

Survey #	Comments
1	WE bought our house based upon security. How dare THIS board to think about reducing or eliminating it. Investment in property 600,000+
2	What hours of the 24?
8	Was not available in 1980
8	They should be on Genesee Ridge Rd and Foothills North. Speed exceeds 50 MPH
15	Impact property values in a negative way, Not sure this is true. I have lived here for 25 years and they act more like cops than people employed by us. If they were familiar with us, it would be great, Stop the writing of tickets. I do not like the idea of paying people to write me tickets. Note that for the record, I have never received a ticket but hate the idea
19	Monitor incident rates with and without security. Reissue survey after 1-2 years using incident rate data as background
28	Jeffco deputy sheriffs also discover smoke incidents, fires and lightning strikes and report directly to 911 OPS center with faster turn around of radio broadcast to Genesee volunteer firefighters.
30	I have filled out the attached survey but wonder if I made the proper decisions based on my limited knowledge regarding the security issue and at what level the need is required. It would be enlightening if information, on a per household basis, could be gathered from the Sheriff's office as to the number of security issues reported in Genesee over the last several years versus those reported in surrounding communities (Lookout Mountain, Mount Vernon) that don't have additional security protection. Can these statistics be obtained and presented to the Genesee property owners? Only then can a realistic need for some level, if any, of security measures be evaluated and determined.
36	Prefer police
38	Bottom Line: Hire private security again. They are dependable. Police have answered only 3 out of 10 calls from me in last 10 years. Worse in last 5 years. Police are not visible. Police are not out and about.
48	Currently we are paying too much for very little service. About time this issue is being reviewed.
49	12 random hours – not always the same, those wanting checks should pay a reasonable fee – would allow us to lower coverage to 12 hours, shouldn't animal control take care of these problems, isn't this a duty of police whether or not we hire them for security
50	When we moved into Genesee 18 years ago, we had a private security CO which was much more visible than our current security with Jeffco. I believe we also had 3 on duty.
51	We have not seen a patrol officer get out of vehicle and walk around the home that we know is on "vacation check". We question the value of this service.
57	I am conflicted about whether we go w/ a private security company or the sheriff. When we first moved here, it was private and much better because

	they worked harder, You always saw them, and they always answered the phone. The sheriffs never answer the phone! There is too much hanging out at the clubhouse. But I like the training, authority and background checks that the sheriffs have.
62	I think people who use private/personal security services like vacation checks should pay a fee for that service. Are you saying that Jeffco will respond to barking dogs? I don't think so. You have given the impression that using Jeffco will increase cost and yet in #4 you say it will not increase. Please explain.
66	The sheriff is a waste of money. Private security can provide the same or even a greater presence for essentially the same amount of money.
67	If you're going to have security, have security. They have the authority to arrest, issue citations, or respond to 911. Why has an impotent security service?
74	Given the excessive speed of some drivers, we consider traffic control of the utmost importance.
75	Rotating sheriff with emphasis on high crime times during 24 hour day. With all the alarm systems in Genesee, those with alarms should be put on a lower priority versus those without to deploy resources strategically. Note: Right behind education, the Justice Dept. has the biggest budget in Jefferson CO. Genesee has one of the highest tax rates with high property values. Since we pay via taxes for police protection, we receive no police protection other than what Genesee pays the sheriff for. I think this is a bad deal for Genesee residents; no one else in the foothills is doing this. Why are we? With radios, why can't private security take license #'s and calls sheriff?
94	I feel the Jeffco service with marked vehicles gives much more definition of crime deterrent than a private security company.
99	We prefer Jeffco people. Price unimportant.
100	No question we value Jeffco Security Office involvement. The reputation, integrity standards provide a level of security in themselves. The randomness of 16 hrs provides both confidence for residents, uncertainty for intruders. Stay the course.
113	Would not support private security at any cost
115	We know assessments will always go up! YOU ALWAYS FIND A WAY...
122	Another option is to have vacation checks paid for by those residents that desire that service. Most residents don't use it.
123	Private, when we had it, was much better than Jeffco. We are paying a very high premium for something we are already paying for in taxes, Jeffco patrols.
126	Concerning the Genesee Security Survey: The idea of reducing security coverage from the current 6 hours per day or switching to a private security firm would make Genesee a more dangerous community in which to live. The feeling of safety we experience in Genesee is due in large part to the high visibility of the Jefferson Country Sheriff and to a lesser extent our relative remote location with one-way access in and out. Burglars don't like

	<p>confrontation and are actively dissuaded by the Sheriff's presence. Burglars also like multiple exit options.</p> <p>I have had experiences with burglars. Before moving to Genesee we lived in a tract home in Lakewood that was burgled twice in 15 years. Genesee residents who have never experienced a burglary have no idea of the feeling of personal violation that follows having ones home burglarized.</p> <p>I heard on Genesee resident talk of eliminating security and putting up alarm signs in the yard without actually installing an alarm system. Such foolishness would result in an increase of crime in Genesee. Even installing security alarms without police security in place is questionable, because of the response time from Golden. The response time is longer than the typical burglar spends in a home, so just what advantage an alarm system without full time local security officers a Genesee resident beats me.</p> <p>I have been told by the same Genesee resident wanting to eliminate security that there have been recent thefts from open garages, thus cementing in her mind the failure of security. We have lived here nearly 13 years and I have not heard of a single home break in. Maybe there have been burglaries of which I am unaware, but no reasonable person can seriously question the deterrent the Jefferson County Sheriff provides.</p> <p>I did not know until recently that we did not have 24-hour security patrols as the road signs indicate. Everyone will know now including the criminal elements. I am 100 percent in favor of the increased assessment to provide 24 hour security by the Jefferson County Sheriff.</p>
127	<p>The security function is extremely important to our community. The Jeffco sheriff's officers do an excellent job, but the following two areas can be improved: 1. Greater visibility in the community, such as randomly parking and observing at key intersections for short periods of time. 2. Greater traffic enforcement such as vehicles blowing stop signs, tailgating, driving over the double yellow lines, walkers dominating the traffic lanes, etc.</p>
128	<p>I would like to know if an auto or home burglary in process have ever been stopped at the scene and arrests made by the Genesee security officers on patrol here.</p>
132	<p>In the time we have lived in Genesee, there have been both Jeffco Sheriff's personal and private. Private did not carry the impact of Jeffco sheriffs. The ability to act in the official capacity has made it safer and more secure.</p>
143	<p>I am totally opposed to the use of private security in Genesee. Would rather have no coverage. These wanna-be folks hired by private security are wanna-be's for a reason. I have had several situations in my business life where private security has totally misplayed a situation and the hiring agent has been slapped with a very nasty lawsuit. Don't do it.</p>
162	<p>Survey might have probed these options more – its what this is all about. Survey might have directly asked: Would you be comfortable with private services (bet most folks resounding no!) I'd rather have less of the "5-0" than "rent-a-cop" services.</p>
181	<p>I don't think we had security services when we built it in 76'.</p>
189	<p>Maybe you could reduce the hours to 12 hrs/day but have 8 hrs/day during</p>

	the winter months and 16 hrs/day during the summer months
193	I prefer either option 1 or 3 about equally. I think that either provides enough visibility for some deterrence. I am concerned that without Jeffco sheriff officers that the neighborhood speeding would get even worse.
194	See attached letter.
204	Thanks to the board for al your work identifying various options and gathering input. We appreciate it.
206	Thank you for asking about this. The survey was very well done.
213	See attached letter
214	We moved here for the pools, tennis courts, and open space. We enjoy the pools and clubhouses. Protecting security at these facilities is important. The fire department and EMS services are very important.
235	Private security is a joke. Please keep the sheriff's office
239	It would be good to know the original reason security patrol was started. Will this reason become an issue again if it is eliminated? IF we reduce to 12 hours, which 12 hours are covered? Would you stagger shifts to keep criminals guessing?
249	Excellent survey
254	It would be helpful if the 12 hr shifts were not the exact same time every day. Someone with ill intent may figure the times out.
261	We appreciate the great security coverage you have been offering and would encourage continuing some coverage.
273	Current property assessments for HOA have a negative impact on home buyers marker. Jeffco provides most of these services (though not patrols) via taxpayers allocations already. We are double paying for this currently. Consider "neighborhood watch" where we call when suspicious and Jeffco responds.
277	Are the increased costs of/to prospective buyers/owners having insurance included in the costs. Publicity about this service could be increased. No mention about numbers of hours that are or would be patrolled by the county without hiring anyone
282	What are the hours (staff and shop)
296	We currently seem to pay a lot of money to have the sheriff's officers park and sleep at the tennis courts or old tot lot.
306	Neighbor robbed Wed May 9 at 5:00 PM. Response time to 911, 17 mins
307	Traffic on Genesee roads way too fast.
311	The idea of private security is stupid beyond belief.
313	Most "criminals" realize that private security is not able to enforce the law. Therefore, I feel Jeffco security is more relevant for this isolated area.
322	Did not know about it until we moved in. Negative because the cot makes our HOA dues higher. Used them (vacation checks) 2-3 times in 23 yrs. If someone has caused an accident, the sheriff will be called anyway. Patrol cars are generally not visible to strangers. Mostly only residents know we are patrolled. I never see patrol cars on my private road. I used to see them decades ago. People living elsewhere call the sheriff's office. We could do that too. The few times I called our security, they did not answer the phone.

	<p>What do other HOA's do about their buildings? We can do what people living else where do. At 66 per year, maybe our maintenance could take care of these (house alarms and construction sites). The patrol statistics do not show that any arrests have been made, ever. After 23 years here, we have had no familiarity whatsoever with security. I think Jeffco Sheriff's Office is trying to hold us ransom. Are they looking at us as a "cash cow"? I think we should go without security for a year or two and use the money we save to buy some sophisticated surveillance systems. From the patrol statistics, it shows that they don't actually do much hands on to assist residents, except for a mass of vacation checks. Have they ever caught a criminal in the act? I think neighbors do a better job by keeping their eyes open. Now that Genesee has filled in with homes, I think the Neighborhood Watch system should be encouraged. We already pay tax dollars which cover 911 calls and should have an officer here in 10-15 mins.</p>
324	Use Jeffco Sheriff
325	We are isolated up here, I believe the security we've had has been an asset to us all and to our property values.
334	People that use them for vacation checks need to pay "so much" TBD per day for their use
336	I strongly oppose private security as they have little enforcement authority. I'm not sure I'd even trust all the people such outfits employ. This is not an area for nickling and diming.
340	If not already the case, vary 16 hours at different times of day based on random shifts and high exposure shifts. Mitigate 2004 cost increases from county with some reduction in coverage – e.g. 50% vs. 60% as a test to see if any effect
344	I called security once and never got a response. Are you sure they really do anything??
347	I did not consider the security patrol at all but that was many years ago. I have now found the value of the Sheriff's Department presence in Genesee.
356	What are the Jeffco hours. 6AM-10PM? I did not like Jeffco issuing tickets out of spite when we were in negotiations with them.
368	We are happy to know that the board is mindful of our assessments. We feel that the Jefferson County Sheriff provides the very best security for Genesee. However as with all expenses, we need to continually monitor the costs, benefits and alternatives. As the cost for the sheriff's services go up, we need to reevaluate the alternatives and consider the costs versus the benefits. Our response to question 4 may very well change if the Sheriff's costs climb out of proportion to private security. Thank you for the opportunity to voice our opinion on this matter.
375	It would be best to stay visible on roads rather than walking around houses. People should get alarms or hire house sitters! Alarm or individual response. Foundation people can and should do this (question 7). If they work here they need to be familiar with Genesee streets but should not be expected to know individual residents. This security is serious business. We must have armed Jeffco patrol. The fire dept and Highland cannot enter any

	home which has not been secured on a suicide or domestic call. We are next to a major highway in I-70 and do not have any gates to prevent entry. We must have security at least evenings. 24 hours would be best.
377	The 16 hours. Do they begin at 7A, 10A, 12N, etc. Do the start times rotate from day to day? Which hours have been documented as the most prevalent for unsavory activity? We feel 16 hours is sufficient with considerations to the above question.
381	New company can learn. Sheriff doesn't know me or my home now. We really do not need security year round. During the winter months, we do not need security since those who would commit crime are not going to come up in the snow. Winter is not a good time for crimes of opportunity. Have security for 6 months. (May-Oct).
400	See attached letter
401	Please institute some measure survey of resident satisfaction with security services. How satisfied are residents with the job security is providing on various aspects of the job?
407	We used to request vacation checks but no longer do so. We think they are extremely important but despite written request to not check the doors to be sure they are locked because they trigger the alarm, security almost always did so. We got tired of getting calls from the security company while out of town.
408	Our dues are already quite high, \$426 per quarter is ridiculous. Since we are part of Jeffco, the police patrol up here as part of their job. This isn't the type of area where people sit watching houses. If there are those people, the private security can follow and call the police. For the period from the beginning of the year when the police did not patrol, we did not have an increase in crime. Many other areas have private security and are doing quite fine. The added features offered by the police are not worth an increase in cost.
417	There are thousands of dollars spent in the Genesee budget on things that are not critical to the basic security of our homes. Please cut other places. Please compare our specific HOA line times including staff salaries, with other comparable HOAs. It appears Genesee is very high in this, and some other areas.
426	A security service is worthless. If the Jeffco sheriff contract will be continued, improvements need to be made. I am sure this survey will be good to define the climate. Thank you. Install a security gate and camera system.
428	WE WANT THE SHERIFFS.
437	Have you given any consideration for Genesee Foundation along with Genesee Village having our own employees who are security patrol. Jeffco sheriff office security is overkill. It provides a lot that we don't need. Security officers can call Jeffco officers at any time when help is needed.
438	We would like to know what % of crime committed in Genesee occur outside of the 16 hrs/day of coverage? Antedated experiences has been relatively slow response to telephone queries, i.e. reporting something

	suspicious.
443	We checked with the Jefferson County Sheriff's office and any resident of Jeffco can already call them to let them know they will be on vacation and Jeffco deputies will check your house. We suggest a user fee for people who still want a vacation patrol. This is fair since the cost of security from Jeffco has become the single largest line item in the budget. We should also consider having seasonal patrol. Not sure patrol is really needed in the winter. Frankly our household does not feel it is worth the \$.
447	Would it be possible to charge for vacation checks?
452	Thanks for reviewing security and this survey.
454	Being "old timers" here in Genesee, we appreciated and valued the security services when we moved here in the early 80's. they were highly visible and responsive.
459	Jeffco sheriffs working as Genesee security should be easier for residents to reach by phone. (forward landline to cell or car radio receiver)
463	Should Jeffco costs go up. Reconsider private service to maintain coverage and avoid dues increase.
468	Security is a decision that cannot be decided upon with a multiple choice questions/answers. The security issue is too important to be decided upon by a poorly written survey. There are several aspects that need to be considered and discussed. For example: how much actual time is spent with vacation checks. Is it fair that some residents are away from their homes 75% of the time and have vacation checks? Have you considered a usage fee beyond "x" number of vacation checks per year.
489	Depending on time – night time preferred
492	I feel it is very important that residents can contact security patrol people. Do they answer calls when they come in?
493	For Question #2 – security services didn't seem as important 27 years ago as they do now. In this day and age, it's very important.
505	It is apparent that the security patrol is spending a significant amount of time staking out dogs which seems like a complete waste of money.
Extra Letter	<p>Memo Genesee Foundation Board Date: 8 May 2007 Security Patrol Survey</p> <p>I want to comment on the Brief you provided on this topic and then to make a couple of suggestions about improving our situation. While my wife and I could not agree on the relative importance of each of the questions you provided, we are definitely in accord about the general value of the Sheriff patrols. My own quarrel would be about how we use their time while in the area. To this end, I think it is useful to view their activities on a daily basis rather than aggregated over the year. I've provided a companion table to the one offered in the brief which shows average daily activities over the year 2006. Deputy Hours – 6248/yr 17.1/day</p>

Miles Driven – 43264/yr 113.5/day
Vacation Checks – 21928/yr 60/day
Building Checks – 3350/yr 9.2/day
Extra patrols – 4207/yr 11.5/day
High Visibility Patrols – 1707/yr 4.7/day
Calls for Service – 264/yr .72/day
Traffic Related
 Extra Patrols 200
 Stops 58
 Summons 18
 Motorist Arrests 9
 Total 285/yr .85/day

All Other Total 438/yr 1.2/day

When viewed on a daily basis, the relative importance of each activity can be more readily assessed.

I have no idea what extra and high visibility patrols are, but we seem to be doing over 16 every day. Whatever this may mean, the Deputy activities are clearly dominated by the Vacation checks and Building checks (as far as I know we have just three buildings with perhaps a total of 11 doors.) Aside from these, there are only about three other Deputy activities each day on the average (Calls for Service, Traffic Related, and All Other Activities). While the Miles Driven seems excessive, I suspect that many of them involve getting the Deputies to and from Genesee. The Deputy Hours per day seems consistent with the discussion of 12 to 16 hours of coverage presented in the briefing.

We should note that while the number of Deputy Hours has remained relatively constant over 18 years, the cost of those hours has risen from the quarterly cost per household of \$33 to \$77, or a factor of 2.33. The implied raises for the deputies represents approximately 5.45% each year throughout the period. This may be quite reasonable.

You do not give the numbers, but the total cost for the Security patrol must be close to \$300,000 annually. Having to suddenly pick up the liability insurance in addition seems unreasonable, but since we are dealing with county government, there may be no other way.

We can't have a Deputy standing-by at every location 24/7 as means of prevention. Their value is that their general presence deters criminal or unwanted behavior. Thus, having a Sheriff vehicle seen in various locations throughout Genesee every day contribute to their deterrent value. While helpful, they cannot actually prevent a determined criminal from committing any particular offense. Recognizing these limitations, let me suggest that nearly seventy individual home or building checks every day may be excessive. Would one tenth that number, performed on a random basis at

	<p>widely different times during the day provide the same effective deterrent? Similarly, are over sixteen patrols per day any more effective than simply providing their deterrent presence/ I think all of us feel more secure as we note them parked for a while at various locations within Genesee.</p> <p>Also, it seems reasonable to me that more of the burden of locking and unlocking buildings should fall upon the building users. Much of that is done currently.</p> <p>My suggestion is simply an appeal to emphasize their presence while limiting repetitive and ineffective activity, perhaps with attendant reduction in Deputy Hours and Miles Driven.</p>
<p>Extra Letter 2</p>	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on your Genesee security Survey. Overall, we believe the survey accomplishes a basic assessment of community interest on Genesee security and the importance of cost considerations in acquiring it. However, we would like to offer some added thoughts.</p> <p>As residents of Genesee since 1996, my wife and I feel that, over the years, security costs have blossomed way out of proportion to other budget components and it is now time to reign them in. specifically, we feel there is no need for our private security staff to make arrests, issue traffic citations, enforce laws and respond to criminal activity – these are law enforcement functions we already pay as tax payers residing in Jefferson County. As such we would like to see the Board discontinue Jefferson County Sheriff personal and employ private sector personal to provide non-law enforcement security functions in 2008 and thereafter. Vacation and building checks, high visibility patrols, open door, suspicious persons and citizen/motorists assists and limited calls for service should be the principal activities of our private security. The remainder of security services currently provided by off-duty sheriff personal should be severely curtailed or eliminated since we already pay for these law enforcement functions through the county tax base. WE should already have complete access to these services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.</p> <p>We also believe that adequate security could be maintained by random scheduling of security functions over the course of a 12 to 16 hour targeting high crime and high demand hours with the majority of staff/patrols and reducing security services at other times. Also, security costs might be greatly reduced by providing vacation checks only once a day versus twice. Or, alternatively, this could be a user pays function, where any household requesting a vacation check would pay a nominal fee for the service (5 dollars a household). In this way, only those who actually use the service must pay for it – thus relieving the rest of the community of this financial burden. With these nominal fees imposed, I believe that you would also see a significant reduction in the number of vacation checks requested.</p> <p>Thank you again for soliciting and considering community input on Genesee</p>

	security and its impact on homeowner's assessments. We look forward to your hearing how others in our community felt about these manners and learning of your final decision on this important budget issue.
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