

We know that there are multiple groups fighting for rights in Buffalo, NY. We want to gather a number of these organizations' demands and come together so that our Mayor knows that this is what our city wants and NEEDS.

1. **What we want:** Police in the city to be held accountable and to the fullest extent of the law when they commit crimes including assault and murder. Job termination is not enough as it sends a message that law enforcement is above the law. We also would like to ban the use of the choke hold by the BPD.

How we plan to accomplish this: Challenging the mayor and precincts around the city to take immediate actions once an officer breaks the law and puts civilians around the city in danger. Refusing to act swiftly when this occurs will no longer be tolerated. We know that the police unions are one of the many barriers that prohibit this from happening so we would like to reform the union or abolish it and start from scratch. Police unions are an entity that follows the same regulations around the country so we plan to be the city that makes the first step in reforming and making a much needed change!

2. **What we want:** “Mayor Brown must approve the Buffalo Common Council’s resolution to enforce Cariol’s Law—which not only requires officers to report misconduct within the force, but protects their job and pension when they take a stand against police brutality.” - [WNY Liberation Collective](#)

How we plan to accomplish this: Contact city officials that have the power to vote on these topics and implement the necessary changes and do whatever it takes to make it happen!

3. **What we Want:** “Immediately release all people who are currently incarcerated in the Erie County Jails pre-trial and/or in custody on bail, and/or who have served thirty (30) days on their local sentence, and/ or who could be released in custody and/or who are in custody following a technical violation of parole, as well as high- risk, vulnerable populations who may be on parole holds, AND to stop making minor arrests due to loitering; disorderly conduct; trespass; low-level marijuana possession; traffic stops, sex work; individuals using substances and enduring crises of mental health, in order to decrease the current Erie County Jail population and reduce the possibility of COVID- 19 contraction.” - [Black Love Resists in The Rust](#)