

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** #DefundThePolice The LA Times reported today that LAPD officers have killed 886 people (deaths that were later ruled as homicides by county medical examiners) since 2000:  
<https://www.latimes.com/projects/los-angeles-police-killings-database/#nt=00000172-6be6-d818-a7fb-6bfe448e0001-liE0promoSmall-7030col1-main>.  
Moreover, 80% of those homicides were black or Latino. This is unconscionable for a services that is paid by OUR TAX DOLLARS to "protect and serve" our local community. It is - and frankly always has been - abundantly clear that the LAPD has far too much financial and political influence over the city of Los Angeles, and they use that power to inflict their reign of violent terror on Angelenos. Reform is not enough -- it is long past time to DEFUND THE LAPD and invest in critically underfunded services such as health, homelessness, education, and youth development services. Do the right thing and uplift our communities rather than criminalizing the outcomes that you have helped create through your negligence.