

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Council members of Los Angeles, SIDE WITH THE PEOPLE YOU HAVE DEDICATED YOUR JOBS TO SERVE. We demand that you divest from the Los Angeles Police Department. Do NOT allow Mayor Eric Garcetti to continue with funding immense and ridiculous amounts of our CITY BUDGET to police. We need to invest in different forms of community safety programs and provide more resources to these communities. As a resident in District 8, I know that there needs to be better measures implemented to make our people excel. Redirect the funding from the Los Angeles Police Department toward the low-income areas of Los Angeles. We do not need more power to police. We need power to our people of the city, Angelenos. I emphasize, do not allow for Garcetti's budget to go in effect. It not only demonstrate that you are complicit by idly standing by, but that you are not using your position to aid our communities like you were meant to do. There are many leaders in our community that can strategize and outline the many possibilities that our community can be improved with a correct budget, a budget with a focus on our people of Los Angeles. Investing in our School Districts should be a priority. Investing in job opportunities should be a priority. Investing in mental health programs should be a priority. Investing in housing should be a priority. We are well aware that these demands may not be as simple to execute but the best thing you can do right now, is to STOP AND TAKE funding from the Los Angeles Police Department. Understand that they are causing more harm than any good to our streets. Place more resources on our streets and watch our people grow. Thank you, SDLC