

Framing Questions for PSR Town Hall

PCCEP is writing a recommendation about the future of Portland Street Response. Public input will be used to inform the content of the recommendation. We have been closely following community interest in this topic and believe that the general support for PSR is well-understood.

To help us write the most representative recommendation possible, we are providing framing questions to solicit concrete, forward-looking guidance about what you think should happen. These questions are meant to be generative. You are not limited to strictly answering the questions.

1. What are the core attributes of Portland Street Response that make them something that has such strong community support?
2. In your view, what is needed to secure PSR's future as a sustainable and resilient program?
3. Currently, Portland Street Response operates Citywide, from 8 AM-10 PM, 7 days a week. Do you support maintaining this coverage? If you'd like to see it change, what would you like to see?
4. Currently, Portland Street Response can respond to mental health-related situations that occur outside (meaning not in a building), and do not involve a weapon. Do you support maintaining these restrictions? If not, how would you like to see them change?
5. Portland Street Response is a part of the City's broader response system. Describe what kind of relationship, if any, PSR should have with the following entities:
 - a. The Portland Police Bureau (PPB)
 - b. Portland Fire & Rescue
 - c. Community Health Assess & Treat (CHAT)
6. Where should Portland Street Response be administratively housed within the City?
7. Are there specific changes you would NOT support being made to the operations or administration of Portland Street Response?