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### **Police, homelessness, and lessons learned from Operation Rio Grande**

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A recent report from the ACLU of Utah offers a critical appraisal of Operation Rio Grande, the multi-agency effort to address public safety and homelessness in the Pioneer Park neighborhood that began in 2017. In particular, the report criticizes the number of arrests for low-level offenses that came out of that effort, saying that “repeated interactions with the criminal justice system” created “lingering collateral consequences” for people experiencing homelessness – a population the architects of the effort were ostensibly trying to help.

Today on *In the Hive*, the lessons learned from Operation Rio Grande, two years on.

Guests:

Mike Brown, Salt Lake City Chief of Police

Greg Hughes, former Utah House Speaker

Lex Scott, founder, Black Lives Matter Utah

Jason Stevenson, Strategic Communications Manager, ACLU of Utah



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