

For decades, the beautiful city was one of our favorite destinations back in the 1950s and 60s. We're talking about going back soon to mark our 50th wedding anniversary. However, all the recent news about growing homelessness, dirty streets and crime may make us change our minds. What do you think? *CFR, Tucson AZ* 

A: It's all still there from your happy memories: Golden Gate Bridge, Fisherman's Wharf, Nob Hill, Chinatown and cable cars. Unfortunately, the City By The Bay has had considerable bad publicity lately because of the deterioration of safe and clean streets. The ever-growing homeless problem on city streets is a factor that negatively affects tourism.

To determine whether you'll take your anniversary celebration there, keep in daily touch with news reports about the city. If and when you determine it's safe for you and your spouse, and as long as you're aware of potential dangers. Book a stay at a security-protected hotel, such as the St. Francis or Mark Hopkins. And do your sightseeing and dining with an escorted tour group.