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The police have shown us time and time again that any expansion of their power will only lead to more violence and brutality at their hands. This is especially true for Black, Brown, and Indigenous folks. Why should we pay for them to have new toys to surveil us with, other than for our own repression?

The addition of drones to the police toolkit will not make our communities more safe. They will only increase the police violence we are subjected to. In Nebraska and New Jersey, drones have already been used to surveil protests. In this critical moment of increasing repression and police militarization, we must ensure Oregon does not follow suit. We keep us safe. Now is the time to take steps toward abolishing police, not militarizing them.

I DO NOT CONSENT TO BEING MONITORED, WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS, BY PPB OR ANY COPS IN OREGON.

Stop funding the police - fund the community and the environment instead. What a waste to give unqualified, emotional, bigoted individuals/organizations our hard earned tax dollars.