
Fwd: Fund services, not police!1 message

From: Anna Martinez <anna.martinez@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
At: Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 4:58 PM

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From: Jamie Galgana <jamie.galgana@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 4:58 PM
Subject: Fund services, not police!
To: Ms. Holly Wolcott <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear Ms. Wolcott,

Now more than ever, we need a budget centered on humanity. A \$150 million reduction is not enough.

We need housing.
We need healthcare.
We need good jobs.
We need healthy food.
We need mental healthcare.
We need free public transit.
We need educational enrichment.
We need small business resources.

We don't need more police.

As an educator in LA, I want a budget that reflects our priorities and needs, including more services for unhoused Angelenos, including housing in the thousands of empty hotel rooms throughout the city; more mental health services; rent suspension and forgiveness for the 55% of Angelenos who are currently unemployed; more funding for public schools and resources to ensure all students — regardless of their situation — can continue learning during these uncertain times.

Thank you,

Sincerely,
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[Los Angeles, CA 90044](#)

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Fwd: We Need a Budget That Represents US ID(Rad4hq4joN)1 message

From: Anna Martinez <anna.martinez@lacity.org>
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From: Owen Weitzel <on.weitzel@gmail.com>
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Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US ID(Rad4hq4joN)
To: <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>, <councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org>, <councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org>, <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>, <david.ryu@lacity.org>, <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, <councilmember.martinez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.rodriquez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org>, <councilmember.price@lacity.org>, <councilmember.wesson@lacity.org>, <councilmember.bonin@lacity.org>, <councilmember.lee@lacity.org>, <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>, <councilmember.huizar@lacity.org>, <cd15@lacity.org>, <councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org>, <controller.galperin@lacity.org>, <richard.llewellyn@lacity.org>, <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Hello,

My name is Owen Weitzel from Los Angeles, CA. I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, to prioritize social services in community and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unacceptable that such a large portion of the city's budget is going to the police department.

This level of police funding does not align with my values, and reflects poorly on our community. I implore that you and other city officials draft and approve a budget that diverts funds from the police department and reallocates more to those in need.

Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is a necessity – now more than ever. Across the U.S., police perpetuate a pattern of excessive violence and force, especially directed toward black people and communities. Meanwhile, departments and officers refuse to hold their own accountable. This is unacceptable.

We are in the middle of a global pandemic that has killed more than 115,000 Americans, a disproportionate number of which were people of color. Over 40 million have filed for unemployment. Healthcare workers are without proper equipment, and essential workers are not fairly compensated or protected. We don't need more police; we need more social safety nets. Funds intended for police would be better served by contributing to initiatives that:

- Enrich programs that invest in opportunity for people of color
- Provide more affordable housing and mental health care initiatives
- Widen access to COVID-19 tests and resources
- Protect and bolster our parks
- Support small businesses struggling due to COVID-19
- Provide cheaper and cleaner modes of public transportation

Our nation is grieving the deaths of black Americans who were murdered at the hands of police. Many officers are not being held accountable. While the police department is busy buying weaponry and armored vehicles, we have communities that desperately need funding. Every day they don't receive it, their quality of life worsens. Thousands have died unnecessarily. You have the ability to change this. Speak up for the underserved and less powerful. The moment is now, I sincerely hope you are listening.

Email ID: safirEw6ki

Sincerely,
Owen Weitzel

Fwd: Los Angeles Budget

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From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 9:28 AM

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From: 'Hannah' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Date: Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 9:28 AM

Subject: Los Angeles Budget

To: <councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org>

Cc: <controller.galperin@lacity.org>, <councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org>, <councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org>, <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>, <david.ryu@lacity.org>, <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, <councilmember.martinez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.rodriquez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org>, <councilmember.price@lacity.org>, <councilmember.wesson@lacity.org>, <councilmember.bonin@lacity.org>, <councilmember.Lee@lacity.org>, <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>, <councilmember.huizar@lacity.org>, <councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org>, <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>, <CityClerk@lacity.org>

Dear Elected Officials,

I am writing as a resident of Los Angeles county to urge you to enact the People's Budget. The paltry concession Mayor Garcetti has put forth, while a start, is not nearly the type of action that the people need. Cutting the LAPD Budget by \$100-\$150 million will do nothing to address the systemic problems, one manifestation of which being the incessant police presence and brutality, afflicting the BIPOC of our community. Instead you must defund the police and invest in communities as laid out in the proposal put forth by the People's Budget of LA. This budget actually reflects the needs and desires of the people because it came from the people who you are supposed to be representing.

Furthermore, any funds that are allocated for the purpose of helping the community should not be given to the LAPD. They should be given to grassroots and community organizations. Additionally, the motion to divert calls and service provision away from the LAPD is an important first step, but we need to reimagine public safety to a greater extent. I encourage City Council to work closely with BLMLA and the People's Budget LA to truly defund the police and reinvest in the community.

I know many of you are politically ambitious and hope to continue a career in politics. Just remember that the people are the ones who hold the power to vote you into office. The people are the ones with the power to vote you out of office. And the people are the ones who will remember your actions or lack thereof and will suffer the consequences. Let that weigh heavily on your conscience. The people are watching.

Sincerely,

Hannah

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Fwd: HELP US!!!1 message

From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
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From: 'Tanya Martinez' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Date: Mon, Jun 29, 2020 at 9:18 PM

Subject: HELP US!!!

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Hello,

My name is Tanya Martinez. I am a resident of Los Angeles County and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of the Los Angeles city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for communities, and to drastically minimize spending on Police.

I demand of the mayor, controller, and all city council members to prove their love and dedication to the people of their city and reallocate funds to directly benefit those in need.

It is absolutely absurd that at \$1,857,330,549, the police budget is larger than the allocations to the fire department, Office of Emergency Management, Department of Transportation, Bureau of Street Services, and the Housing and Community Investment Agency combined.

There are 58,936 DOCUMENTED houseless people in Los Angeles. There are healthcare workers without proper equipment. More than 30% of Los Angeles County residents have filed for unemployment. Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever.

While LAPD has more funding than it knows what to do with, there are communities who desperately need funding and every day they don't receive it their quality of life worsens. Thousands have died who did not need to. You have the ability to change this, so do it.

Sincerely,
Tanya Martinez

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