Dear TPS Board.

Thank you for holding this very important town hall. I appreciate the opportunity to share with you my thoughts and point of view.

I believe in public safety that benefits and protects everyone equally. I would like the TPS board to work with community and anti-racism groups to develop anti-racist policies and procedures that combat system racism in the TPS and in our city. Please also shift funding that typically goes to police firearms, to more TRAINING for police officers related to anti-violence, anti-racist, pro-mental health strategies for helping our community.

Why are people in the community who have mental health issues, in their own home, end up DYING in the hands of police officers? This wouldn't happen if there was more training to equip police officers to NOT revert to their GUNS to shoot someone when they are in a mental health crisis and not of sound, mind and body.

Also please publicly share what is the status of "police carding" - is this practice and is funding towards this practice continuing? What is all that historical data that's been compiled being used for? Please provide 100% transparency into the practice (past or present) that has had police efforts (i.e. funding) dedicated to it and what the actual impact is for the community that would justify the practice.

As a Torontonian, I expect that the Board would prioritize these activities as much as possible as it is a matter of life and death to people in our community.

-Katy Hung