Company "Skid Row"

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Alarm goes off at seven And you start uptown You put in your eight hours For the powers that have always been Till it's five P.M Then You go

Downtown Where the folks are broke Downtown Where your life's a joke Downtown When you buy your token You go Home to skid row

Yes, you go

Downtown Where the cabs don't stop Downtown Where the food is slop Downtown Where the hop-heads flop In the snow Down on Skid Row

Uptown you cater to a million jerks Uptown you're messengers and Mailroom clerks Eating all your lunches at the Hot dog carts The bosses take your money And they break your hearts

Uptown you cater to a million whores You disinfect terrazzo on their Bathroom floors Your morning's tribulation Afternoon's a curse And five o'clock is even worse

That's when you go

Downtown
Where the guys are drips
Downtown
Where they rip your slips
Downtown
Where relationships are no go
Down on skid row

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Poor! All my life I've always been poor I keep asking God what I'm for And he tells me "Gee, I'm not sure Sweep that floor, kid."
Oh, I started life as an orphan A child of the street
Here on skid row
He took me in, gave me shelter, a bed Crust of bread and a job
Treats me like dirt, calls me a slob
Which I am
So I live

Downtown
That's your home address
Ya live Downtown
When your life's a mess
Ya live Downtown
Where depression's just
Status Quo
Down on skid row

Someone show me a way to get
Outta here
'Cause I constantly pray I'll get
Outta here
Please, won't somebody say I'll get
Outta here
Someone gimme my shot or I'll
Rot here

Downtown
There's no rules for us

Downtown
'Cause it's dangerous
Downtown
Where the rainbow's jus a no-show

Downtown
Where the sun don't shine
Downtown
Past the bottom line
Downtown
Go ask any wino, he'll know

I'll do I dunno what to get outta skid
Downtown
But a hell of a lot to get outta skid
Downtown
People tell me there's not a way outta skid
Downtown
But believe me I gotta get outta skid
Row

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