
SPECIAL EDITION SERIES

The League of Women Voters of Minneapolis is committed to presenting the many diverse voices in the city in our continuing efforts to broaden the public's understanding of community health and safety. Our hope is that this entire series will deepen the community's understanding of the critical issues involved in order to further the goal of a just and safe city, one that works for all residents.

[Watch We the People: Policing Issues, Part 1](#)

Watch the We the People interview with Minneapolis civil rights attorney and activist **Nekima Levy Armstrong** which references Minnesota laws on policing and police reform legislation passed July 2020 [60 minutes].

[Watch We the People: Policing Issues Part 2](#)

Watch the We the People interview featuring **Kandace Montgomery**, Director, Black Visions Collective and **Don Samuels**, former board member, Minneapolis City Council and Minneapolis Public Schools, both community activists working to move forward after the Minneapolis Charter Commission voted to table the City Council proposal on policing [55 minutes].

[Watch We the People: Policing Issues, Part 3 | Police Contracts](#)

Watch **Rep. Carlos Mariani**, **City Councilor Linea Palmisano**, and **Professor Steven Rushin** discuss police contracts in Minneapolis and how to incentivize fewer incidents of police brutality.

[Watch We the People: Policing Issues, Part 4](#)

Watch **Dr. Tanya Gladney**, Department Chair and Law Enforcement Program Coordinator at University of St. Thomas in the Department of Justice and Society Studies, **Kris Arneson**, former Minneapolis Police Department police officer and current Public Safety Regional Account manager at Vital Awareness and Instructor in the Police Leadership Master's Cohort at the University of St. Thomas, and **Laura Goodman**, an International Police Advisor for Education for Critical Thinking who works with the National Center for Women in Policing to emphasize the importance of women in policing and work to increase their numbers. They discuss the need for more women on the Minneapolis police force, why it's important for officers to switch precincts and integrate with different communities throughout their careers, and increased mental health training for officers [69 minutes].

[Watch We the People: Policing Issues, Part 5 | Reimagining Public Safety](#)

Watch **Dr. Matthew Bostrom**, DPA, former Ramsey County Sheriff and currently a member of the law faculty at the Centre for Criminology at Oxford University, England, and **Bob Kroll**, president of the Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis, the police union for the Minneapolis Police Department. As noted on our website, this interview triggered painful emotional responses. Our intention is to give the public information that allows them to see for themselves who people are, even though this can be very uncomfortable. The episode comes with the warning " ... the content of this video may be disturbing to viewers."

Please note: In all of our interviews, we come at the conversation from a nonpartisan lens, and the opinions expressed by the speakers do not necessarily reflect the positions of the League.