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Why is there racial bias in policing and what is being done about it?

Throughout, numerous studies and statistics will be referenced to prove that the US criminal justice system is indeed very biased against black people especially males and this inherent bias is a direct human rights violation. We are all equally entitled to our human rights without discrimination. Police officers feel the need that their "title police officer" or whatever give them such high power or authority which is very wrong. Police brutality is the unwarranted or excessive and often illegal use of force against civilians by U.S police officers. Forms of police brutality led to assault, torture and murder. Also leads to harassment and false arrest. Americans of all races, ethnicities, ages and classes or genders have been subjected to police brutality. Though I mostly see it on colored people. We are all human the color of our skin should not define us on who we are. Its our actions and choices. Hate or discrimination on race is wrong to be take it out on people. Police officers who treat us unfair should be punished.

The use of excessive force by police officers has been a concern within communities of color for decades. Racial bias in the use of force by police officers is largely viewed as an individual issue. A reason why might black African Americans are being targeted the most by racist police officers is we could be a threat to them, and we maybe looked like bad people so therefore they become afraid. It's difficult to describe being black in America. But I say we are

considered dangerous, suspicious, hostile, or thugs. We also must be aware of how we speak, how we react in certain situation and how display ourselves. All of these can lead to police brutality just by the way we are viewed as. This misconduct behavior is illegal detention, racial and ethnic profiling, making racist, sexist, and homophobic remarks, illegal surveillance and spying, illegal search and false arrest. In the article, “What the latest research tells us about racial bias in policing” by Erin Sanders said that “In the new study, black Americans were three times more likely to be shot and killed by police officers during interactions where the victim appeared to pose little or no threat to officers, the researchers found.” We are targeted for no real reason and they would never do this to their own kind (race).

Racial profiling has been going on three decades and is actually the root of the problem when dealing with police brutality against minority groups and black men racial profiling enables police officers stop and freeze anyone they see that is suspicious which then causes shootings if police officers did not automatically assume that anything suspicious then many injustices could be prevented. Though many murders or cases happen because police officers are afraid and suspect or thought that this suspect was reaching for a gun. But was actually reaching for some type of identification. For example, what has recently happened during COVID-19 to George Floyd who was looked as a threat due to misunderstanding and thoughts thinking he was armed but it turned out not to be the case. These unjustified shootings of unarmed black men are caused by panic and improper training.

It is our duty as American citizens the change is systematic oppression possible solutions to stop police brutality include stopping racial profiling holding officers accountable and offering better police training. Coming together as a community peacefully protesting and saying enough is enough can definitely stop police brutality the issue of police brutality has gone far too long

and should've been stop since history. This can be done by offices putting their hands up all the time and calmly dealing on what's going on during protest and following orders.

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