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This article is about the use of statistics to show that crime has fallen. The title of the article states that even though crime has been up in the recent weekend that it doesn't have a major effect on the statistics showing that crime is down 14 percent in the town called five points. The article goes on to say that statistics give the data that robbery is down 14 percent and assault has dropped 12 percent. These statistics are taken from police records over the period of time that they occurred. This information gives sufficient data to give a percentage of crime. The article also provides information for what types of crimes were committed. Unfortunately the statistics are somewhat misguided. This is because people of the city of 5 Points are still complaining at the continued crime throughout the city. This could have to do with the way in which the data was recorded. The rate of crime may be measured by arrests and not by the number of crimes reported causing the information to be somewhat wrong.

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Despite violent weekend, statistics say crime is down in Five Points

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Video has surfaced of one of the two fights in Five Points last weekend. The

Meanwhile, those who own businesses in Five Points are frustrated with the negative news that often follows these types of incidents.

After spending tens of thousands of dollars on security cameras and cooperating with the city on a teen curfew, business owners say they not sure what more they can do to help keep the peace.

"It's a partnership between us and the police department, but at the end of the day, at 2 a.m. on a Sunday morning, it's not the Five Points Association and the board of directors



Police Chief Randy Scott speaks to the media on Tuesday.

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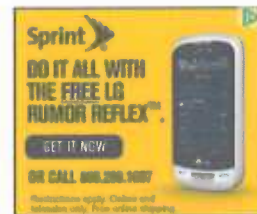
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cell phone video shows a man throw a couple of punches and then get hit and kicked by at least three different people.

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Increased police presence in the area

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standing out here trying to make things safer, it's the police," said McHaffie. "We rely heavily on them and we will continue to rely heavily on them now."

"This is not saying they don't do a good job, but we sometimes feel as helpless as they are with some of our issues," said McHaffie. "We just want to get around the table and all look at each other and say something has to be done and we have to take it seriously."

"I think crime is everywhere, people are more aware of it in Five Points because there are more people here and more eyes on it," said McHaffie.

The city has already invested \$90K in putting extra officers on patrol in Five Points, but Scott promised more officers will be in the area this weekend and he'll have 40 men and women on patrol after the Georgia game on October 6.

Scott also said K9 officers could also be utilized.

The chief also said he will work with city council to try to strengthen the city's loitering laws.

If you know anything about the incidents in Five Points over the weekend, you are urged to call Crimestoppers at 1-888-CRIME-SC.

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I'm sure that's very comforting for the guy that just had is face bashed in. Columbia should keep their mouths shut about statistics. We the people will do something about it. The raciest Columbia jokes won't have long to wait. Just a thought. You screwed up on the Carter Stange case, now our turn for justice.

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It is good that CPD is focus on the 5 Points crime incident, but is not the only crime area in Columbia, because when

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