

## Senate Resolution No. 2018/2019-093

In Demand of UCPD Divesting From ShotSpotter (SSTI Inc.)

## **Primary Sponsor**

Nick Araujo (ASUC Senator)

## **Cosponsors**

Rachel Roberson (External Affairs VP, Graduate Assembly)

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the University of California Police Department (UCPD) is to work in partnership with our diverse campus community to enhance community trust<sup>1</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** UCPD pledges to protect individual rights by serving with professionalism, integrity, and sensitivity<sup>2</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** ShotSpotter (SSTI), a manufacturer of gunshot detection sensors is a vendor of UCPD<sup>3</sup>; and.

**WHEREAS,** SSTI is a defendant in a civil rights lawsuit, Simmons vs. City of Rochester, which follows the criminal case of Silvon Simmons, an African-American victim of a police shooting<sup>4</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** SSTI has been charged with the falsification of evidence and altering of forensic reports at the request of Rochester Police Department<sup>5</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** SSTI has been accused of actively assisting officers in attempting to conceal the use of excessive force and to frame a victim with multiple unwarranted felony charges<sup>6</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** SSTI does not align with the mission and values of UCPD<sup>7</sup>; and,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ucpd.berkelev.edu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ucpd.berkeley.edu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Oakland Privacy Letter

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> <u>ucpd.berkeley.edu</u>

**WHEREAS,** a partnership with ShotSpotter, deteriorates the trust between UCPD and the the campus community, fostering an unsafe campus climate.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Associated Students of the University of California, through the advocacy of the Office of the President and ASUC Senate, demand that UCPD divest from the institutional vendor, ShotSpotter (SSTI inc) and does not renew any private contracts with ShotSpotter (SSTI inc); and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Associated Students of the University of California task the Office of the President-elect to ensure that along with this partnership, all other UCPD private partnerships and purchases are aligned with UCPD and ASUC values.

**THEREFORE BE IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Associated Students of the University of California send this resolution to the newly formed Independent Police Advisory Board for further accountability.