SPEAK OUT AGAINST POLICE EXPANSION IN CHARLESTON

The Charleston Police Department, Charleston County Sheriff's Office, and SLED announced plans to increase police actions in Charleston, including "pop-up traffic checkpoints" and the activation of the SWAT team for proactive interdiction patrol targeting "high crime" communities.

We know what happens when police go down the road of expanding their power and jurisdiction, it's not new. This will not make our communities safer.

All this will do is further criminalize Black and poor people.

What You Can Do

1) Call Mayor Tecklenburg's office at 843-577-6970, tell him why you oppose an increased police presence.



- 2) Reach out to your city council member. Find out who your city council member is <u>here</u>. If you aren't sure what district you're in, <u>click here</u> and type your address into the box at the top right corner of your screen.
- 3) Sign up for alerts for future city council meetings <u>here</u>. We recommend signing up for: City Council, Public Safety Committee, Citizen Police Advisory Council, and Ad Hoc Budget Advisory Council.

City Council Meeting, Tuesday, 7.28.20

- 1) There is a City Council Meeting at 5pm on Tuesday, 7/28 at 5:00pm. You can find the full agenda here.
- 2) Submit a comment and/or sign up to speak. To submit a comment or sign up to speak <u>click</u> <u>here</u>. Choose the City Council meeting on 7/28/20. If you sign up to speak, click on "Citizen Participation" from the drop down menu. This is where residents can comment on anything related to the city. Only input the phone number that you will be calling from during the meeting. They will call on people to speak based on phone numbers!
- 3) Tune in on Tuesday! All meetings are streamed live on the city's **YouTube channel**.



