



**NEWARK COMMUNITIES FOR
ACCOUNTABLE POLICING**

Tell the Newark Council: Vote “YES” on Police Reform

Since the early 1960s, Newarkers have been calling for a civilian board to investigate complaints of misconduct against the Newark Police Department. It is a way for the community to hold the police accountable and to help heal police-community relations.

Today, Newark has the chance to make good on that demand by the community.

Civilian Complaint Review Board: What Is It?

A CCRB is an independent board of Newarkers — the majority nominated by community or civic organizations — who review and investigate complaints by the public against the police department. The presence of a CCRB will shift the power of accountability into the hands of the community, where it rightly belongs.

Among key powers Newark’s civilian review board would have:

- The power to subpoena police documents and testimony for investigations
- The authority to make sure discipline sticks when officers violate civil rights
- The power to investigate police policies and practices to identify systemic problems
- Protections for the due process and appeal rights of police officers

TAKE ACTION!

The municipal council is considering an ordinance to create a permanent civilian review board for Newark. It would be one of the strongest ever established and provide the people with the power to make lasting change.

Act now! Don’t let this chance to change policing in Newark slip by. Tell your council member we need a civilian complaint review board, and we need it now!

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