza.
Midtown Plaza.
Mostly walking downtown or at the stores.
Mostly when shopping at Midtown Plaza.
Nearly every time I am in the downtown core
Never(6).
No.
No encounters.
No other place.
No other times.
No other times.
None(23)
Noon hour downtown (2nd Ave).
Not.
Not anywhere else really.
Not sure.
Nothing.
Nothing.
On campus.
On my lunch break.
On my way to church downtown.
On my way to medical appointments.
On the riverbank near churches
Outdoor venues.
Outdoor events.
Outdoor events, Fringe, Taste of SK etc.
Outside a bank branch I frequent.
Outside a fast food place like McDonalds.
Outside convenience stores.
Outside fast food places.
Outside library.
Outside liquor store.(3)
Outside Midtown Plaza.
Outside of the bank.
Outside of the downtown malls.
Outside the movie theatre.
Parking lots.
Parks.
Public events.
Public events.
Rarely.
Rarely go out at night.
River bank park.
Riverbank walks.
Shopping.
Shopping.
- Shopping on the weekend.
- Sometimes in parking lots.
- Sometimes outside restaurants.
- Sorry.
- Stores like 7-11, MACS.
- Street corners.
- STREET FAIRS.
- Sunday, in front of St. Paul's Cathedral.
- Those "travellers" standing on the side of the road looking to go to the west coast.
- To/from school.
- Unknown.
- Usually see them downtown.
- Visiting liquor stores.
- Walking.
- Walking.
- Walking around.
- Walking around 2nd and 22nd.
- Walking by river.
- Walking down the street, down by river.
- Walking downtown.(6)
- Walking downtown at coffee break.
- Walking downtown on my lunch break.
- Walking downtown, visiting patients at St. Paul's Hospital.
- Walking in public places.
- Walking through downtown.
- Walking to bank downtown.
- When at stop lights/signs.
- When downtown(3).
- When driving in traffic they are sometimes on a boulevard with a sign!
- When I am driving down a street.
- When I walk around downtown at noon.
- When shopping by or around MidTown plaza. Some times on 2nd Ave and sometimes by grocery stores.
- When walking downtown.
- While at work and having to travel to a different site.
- While waiting at bus stops west of 22nd street.
- While walking downtown.
- While working.
- While working in Corrections (jails)!
- Who cares?

### 27. Why do you rarely or never give money, food or other items to panhandlers?

- Bad precedent. Plus, we do have programs/services available to provide assistance to those who need it, and I believe that giving to panhandlers provides an excuse not to avail themselves of those programs/services.
- Because there are many places that they can get free food, clothing such as Friendship Inn and CWL.

- Because they need to go find work and not ask for money. I learned sign language and our teacher was deaf. She told us if we are approached by a deaf person asking for money, never give it to them. They are deaf and they think they can’t work so they beg. She said they need to learn they can work and be a working citizen and by giving them money it only verifies they can’t do anything for themselves. So that is a view I take to all panhandlers. I have given money once but that was to buy food. He said he was hungry so I bought him food. I would never give them cash.

- Don’t believe in it. If they want or need money they can go to support groups, i.e., social services, Food Bank or Friendship Inn, etc.

- Fear it is going to alcohol, drugs, cigarettes. All of which I do not personally use.

- I am a senior living on OAS. Excuse me, some of these questions are sounding like ‘maybe we’ll just open panhandling up as a good thing’ and make everyone feel ‘bad’ if they don’t ‘give’. Sorry, but whoever designed this questionnaire…ask them WHY THEY GIVE OR DO NOT GIVE TO A PANHANDLER? The reason I don’t give is because I live on a very small OAS cheque per month and I do not panhandle.

- I am struggling with my finances for myself and family. Cost of living has increased so much and the pay rates have stayed the same that we just cannot afford to share the little money we have. In fact, my husband took a part-time job just to keep bills from over pilling. We have not turned to panhandling.

- In the past, I did give money to someone that told them that they needed money for bus fare to get back to Winnipeg. Weeks later, I saw the same person in the same place, using a different reason for panhandling. I never gave money again.

- My resources are limited enough that I must plan their distribution. I donate to a select number of charities, some of which (e.g., The Salvation Army), assist the very folk who may be involved in panhandling activity. I do not believe in casually giving because someone asks for it. Premeditated giving makes more sense to me.

- A few dollars here or there aren’t going to make a difference without effective programs to help those who want it.

- Afraid to.

- Aggressive behaviour.

- Although I feel for them, I work hard for my money and don’t want to just hand it over. Besides, isn’t Social Services supposed to help these people?

- As a study shows, it is better to give the money to an organization that can better assess and help the needs of these people than giving it to the panhandlers directly. Also, giving them money could increase the supply of panhandlers as more people see it as a way of getting income. Increase in panhandling has a negative effect on the city.

- As I said earlier, I gave and then followed them to see what they did with it and it was nowhere close to what the story said they were going to do with it. I have to earn my money, they have to earn theirs.

- Bashfulness prevents me from doing lots, so it’s kind of easy to ignore.

- Because I am a senior and live on a very fixed income, and there are other avenues of retaining some dignity than by begging on the streets.

- Because I am a student and I barely have enough money for my own expenses.

- Because I am poor too. I work for my money and I still live paycheque to paycheque. I can’t afford rent or food, either so I will not pay for someone else to have it when they are choosing not to work...

- Because I am scared to talk to them and also I feel they don’t deserve it.

- Because I believe in working for my money and so should they. I think it’s hideous to ask people for money. Especially in this economy where there are jobs for everyone.

- Because I believe it encourages them to remain at the location on a more permanent basis.

- Because I believe most of them could get a job if they tried.

- Because I believe they will go and buy drugs, booze and cigarettes.

- Because I believe they will spend the money on drugs or alcohol. And I do not want to encourage them.
- Because I do not believe the money goes to a good cause.
- Because I do not feel that their need is genuine. I have given to someone who approached me with a story of special circumstances which led me to believe it was a special situation and not an occupation. For the panhandlers who just approach person after person without emotion or conviction, I have no sympathy. I will, on occasion, offer them the opportunity to do a couple of hours work to earn $20, but I have yet to be taken up on that. If they do not need the money badly enough to be willing to actually earn it, they do not deserve it as a handout.
- Because I do not know if they are true panhandlers. Anyone can make themselves look as though they are homeless. I work too hard for my money and have to look after myself first, because my cost of living has risen drastically.
- Because I do not want to reinforce their choice to panhandle. I'd prefer they seek support from the many service agencies in our city.
- Because I don't believe that giving them money will actually help their situation. I don't usually have anything else I can give them.
- Because I don't have a lot of money to give away.
- Because I don't have that much myself.
- Because I don't know what they're going to spend that money on. I would prefer to donate through a charity that I know and trust than to just hand over money. And as for food, there are legitimate sources for them to get, through Friendship Inn or Food Bank or anything like that.
- Because I don't know where the money is really going. Would prefer to give it to outreach agencies that work with the homeless, needy, etc.
- Because I don't trust them. I have offered food in the past, and had it thrown back at me. This is not a good response because it proves that what they really wanted was money for substances they were addicted to, and not for food, as they were claiming at the time.
- Because I don't want to encourage them.
- Because I don't want to. If they are hungry, there are places to go to get help.
- Because I feel that people should not promote them doing this for way of money.
- Because I hate those lazy people.
- Because I have my own family to support and I don't feel comfortable supply someone’s deathly habits.
- Because I have no idea what they are doing with their money, or their spare time.
- Because I have to support myself, not them.
- Because I have very little money myself and seldom have change and there are also no longer paper bus tickets in Saskatoon.
- Because I just ignore them.
- Because I know they will just waste it on something they don't need.
- Because I prefer not to.
- Because I really believe that they are not going to use it for the things they are trying to say they are like a coffee or a bus ride.
- Because I think most of them could get a job of some kind and I don't like to think that my money to them would go for alcohol, drugs or smokes.
- Because I try to avoid walking, shopping in areas where I can be asked for money.
- Because I work hard for my money and don't ask for help from others.
- Because I work hard for my money and I will never know, or can be guaranteed what they will do with it. I prefer to donate to organizations like the Food Bank, Red Cross, Canadian Diabetes, etc.
- Because I work hard for what I have. Often they don't verbally ask for anything and if they do, they ask for 'spare change' and could really have a much more convincing sales pitch.
- Because I worked for my money (they never) and they never use it for food. I always donate to the Food Bank or Salvation Army, where I think they should go to eat or get clothing instead of use our money for drugs or alcohol.
- Because I would rather give to buskers who are trying or learning to play an instrument. It’s a positive activity.
- Because if I can work then so can they.
- Because if I give it to them, it would only encourage them to do it more.
- Because if you start, they will expect you to give every time they see you.
- Because I’m struggling financially, don’t think it’s morally right.
- Because it enables this type of behaviour. The money is better spent providing services.
- Because it will do more harm than good.
- Because many of them are on welfare and like I said previously, they are too lazy to work, sponging off us hard working people!
- Because most seem to be able to function in society.
- Because my kids need it more.
- Because of the cases I have run into, they smelled of booze and I just turned away and left.
- Because of the posters about ‘saying NO to panhandlers’.
- Because Saskatoon, or even Canada, has many resources for people in that state. Street people in Canada have no idea what poor means. Everyone should witness the poverty in a third world country to see what poor is.
- Because there are places in Saskatoon where they can go for help.
- Because there are social programs to provide help. Giving them money means they will not be forced to seek help.
- Because there is a charity to handle the panhandlers.
- Because they are bums.
- Because they are not using it to get out of the situation they are in; they are just wasting it.
- Because they are scammers.
- Because they can get help from Salvation Army; I donate there.
- Because they can go to the Food Bank, Friendship Inn. There are many places we have in this city that has a lot of resources for them.
- Because they can work for their money like the rest of us.
- Because they could work for a living, the same as the rest of us.
- Because they only want money and not food when I offer to buy them food.
- Because we give to the Salvation Army, and if they are that hungry, they can go there for a meal and a place for the night.
- Because.
- Because.
- Best not to encourage them as it is dangerous.
- Best not to feed their habits.
- Can’t afford it.
- Can’t afford to with my full time job.
- Cause I walk away.
- Did it once. Felt like it was abused. Never again!
- Do I look like Santa?
- Do not believe in it.
- Do not feel like it.
- Do not want to encourage behaviour; do not know what money will be used to buy.
- Do not want to encourage them to continue.
- Do not want to stop walking.
- Do not wish to perpetuate the cycle.
- Does not help their situation.
- Don’t know what they are going to do with it.
- Don’t like them.
- Don’t need it.
- Don’t want to enable them.
- Don’t want to support their addictions. It’s my hard earned money.
- Don’t agree with pan handling. Most panhandlers are probably on welfare anyway.
- Don't believe in it.
- Don't believe they're going to use it for something good.
- Don't feel safe talking to them or to go near them.
- Don't have food with me and won't give money for fear they will use it for drugs or alcohol instead of food.
- Don't have much cash and don't have any food with me.
- Don't think it is right.
- Don't usually have money on me.
- Don't want to enable them.
- Don't want to encourage them.
- Don't wish to encourage.
- Downtown Saskatoon has had a program in place for several years encouraging individuals NOT to give money, etc. to the panhandlers. Why should I give my hard-earned money to finance their drug or alcohol abuse? It just perpetuates the problem. If a person is truly down and out due to circumstances beyond their control, then I will help.
- Due to safety in Saskatoon, rarely carry cash.
- Encourages the behaviour... Doesn't help them to help themselves to try and find work.
- Fear, lack of funds, not thinking they will use money for necessities.
- Find other means to earn money.
- For the fact that it's going towards an addiction. They can get a job if they applied themselves.
- Freedom of choice.
- Fuck the dirt bags. Get a fucking job and pay too many taxes like I do or just fuck off and die.
- Get a job. They can afford a guitar and smoke they should be able to get a job.
- Giving encourages the lifestyle.
- I would rather give to Salvation Army, Food Bank, etc.
- I am barely making enough for myself and my 2 children to be able to give to panhandlers.
- I am nervous around them and I just ignore them.
- I am not confident that they would use the money for food or shelter.
- I am not particularly well off myself.
- I am not sure what they would use the money for. I do not want to support drug/alcohol problems. If I were to give them anything, it would be food or a drink, but never money.
- I am not sure.
- I am really poor myself. I have nothing to give.
- I attended a workshop years ago that advised against reinforcing the behaviour.
- I barely get by myself and do not feel like I should support someone who wants something for free. Food I’d consider giving if I had extra and wasn’t out of money, but money, never.
- I believe it is the responsibility of the state to support people with addictions and mental illness.
- I believe it perpetuates the problem and only goes to buy/do illicit stuff.
- I believe that I'd rather have them ask for help to either get training or part time work. That would be a discussion I would have with them.
- I believe that in this country and city there are opportunities to earn an honest living and everyone should do their best to live honestly.
- I believe that there are shelters and other places in the city that they can get food if they need it.
- I believe there are community and government sources of financial support available to people who need it. Panhandlers that are mentally ill are eligible for this. I do not feel they need to panhandle, and I do not therefore give them any money.
- I believe there are other organizations to help these people.
- I believe they buy drugs with this money.
- I believe they could get money the same way I do.
- I believe they do not put it to good use.
- I believe they should earn a proper living. There are lots of jobs in this world.
- I believe those who really need it can get it from various agencies and organizations and I would rather donate to groups like the Salvation Army and Food Bank.
- I believe we have Social Services in place to support these people and hope that they go that way instead of panhandling. If we give to them when they request money, they will continue to do so because it works for them. I give to agencies in the community (i.e., United Way, etc.) in order to support them. I do believe these people need our help and support; I just want to do it in the right way.
- I cannot afford it.
- I can't afford to help them.
- I can't afford to. Plus, charitable donations are given to legitimate agencies by me.
- I can't.
- I choose not to encourage the practice.
- I consider that most of the panhandlers are getting welfare.
- I definitely never give them money. I don't want to give money to people just to support their drug habit. However, I would buy them food if I had the money.
- I do make donations to organizations that help people without. I have also helped at Food Bank. I believe that this is where these people should be going to get help.
- I do not believe it is a legal way to earn a living.
- I do not believe it is helping their well-being.
- I do not believe that it helps them out in the long run. It only hinders their success in becoming self-reliant people.
- I do not believe they need it, especially when someone drunk asks me; which is almost always the case. They always ask for smokes, too.
- I do not earn much extra and I donate to United Way, etc. which I hope offers support programs for local issues such as these.
- I do not give food because I don't have any with me when I have been approached. I seldom give money because I don't feel it will be used productively.
- I do not give money; I think it makes the problem worse. In the past, I have bought someone a sandwich, but often if I offer that, they don't want it.
- I do not have any way to know which ones are genuinely in need and I prefer to discourage the activity.
- I do not like to encourage this; I prefer to give money to support Food Bank and other Social Services.
- I do not often have change.
- I do not think that they will use it appropriately, and that they do not deserve it.... They can get a job just like anyone else.
- I do not want to encourage it and a panhandler has never asked for food, only money.
- I do not want to encourage it to continue. Also, it makes me think twice about how much they really need the money after watching a show on television a few years back about panhandlers in some larger
cities that live in nice houses in the suburbs and then drive in their own car to city centre for the day to panhandle to get money to pay for their lifestyle. I know this is a very small, if any, portion of the panhandlers in Saskatoon, but it does give me pause for thought.

- I do not want to encourage panhandling.
- I do not want to encourage panhandling. Never money, rarely food.
- I do not want to encourage them to continue.
- I do not want to encourage them to continue. We have enough social programs and charities to look after them. There is no need for panhandling.
- I do not want to encourage this behaviour. I DO donate to Friendship Inn and have volunteered there.
- I do not want to engage with them.
- I do not want to give money and rarely have food or anything else with me to give.
- I do not want to support their bad habits, I would rather give to Sally Ann.
- I do not want to support their habits if they happen to be drugs or alcohol. If they want money for food, I take them to a fast food place and buy them something to eat.
- I don’t believe giving it to them.
- I don’t believe in it. I am a senior on fixed income and have trouble feeding my wife and myself.
- I don’t believe it does any good for them.
- I don’t encourage them.
- I don’t have a lot of excess cash at this time.
- I don’t have any myself.
- I don’t want to encourage them. They will recognize me for the next time.
- I donate a lot to the United Way. And that money rarely, if ever, goes towards alcohol and drugs.
- I donate time and money to shelters and other charitable organizations, and advocate for a stronger social safety net.
- I donate to charities that help those in need to ensure that my money is used appropriately.
- I donate to Food Bank and Friendship Inn which hopefully they can access.
- I donate to other relief organizations who will better serve the poor’s needs than giving them money directly.
- I don’t agree with encouraging panhandling.
- I don’t agree with panhandling as I feel they should be working at a job.
- I don’t believe in encouraging this type of behaviour.
- I don’t believe in giving money to them.
- I don’t believe in making it too easy for them to continue doing it.
- I don’t believe it will actually help them.
- I don’t believe that is going to help them. There are better ways.
- I don’t believe we’re helping by giving them money. Giving them money just enables their addictions. Friends don’t let friends drive drunk. Friends don’t give to panhandlers.
- I don’t carry those items with me. And rarely do I carry cash.
- I don’t feel comfortable giving them money.
- I don’t feel I should, given that panhandling is illegal. I work for my money, not ask others.
- I don’t feel that it’s necessary. If I was a charity giver, I would give it to a charity that I felt close too.
- I don’t give anybody money just because they ask me for it.
- I don’t have any to give away and don’t like to take out my wallet.
- I don’t have anything with me at the time.
- I don’t have to.
- I don’t know if they are going to use it to help themselves or to buy drugs.
- I don’t know, I guess I don’t think it is right, there needs to be another way to feed the ones that really
I don't like digging through my purse. If I have something in my pocket I'll give it but I often don't have anything in my pocket.

I don't like to encourage them. When I have offered food, they refuse.

I don't really have a reason.

I don't think it is productive to give them money or items because it encourages panhandling. Instead, I give to the Food Bank or to the street health unit where I work, etc. I have been to other big cities where they do not allow people to give to panhandlers, and have collection meters set up instead to give to their Food Banks, etc.

I don't think it would be spent on food or coffee that they often tell you it is for. There are agencies that provide this service if they need help.

I don't think they'll use the money for what they need.

I don't usually carry cash.

I don't usually have food or such with me when I see a panhandler. And, I just don't give them money. I have worked hard for my money so......

I don't want to encourage it.

I don't want to encourage panhandling.

I don't want to encourage that person to carry on in this way.

I don't want to encourage them. There are social programs, soup kitchens, etc. to help the needy.

I don't want to stop, open my purse, and take out money; I never have anything else. And I don't like being asked for money as I am walking down the street.

I don't want to.

I doubt that it actually helps them get off the street.

I either don't have food or change, but they have to have a good story for me in order for me to give.

I feel bad for them, but I don't carry much in coins or cash.

I feel it would be better to take them for a meal.

I feel most of them are too lazy to go get a job...... So why should I supplement them?

I feel strongly that if you want money from people on the street, you should busk, and panhandling is an insult to buskers.

I feel that I work for my money and they should too.

I feel that if they need money or food, there are organizations which can provide that, and secondly, I feel that they should get a job and earn money.

I feel that it is a band aid solution.

I feel that there are services for people that need food or personal items provided in this city. I give to these organizations.

I feel that they will not use it for food.

I feel there are agencies (Salvation Army, Food Bank, etc.) they should go to if in need. Am a pensioner without a lot of extra money to give them.

I feel there are many associations which are available to help them and in which they could be seeking instead of taking an easy way out and panhandling.

I feel they should be able to get a job if they applied themselves. They are taking the easy way out. They could at least busk for money and show some effort.

I feel uncomfortable walking by them. I just want to get past as fast as I can.

I gave money when one panhandler had a dog with him. I wanted to make certain the dog had food to eat...

I generally don't carry cash. As well, I know that places like Salvation Army are willing to help these people get off the streets and find meaningful work.

I give a relatively high contribution to the United Way. Giving money to people on the street is usually
not a very good way to help them because it may go towards drugs and alcohol, and also encourages panhandling.

- I give food and money to the Food Bank and the Salvation Army. These people are given welfare to buy their food. In addition, they are welcome to go to the Food Bank, Friendship Inn, the Salvation Army. How many times are we required to buy food for each of them??

- I give to charities set up to help people.

- I give to organizations that help out the needy. I don't want to encourage panhandling and irresponsible use of money.

- I give to other charities who work to help people.

- I give to the Salvation Army and the Food Bank. I believe they do good work and improve the lives of people in need.

- I hardly have enough to live at this point.

- I have given a young person a piece of cake before and she was very grateful. If it's an able man, I don't give because they are fully capable of working. I don't give smokes because I think it's ridiculous and don't support other people's habits no matter who they are. I donate to the Food Bank and Salvation Army and I think that's good enough. I work hard for my money and I think others should too.

- I have offered food or a coffee before, but they told me they want money instead.

- I have offered to take the individual to a restaurant and buy them a meal instead of giving money and 99% of the time, they have refused the offer.

- I have plenty of my own bills to pay.

- I have seen advertisements on TV saying not to.

- I have to support myself, they can too.

- I have tried giving food before, and it was refused. If I give money, it will only encourage them.

- I have, on occasion, given food to panhandlers, but I prefer not to give them money. I don't want to support drug trafficking if that is what they are doing with the money, and I work very hard for my small salary.

- I have, on occasion, told them where the Friendship Inn and Food Bank is located.

- I haven't given as I work downtown and if I give to them, they will ask even more than they do, so I haven't started to give to them.

- I honestly never have change on me and instead of giving money, I would rather give items, but I do not just carry items around with me waiting for panhandlers.

- I ignore them.

- I instead donate to the Food Bank and Salvation Army to provide assistance to those in need in that form.

- I just don't feel like I should give money to someone begging for money. I work hard for my money and if these people are really in need, there are Social Services or the Food Bank they can turn to.

- I know that giving money will only maintain the problem.

- I know there are a lot of scammers out there that just want money for drugs and such, so I don't give money. I've heard on occasion them asking for coffee money, but when someone actually goes to buy them coffee, they just dump it out. There are other ways for panhandlers to make money without begging for it. There are also a lot of resource centres to help these people down on their luck.

- I know where some of them come from (work at a care home). Some have been former residents who were removed for good reason.

- I might not have any change with me or I just don't want to approach them.

- I often never have money on me or feel uncomfortable with the person.

- I prefer to avoid them as much as possible. I would rather support programs in place to assist them and their needs.

- I prefer to donate money when I can to local groups that help people who need it.

- I prefer to give funds to local charities that help people in need.
I prefer to give money to programs that provide support to the homeless/impoverished. I think they can administer a more cohesive aid program that may eventually help panhandlers get out of poverty than giving money directly to a panhandler.

I prefer to give my money to the United Way to fund programs aimed at helping the people most likely to be panhandlers.

I rarely carry cash and even if I did, I have a hard enough time supporting a wife and two kids without giving money away where there is no accountability (I will and have donated to United Way, Station 20 West and other organizations that support those in need in Saskatoon so I do not feel the need to help someone on the street that has their hand out).

I rarely carry cash around to be able to give it out.

I rarely carry cash on me.

I rarely carry cash or spare change. I would prefer to give money to buskers.

I rarely give food because I don’t usually carry food with me, and I rarely give money because I am on an extremely tight budget and barely keeping my head above water.

I rarely have extra money on me and prefer to give to money to organizations that help street people.

I strongly believe most are able to work or even continue with education.

I support Friendship Inn and other organizations that supply food and lodging to needy people.

I support many charities that assist those who need help. Panhandling is an intrusion.

I support organizations that help people in need because I know that the money will be used for its intended purpose that way. Also, I generally don’t carry cash with me. I tend to be unsympathetic to people who appear able to work and are asking for money.

I support social agencies that can provide for their needs.

I think it just encourages them.

I think most of the pleas are a charade.

I think that many in Saskatoon don’t really need it; they’re just doing it to rebel. I prefer to support organizations who can make a real difference to them rather than giving it to someone who will probably spend it within the day.

I think that there should be other ways that needy people should be able to be provided the necessities. With rising rents, I’m sure there are more needy people but I don’t feel in a position to judge who is needy and who is not.

I think the government should have places to help people that are homeless.

I think there are programs that exist that should give them the things they need, such as food and water and shelter... I don’t want them buying drugs, booze or smokes with my money.

I think they need to know this is not a good way to get food or money.

I think they will use it on something that is destructive to themselves.

I tried to give food and it was refused. I work very hard for my money and cannot afford someone else spending it on drugs, alcohol, etc...

I typically don’t have any spare change to give. If I did, I probably need it for parking as parking is at a premium in Saskatoon downtown.

I used to give change all the time but I once had a bad run-in with a panhandler. When they asked for money, I didn’t have any change, but I did have an extra hamburger I picked up for lunch and offered it, and he threw it down and said he didn’t want any bloody food, just booze. That was it, never again!

I usually do not have cash and I think he should work.

I usually don’t carry extra food around with me, and I’m not the wealthiest myself so I need to keep the funds I earn to support my own priorities. Plus I feel as though they have enough resources in the city that they don’t need to ask random people for money such as Salvation Army and the Food Bank.

I usually don’t have change on me.

I will donate to the Food Bank or Salvation Army rather than just hand out. That way they at least have to make an effort to go and get it.
- I will give food to a panhandler but I will never give money. Most want and ask for money.
- I will not enable an addict.
- I will offer to buy them a meal; I will not give them money. When offered a meal, they will usually leave.
- I won’t support their habits. I suppose if they asked for food, I would give them that.
- I work and still have no money. Don’t feel they deserve my money.
- I work for my money and it will be spent on me and my family.
- I work for my money and not going to just give it away.
- I work for my money and so should they. If I don’t have money for something, then I do without.
- I work for my money and think others should do the same. I would give money to those that I think would work if they could and give money to organizations that are in place to help them.
- I work for my money, they should as well.
- I work for my money.
- I work hard for my money and am a single parent.
- I work hard for my money and donate to charities that I see fit.
- I work hard for my money and donate to recognized charities. If the panhandlers were in need of real help they would get it the right way.
- I work hard for my money and I don't feel like I should have to give money to people on the street; I donate money to charities.
- I work hard for my money and I pay my share of taxes which support the social programs available to people who are unable to work.
- I work hard for my money and most times I live cheque to cheque so why would I give my money away like that?
- I work hard for my money and so should they.
- I work hard for my money for myself and my children, they can get a job and earn some money also.
- I work hard for my money, let them find a job.
- I work hard for my money, they should do the same.
- I work hard for my money. They need to get a job and quit depending on other people to support them.
- I work hard for my money. Why should I give it to them?
- I work in an emergency department in this city and I have cared for some of these panhandlers when they come in under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol, so I know what they use the money for.
- I work too long and hard for my money.
- I worked for my money. The government takes enough for taxes, I’m not about to give it to someone who is too lazy to work.
- I worked two jobs to raise my kids and I'm not giving my hard earned cash to someone who does nothing to earn it.
- I would give food if I had it, but I don't want to get into the habit of giving money out. I don't want to be recognized and asked continuously when I am in the area.
- I would prefer to give my money to the Food Bank for them.
- I would rather give to charities.
- I wouldn't give them money because they would probably spend it on alcohol. I do not give them food or other items because I feel that they could get jobs if they applied themselves. It is better to donate to charities.
- I'm a single mom, and I work hard for my money.
- If I had food, I would give them some. Money they will go buy drinks or drugs. I’m usually in a hurry.
- If I knew why they needed the money, I might consider it.
- If it looks like they are truly in need, I will give food or a drink, not money but usually its First Nations that are drunk and I will not condone that.
- If panhandlers are successful, there is no motivation to find alternatives.
- If they ask for money for food or a drink, I’ll buy them a burger/fries, pop/coffee if I have time because then I know where my money is going and they are able to get what they were asking for if that’s what they wanted. If they had wanted the money for something else like alcohol, then they aren’t able to do that. Though, the one time that I did do this, the lady approached me again the next day and wanted me to buy her lunch again. I work hard for my money, why should I give it away?
- If they can be at the same spot every day to panhandle then they could go to a job. I have to work for my money, why should they get it for nothing.
- If they ask for money for food or a drink, I’ll buy them a burger/fries, pop/coffee if I have time because then I know where my money is going and they are able to get what they were asking for if that’s what they wanted. If they had wanted the money for something else like alcohol, then they aren’t able to do that. Though, the one time that I did do this, the lady approached me again the next day and wanted me to buy her lunch again. I work hard for my money, why should I give it away?
- I’m cheap.
- I’m not convinced that this is the only way they can make money.
- I’m not generous.
- I’m not so inclined.
- I’m NOT Social Services.
- In order to avoid dealing with them and hope they will move on.
- In this particular instance, I feel that I am not my brother’s keeper, given other options that these people have.
- Inappropriate, there are other venues for these people to get assistance.
- It all depends on how I feel and if I have sufficient money/change at the moment.
- It contributes to their addiction and says that what they are doing is okay.
- It encourages a negative action.
- It encourages them to continue panhandling.
- It has been said on TV and in the newspaper not to give money. The ones I have seen seem to be healthy enough to work for their money.
- It is a rare occasion to be asked, as I usually speed by without making contact.
- It is difficult to ascertain if they really need the money or not. And I am simply too frugal with my cash (the wife refers to me as a cheapskate!).
- It is not helping them. There have been lots of ads in Saskatoon stating that giving money to panhandlers only supports their addictions. I also want to support the businesses where panhandlers are located so I feel as if I am doing my part in getting rid of panhandlers by not giving them money.
- It just encourages them and keeps them panhandling.
- It just keeps them doing it.
- It just makes them more libel to keep panhandling.
- It just promotes it.
- It only encourages them.
- It would encourage them to continue panhandling.
- It would reinforce their inappropriate behaviour and lifestyle.
- It’s my money, I worked for it... Plus I normally don't carry cash.
- It's the same old people. Sometimes a new one will ask you right out for money for beer and it’s so funny, I sometimes give them a Looney or Tooney.
- I've offered to assist the person in gaining work and there was absolutely 'no interest'!
- Just don't support.
- Just don't.
- Just encourages them to keep it up.
- Just encourages them.
- Laziness, I don’t feel like taking the time to get money out.
- Makes me uncomfortable.
- Makes me uncomfortable. Encourages more panhandling.
- Many I have seen very often over the years. Would rather give the money to charities and hope some of it will get to the panhandlers that truly need it.
- Many years ago I’d give until I learned that a person shouldn’t give to panhandlers.
- Money should go to organizations that help disadvantaged people.
- Most of the time I have no extra change and it is not good to encourage panhandling. There are enough places for them to get free food, etc. that they need to survive until they get a job. Most panhandlers do not want to work, they rather beg for money.
- Mostly approached by either individual who are drunk or are transient kids.
- Need for myself.
- Need it myself.
- Never have money on me.
- Never seen one yet that I thought would put the money to good use like food.
- No idea, I just don’t.
- Not a priority for me.
- Not asked or see them that often. Try to avoid downtown. Too busy.
- Not downtown often.
- Not interested.
- Not sure where the money is going to. Have always thought that if I had time that I could buy them a coffee or some food.
- Not sympathetic to their plight.
- Not using money for food.
- Often do not carry cash.
- One time I actually took the man, Jeff, with me into Midtown Plaza and bought him a meal at Taco Time. Although he was a bit socially awkward, he was genuinely grateful for my offer. It was midday and there were a lot of people around and I felt safe with him. Another time, I bought a man a meal at the Burger King in Preston Crossing. He was backpacking/hitchhiking trying to get to BC because a friend said he could get him a job out there. Just as I was approaching the man, he actually got called over to another vehicle who gave him some sort of money in form of bills but I still went ahead with offering him/paying for his meal. In both cases, I spent less than $10 on each man. Otherwise, I usually say no because I really don’t have any money on me or I am in a hurry. I usually say a quiet prayer for the person.
- Only encourages them.
- Only make it worse.
- Other services to help them in life. Someone wanted money for a meal and I offered to buy them something in a restaurant and was told off.
- Police advise not to give anything.
- Prefer to donate to Food Bank/Salvation Army.
- Promotes addictive behaviour.
- Promotes ongoing panhandling.... People should not support panhandling.
- Public information not to give money to them; I feel it encourages panhandling.
- Rarely carry cash, extra food, etc.
- Rarely ever carry cash or coins with me and have never given food or other items.
- Rarely have cash as debit is used.
- Rarely.
- See the same persons to often will give to the ones I believe are truly down on their luck and in need of
Seems uncompassionate. But instead of giving it to them, I give to the United Way and others. Also, I think they are adults, and there are a lot of other people (or even animals) that cannot take care of themselves, so supporting the United Way, SPCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters makes more sense to me.

Social programs in Saskatchewan are sufficient to provide a decent standard of living.

Some cold day. Only to the regulars, and on days I think they are more 'with it' to make a wiser decision with the money.

Surveys have shown that most money will go for addictions; it is better to give the money to established charities that look after people.

That is not the best way to meet the needs of these people.

That just encourages the behaviour.

That just makes me an enabler.

The downtown businesses had a flyer that told us not to because they were taken care of by other means, the details of which I cannot remember.

No trust.

The one time I did, they told a sob story about how they were locked out of their house then a year later they said the same thing. No trust.

There are agencies in Saskatoon who are equipped and staffed to help and assist these people if they desire.

There are agencies that can help these people, most just spend it on their addictions.

There are agencies they can go to for help.

There are agencies which provide help.

There are assistance programs that will help them that I will make donations to that will assist them with what they need. Then I know that the money is used for appropriate reasons.

There are conventional ways to obtain assistance; there is no need to beg on the streets.

There are Food Banks and places like Friendship Inn that will help.

There are places they can go for food, but I don't believe they use any money they get for food.

There are services provided by various charitable organizations that are in place to assist homeless people or people that are in a position to need to panhandle, therefore, they should go to those organizations for help.

There are services to provide support for those in need.

There are shelters and other resources that I can give to that panhandlers can make use of such as Salvation Army where they can go to get these necessities if needed. I never give money because I never know whether or not the individual is going to be honest about where they spend it.

There are social agencies they can go to for aid. Giving them money only encourages and condones it. I do not.

There are social programs designed to meet their needs.

They are just as capable working for their money as us.

They are rude, aggressive, and confrontational. Asking for money outside a bar or liquor store, so I
know where the money would be spent. Or Sailor Dan has asked, he owns his house and can work if he wants to. He is verbally abusive, aggressive, spends the money on booze, gambling, drugs, buys booze, drugs for underage kids. If he doesn't get money, will call you names and be extremely aggressive.

- They are the same people all the time, never seen to do anything, they say there are 8500 open jobs in SK, GET ONE or get government help.
- They can earn it the same way I do.
- They can get a job and buy their own foods.
- They can get jobs, or seek assistance. Why should I give my hard earned money to them?
- They can get their own.
- They can utilize the available resources.
- They can work and earn money by themselves.
- They do not need it.
- They make me uncomfortable and I’m not sure how they will react. I was once manhandled by a panhandler and so don't get close to them.
- They need help other than money.
- They need to get a job!!!
- They should be using the Food Bank as well as getting a job to support themselves.
- They should find regular employment.
- They should get a job.
- They should not ask people on the street. They should go to YMCA, shelters, etc. for this.
- They will just spend it on alcohol or drugs.
- They're intimidating and most often rude. I had a bad experience where a panhandler was asking for food, my friend gave him a sandwich and the panhandler threw it on the ground stating that he wasn't hungry. I think they should get out and try to get a real job and work for their money, just like the rest of us.
- This only encourages their habit.
- Those signs say not to.
- To discourage them for doing it.
- Too greedy and selfish.
- Tough luck.
- Unsure.
- Use mainly cards so rarely have cash. Usually they make me nervous so I just want to get away from them. Once I was walking with a friend after dinner (not in SK) and she had leftovers and she very nicely tried to give them to a panhandler and he threw them back at her and swore at us, scaring us pretty badly because he seemed like he was going to attack us. Now I don't feel comfortable doing this.
- Usually do not carry cash/change or other items to give. As well, I usually try to assess the person's 'need' before deciding to give them something or not.
- Usually don't have change on me.
- Usually don't carry cash on me.
- Usually don't carry cash.
- Usually don't have anything to give.
- Usually don't have change or food with me.
- Usually have nothing on me. I've been a university student and cannot afford to share what little I have.
- Usually I don't have any small change just bills.
- Usually the request is for cash, and I do not wish to finance drugs or alcohol. If someone indicated they were hungry, I would be more apt to take him and buy him a meal.
- Usually too busy to stop to talk.
- Usually, I don't carry cash so I couldn't even if I wanted to. I also know that it won't really help them because they use money to buy more alcohol or drugs. I've never given food because I'm not sure how many would actually take it and I'm not sure how safe I would feel taking a stranger to a restaurant.
- Waste of money.
- We are warned not to give them money.
- Well, the one attempt was refused. Other times, I truly DON'T have any spare change.
- Why the hell should I give away the money I earned while making my fingers bleed?
- Will never give money, would give food if I had any on me.
- Will offer a meal or groceries but have been refused, I will never give money.
- Work too hard for my money.

28. Why do you always or usually give money, food or other items to panhandlers?

- I give food or coffee because I know then that they can't use it to support their addiction, and I know they are nutritionally deprived.
- About 5 years ago, I saw a downtown business owner treat a panhandler poorly, so I gave him money just to piss the guy off and I have always given money since.
- Because I feel bad for them.
- Because I have money to share.
- Because if I was in their situation, I like to think someone would do the same for me. I've been poor. It's not fun.
- Because our system doesn't provide enough aid for these people.
- Because there is a good chance that the panhandler is homeless, addicted and has mental health problems.
- Because they're people in need. I can spare it. The dollar or two dollars or McDonald's sandwich or coffee means more to them than it does to me.
- Depends on what I have.
- I feel if I can afford it, they have a need that I can help with.
- I feel it is kind. We are all responsible to help our neighbours. It is a rather insignificant amount and they are most likely in need of a 'hand'.
- I figure it takes guts to ask people for money. You need to either be really in desperate need of the money or enjoy conning people.
- I have compassion for them.
- I know they need it and it costs me little to contribute DIRECTLY with those who need it. The money does not go through ivory tower charities, who selectively give how they see fit.
- I've been there. I have more resources than they do. I am a kind person. I have compassion. What I give them can make their situation easier.
- Mostly because I know them and I feel they need help with food.
- Usually food or coffee. It is a neighbourly action.
33. Why do you feel it is NOT an issue that needs addressing in Saskatoon?

- Heavens! I feel that any ordinary thinking citizen (i.e. taxpayer) of Saskatoon who feels that panhandling is an issue that requires 'addressing' is a pretty misinformed individual. We have so many other critical situations which need 'addressing' that panhandling does not even tickle the Richter Scale! We have decayed and decaying infrastructure in our street, roads, sidewalks, water and sewage systems; we have massive building projects currently underway and more on the order paper; we have a civic government which appears to have little or no ability to govern. It appears to me that if panhandling is going to get 'addressed' it will be by our civic government. Spare us and concentrate on the big picture - the whole city. Panhandling is a small time issue which is being tackled by folks of small vision. Leave it to the business folk and their 'protective' associations and keep city hall out of it.

- I don't know how to expect Saskatoon to deal with poor people. They have a right to exist, especially with the costs of things in this city. If they have mental problems chances alienating them more isn't going to help. If you want to help these people, ensure they continue to receive healthy options.

- I don't see it as a major problem. Also, panhandling is a response to the social issue of people in a condition of poverty perhaps also suffering from addictions, etc. 'Outlawing' panhandling just moves the problem elsewhere, it doesn't solve it.

- I never feel threatened by them, just uncomfortable that I say no and that they have to ask in the first place.

- It is part of every city, there are other things that are worse that need more focusing, like prostitution or drug trafficking, which are totally illegal, yet are a part of all cities, even larger towns.

- Panhandling happens all around the world, I think it is acceptable if they are providing something in return (ex: music, artistic expression, magic). Begging for money needs to be addressed.

- Affordable housing, living wages, good food for all citizens are more important issues. Deal with these and most panhandling will go away.

- Aggressive behaviour, with panhandling or otherwise, needs addressing, but panhandling itself is mostly harmless and at worst, a nuisance.

- Another money waster of enforcement.

- Available time, energy and money can better be spent on other public services.

- Because I feel like the issues that lead to panhandling are far more important to address: poverty, affordable housing, addictions, etc. People need social support, not new laws.

- Because I think it is overblown and exaggerated as a problem by business people, many of whom have never had a panhandler anywhere near their business.

- Because it doesn't cause any problems.

- Because it is not a real problem, and though some over-react to it, often I suspect they do so out of a belief that others are put off by it rather than because they actually finds it offensive.

- Because Saskatoon has more important issues to deal with than panhandling and they should focus on the youth drug addictions and gang involvement rather than worrying about how many panhandlers we have and the cause of panhandling.

- Because there are not many out there and also they don’t cause any harm to anybody as far as I know.

- Because very few people seem to actually be hurt by panhandlers (if any). Sure, they can be annoying but so can the rain or Mayor Atchison, but we don't pass legislation against either of them! Much more pressing issues should concern Saskatoon like better health services and education.

- Because we have crumbling streets, collapsing old sewer lines, poverty, no grocery store in the inner city, a general lack of good planning, especially for the riverbank area, etc., etc. I could go on and on. Panhandling is the LEAST of Saskatoon’s problems!

- Because your question implied that the solution was fines or jail. The solution is better social supports. We can all choose to give money to a panhandler or not, lots of people just feel uncomfortable because it reminds them of the difficulties some people face in society.

- Bigger issues to deal with.
- Does not impact on people except to remind them that they are lucky not to be in that position.
- Find solutions to the problems that place people in a position that requires them to panhandle in order to survive.
- How much money are we going to spend 'addressing' this issue? More than if we provided more ways for people to get help for addictions and places to stay when they are homeless? Mental health providers? Nobody in this town wants to spend any money on ‘those people’, for any reason. And what exactly are the ways of addressing this? Will it cure the problem if we fine them or put them in jail? I doubt it, and they may be scary to some people but they are mostly harmless.
- I believe there are more concerns with gangs, and other issues that need addressing then panhandling. People can walk by them and if they don’t receive any money, they may and probably do move on!
- I believe there are more pressing issues. I think if you’re going to address panhandling then you need to set up supports for people engaging in panhandling like addiction support, proper housing, poverty issues addressed. There needs to be an action plan for integration or it will just be people who continue to panhandle or engage in dangerous or illegal activities to get their money.
- I do not believe it is a problem in Saskatoon.
- I do not frequent the areas that have panhandling and I outright ignore them. On the other hand, if I were a business owner, I would be very interested because it is in part of panhandling that I avoid these areas.
- I do not see them being a nuisance which is my perception of this issue.
- I don’t think the issue of panhandling needs addressing because it is not the problem. The problem has to do with helping those on the streets who are panhandling and what can be done to help those people put themselves in a better position.
- I don’t feel is poses any danger to the public. It just doesn’t look so good to have them around. I don’t see that many of them that it bothers me.
- I don’t feel it’s causing a great deal of problems, nor do I think panhandlers are aggressive in Saskatoon.
- I don’t give them anything. I stay away from downtown at night.
- I don’t know of any serious problems from panhandling in Saskatoon, it can be annoying, but these people need to do something and they don’t seem to be hurting anybody.
- I feel that the energy required to make and enforce a law prohibiting panhandling is out of proportion to the problem.
- I feel that the police and other people have better things to do than harass poor people who are within the law. Panhandlers do not impact my life and I do not wish to see them targeted or criminalized simply because they are asking for money. Other cities have very aggressive panhandlers that will come up to you, touch you, grab you and follow you for blocks. There are relatively few panhandlers in Saskatoon and I have never seen this behaviour here. I don’t avoid businesses because there are panhandlers present, but I may consider avoiding those who harass or threaten panhandlers.
- I feel there are many, many other issues that are much more important.
- I feel they are ‘people’ who have a need and are fulfilling in this way...
- I feel we need to address other issues. Like loitering teenagers, gangs, etc. Stop wasting time coming down on unfortunate people. They have their issues.
- I have addressed this already. They need some help, each will need or want or accept different help in different ways or from different sources.
- I have not encountered a problematic or uncomfortable situation with respect to panhandling. I am not aware that it is a significant social problem in Saskatoon. I suspect that there already exist sufficient checks and balances to properly address problem situations when such arise.
- I have not heard of any cases of aggressive panhandling.
- I have not heard of anyone being threatened.
- I haven’t encountered any problems myself or have heard of problems from family and friends.
- I personally have never encountered an aggressive panhandler and as long as they respect the passers-by and the public property they use, I think they are harmless.
I think that panhandling in itself isn't the issue that needs to be addressed. I feel that the issue that needs to be addressed is WHY these people are panhandling. Deeper social issues such as poverty and homelessness, failing educational systems and rising costs of living need to be addressed, to name a few. Panhandling is the result of a failure of society to meet a population's needs, and is not in itself the problem.

I think there are bigger issues than panhandling (e.g., selling drugs).

I witness it all the time and it doesn't affect me.

If the way we address it is to provide some kind of real assistance to the person (I don't know what form that would take) it would be fine, otherwise leave the poor souls alone.

I'm more likely to hit a pot hole and damage my car severely in this city than to have a problem with a panhandler. Our economic safely net has fallen to a new low, lots of people are marginalized, struggling to make ends meet. More crime. Desperate people do desperate things, unfortunately. The focus is all wrong in handling the perceived street problems.

In comparison to other large cities, I don't feel that the panhandling seen in Saskatoon is out of control. As long as they are not disturbing people passing them by I don't feel as though there is much harm in it.

Income and programming and affordable housing will deal with a lot of the panhandling as it would take away the need. Also, decriminalizing of drugs would help.

It bugs me occasionally, but does not limit my activities and/or my enjoyment of the city (but then I'm white male...).

It doesn't seem to be a problem.

It hasn't been a problem for me at all.

It is not an issue. We have far more serious social problems.

It is not something that occurs often in the areas that I frequent.

It's your choice to give them money or not.

Live and let live.

More major concerns.

More violent crimes out there.

Most have never shown any aggressiveness. Saskatoon panhandling is relatively minor compared to other cities.

Most panhandlers are not bothering people, so I feel there are much more important issues. Of all the crimes happening in Saskatoon, panhandling isn't a priority that needs to be addressed.

Much more important things to worry about, there are few panhandlers and if everyone ignored them, they would find something else to do.

Nobody is getting hurt.

Not bother me at least.

Not enough panhandlers to be a big issue.

Not that big an issue.

Other issues are a lot more important like mosquito control, blue bins, and road construction.

Panhandlers don't bother anyone.

Panhandling behaviour does not need to be addressed, but the underlying social issues of housing costs do.

Panhandling is legal. There is a by-law that prohibits aggressive panhandling, any further attempt to prohibit panhandlers from specific areas will be struck down in any court as unconstitutional. We, as a city, have bigger and better things to be worrying about. I would be interested in knowing how many people were actually physically assaulted by a panhandler and who were just uncomfortable enough at seeing poverty that they called the authorities.

People/ businesses object when it interferes (or seems to) with their activities. I don't think any business has gone bankrupt because of panhandling and most panhandlers aren't overly aggressive.
Putting someone in jail is not fixing their problem. Maybe that is why we do not see the police picking people up.

Regulate them only.

Saskatoon has TOO many regulations for TOO many minor issues. City Councillors and the Mayor believe that every issue brought to their attention requires more bylaws.

So long as they aren't hurting anyone, I don't think it's an issue that needs to be addressed when there are other more important issue the city should be dealing with (e.g., recycling).

So many other cities have far more problems with panhandlers than we do. I hardly even notice it.

Sorry, it is an issue that should be dealt with.

The City of Saskatoon is good at enacting bylaws but poor at enforcing them.

The current bylaw is sufficient to handle problem panhandlers. I am not disturbed by them.

There are a lot of issues that need addressing more than panhandling does. It seems you are hell-bent on ridding the city of a very needy minority. I would much rather have people ask me for money than steal it from me. What's next? Organizations such as the Salvation Army, the Police and Firefighters who ask for donations. I mean, isn't that just a high-tech way of panhandling? You have a choice: To give or not to give. That's the bottom line, and you don't need special by-laws to make your decision.

There are bigger issues in this city. I find panhandling to be more annoying than a major problem. The majority of panhandlers I encounter do not harass me or give me a hard time when I say no.

There are bigger issues that need the city's attention.

There are bigger issues that need the police's attention.

There are far more important issues than panhandling. Such as our roads.

There are far more important issues that actually matter. Creating further restrictions on people's unharmful behaviour is a waste of resources and time.

There are far worse issues to place the resources of the police against.

There are many more important problems that need more immediate attention.

There are more important things to deal with.

There are more important things to worry about.

There are more urgent issues for city to deal with and being punitive to societies down and out is not an answer.

There are not enough resources for people with mental health issues or those living in poverty. I do not stay away from businesses if a panhandler is present so the place of business still gets me as a customer.

There are not too many and are rarely aggressive.

There are other bigger issues.

There are other more important things we need to address like child prostitution and child welfare.

There are other things that need to be addressed that are more important. Examples: stop wasting taxpayers’ money on stupid things then running out of it, re-pave our roads and make them safer, more help for low income families, and so on......

There are plenty of other things more important than panhandling. The issue of traffic and being able to cross the street safely on 22nd St is one.

There are so many other issues of concern in Saskatoon, panhandling is a minor thing.

There are too many more dangerous elements in Saskatoon than panhandlers and I would like police to concentrate on them.

There are worse things in our city that are in dire need of attention; panhandling is, quite honestly, on the bottom of the totem pole.

There is a bylaw that limits panhandling, and aggressive behaviour is not permitted in the bylaw. I think that even if it were to be illegal, there would still be issues with panhandling in some places. If we can't get rid of it completely, and we are already limiting it's pervasiveness, that I believe we've done the best we can.
- There is not that much of it. It is a minor issue in the grand scheme of things. Crime, healthcare, education, roadways, these are all issues that need to be on the agenda of this city before panhandling.
- They are not individuals who are dangerous or would physically assault me.
- They don’t harm anyone. They may be annoying but just ignore them and don't give money and they will go away.
- They have the right to be on the streets. No law against asking people for money. They're a pain, that’s all.
- They should be taken and offered help so they can get off the street.
- Unless there is going to be a solution to help these people, I think they should be allowed to do what they have to in order to survive.
- Unless they get aggressive or violent, why bother? They need to get money somehow.
- We have much bigger issues and a better way of tackling this would be to look into the issues of homelessness and mental health, housing, employment and so on. Panhandling is a symptom of a larger societal ill.
- We have real crime going on so why won't the city deal with that?
- We need to address the root cause.
- When I have refused to give one 'spare change', they say 'OK. Have a nice day.' and leave me to go about my day.

35. Why do you believe that fines and jail time are not an effective deterrent for panhandlers?

- Because I feel jail terms do not rehabilitate panhandlers it just locks them up with no programs or education for them, and they are still receiving handouts from the government. Fining them would also be a lost cause these panhandlers already have no money so that would just make them panhandle for money for their fines!!!
- Because jails cost a lot of taxpayers’ money and in the winter I am sure to be arrested is an incentive when you are homeless. Secondly, if they are panhandling to eat, what makes you think they can afford a fine? Thirdly, considering the government spends so much money rehabilitating pedophiles, why can’t they help those who are homeless with more social programs?!? Like try finding them a job they are capable doing, a home where people can take care of them and make sure they eat, etc.....
- Because such deterrents will NEVER HAPPEN. Why would our already overburdened and ineffective judicial system take on such a miniscule issue? Why would any thinking administration allocate the resources it has for maintaining 'peace, order and good government' to panhandling? It would be a complete waste of resources and effort. What is the sense of fining a person who has no money (isn't that why they are panhandling in the first place?) Why clutter up jails with duds who want something for nothing - all that does is provide the reward they were after in the first place.
- First of all, how do you make a panhandlers pay a fine?
- I believe these individuals are already operating outside of what would be considered appropriate behaviour. I don't think that giving them more rules to follow would make any difference. If they truly don't have any funds how would they then pay for fines? I also believe that our Police Dept. is already overtaxed with bigger issues and this would make it worse. Our jails are already full. For those individuals who have mental issues, going to jail gives them a place to be and how
do you expect them to pay a fine?! Jail might stop the mooching (people just looking for suckers). People who lost a quarter and can't get on the bus type of thing would be silly to punish in such a way.

- If they don't have money how will they pay and jail time only encourages and teaches them how to be better criminals. What they need is guidance on how to be a productive, contributing citizen. They do not need to be taught in jail the 'tricks of the trade' which is very common in prison environments. Help them not hurt them.

- It is their way of life, and as so many seem to be older men (sometimes older women) I doubt if they would change.

- Nobody believes they will be caught and punished. Besides, how will they 'pay' a fine???

- Regarding fines, I am assuming they would have no money to pay for the fines that is why they are panhandling. As for jail, it would just be a warm place to stay with food, so that wouldn't be a deterrent.

- They are driven by addictions, i.e., need.

- They are human beings who need help getting established. Housing, to wash clothes. Help with mental health issues.

- This is a way of life for these individuals and unless they choose to stop, panhandling will continue.

- Why do drug traffickers keep selling drugs, why do prostitutes keep selling themselves? Fines will just increase all of these, they will need more money, and jail time will only help if programs are developed within the prisons to help 'teach' people how to respect themselves and the law - again, I feel most issues start with the bad parenting.

- A $50 fine is hogwash, no one ever spends time in jail, the worst that happens is they get a free meal.

- A deeper cause needs to be addressed. Fines and jail time seem like overkill.

- A fine and jail time would probably just be a bump along the road, not necessarily a change in behaviour.

- A fine for someone who is begging for money is not a deterrent.

- A fine would not be a deterrent because they have no money to pay it anyway. Or would say they don't. I think there is a class of people who consider jail to be an alternate sleeping arrangement and would be happy of the change in environment.

- Address the reasons of why people are having to be panhandlers: Addiction, poverty, lack of education, abuse, etc. Fines and jail time change nothing except to create a better class of criminal. In addition, panhandling is not a crime, why in the world would jail time or fines by even considered unless verbal assault is involved!

- As in public drunkenness, they will continue to reoffend.

- As most of them are mentally ill or are addicts and need hospital care.

- As with most issues, prevention is much better than punishment. I would need to be convinced that adequate services are available for those that need help. The rest, I would consider some form of punishment.

- At least with jail time, they are guaranteed a place to sleep and food each day for those that do not have that.

- Because after they are only up maybe a meal or two and will go right back to it.

- Because for some that may increase panhandling. Some people would do it just to get a meal and keep warm in the winter.

- Because going to jail will not help the root causes of the problem to begin with. The people have problems that need addressing but going to jail is not the solution.

- Because had fines and jail time really deterred much criminal activity? How come we have so many repeat offenders? If jail was that effective someone would only need to go once. That's not the reality. Addressing the underlining issues of addiction and poverty will have an overall important impact on all the city's concerns, in addition to panhandling. Plus I do believe that some people who panhandle have mental health issues as well or suffer FAS and don't really comprehend the consequences of activities like panhandling.
Because I don't think they care.

Because I have never seen an officer do this and the panhandlers are always there and some don't like no as an answer.

Because if they are not working, and have no money, you can't get blood out of a stone. And jail only provides a warm bed and 3 meals a day!!

Because if they are resorting to asking for money on the street, a lot of them must be homeless, and many see it as a free place to stay. Better options would be substance abuse assistance, or other forms of counselling. Fines and jail time should be for criminal activity, or extremely aggressive behaviour.

Because if they had the money for fines, they probably wouldn't be panhandling. And jail time just lets them learn more tricks.

Because it does no good to anyone. Throwing panhandlers in jail or making them pay fines isn't going to fix anything, and I think it's cruel to fine panhandlers considering they're poor and only make enough money to get them through the day. I think a real solution should be found for panhandlers, and I say that because I reckon most people who panhandle don't do it because they enjoy it or want to, but because they may not see any other alternative or hope. Basically, they need help even if they're not crying out loud for it, so jailing and fining panhandlers really is defeating for everyone.

Because it doesn't address the underlying issues in the person's life.

Because it is a social/health problem.

Because it is never enforced and for those that truly have nothing, a fine is meaningless.

Because it would be unlikely that the city would (or could even) actually do much to enforce fines/jail time.

Because it's not helping them out of their situation. You put them in jail and they get shelter and food then they go back on the street and do it again. And how would they pay a fine if they have no money? This doesn't teach them a lesson or give them proper help.

Because jail gives them a place to stay and if they have no money they can't pay the fines.

Because many close to winter look to jail as a temporary warm place to stay.

Because most are low income and could not pay the fines and penalties; they will be back at it the next day.

Because most of them probably will not be caught.

Because most panhandlers are homeless and if they end up in jail, it's a roof over their heads and three meals a day.

Because most, if not all, panhandlers suffer from mental disorders or other social disorder.

Because neither of those scare anyone. And if are panhandling, it's extremely likely you don't have money to pay a fine!

Because of the circumstances for it, mentally ill or addicts. Jail will not change anything.

Because panhandlers are desperate and are begging for money as a last resort.

Because panhandling must be made to be against the law.

Because people are asking for help when they are having a hard time. It's not a crime and even if one thinks it is; putting people in jail doesn't solve the problem of poverty or homelessness or addictions that is likely the reason for panhandling in the first place.

Because some people are out there to support a habit, others to live. If you stop them from it, they will have to be more sneaky or have to other things, rob, drug trafficking, prostitution, etc. to get by.

Because that is a band aid approach much better to find out why and address that.

Because the fines or jail time are very rarely handed out.

Because the panhandlers are not being 'ticketed'.

Because the same ones are out there.

Because then I am being forced to support them and most have no education, no work experience and don't want to work. And they are happy to go to jail for the winter where they will get a warm place to stay and three meals a day. If they are alcoholics, they don't want to go to jail. Besides, how do you
pay a fine when you have no money?

- Because there are still many aggressive panhandlers on the street.
- Because they are desperate and have few options. Jail also is housing in winter so people will offend to be safe.
- Because they are still doing it!!!!
- Because they are usually used to that lifestyle so putting them into jails or fining them is just a slap on the wrist and they have not learned anything from the time or fine they have received.
- Because they couldn’t afford to pay their fines anyways, and if they’re in jail, at least they have food and a warm place to sleep.
- Because they do not care if they go to jail and really, how are they going to get money to pay a fine?
- Because they don’t care. And I have never seen the police deal with a panhandler.
- Because they don’t have money to pay the fines and our jails are full enough with people who have committed more serious offences.
- Because they don’t have the money to pay the fines. And if they do, they are getting it from others in their family. Jail time means that the taxpayers are paying for the cost of the jail and the officer’s time. Better ideas, would be that they need to give out community service of some sort, like cleaning up the parks or streets, help people find jobs or some way of educating them, or helping with mental health issues.
- Because they need the money and have nowhere else to get it.
- Because they probably have no money. There are obviously social factors involved. No one grows up aspiring to be a panhandler.
- Because they probably want to go to jail so they can have meals and a place to sleep.
- Because they tend to use jail time as a reason to stay warm in the winter so they have a place to stay.
- Because they will change their disguise and move on to another location or part of the city.
- Because they won't pay fines and cost tax money to put in jail.
- Because they'll serve the jail time and come right back out to do what they've always been doing. And a fine they just won't pay and they'll just get fined and fined and fined and it'll go nowhere.
- Because when they go to court, they just choose fine options and go pick some garbage instead of paying cash, what’s the punishment? They were doing nothing anyway.
- Because when they need money for their habits, they will risk it.
- Because, mostly, they have nothing to lose. They will not pay the fine and there are no repercussions. We need to help them find employment, or medical/mental health instead.
- Because.
- By putting them in jail, you are just feeding them for free. Also, who foots the bill for them to be in there? The taxpayer, so the panhandler is in a win, win situation.
- Bylaws are seldom enforced; incarceration under the present system is not a viable means controlling crimes against property or nuisance factors.
- Can’t pay a fine. Treated better in jail than on the street.
- Can’t pay. In jail, they get food, roof over their head. Waste of taxpayers’ money.
- Cause if they are homeless, what does it matter?
- Cause they are still there!
- Cause they don’t have money to pay fines!!!!!!! In jail, they get fed.
- Chances are they wouldn’t be able to pay fines. Jail isn’t a solution because, in the end, we pay more in taxes to keep them there.
- Counterproductive.
- Desperate people will do desperate things regardless of the consequences.
- Desperate times require desperate measures.
- Does not get to the root of the problem.
- Does not provide them with tools needed to better themselves.
- Does not solve the problem.
- Doesn’t reach the cause of the panhandling: mental illness, or addictions, or both.
- Doesn’t address the problem.
- Doesn’t deter a lot of other offenses (e.g., speeding), so why would this be any different?
- Doesn’t solve the problem, will continue when released.
- Don’t know.
- Don’t have money to pay fines.
- Don’t know.
- Don’t pay the fines and jail is a vacation.
- Drug addicts are not slowed down by fines or days in jail.
- Duh, they are asking for money!

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mental or health issues.

- For some of them, the jail time may be their ticket to room and board and food, so it is really not helping, I don't think.
- For some, jail time is not the answer; it provides another avenue for free housing/shelter, and 3 squares per day....
- Gives them a home out of the cold, with regular meals, time to come up with another scam to obtain money.
- Handling mental health problems through the justice system as we have tended to do in the last several years is a waste of public finds. These finds should be directed to mental health facilities.
- How are they going to get money to pay the fine...by panhandling?? As far as jail goes, many would probably go to jail willingly. At least they would have a place to stay and 3 meals a day.
- How are they going to pay a fine, and jail just gives them a place to stay.
- How are they going to pay the fines? No sense putting something in place that is not going to work. How does putting someone in need in jail solve anything? Use the taxpayers’ dollar for something that will accomplish something.
- How are they going to pay their fine? Go out and panhandle some more?
- How can they pay fines? In jail, they would have a place to sleep/call home/meals, then out back on the street.
- How can they pay the fines? Who will pay court costs?
- How can you fine a panhandler if they don't have a job to pay the fines?
- How can you fine someone who has no money? And for those who are homeless, jail may be a positive thing, a roof over their head and food to eat.
- How do you get money from someone who doesn't have much to begin with? Jail time would just put more pressure on the jails.
- How is a fine a deterrent for someone who has no money? How is going to a place that gives you three square meals a day a deterrent?
- How will they pay???
- How are you going to collect from someone without an address and jail will just give them a place to stay for a short time (get well fed) and they can begin again when they are out.
- I am not sure, it is just something I think.
- I believe that counsel and direction is the best and most effective.
- I believe that there is a better way to slow panhandling down and that is enforce the fact they must not be stationary or loiter in any area and business owners or police have the right to move them out of the area without charges.
- I believe that these people will be unable to pay the fines and it seems unrealistic to put these people in jail when there are so many other criminals who need to be there first. I don't believe that a two week stay would be best, and perhaps, for some people, it would be a step up for them, almost a reward!
- I believe these people have other issues that would remain a reason for them to panhandle. I really do not know if panhandling is legal or not in Saskatoon, but there needs to be some sort of deterrent, although I don't think jail time is the answer. Perhaps fines would be a good idea.
- I do not feel this is addressing the cause of why they are panhandling.
- I don't think it is an activity of choice.
- I don't believe it matters to them.
- I don't believe most panhandlers would have the money to pay a fine, and odds are they are familiar with jails anyway.
- I don't believe that the police do a good job of enforcing this deterrent.
- I don't believe they care if they go to jail. As far as fined, they don't have the money to pay the fine.
- I don't know, but I do not agree with panhandling at all.
- I don't think they believe they will be prosecuted.
I don't think they care.

I don't think they would have the resources to pay a fine and being in jail might be better in some cases than being on the street.

I doubt that a panhandler would ever pay a fine. Keeping track of them is probably quite difficult.

I feel society needs to address the reasons people panhandle.

I guess it depends why they are panhandling...If they are homeless or hungry...going to jail would give them a place to stay and a meal to eat...there needs to be different programs for them.

I guess they don't have money to pay the fines...I don't know about jail time.

I suspect jail is a warm alternative to an outdoor spot in winter. And I suspect fines are never paid.

I suspect jail time would not be much worse than the conditions panhandlers experience daily. They have no reputations at stake.

I suspect that those driven to panhandling by their personal circumstances (poverty, desperation, the absence of effect societal supports) are not deterred by fines and jail time. They likely don't give such outcomes a thought at the time of urgent need.

I think most panhandlers believe that they will never be fined or put in jail.

I think most panhandlers don't have enough money for food and shelter, and I believe a lot of them have mental health issues, so I don't think fines and jail time will address the reasons they are panhandling.

I think some of them would welcome a warm jail cell and a meal in the winter time.

I think that fines and jail time for panhandlers who need help is not an adequate substitute for services. People who are in need of help won't be in less need of help because they spent a night in jail or received a fine. Panhandlers who are travelers and not in need of help should be fined and sent to jail.

I think that this is an act of desperation to begin with.

I think these solutions only add to the problem.

If a person is panhandling for money and may not have a residence, how is fining them something they don't have, money going to deter them? How could they pay the fine and how could police follow up on collecting? This would be a complete waste of time and money.

If a person is poor, they have very few options left. If they are addicted, they need help. If they have mental health issues, there is not enough support for them. Where can they turn?

If an individual is down on their luck, they will do anything to help themselves regardless of the consequences. It may deter some who don't need to panhandle but do.

If it was effective, then the panhandlers would stop being aggressive. Every time I go out downtown, there is an aggressive panhandler, and sometimes it's the same person I've seen for days in a row. Besides, if you fine someone who doesn't have any/much money, it's making the problem worse, not better.

If panhandlers are asking for money, they don't have any money to pay a fine. Jail time wouldn't do anything since some of the panhandlers have been in jail before.

If panhandlers are homeless or having trouble paying for food, it gives them free food and a place to sleep. Many of them would just panhandle to pay the fine so that only adds to the problem.

If people don't have the money to pay, how can they pay? People might want to go to jail so they have food, medical care and a place to be.

If the problem is addiction or mental illness, I don't think jail without mandatory treatment of the underlying problem, is of much use. How do you fine a person who is desperate enough to be begging for money? The social ills that cause the problem need to be addressed.

If these people are desperate, a fine will not help. Jail time will only produce accomplished criminals. If a law with stiff consequences were passed, the panhandlers would disappear but an alternate source of money would be found. The crime and punishment merry go round would gain more momentum.

If they already believe that they don't have options then jail is almost a good thing, warm and a meal.

If they are homeless or needy, they won't be able to pay fines. Community service is designed to help
people like them, not punish them. Jail time provides free room and board, which might be more of an attraction for some.

- If they are homeless, they would not have money to pay fine and being in jail is having a temporary home where they would get food and shelter.

- If they are homeless, this may cause an incentive in order to get 'housed' over winter rather than cope with street living.

- If they are on the streets begging for money, I don't think that they will be paying a fine. Jail is just a temporary thing and they will be back out on the streets again. The root cause of the problem should be addressed, whatever it may be.

- If they are panhandling because they truly have no money, how will they pay a fine? Jail gives them somewhere to stay, and likely wouldn't change their situation.

- If they are panhandling, issuing a fine that they cannot pay is not a deterrent and if they are homeless, providing a home in jail is an incentive to get caught.

- If they are poor, they won't have the money to pay fines. What good is an uncollectable bill? I don't know about jail time.

- If they are truly 'down on their luck' then they already have NO MONEY so a fine is just something to light a fire... If they are truly 'down on their luck', they need HELP and UNDERSTANDING and HOPE, NOT JAIL TIME. If they are NOT truly 'down on their luck' jail is a JOKE!

- If they aren't taking advantage of the positive public services then why would public services which have a 'negative' aspect affect them? They may actually want to go to jail where they would be warm and get a meal. And they don't have any money to pay the fines anyway, right? They need someone who cares about them and is willing to work with them to get them the help they need. (Psychiatrist, medical doctor, career counsellor, social worker, etc.)

- If they don't have a fixed address, how can you pursue the fines? Putting them in jail is not an effective use of that resource.

- If they don't have money, how can they pay a fine?

- If they need money, they will do anything to get it.

- If they panhandle because they are homeless, giving them shelter and warm food (throwing them in jail) is an incentive, not a deterrent. Any idiot can see that.

- If they're in for drugs money, jail time will not stop them.

- If this is their way of life, then a fine that they probably won't pay or time in jail won't change things for them.

- If you are hungry and addicted, you will not stop because of fines and jail.

- In jail, they get free food and a warm place to stay the night.

- In most cases, it is their way of life.

- In the winter months, jail probably beats sitting outside.

- It can't be as they reoccur.

- It does not solve the individual's problem.

- It does not solve their problems.

- It doesn't address the bigger social issue that is the root of this activity.
- It doesn't change their way of thinking and obtaining free money.
- It has obviously not helped to deter panhandlers.
- It is not a deterrent.
- It is not helping the core problem of why people panhandle which is because of an addiction or mental disease. You need to provide services to help these people get back on their feet, not punish them for doing something that is all they know.
- It is something out of 'Bowling for Columbine' thinking.
- It isn't working right now...
- It just makes the panhandler’s situation worse; we need to deal with poverty and lack of affordable housing in Saskatoon.
- It may be a deterrent but is it fair to jail people for being poor. And what are they going to pay a fine with. Maybe we should just have debtors prison like they had in merry old England.
- It may deter a few, but would not be an effective use of policing dollars because they will always be around until the underlying issues of WHY people panhandle are addressed.
- It will give them a place to stay and some food what are they learning nothing.
- It will not deter people that are desperate and have no other means of income, or who are mentally or emotionally ill, or addicted.
- It will temporarily solve their problem of obtaining food and shelter but does not address the reason why they are panhandling in the first place. That is the area where work should be done to solve panhandling/begging.
- It would do nothing to change the root causes of the problem. That would require a concerted effort on the part of all levels of government to effect changes to society that would make panhandling unnecessary.
- It's a waste of taxpayer money. And they will always re-offend. Why arrest someone for doing something relatively harmless? With the tax cuts that city hall is threatening, if they were to waste money in such a fashion, I would be furious.
- It's hard to get money from these people and they have no fixed address for the most part so just trying to get to them would be a challenge!
- It's not a criminal action, it's survival. These individuals have been left out of the treatment that they need.
- I've seen the same panhandlers for years so it obviously has no impact.
- Jail and fines do not address the underlying issues.
- Jail is just a roof over their heads for a night or two. What would be the time frame for a sentence? A weekend? That's not a strong enough deterrent nor does it help them by getting them involved in programs through the courts that may actually benefit them.
- Jail just adds an expense to the economy and gives them free room and board. Maybe making them work at a soup kitchen would be better.
- Jail time does NOT solve social problems, it only exacerbates them. Fines not effective, you can't get blood from a stone.
- Jail time gives them shelter if they don't have it and how are they supposed to come up with the money for a fine?
- Jail time just gives them a roof over their head and regular meals.
- Jail time means free room and board.
- Jail time simply creates a new 'ex-con'. A successful panhandler could pay the fine and be back on the street right away, possibly at a different location.
- Jail time would give them a home and free food.....HELLO!
- Jail time would give them a warm bed and hot meal.
- Jail would be a break from them; they get fed and have a warm or cool place to rest. Plus they probably don't have a lot of cash anyways to pay fines.
> Just do it again.
> Just gives them time to get ready to panhandle more.
> Just how will they pay a fine?
> Just ties up the system.
> Lifestyle options have to be available for people to choose from if they consider panhandling is to be their only option.
> Likely don't think about the consequences. Fines would be difficult for many to pay. Others would consider jail time a break from scrambling for shelter.
> Many have mental health issues and government has cut programs so much that people are not receiving the help they require.
> Many panhandlers I have experienced will stop grabbing people if you continually tell them they can't do it.
> Many people are in need of a home and may commit this crime just to get food and shelter.
> Maybe jail would be a comfortable alternative to the way they live now.
> Money and time are two resources they don't really appreciate.
> More people will just take their place. How are you helping people by putting them through the criminal justice system? They come out worse than when they went in; maybe a lot more dangerous and desperate.
> Most are already down and out; jail provides them with a bed and meals.
> Most are never penalized or ever see a police officer. Reporting an aggressive panhandler is pointless as they are gone before the officers get there in 2 hours.
> Most have no money to begin with and our jails are full of people with mental health and addiction issues. Panhandlers are not criminals.
> Most of the panhandlers I've seen appear to be in situations where they are still willing to take that risk.
> Most of them are desperate or mentally ill.
> Most panhandlers do not have the funds to pay a fine and jail does not help; however, a hospital or social worker might help.
> Most people panhandle because they don't have money/job due to addictions, and putting them in prison does not help them deal with their addictions.
> Most would not be able to pay fines or would not bother to pay fines and our justice system would not incarcerate panhandlers as the jails are full of more serious criminals; our police are too busy dealing with more serious crimes to pay much attention to panhandlers unless they become violent.
> Most wouldn't have the means to pay the fines and some probably wouldn't mind a bit of time in a correctional facility, particularly in winter for the homeless ones.
> No money for the fine and free lodging in jail.
> No money to pay fine... Going to jail, they would have food, water and shelter.
> No one actually gives them fines or jail time.
> No... They are just beggars, not violent!! And most of them seem pretty pleasant!!
> Not a high priority for charges.
> Not enforced.
> Not enforced.
> Not enough police officers to effectively patrol downtown, Riversdale and Broadway on foot. The city is looking to have police cut services, so not likely to get any better soon.
> Not solving problem. Provides shelter and food.
> Not solving the real problem. They have no money to pay fines, you can put them in jail, but when they get out they still have the same problems that made them panhandle in the first place.
> Not the final solution.
> Nothing from nothing is still nothing.
Of the extremely small percentage of panhandlers who are aggressive, they usually have already had run ins with the law. They are not afraid of spending time in jail.

Often they would not have means to pay fines. City needs to be more aggressive to deter the panhandlers from aggressive behaviour.

One needs to address the root cause of the problem. These are, for the most part, reasonably desperate people.

One, they appear to have little money; two, they also appear to have no concern to improve their situation by working so they will fall back to what they are doing.

Only a threat, no teeth in the law, police can’t see them.

Our city police force is already taxed, and I don’t feel that they have the time to deal with this problem.

Panhandlers cannot afford fines, they have no money and jail time uses up valuation resources that could be used for more aggressive crimes. Plus they probably want a free meal and place to stay so they will keep doing it...

Panhandlers cannot afford to pay fines by any means other than more panhandling. Jail time will not be a deterrent, however, it may provide a panhandler with food and shelter (if in fact that is why they tried panhandling).

Panhandlers do not have money to pay a fine. If they are living that type of a lifestyle, they are likely at risk to be put in jail for other behaviours as well and this doesn’t seem to stop them.

Panhandlers probably couldn’t afford to pay a fine, and jail time would not be a deterrent to someone who is homeless or hungry.

People are still panhandling.

People do what they need to do to survive.

People panhandle because they have other problems, suspect ability to pay fines is modest and personal problems mean their reasoning skills are limited.

People still panhandle.

People who are resorting to asking for money on the street are not going to be deterred by fines or jail time. If you need money, you need money. During winter it may even be preferable to spend the night in jail than on the street. Also, if you have been fined and/or jailed for panhandling, it’s going to be more difficult to find a job or otherwise improve your situation, leading to you spending more time on the street panhandling. Fines and jail time do nothing to rehabilitate citizens; they are merely a punitive measure.

People who engage in this activity are unable to or choose not to pay their fines. Make it illegal and put them to work picking up garbage to pay off their fines. They would think twice before panhandling again as it would involve them having to work.

People with mental health issues and drug and alcohol issues need those things addressed. They’d likely either never be able to pay the fines and then spend time in jail which is a huge cost for the taxpayer and doesn’t address the issues. The city needs to help these people, not confine them and hide the systemic problem.

Possible shelter as jail time, and too poor to pay fines.

Probably don’t have money for fines and would welcome a roof over their head.

Probably fines could not be collected, and jail terms would worsen the individual’s problems.

Rehabilitation centre is required.

Some mental health, some too easy way to make cash.

Some of these individuals have served numerous sentences and it has done little to nothing to change their habits.

Some want to be thrown in jail because they have a free place to stay and three meals a day. How can you fine them if they don’t have any money?

Sometimes they are just looking for a place to stay or food they are provided with both in jail.

Tend to re-offend, are not directed to help centers given opportunities for jobs/work placements, etc.
- That may not be the type of help they need.
- That will give them some meals for a time, but if they have families, will just take them away and have more problems for their families.
- That’s pressure.
- The burden of proof and the effort required to pursue the charge through to its conclusion means that 95% of somewhat aggressive panhandling will never be pursued. It does not make sense to invest several thousand dollars in police and court time for a $75.00 ticket. Just make it illegal and it is a lot easier to enforce.
- The current ‘mood’ of the country believes that punishment is the answer to all problems, without understanding and treating causes of social issues, e.g., poverty, education, brain illness, addictions, homelessness. City council is caught up in the current right wing: Tory, Gormley, Fox Republican agenda.
- The government will help them out.
- The likelihood of serving time is remote. Fining is pointless because they have no money in the first place.
- The majority are not deterred by such.
- The ones that I know have mental problems. Know it’s wrong and just go back again and again.
- The problems still remain.
- The root cause will not be addressed.
- The underlying social issues are not being addressed.
- There are much more effective ways of dealing with the panhandler. They should be directed to the appropriate social agencies.
- There are still panhandlers out there.
- There are underlying reasons why people are panhandling and those are not addressed by threats.
- There is a very good chance that panhandlers will NOT, or will not be able to pay fines and ‘the cost’ will be shifted to the taxpayers if/when we jail them.
- There is no point fining someone when they likely do not have the money to pay the fine or any property of value which could be seized and sold to pay a fine. Jail is not a solution, it simply adds to the burden already on the corrections system.
- There should be better help for them to find jobs and help getting them off the street.
- There’s no room in the jails and fines can go unpaid.
- These people are not criminals; put the gang members and drug pushers away.
- These people have few options and jail may be more acceptable than staying outside.
- These people have nothing to start with. They have nothing to lose.
- These people need someone to help them get cleaned up, jail time will not do that. When they get out, they are thrown back to the street with nothing. They need to be educated.
- They are already begging. They have no money and would just take the time in jail in lieu of a fine.
- They are anxious for a fix for their addition. That over-rides any moral conscience or fear of retribution by the law.
- They are desperate and see as only means to money.
- They are homeless. They would maybe prefer jail in winter.
- They are not enforced.
- They are not enforced.
- They are panhandling to get money so likely unable to pay fines. Jail space is limited and only increases public expenses.
- They are probably not of a fixed address and possibly must ‘couch surf’ from place to place and would never show up for court anyway. It would be a waste of taxpayers’ dollars to try and enforce as they would simply rack up system generated crimes. This is a crime of poverty and they would NEVER be able to afford the fines anyway. Honestly, what would spending time in jail teach them? It would be a
room over their heads and they will be fed food.

- They are probably poor to begin with and can't pay the fines. What would jail time accomplish? Teach them new tricks by putting them in jail with more hardened criminals?! Police should spend their time on more pressing matters, panhandling is not of vital importance, it's more a nuisance.
- They are right back at it.
- They are still doing it.
- They aren't going to have resources to pay the fines, and jail will help provide a temporary home.
- They can deny they are panhandling when approached by police to avoid fines.
- They can't afford the fines and jail is a roof and meals.
- They can't pay the fines and jail would just be shelter.
- They deter panhandlers from being aggressive about asking, but have not slowed the amount of panhandling.
- They do it because they are troubled and/or desperate. They need help, not jail.
- They do not have money for fines and if given jail time may likely return to panhandling on their release.
- They do whatever they want and where ever they want. If they are arrested, their friends do it for them.
- They do you no harm but are just a pain.
- They don't care.
- They don't have homes or food and you're putting them in a place that gives them shelter and food. They probably wouldn't mind going to jail.
- They don't have money to pay a fine and jail would just provide a home for a few days.
- They don't have money to pay fines, and speeding time in jail is no hardship, and when they get out of jail, they qualify for social assistance. Free money.
- They don't have the money, and they would like jail and a warm place to stay and eat.
- They don't care about the consequences of their actions.
- They don't have any money and jail is just not going to change their behaviour.
- They don't have any money to pay fines and if they are jailed then we are just giving them free room and board.
- They don't have any money to pay the fines and in jail they would have a warm, dry place to sleep with free food and lessons on how to carry out more lucrative crimes.
- They don't have many options and will continue to panhandle if jailed. They have no money to pay fines, either.
- They don't have money for fines, and our jails will support their lack of effort to work.
- They don't have money to pay the fines and jail is not going to reform them.
- They don't have money to pay the fines and would be good about throwing them into jail other than they may get a free meal.
- They don't have money, so why would they for a fine? Jail just makes people feel worse; they become depressed, don't look for a job. It's a ridiculous cycle.
- They don't have the money to pay a fine. There are panhandlers who game the system so that they are in the warm corrections center for the winter and free for the summer.
- They don't have the money to pay and they may not always have a place to sleep.
- They don't have the money to pay the fines and why should I pay for them to be in jail for free!
- They don't solve the inherent problem.
- They don't think about the consequences when needing a fix. Ending up in jail gives them a roof over their head and free meals for a while.
- They don't think they will be charged so they do it anyway.
- They have mental issues and don't care what ANYONE thinks.
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- They usually disappear long before the police get to the scene. I don't think they would mind the jail time and can't pay fines if they can't afford to live.
- They will be right back at it after the couple of free burgers in cells and why waste more of my tax dollars then you already do for no effect.
- They will go back to panhandling as soon as they get out of jail.
- They will just return to the same all over.
- They will keep doing it, costs legal aid less.
- They will most definitely try doing it again.
- They will not change their lives and will do it again when out of jail.
- They will still do it... But if they get put in jail, it costs the taxpayers and if they get fined, there is a good chance the fine will never get paid.
- They won't be able to pay fines and jail time is just a place to sleep.
- They won't be able to pay fines. Jail is a place where they have a roof over their heads and 3 meals.
- They won't care about fines because they won't have the money to pay. If jailed, they'll have a play to live and get fed.
- They won't pay any fines anyway and once jail time has been served, assuming they get any, they will be right back at it.
- They won't pay fines and jail time is vacation time for them.
- They would enjoy the 3 square meals and a roof over their heads!
- They would get food and lodging for free then!
- They would have no way to pay a fine and jail would just be another negative in their already dysfunctional life...
- They would just do it again. They have to get caught to get fines or jail time.
- They would just resort to getting money in other ways.
- They would not have the money to pay the fines and would just go back to panhandling after being released from jail.
- They would not pay the fines and jail would just cost the taxpayers more.
- They would only have to panhandle more to pay the fine and given the fairly lax justice system, jail is unlikely to ever be applied.
- They would probably like jail as feed and housed. They need training and housing to get jobs.
- They wouldn't be able to pay their fines and jail costs too much.
- They'll carry on doing it anyway.
- They'll simply panhandle to pay their fine. Jail time is a greater cost passed on to tax payers. I'd suggest volunteer work for a non-profit organization...
- This is not fixing the problem, just getting rid of it for a short period of time. Maybe programs to help them better themselves?
- Time in jail is like home free.
- Totally the wrong solutions for the problems. There have been endless public studies on these subjects, apparently not read.
- Underlying social issues need to be addressed and adequate social support structures need to be in place to discourage panhandling.
- Unless disproportionate effort was spent in enforcement, or penalties were draconian, the risk of non-compliance would be accepted or ignored, particularly by panhandlers with mental health or addiction problems. At most, would shift panhandlers' activities away from a few heavily patrolled areas to other areas, which would not be appropriate.
- Unless their situation improves, panhandlers will go back to the same behaviour after they are able.
- Waste of taxpayers' money.
- We need to deal with the root causes of panhandling and not just punish people who are trying to
make a go of life, with or without addictions. There needs to be better social supports in place to prevent people from needing to seek outside sources of money to support themselves or their families.

- Well, duh, they have no money. And if anything, jail just gets them a place to stay. Root causes need to be addressed.
- Well, I believe most may have to panhandle to pay fines. Jail time might be a place to eat and sleep for a while if addiction is not an issue, I don’t know.
- Well, if they are panhandling, that probably means they cannot afford to pay a fine and jail time will do good, either. As it will not been seen as a deterrent, it will only work in the opposite way plus the jails are already overcrowded. This problem can be fixed by lowering our housing costs.
- Well, if they’re panhandling, they likely don’t have much money to pay fines, and if they’re homeless, jail likely wouldn’t seem like a terrible option (a place to eat and a meal?).
- Well, since there are still panhandlers….. I feel bad; I know some people are truly in need and have mental health issues but it’s the rest that ruin it for them.
- Well, they are begging for money in a sense so where would they find the money to pay a fine. And jail…well they’re in and out so fast that it wouldn’t really make a difference!
- Well, they probably don’t have any money to pay them, do they??
- What a great place to get a meal and a roof over your head for the night.
- What are you going to do? Impound their car? Jail would probably be an opportunity to briefly get off the street and get a meal.
- What else will they do?
- What have they got to lose? They have no money to pay fines and jail could almost be a way to get off the street and it does nothing to help them.
- What will that teach them? They need education, opportunity or in extreme case a social services intervention.
- When you need that next drink or fix, I don’t think possibly being arrested would enter your mind.
- Where would they get the money to pay the fines from? Perhaps, the jail time would be a good vacation for them, i.e., clean bed, food, and a roof over their head!
- Who will enforce it? The police? A person complains to the police. No one shows up in a reasonable time frame a person can wait. If and when the police finally do show up, nothing is done because the next day they are in their same spot doing the same things. Jail time is ridiculous as our jails are already over flowing with more serious criminals. As for fines? How would they pay for it other than more panhandling?
- Why waste jail time on such a minor thing?
- Why would you fine someone who obviously doesn't have the money to pay for it? It's definitely one of those 'the rich get richer and the poor get prison' kind of things. Why would you kick someone when their already down? With that being said, I don't feel it's fair to just let them stay in jail either because it's costing more money for panhandlers to sit in jail then to try to rehabilitate them. Plus it would be like a vacation to them, a warm place to stay with McDonalds breakfast. Yummm. The programs that are already in place should be more effective, have Egadz reach out to these people or the Salvation Army.
- Won’t pay fine, will only be short time in jail. Will just go out and panhandle again, is a circle of behaviour.
- You are giving them a free ride with jail time and most will just disappear instead of paying fines.

36. What suggestions would you have as a way to attempt to address the issue of panhandling in Saskatoon?

- Ban it and set up a help centre for those who are doing it now. Thru education and counselling, maybe we can set some of these people on the road to a better lifestyle.
- Connect social service programs/services to the legal ramifications for panhandling. Instead of just
fines and jail time, attach assessment, counselling, social assistance to the legal end of things, so that panhandlers *who actually need* help can be apprised of and can receive such help.

- Deal with issues such as education, mental health, family violence, affordable housing...
- Deal with the root cause, which deals with mental health issues and the need for more social programs.
- Detox centres, more mental health facilities, more shelters for homeless.
- I do not know if it is legal or not...but it should be made illegal. I think we have so many social service organizations...probably why many people are missed due to them crossing over...available. I would rather go to an agency than have people know that I panhandle. Many people don't want the help, could be addictions or mental illness...
- I don't know, you can't just lock them up and throw away the key any more.
- I don't know of any ideas. Making it illegal is the only thing I can think of, but that wouldn't really address the issue.
- I don't really have a solution, but perhaps we need more care for people who are down and out - like the Salvation Army.
- I really doubt if a lot can be done, much as I hate to say so!
- Increase interventions by helping agencies (maybe by referral) and increase the availability of mental health facilities. It is easy to condemn people, but this should not be done if the appropriate help is not available.
- Increase social spending in areas of home-care for individuals. They don't need to be locked in a psychiatric unit, but they do need assistance budgeting, cooking, making sure they get up and go to work, etc.
- Police should refer panhandlers to social services. If the panhandler is off the radar so to speak to avoid legal troubles, the police should check that out and hold in custody as well.
- There is no easy way to deal with panhandling. If there are beat policeman walking the street, that might discourage some. If a business complains to the police, then they are deal with the situation.
- 1. Make it illegal - subject to removal and jail-time. 2. Deal with the regulars by finding out what they really need (support, financial aid, addiction counselling, methadone.); 3. Provide signage that says it’s illegal.
- A police presence asking them to leave. More help for people that are panhandling as in job placement, skill learning, etc.
- A program to inform citizens to NOT give them money... If nobody gives them anything, they will stop. Also, encourage people to call the police.
- A required counselling process that would exhaust all possible alternatives.
- A warning, then lock them up for a day in the jail cell.
- Address addictive counselling.
- Address housing, addiction and employment issues.
- Address poverty and homelessness issues in Saskatoon.
- Address problems of homelessness, high cost of housing. Deal with issues of addictions and mental illness that drive people to panhandling. Adopt a policy of giving every citizen an income on which they can survive.
- Address some of the reasons they are panhandling.
- Address the issues that cause panhandling.
- Address the social issues, such as poverty, homelessness, mental health help availability, and make smoking on sidewalks illegal.
- Aggressive panhandlers could be charged with something. Those with a type of illness (mental) could be partnered with an organization that could help them.
- Allow busking but not panhandling.
- Allow them to collect social assistance and training for jobs, also see mental health professionals at no charge.
- An overall poverty reduction plan would be helpful in this case. Continued promotion of the programs that are offered by many of the non-profits in Saskatoon - Friendship Inn, Food Bank, etc., etc.
- Anyone caught panhandling in the city be put to work helping clean up the city.
- Arrest and sentencing to community service (working on community improvement projects).
- Arrest them on the spot. Make it illegal and enforce the law strictly.
- Arrest them.
- Arrest them. At least then they will be in the system. If they need help, there will be a record of them and they will get a meal in jail.
- Arrest, them and out them to work on public improvement projects. Picking garbage, removing graffiti, clean up dog feces from the off leash areas.
- As I just said, we need to address the root cause of the problem; anything else is just a band aid solution. We need to look at why people are panhandling, and increase supports for them in those areas.
- Aside from shooting a few, no.
- Ask the question WHY.
- Ask them to move on.
- Ask them what happened to get them to panhandle in the first place. Everyone is different. Instead of putting them in jail and giving them a record (that will then ensure they NEVER get a good job because of it), ask their skills and see if they can be directed somewhere other than the system or the street.
- Ask them what they use the money for. Get these people a job.
- Assign a worker to each panhandler...make up a file on them, find out their info, what their needs are, what their skills are, what their dreams are and work with them for 6 months to a year through the services they need such as a physical health needs, mental health needs, educational or career needs, basic living needs, etc. They need help living and they need to be given a purpose to live.
- Assistance in finding them a job.
- Ban it.
- Ban it. Don’t allow it at all. Have areas set up for busking, but not for panhandling.
- Ban panhandling and make it illegal.
- Ban panhandling from the downtown area. A poster campaign in the downtown area discouraging the practice, both the act of panhandling and contributing to panhandlers. I would not support fines for panhandlers but an initial strong police or custodian monitor of the downtown area to disperse and discourage panhandlers would enforce the bylaw and help establish the no panhandle zone.
- Ban them from the city limits.
- Be respectful of the people.
- Because panhandling has been around for many, many years and will never be gone, the only way to prevent it is to ignore them and maybe they will try and get help. As long as there are people who help them, it will never go away.
- Believe police and social assistance/services are doing what they can.
- Better attempts to have shelter available for people who need them, where they can straighten themselves out and try to start a fresh life.
- Better mental health services.
- Bundle them up and cart them off.
- Businesses should not allow people in front of their business to be there, and there should not be a bylaw that allows this to happen.
- Busking more.
- Buy them a one way bus ticket to Vancouver.
- Bylaw enforced.
- Bylaws with teeth. Loitering needs to be addressed.
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<td>Change the by law to make it illegal.</td>
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<td>Check out some of the anti-panhandling initiatives in other cities to see what works.</td>
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<td>Collect them up and ship them away. Lol. Make things like housing affordable; we have lots of low income people. We even have middle income and they can't afford housing that's suitable. Make the power and energy and water cheaper so people can have money at the end of their pay period. Make more jobs and every time you find a panhandler, pick him up and put him to work!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Even if it's to clean the streets!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</td>
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<td>Commit to reducing poverty, providing low-cost, safe housing for people and empowering them to make positive life choices.</td>
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<td>Continue to advertise that people shouldn't give to panhandlers. People should donate to United Way, and these people. Would have to use United Way as a means of helping their needs.</td>
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<td>Determine cause for panhandling. Disrupt panhandling by uprooting them continually.</td>
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<td>Directed to help centers/ work placements, education opportunities.</td>
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<td>Do a survey and collect information from all possible panhandlers on how and why they do this and launch a rehabilitation program.</td>
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<td>Do not give money; buy them a coffee or something to eat. Give them info where they can go to get schooling, etc., to get a job.</td>
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<td>Educate the public not to give anything and thus dry up the market.</td>
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<td>Ensure proper support services to remove need to panhandle. Then arrest/whatever those whom do.</td>
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- Every panhandler has different needs. Need to find out what they are.
- Every panhandler must play a musical instrument such as harmonica or accordion.
- Figure out some work program that would provide jobs that do not necessarily give them money but provides them with food and shelter as well as a bit of discretionary income. Promotes accountability, increases self-worth, helps transition them into some sort of work stream but, unfortunately, requires buy-in from the individual. For those that don’t opt-in to the work program, there could be restrictions on where panhandling can occur and I guess jail time with hard labour would be the last resort.
- Figure out why the person is panhandling to begin with and help them fix that problem, i.e., needing a job, housing, etc.
- Find a way to put these people to work to better their lives.
- Find out how to help.
- Find out what these people need in their life so they do not feel they need to panhandle.
- Find out why it is happening.
- Find out why they are panhandling and if there are any addiction/mental health issues. Find the root cause of why they are panhandling and fix that.
- Find out why-try to help.
- Find them and send them in workforce by giving them proper training if required.
- Fine option program...
- Fine them all and put them in jail then they will have food!!
- Fine them more money so it stops, same with prostitution.
- Fines and jail time may help somewhat, but the problem of panhandling is due to serious social issues that are extremely difficult to fix.
- Fines for panhandling that increase the more times they are caught. Make it known in the paper so people report the panhandlers.
- Fines may help, police presence would help.
- Fines.
- Fines. They might welcome jail and it costs me money.
- First, find out if they are being 'controlled' by someone in the background, and if they are, stop that first. Then maybe actually get some 'real' help for these people, either alcohol/drug counselling or mental therapy as a lot of them are pretty messed up in the head and need proper help, they still are human beings!
- For more action to be taken to provide employment for the panhandlers instead.
- For the Provincial/Federal governments to help these people.
- Get someone out on the street talking to these people about the options available for them, help they may receive.
- Get the panhandlers to clean the streets for cash.
- Get them to move on.
- Get to root causes.
- Getting people off the street who need help with addictions by counselling them.
- Give them a bus ticket to Regina...
- Give them employment.
- Give them food.
- Give them something to do, maybe a place to sleep.
- Give them something to do.
- Give them the skills and tools to be productive citizens - stop punishing them and diminishing them as humans.
- Good.
- Government funding to assist people to get the help they need regardless of what kind of help it is...
- Half way houses, low cost housing, educate the public that they are not helping them by giving them money.
- Harsh fines and jail time.
- Haul them away.
- Have a couple of places where they can sleep and get 3 meals a day. But they help prepare the meals and do chores to help pay their way.
- Have a genuine discussion with the panhandlers and ask them what they need.
- Have a registry of needy people and try to address their needs. Some may need drug rehab but some may need jobs or training or a person to help solve their problems.
- Have a social worker or someone talk to them and find out their situation. Could then be addressed accordingly.
- Have a strong campaign to deter people from giving panhandlers money. Inform people of organizations and other ways to assist these people. If panhandlers do not get money, then they will not panhandle.
- Have 'help' agencies help them??
- Have more officers or city representatives actively patrolling areas to deter panhandlers.
- Have more shelters for the needy.
- Have no idea what might work!
- Have social workers identify the reason each individual is panhandling. Help them find government programmes that apply to them and can help them, or addiction programmes. Offer panhandlers daily work around the city, cleaning up streets and alleys, litter, graffiti.
- Have the police just keep bothering them moving them along.
- Have the police remove them. Take them out of the area or home if they have one. If they are given a harder time to get what they want maybe they will quit, or have social services give them stick and they can pick up garbage in the streets and make a few honest bucks that way.
- Have the police take them to jail for a couple of days.
- Have them do community service if they can't pay their fines.
- Have them work closely with community resources/counselling.
- Help panhandlers find jobs, get trained, get them off the streets by channelling their energies to something more productive. In the long run, it would benefit everyone that there be no panhandlers: a better living standard for people and a better cityscape as well as economy, less poverty, and a more productive community.
- Help them find work.
- Help them get jobs.
- Help them out so they don't need to panhandle. Set up programs and such.
- Help these people get jobs.
- Helping with mental health issues, finding ways to 'hire' them to clean up the neighbourhoods.
- Hopefully, we could help more people with mental health issues and addiction issues.
- I am at a loss.
- I am fine with the current situation.
- I am not sure there is any solution.
- I am not sure you will ever really 'address' the issue of panhandling because it has been going on for centuries and if it were that easy 'to be addressed', many cities much larger than Saskatoon would have already addressed this. What I do think, though, is that the most important piece about addressing the issue of panhandling is to address any 'aggressive' panhandling. Then if it were just people on the street with 'a donation cup out', then all people can enjoy the public spaces.
- I am not sure.
- I am not sure.
- I am unaware of any programs that already exist in Saskatoon to help people who feel they must panhandle, so I cannot comment on the effectiveness of these, or how to improve. I guess bicycle cops or walking cops in areas that are known for high panhandling.

- I believe that we would have a group session for panhandlers as we do for AA or venues of that sort.

- I do believe there is a great possibility of mental health and addiction issues that need to be addressed with these individuals and I do believe they are in need of help. I do think an outreach worker that can effectively link people to services in an efficient and timely way would be helpful. Also, somehow being able to award individuals with actual work programs to help them gain independence as opposed to dependency on handouts.

- I don't have any suggestions.

- I don't think I have any.

- I don't have a clue... It won't go away until people stop giving them money...

- I don't have any specific suggestions other than they need to address the systemic issues rather than locking up someone in a jail that has no capacity to address mental health needs or really address alcohol and drug addictions.

- I don't have any suggestions.

- I don't have any suggestions...

- I don't have any.

- I don't know as I don't run into it very often and if I do, I usually avoid them if possible.

- I don't know, but one idea would be more of a police presence.

- I don't know, perhaps more assistance at street level.

- I don't know.

- I don't know. I would have to learn what programs, organizations, etc. already exist to give people alternatives to panhandling. Also, I think I would need to know better what actually is the motivation for most panhandlers (I have my own prejudices regarding this but really I don't know how accurate they are). I don't think panhandling is a beneficial or positive behaviour for the city at large or for people who do it but I am not knowledgeable enough to provide a solution.

- I don't know. It's a difficult issue, with no easy answers.

- I don't know....

- I don't really have any suggestions. It seems that there are more important things in this city that need to be addressed, rather than calling for law enforcement to take care of panhandlers. They are annoying and to some can be scary, but they aren't really hurting anyone. Until it becomes a serious issue, we should be focusing on the young people and making sure they are getting the best we can offer so that they can change the negative ways of the city and become intelligent and good decision makers.

- I don't really have any.

- I don't think it's a huge issue. It happens everywhere. I don't think people need to do it, but people will.

- I don't think it's realistic or even fair to attempt to address just panhandling. You have to address the root causes of it. Namely, poverty.

- I guess if the city wants them to not panhandle then keep chasing them away. As long as they don't frighten people, beg verbally and stay out of the way of pedestrians, then just accept them as part of the city.

- I have no idea, maybe a rehabilitation program.

- I have no idea.

- I have no ideas at this time.

- I have no opinion at this time.

- I honestly don't know.... Maybe have social groups go out and talk to these people and try to help them.
- I just don't know.
- I love the music that is played outside Midtown Plaza, although the panhandlers just moved down 21st Street. I think beat police officers or security people could just keep the panhandlers on the move.
- I really do not know the answer.
- I really don't have any suggestions.
- I really have no idea.
- I think a more proactive approach is needed to reduce the need for people to panhandle rather than a reactive approach punishing those who do.
- I think any attempts to correct it would be labour intensive but I would like to see them picked up and taken to a shelter where they could be given food, etc. And those that refuse because they only want to feed addictions should ideally be taken to a detox center.
- I think increasing the price of the fines would be a deterrent because then they don't have the option of jail with a bed and food.
- I think it should be illegal and there should be other things accessible to them instead of harassing people on the street for money.
- I think it would be great to see a place for panhandlers or people just down on their luck (such as Salvation Army, Hands On Ministry, etc.) Where they could be taught job skills, get cleaned up, do job interview work, and get back into the public as a working citizen.
- I think panhandlers should be give jobs to do around the city or for organizations to clean up the streets / parks or do labour type work to keep these people busy and then maybe pay them accordingly or give them food or a shelter somewhere for a certain length of time. There are lots of odd jobs that people like this could be doing.
- I think putting more effort/funding into poverty awareness and programs might allow some panhandlers to break the cycle of poverty and get them off the street. Also, the ads that I've seen not to give panhandlers money are pretty effective.
- I think the city needs to look at the bigger picture of poverty in this case and that panhandling is just a 'symptom' of poverty. Last winter, shelters had to turn people away. A lot of the resources out there struggle constantly to try to provide services and don't receive the assistance they need. I've heard from various sources that the YWCA has come extremely close to closing its doors forever.
- I think the public would be interested in knowing how much money they make. If people stopped giving like this and gave to alternate charities, the money may be able to be used more effectively?
- I think they should stay away from businesses and public places. There are alternatives for these people. Welfare, etc. Get a job!!
- I wish the city council had enough balls to make it illegal.
- I would make it illegal.
- I would make it illegal.
- I would make it illegal. Put our money into more shelters or Food Banks for them to sleep or eat and have social assistance available to a percentage for the ones that actually go and work.
- I would suggest they try to use panhandlers by getting the jobs as cleaners or road workers or at fast food restaurants and try to get them off the streets and get them making decent money so they can afford a home and food.
- I'm not really sure.
- Identify with pictures and prints and send them out of town not to return.
- If I had my druthers, I'd have them all shot!
- If they are repeatedly picked up by police or other social service and taken to where they can get help; or asked to move and quit panhandling because it is no longer allowed, it might peter out. It depends on why they are panhandling in the first place.
- If they were told to get away from the malls and businesses that they usually hang out at on a regular basis, they may eventually give up.
- If we had a place to encourage these people to get a better way of life. Maybe educate them.
- I'm not sure there is an answer to this question. As long as people are willing to hand over money to panhandlers, panhandling will continue.
- I'm not sure what to suggest but I don't think that fines are a valid punishment for a person who has no income. I think the larger issue needs to be addressed; we need more options for places for homeless people to go, in longer terms.
- I'm not sure.
- Improve access to affordable housing, drug treatment centres, address poverty.
- In addition to fines and/or jail time, there should be an alternative to providing a person with some employment opportunities which should include some training element! Through my work with provincial corrections, I worked in a Community Training Residence Program whereby offenders took programming to address addictions issues, etc. But also had to be gainfully employed; employers in Saskatoon, in particular in construction, were willing to work with these people!
- Increase programs to help combat poverty in Saskatoon so people don't have to do that.
- Increase public services, have places these people can go that are safe.
- Increase shelters, places that provide basic necessities.
- Increase social assistance and programing, encourage people not to give.
- Increase the access that homeless people and panhandlers have to essential services.
- Instead of fines and jail terms put them to work for the city or business that may have programs that would employ the panhandler. I do not believe that incarceration for all types of crime works as many return to crime because they have little else to do as they have a hard time gaining employment with a record. If someone wants to work and better themselves, we as society fail to help our fellow man redeem or improve themselves to be a positive person in society.
- Institute a bylaw.
- Intervention services to offer panhandlers alternatives.
- Interview the panhandler, find out their needs, offer them education and an opportunity or address their mental needs.
- It isn't a major problem in the city but I don't think it is a legitimate way of making a living and it should be banned.
- It needs to be studied by professionals who are familiar with social problems.
- It shouldn't be allowed at all. I would really like social services to step up and help the people who need it. One problem is homelessness. If a person does not have an address, they can't access assistance. People need better mental health services as well . . . Somehow we need to provide residential facilities that better meet their needs. People with FASD need ongoing support and supervision. Left on their own, they will continue to make bad decisions and make mistakes. There has to be a better balance between a person's rights (such as to panhandle or live on the streets) and our responsibility to help them.
- Jail time.
- Jail time.
- Jail time; fines are a waste of time.
- Job placement assistance.
- Just say no.
- Just say no. Give people who give them money the fine.
- Keep moving them along; give them info on places that can help them. Social Services, addictions help, mental health, Salvation Army, food kitchens, etc.
- Kick them out of the city.
- Let the charity handle them.
- License them. If the city insists on refusing to ban panhandling altogether, license the panhandler under the same conventions that exist for a street vendor such as those who run a hot dog cart. The
issue with a city bylaw is that it has to be enforced. Most panhandlers that I’ve seen aren’t too concerned about bylaw enforcement when it comes to panhandling.

- Limit areas.
- Local charities should canvass panhandlers and determine their state of need, if they are truly desperate, they can be directed to the appropriate charity such as the Saskatoon Food Bank or Salvation Army. The public should be educated not to give money to these people but to send them to the appropriate charity. Grocery stores could sell food coupons which can only be redeemed for necessities. Charitable people could purchase these and give these to panhandlers instead of money.

- Local police foot/bike patrols.
- Longer imprisonment, less cushy treatment while in these places!
- Look to other centers such as the City of Regina as they don’t have panhandlers as bad as this city does. Look at housing costs, more affordable housing. Do an environmental scan on the situation.

- Make it illegal and remove the panhandlers.
- Make a program that makes them aware that getting a job is the better way to go. Maybe make the welfare people work for their welfare cheques is a start.
- Make a zero tolerance policy for ALL areas of the city.
- Make it completely illegal, and have harsher penalties.
- Make it illegal everywhere and enforce it.
- Make it illegal then it will stop.
- Make it illegal, move them along if they set up, public info campaign to give to organization rather than individual.
- Make it illegal, no matter where it happens, aggressive or not.
- Make it illegal.(10)
- Make it illegal. If panhandlers are arrested, they should then be put in contact with social services for assistance assessment if they are not already on assistance.
- Make it illegal. If people NEED help, there are places and organizations to do so. Have those orgs help them.
- Make people more aware of places like the Friendship Inn that offer meals and clothing. Make people aware of any addiction support centres are available for people.
- Make stiffer fines.
- Make sure there is beat police there a lot of the time just keeping an eye out. It would make everyone feel safer, I think.
- Make the bylaws more known to the public; have public forums to brainstorm effective ways to proactively approach the issue.
- Make them do jobs around city to earn money. I.e. give them an area to clean (sidewalks, streets) supplying necessary tools. Pay is based on quality of job done.
- Maybe designate certain areas where they can and can’t panhandle.
- Maybe get them back to society or offer Food Bank?
- Maybe places like the Salvation Army can help get people that panhandle educated, or help them find other options that may be able for them to use skills they may already possess to get back on their feet, or help with detox situations if they are needed.
- More beat cops downtown, and maybe an awareness campaign about where it’s illegal to panhandle.
- More busking.
- More emphasis on the education of children who may have learning disabilities and family challenges.
that make learning difficult. More and better strategies to help people recover from drug and alcohol addiction. Less marginalizing of certain societal groups.

- More enforcement and more government social aid.
- More enforcement and more publicity to promote supporting aid agencies rather than individual panhandlers.
- More foot patrols by police if possible; time limit a person can stay in one place.
- More funding.
- More homes for the less fortunate and more free places to eat.
- More long term drug and alcohol treatment, something that last more than a week and is in-house. Also, low income housing for single people.
- More medical assistance and looking into the reasons why these people are on the street.
- More officers walking downtown and other areas, but not taking them from other duties.
- More police presence and encouragement to get a job.
- More police presence enforcing the by-law.
- More police presence. Don't make the areas they sit or stand in comfortable for them.
- More police walking a beat instead of hiding in a police station.
- More policing and making them leave the area. More homeless shelters or places that these people can go to, like Capri or Salvation Army, as these places are always full; so is Larson House or brief detox unit!
- More policing to get them to move and not stay in one place.
- More policing to stop them.
- More programs to help them find a better way of life. Offer them jobs like cleaning the street, STC.
- More shelters.
- More signage and make the bylaws more known.
- More social programming and support. Shelters, supply food and blankets. Help them help themselves. Whatever it takes.
- More social programs for people with mental health and addiction issues.
- More social programs... But to be funded by who? I think panhandling zones might be a good idea.
- More social services available. More affordable housing options.
- More soup kitchens.
- More support services.
- More training and housing opportunities for those who would normally turn to panhandling.
- More visual police patrols.
- Need safe places for those who can't look after themselves to be cared for and fed.
- Need to create more job training and opportunities in the city.
- No idea. (6)
- No more panhandling at all. If they are caught once doing it aggressively or in an area they're not supposed to be doing it.
- No real idea. Good luck to city council with this one.
- No.
- None. (15)
- None. I think they're a part of the fabric of any city.
- Not allow it at all, or increase the fines.
- Not much can be changed to what is already being provided.
- Not sure. (12)
- Not sure. Up to businesses and politicians to figure it out.
- Not sure...
- Not sure; more social programs?
- Not sure; people will always do it.
- Nothing.
- Obviously there are social or economic issues that we as a society are failing to identify as the base cause for panhandling. Perhaps surveying some panhandlers to gain a better perspective would allow us to address the issue better.
- Offer a program for those that are physically able short term jobs that give them some money and a meal.
- Offer an alternative way of providing for themselves or earning some money.
- Offer panhandlers / homeless people that are physically able the opportunity to earn income by doing odd jobs. The city / provincial government could have programs such as garbage clean up from streets/parks/ditches, etc. which would give underprivileged people the ability to earn an income and give them some self-worth while helping out in the community. Even grants to businesses to offer similar employment may be an option.
- Offer the panhandlers a job with the city for a small wage picking up garbage in parks, etc.
- Offer them jobs in the community.
- One way ticket to Winnipeg.
- Other cities, like Las Vegas, have effectively dealt with panhandlers. Those cities know how important it is to get them off the streets. All we need to do is copy what places like Las Vegas have done. It simply takes the political will.
- Our police force needs and entire change of priorities to take Saskatoon much further down the list of crime cities than number two. Resources are not focused on crime but rather on useless activities that have no impact on the level of real crime.
- Our social services people should encourage these people to find a job they can do and keep.
- Outlaw panhandling and give panhandlers the opportunity to work short term jobs to earn money. If they don’t want to work for the money they want, send them down the road to Regina.
- Panhandling will always continue no matter what because some people just want the money for drugs and alcohol. Saskatoon can be more aggressive in their laws like some other cities by not allowing panhandling during certain times of the day. The no-aggressive panhandling works well in Saskatoon. Ultimately, it’s up to citizens whether or not they give their own money away. Saskatoon can make people more aware that there are scammers out there.
- Pass a bylaw. Making it illegal.
- Pass a law to make illegal.
- People need a quick and easy way to report aggressive panhandlers.
- Perhaps helping these people get in touch with the organizations who could help them find employment or upgrade their education would be a place to start.
- Perhaps in spring, summer and fall a programme whereby instead of being fined or jail time, they have to clean up city streets and given the opportunity to enter substance abuse programmes for those that need it.
- Perhaps our city and provincial governments need to step in. Immigrants (we have enough). Brad Wall apparently will be allowing 7600 more to enter this province. Perhaps Brad Wall needs to look after his people of the province first, beginning with rent controls.
- Place objects in places where they locate (planters or other items), annoying/loud music or sounds.
- Please see my previous response.
- Police clean-ups combined with effective social justice programs that help them deal with whatever addictions/issues are causing them to panhandle.
- Police could be vigilant about moving them and preventing them from becoming established in any given area. That is, make it as inconvenient as possible for them.
- Police taking the suspected panhandler to their home/residence until a sufficient record is created proving to the courts that the person is pan handler and then can be fined or jailed.
- Police the area to have them move on.
- Police to regularly patrol those areas where panhandlers are known to operate. Businesses to report to the police if panhandlers are outside of their business so they can be removed.
- Police.
- Possibly work gangs.
- Programs to help people get a leg up and start back towards a new path. I doubt they decided on this as a career choice when they were young, find out where and why things came off track.
- Programs to help them better themselves either with schooling, basic tools of life being taught, etc.
- Promote donating food instead of money.
- Promote employment opportunities.
- Provide more opportunities for learning, job skills development.
- Provide more opportunities for training so that they can get jobs.
- Provide more social service contacts to these people.
- Provide programs for them to get assistance but mostly let them live the lives that they have chosen.
- Provide them job.
- Providing the people with gainful work doing anything.
- Public education to stop supporting panhandlers. Make it illegal. Fining would be fruitless but if they are caught, they would have to give up what they have collected. This however, would be difficult because they would soon hide some of their collections. Jail time is very costly for the hardworking taxpayer and would often provide a home for the homeless so would not really be punishment.
- Punish them with fines. They will have to learn quickly to go out and get a job or go to jail.
- Pure and simple: Address the problems that create homeless and poverty in the first place. Housing prices are still out of control in the city, as are rental prices, which are forcing more and more people out of their homes and onto the streets. Unemployment levels are still high as well, and many people who want to work are unable to find it. Address these issues and you'll solve panhandling.
- Put the able bodied ones to work.
- Put them to work doing small tasks downtown like picking garbage, etc. and pay them minimum wage. Help them get back on their feet.
- Put them to work picking garbage or shovelling snow for money.
- Put them to work, like maintaining public grounds, cleaning garbage out of alleyways, etc.
- Put them to work.
- Quit giving money.
- Redirect them to do some jobs. Work at the Food Bank for food or pay for the day. Work for the city picking up garbage; mow some lawns, etc....
- Refer them to an agency that can help get them work.
- Refer them to places where they can clean up like have a shower. Maybe take them to get cleaned up and refer them to places they can get a job.
- Rehab, counselling, assistance, a purpose for being, volunteer work are just a few.
- Rehabilitate them. Find out why they are doing it and help them to be a more positive member of society.
- Rehabilitation into a job or addiction program. Educate the public more on not giving to panhandlers, putting signs up to not give them money in popular places they sit.
- Rehabilitation.
- Removal from public places after being warned. Fines if behaviour persists.
- Removing money from panhandlers if they become aggressive.
- Report location of spotted panhandler.
- Restrictions as to where allowed.
- Retraining facility.
- Saskatoon people should be more empathetic, first of all. Try treating all people with respect. Support community-based organizations that are working to address poverty, mental illness, and addictions.
- Security.
  - See if they are homeless or receiving social assistance or help from a charity. If they truly need more help than they are receiving, find a way to provide it. If not on welfare or receiving charity, there is no good reason for them to be panhandling. In those cases, they should receive a first warning then increasing fines for the second and third offences.
  - See last answer. [If the problem is addiction or mental illness, I don't think jail without mandatory treatment of the underlying problem, is of much use. How do you fine a person who is desperate enough to be begging for money? The social ills that cause the problem need to be addressed.]
  - See previous response. [Why would you fine someone who obviously doesn't have the money to pay for it? It's definitely one of those 'the rich get richer and the poor get prison' kind of things. Why would you kick someone when they're already down? With that being said, I don't feel it's fair to just let them stay in jail either because it's costing more money for panhandlers to sit in jail then to try to rehabilitate them. Plus it would be like a vacation to them, a warm place to stay with McDonald's breakfast. Yummm. The programs that are already in place should be more effective, have Egadz reach out to these people or the Salvation Army.]
- See previous screen. [People who engage in this activity are unable to or choose not to pay their fines. Make it illegal and put them to work picking up garbage to pay off their fines. They would think twice before panhandling again as it would involve them having to work.]
- See previous statement. [We need to deal with the root causes of panhandling and not just punish people who are trying to make a go of life, with or without addictions. There needs to be better social supports in place to prevent people from needing to seek outside sources of money to support themselves or their families.]
- Services to help them kick their addiction or deal with their mental disorder. Help them find jobs and get back on their feet.
- Shoot them in the face? I have no clue.
- Should be illegal to do, aggressive or not. It should not be allowed, police should patrol and warn them to move. If not moved, should be jailed. If they have no money, it would not be very effective to fine them.
- Shouldn't be allowed at all. Perhaps a free job hunting or help place for these people to go for life guidance.
- Similar to prostitution, set up a john school where they are sentenced to provide community service and take job skills training, or commit to substance abuse counselling.
- Social change, I don't think this generation of city councillors would be able to do it. Egadz, Helping Hands, among others are a step in the right direction. Literature on this topic is out there but a lot more people need to be informed for any chance that change will happen. So, in short, I don't think politics can help this social problem, but a social convention may help.
- Social welfare program.
- Sorry, I'd be clueless in that regard. There are resources for people, and some may just not want that.
- Start breaking fingers.
- Stay on top of it; keep asking them to leave.
- Stick with the law, more police presence, better laws that prohibit it at all. Bringing in a three strike law like the States has.
- Stiffer laws.
- Street outreach programs. City should partner with churches and specific groups (Salvation Army) whose goal it is to do outreach, and act.
- Stricter fines, even eliminating the bylaw permitting it.
- Stronger drug programs, more affordable activities for our youth and more safe houses.
- Stronger police presence on the streets.
- Substance abuse prevention programs. Arrests coupled with remedial programs.
- Take away any money they have collected and give it to a local charity.
- Take them off the streets.
- Talk with the people panhandling, set up alternatives. For example, in London, England, they have a magazine that homeless people can sell, of which all proceeds go to them. It's a really good system called the Big Issue, and it is well worth looking into, perhaps on a smaller scale.
- The 'agencies' that collect money from the citizens and lobby for funds from the governments need to step up and address these problems. If there are people, indeed, falling through the cracks, there needs to be assistance in order for these people to change their lives around. It needs to be a very concerted effort.
- The court system, at best, has become a joke so it is best just to try and avoid it.
- The only way that it will stop is if people do not give to the panhandlers.
- The only way to limit it is to have a police presence where it is taking place.
- The police, the city, the mental health community must have an idea of who really has problems and who doesn't. Put people with legit problems in the right places (detox, mental health facilities, shelters) and arrest the rest?????
- The public must continue to be kept aware not to support panhandlers. They are out because they make money. Most belong within one of our social safety net systems for help and support to make a decision to change their lives. They do not belong in the criminal justice system.
- The reason behind the panhandling needs to be addressed. Just making panhandling illegal wouldn't fix anything.
- The say no drive slowed down panhandling for a time now we have to look at making sure they move on out of their safe and comfortable areas.
- There are a number of people in the downtown core who panhandle regularly. The 'regulars' are well known to everyone who work and shop downtown on a regular basis. Maybe the police can get their names, check and see if they are on Social Services and if they are, have their social worker work with them to figure out if their money can be managed better, offer resources for free meals, and help them address addictions that are eating up their money. Those that are homeless - some want to live that way and there is nothing we can do but accept that their way of life is different from the norm, not wrong, just not mainstream. Perhaps those folks who are inclined to use their large amounts of money for charities could consider setting up some kind of a foundation to help with providing shelters for the homeless folks. And maybe it's not a matter of addressing it, but more a matter of accepting the fact that we will always have folks panhandling and learn to be compassionate and realize that these people have the same needs as the rest of us - food, shelter, proper clothing, and to be loved and respected because they are human beings!
- There needs to be systems put in place to deter panhandling. Jail time is fine, but once they are out, they probably go back to it. Support systems need to support these folks in getting gainful employment or help for any issues that may prevent them from becoming a contributing member of the community.
- There should be restrictions (as there may be) as to how close they may be to doorways, entrances, ATM machines. Also they tend to sprawl out on the street and you have to go around them which is intimidating sometimes so they should be restricted to certain areas. I don't think they can be totally stopped from panhandling.
- These social issues need addressing by creating more places for addiction rehab, opportunities to be able to make a change in their life. Most cannot leave their area because of the increased cost to live in different surroundings. More affordable social housing, perhaps, would help. Maybe. I really don't know the answer.
- They should be fined and made to work off their fine with a fine option, so they get a taste of work!!
- Think the classical music outside malls discourages people hanging about. Perhaps police or community workers moving people along?

- This is a complicated social issue. I don't have enough knowledge to provide specific suggestions, but I think that the focus needs to be placed on addressing poverty, racism, mental illness, and drug use rather than punishing panhandlers. Panhandling is a symptom of the larger problem.

- To approach them and ask them if they would like to work!! And if they are healthy!! If they are, then by all means, get a job!! But if their attitude stinks, then give them a warning!! That they will be fined and do jail time!! But as we all know that lots want to go there to be fed!! So there really is no easy way to handle this situation..... Bless you if you succeed. Ha, ha, ha.

- To make harsher penalty to encourage people not to give them money for government help them to change lifestyle.

- Training and housing to get jobs.

- Treat panhandling as a symptom of larger social issues such as mental health and affordable housing.

- Treatment options for mental issues and physical addictions for individuals who want to take advantage of them. Halfway housing for individuals who are transitioning between living on the street and living in their own place. Or if the individuals choose not to live in housing access to bathing facilities and to laundry.

- Try taking them to a place where they have to work for a living.

- Try to address the cause of poverty.

- Try to cure the root causes that put them there in the first place.

- Try to engage those people in some job oriented way. Educate them and help them to find some jobs for living which is useful for the society as well.

- Try to help them find jobs even short-term and help them with housing so they feel they can contribute.

- Try to solve the root of the panhandling problem.

- Uncertain.

- Unknown.

- Unsure.

- Use their man power to be street cleaners if they want to loiter around bumming money make them accountable for the cleanliness of the city streets!

- Utilize programs available for them: West Side Community Clinic, White Buffalo Youth Lodge; Friendship Inn; etc.

- We need to address the homeless issue more. More medical assistance is needed for them as well as shelters.

- Well, I suppose you could make it illegal with more foot and bike patrols to enforce it. This addresses the problem to the businesses and customers affected. We need to address the real issue. These people need safe housing, employment, education and a purpose in life. Until the cause is addressed, we will always have issues somewhere in Saskatoon.

- What’s the reason behind panhandling?? Poverty? Lack of proper housing?

- When a panhandler is caught, take their funds from them and donate them to a useful cause.

- When a panhandler is seen, the police should be called and they should have to leave.

- While I honestly don’t think jail time would deter them for long, it would at least get rid of them for a little while. I think by the time somebody has become an adult with so little pride and/or ambition that he would beg old women for their pension money, it is likely too late to do much about him except get rid of him somehow. At the moment, jails are the only place to put them, so I suppose that is where they should be. To stop the problem, a person has to start with kids who are just being allowed to grow and take, not to learn and to give.

- Wish I knew...

- Work camps, one way ticket out of town.
Work for money or go to jail.
Work units.
You are fighting a losing battle.
You could have a centre that would maybe help find a legitimate job and help get them back on their feet as a contributing member of society. They could spend their nights in a cell type area.
Zero tolerance, but somehow change the incentives so that panhandling is the least attractive option.
Zero tolerance. It would then become a non-issue.

38. Who do you believe should take responsibility for addressing the issue of panhandling?

- All of us. We live in a democratic society, and with that comes a responsibility to care for the less fortunate in our society. Before I sound overly naive and saintly, I will admit freely to NOT meaning me personally. I have no problem with my tax dollars helping folks in need, but I don’t want to have my tax dollars helping some kid who’s travelling the country and runs out of cash. That’s where fines and jail time come in, but only assessment and other social services programs can differentiate between the slackers and those Canadians in true need.
- City council, police, citizens.
- Difficult to say. If we have increased facilities, police and helping agencies (e.g. Sally Ann) could be instrumental in directing traffic.
- Everyone. Not just the city, but the province and all citizens.
- It’s everyone’s responsibility, general public, the police and businesses.
- Maybe they should all be gathered up, and ask them what they think would be a good way of keeping them off the streets! Otherwise, I have not a clue!
- Mayor, government, police.
- Our community, from each of us as individuals to our municipal services (health, housing, etc.).
- Requires a joint approach . . . Police, social services agencies, city.
- Social services, police, provincial programs.
- Social Services, the police, and the municipal government collectively.
- Social services. Local community help groups, e.g., Salvation Army.
- The city, the police.
- A combination of governments as mental services is not a municipal jurisdiction.
- A combination of justice and health.
- A combination of places. City council, for one. I also believe the provincial and federal governments should take a more active role. I believe the policies of conservative governments do not foster healthy social states, and they far too often rely on bigger jails, which do not fix social or health issues.
- A combination of the municipal, provincial and federal governments.
- A combined community effort and in particular the City of Saskatoon, the police, provincial government, the social service agencies who provide programs and supports for those in low socio-economic situations, those with mental health and/or addictions, etc…. To the old adage ‘it takes a village to raise a child’. It takes the combined knowledge and insight of the whole community to solve complex local problems such as poverty and crime prevention.
- A combined effort between civic and provincial government as well as willing local organizations that are willing to provide training and treatment programs.
- All left wing and liberal politicians.
- All level of government as well as the FSIN.
- All levels of government and all social services. But this would have to be partisan free without politicians panhandling for votes.
- All levels of government and everyone who has a stake in better cities for all.
- All levels of government.
- All levels of government.
- All levels of government. This is society/economic and will never be solved by a single level. If you are barley scraping by at minimum wage and know you will never have a home and/or nice anything, what's your incentive to continue that way? Eventually, you lose desire as everything around you pulls ahead.
- All levels of Gov't.
- All of the major social, political and economic institutions and sectors in Saskatoon.
- All of us have a part.
- All of us together.
- All of us. Faith based groups, Salvation Army, Social Services, Police Services, other charities, governments.
- All of us. Individuals and all levels of government.
- All the public it should be our responsibility to help people get a good life.
- All three levels of government, not just the municipal level.
- Anyone who can make an improvement.
- As said before, the agencies who collect money from the citizens and the government for their programs. Scrap the programs if they are not effective and get more people on the 'street'...police, social workers, mental health workers. This is not rocket science. Maybe our city councillors should walk on the streets of Saskatoon and really get a feel for what goes on and, not just on 21st Street. They need to make some decisions about the very basics.
- Because it won't get better on its own.
- Brad Wall.
- Brad Wall.
- Businesses and politicians.
- Citizens and the police.
- City and province jointly.
- City and province.
- City and provincial governments.(3)
- City and provincial social services.
- City and the police.
- City as well as government.
- City board sets up a community service to oversee, implement and study results.
- City council and mayor.
- City council and our provincial government. What are we paying taxes for?
- City council and planning and police department and public health.
- City council and police.
- City council and Social Services.
- City council and the mayor’s office.
- City council and the police need to get the panhandlers off the streets, but ultimately these people have to be motivated to change their behaviour.
- City council and the police service.
- City council and the police service.
- City council and the province need to allocate more funds to the city social programs that deal with these problems.
- City council and the province, according to their respective jurisdictions
- City council needs to create bylaws that police are able to act upon. Walking on 2nd Ave near 22nd St is ridiculous, particularly around McDonald’s and the Olympia Restaurant. Loitering is a bigger issue than panhandling, in my opinion, but loitering bylaws would address that.
- City council on the recommendations of professionals who deal with social problems.
- City council should address this issue with bylaws.
- City council should pass tougher bylaws, and step up the enforcement.
- City council should take the first steps, and the health region may be helpful.
- City council to change bylaw. Police to enforce it.
- City council with improved bylaws.
- City council, business owners, city police.
- City council, business owners, police services, community services.
- City council, city police, Social Services and the business affected.
- City council, police services, mental health professionals, drug and alcohol workers and the citizens of Saskatoon.
- City council, police, health region, provincial government.
- City council, the provincial government, police, social services and addiction services.
- City council.(36)
- City council. It is the citizens of Saskatoon who are all affected by this.
- City councillors and police.
- City council, with input from Mental Health, Police Services, and those organizations who provide services and supports for those who are disadvantaged and living in poverty.
- City govt. and police.
- City hall and the police dept.
- City hall, social services and employment offices.
- City hall, the mayor.
- City hall.(4)
- City led, provincially and federally funded.
- City of Saskatoon and police department, mental health institutions.
- City of Saskatoon and provincial government.
- City of Saskatoon and RCMP.
- City of Saskatoon has the responsibility to do that, I guess.
- City of Saskatoon in conjunction with provincial government.
- City of Saskatoon, Police Department, and public health.
- City of Saskatoon.(4)
- City plus provincial social services.
- City police.
- City police.
- City, businesses, social services, churches.
- City, province, police, social welfare.
- City.(9)
- Civic and provincial govt.
- Combination of City of Saskatoon, Saskatoon Health District, Province of Saskatchewan and Government of Canada.
- Combination of governments, philanthropy by individuals and/or business, increased programs to keep youth in school, health care programs, substance abuse recovery programs.
- Combined between the city and church/outreach/support groups. Preferably lead by non-city groups so it doesn't just become another 'program'.

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Communities, businesses, individuals.

Community members, community-based organizations, business owners, municipal, provincial, federal, and Aboriginal governments need to work together to address root causes and provide the social supports for the most vulnerable in our community.

Community.

Cops.

CoS.

Could that be a liaison between Sask. Health, Saskatoon Health Region, city councillor and FSIN/grandmothers/youth workers?

Council and the police.

Council members.

Council.

Depends on the situation, police, health workers, all individuals stop giving to them, panhandlers will move on.

Doesn’t it affect everyone? So really everyone should be involved in addressing the issue in the area that affects them. By everyone, I mean city governments, police, social services, community organizations, etc.

Don’t know. (8)

Downtown business district.

Everybody.

Everyone in our community.

Everyone in Saskatoon.

Everyone in the city by not supporting it.

Everyone in the city should contribute.

Everyone should. Everyone is a citizen in the city by ultimately, the city council deals with these issues and the police are often the ones to handle it. The more aware of the issue citizens are, the more input there could be to make changes. However, a lot of people would oppose paying more tax dollars to helping people who panhandle.

Everyone, council, partnership, policing, customers, residence.

Everyone. (9)

Everyone. A Saskatoon with less poverty and despair in it is a stronger Saskatoon.

Everyone. First the city must change the bylaw. Police can do nothing without it.

Everyone. It cannot be handled by one agency, or group, or one government.

Everyone. It is a societal issue.

Everyone. The city and province should be working together with panhandlers to find out their needs and the drive to panhandle. Only then will we know how to deter them from it by meeting their needs.

Everyone. This is not a problem of just the people effected but an issue that does need the whole city’s support to put together places where people can go with support staff to help them get the care they need.

Everyone. We should not give to panhandlers and they should be directed to a support system.

Everyone.....

Everyone: City, province, feds, community organizations and the panhandler as well. Question is: Does the person want help? And what kind of help do they want? There has to be a helping up, not just a handing out. (Kind of like some self-help programs. There has to be an effort/buy in by the panhandler to be effective.)

Everyone: The government, the social work industry, the education industry, the religious community, the law enforcement industry, the business industry, the health field, the community agencies etc.

Federal and provincial governments.
- Federal and provincial governments.
- Feds, province and city.
- Government agencies.
- Government all levels.
- Government the general society.
- Government with social program funding come from all levels (civic, provincial, and national).
- Government, politicians.
- Government.

Government. If the police scare panhandlers away from one city block, what are they supposed to do if there is no safe place for them to go? We need more places to offer help to those of these people that choose to accept it.

- Government: Federal, provincial, municipal.
- Have to be a joint process with the city and private business.
- Health and wellness professionals can help these people, increased homeless shelters.
- Health region in conjunction with city council.
- I am not sure.

I believe if a person is a citizen of a different nation, if it is even believable that different nations can exist in one country, then the leaders of that nation are responsible for leading and training their own citizens. I believe that the trillions of dollars pouring into 'First Nations' coffers should be used for the education of their nationals.

- I believe most people who panhandle are in need of health assistance.
- I believe that because this issue affects all citizens of Saskatoon both directly and indirectly, we should all be responsible is some way to address the issue. Identifying the core issue would help to determine where the responsibility ultimately lays with respect to policing, rehabilitation and education.

I believe the fiscal responsibility should be built into both federal and provincial permanent funding sources as well as local with yearly fundraising opportunities. I believe we need to support others.

- I don't know.
- I don't know. I guess it should be our governments. But as far as they are concerned, these people don't exist. If they don't pay taxes, the government doesn't care.

- I don’t think any public or city party should be taking responsibility of panhandling. I think the 'city/health' parties should be focusing on the programs that are available to the city residence regardless of where they call home.

- I have no idea.
- I have no idea.

- I suppose it would need to be addressed through changes in the bylaws. That would be a very difficult task and we do not have the capability to enforce it anyway.

- I think it is the responsibility of the province, the city and the citizens. Any potential measures must be endorsed/supported by all parties.

- I think it should be a multi-governmental (provincial, civic) responsibility.

- I think it’s under the City of Saskatoon and to take most of the responsibility since it is a municipal problem, but I think the provincial and possibly federal government should contribute some funding as well.

- I think that the City of Saskatoon in partnership with the Government of Saskatchewan have a responsibility to its citizens whether or not they have a fixed address and pay taxes.

- I think that the city should take responsibility for the issue of panhandling. Yes, panhandlers sit on the property of business owners, but ultimately it is up to the city to address the needs of its citizens, NOT the business owners.

- I’m not sure. All I know is that at noon hour if I have to run to the mall, I will not go down 2nd Avenue as I will get asked 4 or 5 times for spare change which I don’t have any and then on the way back....
- I'm not sure. Perhaps social workers can assess the panhandlers and help them find a way to make a living and a place to live. But with rent so expensive here, it would probably not really help much, anyways.

- Individuals must take responsibility for their own actions and the consequences that result from their own choices.

- It has to be a cooperative effort with charities, governments and citizens.

- It is a collective responsibility of all organizations. The city and organizations who are set up to help people who are having a hard time helping themselves.

- It is a community responsibility and should have a community response (which includes all levels of government, agencies, churches and citizens, etc.).

- It is a municipal issue.

- It should be a combined effort with the municipal government leading the charge, supported by the provincial and federal governments and some help from the private sector (especially say the Chamber of Commerce or local business district associations) that are committed to cleaning up the area where their businesses exist.

- It should be a joint effort between the province (health and mental health) and the city (bylaw enforcement and police).

- It would increase the overall safety of everyone.

- It's a municipal issue, so city council needs to address this issue...or not.

- It's a problem for portions of the city; thus, would recommend the city take the lead but do need the involvement of both provincial and federal governments as well as First Nation governments!

- Jointly between the city and the province.

- Let's start with the parents. If they would have beat the little bastards when they younger like they were supposed to, maybe the little shits would have realized that you can’t fuck around in life and maybe they would have done something with their lives.

- Local governments/municipal, enforced by local authorities, monitored/reported by anyone/businesses.

- Mayor.

- MLA.

- Multiple levels, police, social services.

- Municipal and provincial government.

- Municipal government.

- No idea.

- No idea.

- Not sure (4)

- Once the city creates a by-law banning it, it would become the city's police department's responsibility.

- Our city council and the Police Commission as well as our solicitor's office.

- Our city council.

- Our mayor.

- Our premiere of Saskatchewan and our mayor of Saskatoon.

- Our provincial and federal government.

- Our useless city council.

- Our useless mayor.

- Panhandling has a negative effect on areas and keeps people away at times.

- People ability to do that...

- People.

- Perhaps city council could pass bylaws re: panhandling in order to give the police the power to address the situation.
| - | Police and city council with the help of shelters and other services (mental, school, etc.). |
| - | Police and city councillors. |
| - | Police and city. |
| - | Police and council. |
| - | Police and mall security. |
| - | Police and social services. |
| - | Police department. |
| - | Police people, not to give them money!!! |
| - | Police services and city hall. |
| - | Police services. |
| - | Police, and help from public. |
| - | Police, average citizens, Salvation Army and other agencies. |
| - | Police, city council. |
| - | Police, city council. |
| - | Police, city, health regions. |
| - | Police, social services, health region. |
| - | Police.(19) |
| - | Politicians at all levels. |
| - | Private charities. |
| - | Private enterprise, City of Saskatoon. |
| - | Probably a combination of the public, police, social services and mental health. |
| - | Probably city council, but the way they handle things in this city, what a mistake! Would take a lifetime for them to make a choice, and cost the taxpayer in the end....Yippee. |
| - | Probably the police department. |
| - | Province primarily and the city also. |
| - | Provincial government through social services. |
| - | Provincial government.(3) |
| - | Public. |
| - | Saskatchewan Healthcare. |
| - | Saskatoon citizens as a whole. This includes city council, police and the general public. |
| - | Saskatoon city police. |
| - | Saskatoon City Police. City Council, to give the police some rules and regulations that the police can enforce. |
| - | Saskatoon Health Region. City of Saskatoon. Government of Saskatchewan. People who want to see change for the better for people who have these health concerns. |
| - | Saskatoon Police Service. |
| - | Saskatoon Police. |
| - | Since it is an urban (city, town, etc.) issue in the vast majority of cases, the city would probably be the best, but it would need support from the province and nation governments to affect some more costly issues. |
| - | Since the social issues of mental illness, drug use, racism, poverty, and policing fall across all jurisdictions, an integrated strategy between municipal, provincial, and federal governments is required. |
| - | Social service organizations, police and the city. |
| - | Social Services and police. |
| - | Social Services and police. |
| - | Social Services in partnership with the police department. |
Social Services should consider that these people work for their welfare and the government should be responsible for them.

Social services.

Society as a whole should take responsibility. The trouble is that there are con-artists who will take advantage of whatever systems are in place.

Society as a whole.

Society in general, but the person themselves.

Society needs to address social and health issues.

Society should, through a collaboration of volunteers, business and government; it's everybody's problem.

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Store owners if it has a negative effect on their business.

The charity in charge of it.

The citizens. If we don't support them, they won't look for more 'help'.

The city and government.

The city and its citizens.

The city and police services in conjunction with the business district.

The city and police.

The city and police. Unfortunately, most the 'programs' bleeding hearts suggest are at a significant cost and drain on our social programs; thus, increasing taxes for all. I will not babysit these persons anymore! If a person has mental issues and can legitimately not work, yes then help. If they are capable of employment, they should be forced to work. Or if there family members of the person in the city, they should be dumped on their doorstep and told to look after their relatives or they get fined; the same way parents are financially responsible for their children.

The city and province government.

The city and province in combination.

The city and province.

The city and provincial social services and housing authorities.

The city and the government.

The city and the government.

The city and the people who live in the city.

The city and the police force.

The city and the police.

The city and the province along with churches and inner city programs.

The city and the province.

The city as a whole.

The city could pass a bylaw fining people for giving panhandlers money.

The city council and police.

The city council, mayor, police, citizens.

The city council.

The city council.

The city government and the city police.

The city gov’t, police, every taxpayer.

The city has to seriously look at what legal action they can take and enforce their decision.

The city in general. City Council, the public, the police, the businesses when panhandlers exist, team work. Work together to get rid of it.
- The city itself.
- The City of Saskatoon and all citizens. We are only as strong as our weakest members, so panhandling affects everyone.
- The City of Saskatoon and the city police service, as well as the province and even the federal government. But it starts with the City of Saskatoon and the police as they can control these issues at the beginning instead of letting them get out of control to the point where they need provincial and federal assistance.
- The City of Saskatoon and the Government of Saskatchewan.
- The City of Saskatoon council with the help of the city police.
- The City of Saskatoon should pass bylaws whereby panhandling is NOT permitted ANYWHERE. Police should enforce this.
- The City of Saskatoon, the police...
- The City of Saskatoon. (6)
- The City of Saskatoon. It's Saskatoon's problem so Saskatoon needs to deal with it.
- The City of Saskatoon. They need to ensure that the police can monitor the situation and take them to places that are not just jail if and when the time arises. Also, the city needs to provide some organizations with a tax break to provide affordable places for the people to stay.
- The City of Saskatoon/Government of Saskatchewan. I'm sure Saskatoon isn't the only city with this issue.
- The city police and city hall.
- The city police.
- The city should be taking care of the situation.
- The city should take responsibility but the provincial government also needs to become involved in mental health, drug abuse and social issues.
- The city through public awareness, Better Business Bureau, downtown org community.
- The city, businesses, police.
- The city, government.
- The city, in the first instance. Provincial welfare agencies and NGO's should provide support functions.
- The city, police, Mental Health Community, Sask. Housing???
- The city.(28)
- The civic government in partnership with various local volunteer and charity organizations and the police.
- The community and the police force.
- The community through social services and programs and the police.
- The community, as a whole, but the community can only do so much. The individual has to want the help.
- The Department of Social Services.
- The do gooders.
- The federal government....This country needs to look after its people.
- The government and maybe some businesses and public campaigns.
- The government and the mayors of the cities.
- The government, they are the ones that take money support away from placing like mental health; they are the ones that thought Free Trade was a good thing; they are the ones who let corporations hike up their prices; they are the ones who give criminals the rights, etc.!!!!!!!!!!!!
- The government.(4)
- The government. Panhandling is not a phenomenon found in only certain cities, it's found everywhere because people can't afford a place to live or food, or they're suffering from addictions or mental health problems and there's no support for them due to lack of funding and all current services are
overloaded.
- The government. They have money, let them pay.
- The individual panhandling.
- The justice department.
- The justice system.
- The major or police of the city.
- The malls and businesses affected by the panhandlers.
- The mayor and council.
- The mayor and the police chief.
- The mayor and the public.
- The mayor, the premier, and the Dept. of Justice.
- The mayor.
- The municipal government.
- The people responsible for not being able to provide employment for 100% of the population.
- The people who have the resources to help.
- The police / courts to identify the cases and social services for the actions.
- The police and business owners.
- The police and bylaw enforcement people.
- The police and city.
- The police and neighbour watch.
- The police and provincial social programs.
- The police and the Social Services.
- The police are increasing their presence in many of these areas. It should continue to be their job whenever possible.
- The police department but they find themselves TOO busy drinking coffee and writing traffic tickets.
- The police if they are given a place to stay without consequence they will continue.
- The police system.
- The police would have to initiate the first step and refer to social services or Mental Health and Addictions (provincial).
- The police, I would think.
- The police, treatment centers, money for helping with their problem.
- The police.(8)
- The province should set some standard policies on addressing the province-wide issue.
- The provincial and federal governments, and the panhandlers themselves and their social and ethnic groups.
- The provincial government in partnership with municipalities.
- The provincial/federal governments.
- The public!! Cause they are the ones that have to deal with this day after day!! And get frustrated by the approach by them asking for cash!! We should have the rights to try to turn this all around and get them decent help!!
- The Saskatchewan/Saskatoon government.
- The various municipal government departments.
- The whole community, council, taxpayers, police.
- The whole community.
- There are bigger issues to worry about.
- They are human beings that are members of our society and we have a responsibility.
- They just should. I don’t like it.
- This problem has many causes, so police, health, and education services.
- This question don’t make no sense.
- This, I do not know.
- To be effective, it would take several departments working together. Police, mental health, social services, housing and city hall (as well as the citizens of Saskatoon getting behind a good program as well).
- Uncertain.
- Unsure as to who would be responsible.
- Unsure.
- We all have a part, each person and each level of government from the police to the city action committees.
- We all need to help with the issue...
- We all need to. Citizens need to abstain from supporting the act; police need to deter the practice; business need to be tough on these individuals and not allow them use their business as a conduit; council to ensure that they realize this is an issue.
- We all need to. Those that give money need to be discouraged to do so, actions by government (including programs, laws, preventative measures) need to be taken to stop it.
- We all should by not giving to panhandlers and encouraging people to use soup kitchens if they need them.
- Who else is there but us?
- Whole community.
- Why support bums?