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Hello everyone,

Thank you for filling out the recent JHPD and campus security survey. We had over 600 responses to the recent survey (with over 200 additional comments)! This is more responses than we have had on any survey previously. We have attached the results, filtering specifically for the Homewood graduate students which were 93% of respondents, in this email. Despite a rather split opinion on many of the points in the survey, there are certainly unresolved issues that had a majority consensus. After looking at the results we felt it was important that we spoke on these issues as well as what we as the GRO can and will do to address them:

- Our Homewood graduate students feel unsafe on and around campus and believe the current system as it stands is not sufficient. Almost all were in support of other solutions we proposed such as:
 - Increased BlueJay shuttle availability and ride time improvement
 - Reinstating Lyft ride credits
 - Consistent and ample lighting
 - Better escort services

and students suggested some others such as:

- More emergency blue lights around campus and better maintenance of those that currently exist
- Greater accessibility to current security personnel on campus and in the surrounding community.
- Better promotion of the Public Safety Hotline (410-516-4600)

The solutions we originally proposed are ones that we have been calling on Dr. Bard and the Office of Public Safety to implement. We plan on incorporating the suggestions given by students in this survey as well in our future requests of this office. **The Office of Public Safety has the resources for these initiatives and it only serves the community to implement them, so we will keep pushing them on this front.**

- The transparency and ease of access to information about the JHPD is not at the level it needs to be. Current information about the JHPD can be found at the public safety website: <https://publicsafety.jhu.edu/community-safety/jhpd/>, but this website alone is clearly not enough to ensure our graduates feel informed about the process and that their voices are being heard. This is something we will work on directly with Dr. Bard and the Public Safety Office. **We want to make sure that any and all information is readily available, easily accessible, and understandable to all our students, and that there is a proper forum for grads to ask questions, give feedback, and raise concerns.**

We as the GRO will always strive to be representative of the student body we serve and to do what is in the best interest of our students. The results of this survey elucidated how critical it is that we are truly taking the concerns of our students into account as we take steps towards improving the student experience and wellbeing here at Johns Hopkins. In reality, we are a group of graduate student representatives, so many of the changes we want implemented are not those we have the administrative authority to implement. Instead, we must continue to serve as advocates for our grads and speak out on their behalf given our more direct line to university officials. This often means calling upon administrative offices who have the power to directly implement these changes. **That is why we have called on and are continuing to call on the Office of Public Safety to implement these measures!**

We are extremely appreciative for everyone who filled out the survey and for those who left additional comments. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us and we look forward to the progress we can make towards these efforts.

Sincerely,
The GRO Co-Chairs

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