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## Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

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**From:** Michael Horton <michaelhcreates@gmail.com>

**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 7:16 PM

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Hello,

My name is Michael. 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.

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Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever. 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.

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,  
Michael

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## We Need a Budget That Represents US

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**From:** Tess Stewart <tstewart656@gmail.com>

**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org, councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org, councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org, councilmember.blumenfeld@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

**At:** Sat, Jun 6, 2020 at 9:10 PM

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Hello,

My name is Amanda . I am a resident of Los Angeles and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for our community, and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

This does not align with the values that I have as your constituent and I demand that you and other city officials work together to draft and approve a budget that diverts funds from the police department and reallocates them directly to benefit those in need.

Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever. Police perpetuate a pattern of excessive violence and force, especially directed towards Black People and their communities. The police refuse to hold their own accountable and this is unacceptable.

We are in the middle of a global pandemic that has killed 100,000 Americans and more than 40 million people have filed for unemployment. Healthcare workers are without proper equipment and essential workers are not being fairly compensated or protected for the great work they do. We don't need more police, we need more social safety nets. Funds intended for police would be better off being sorted to initiatives that

- Enrich our public schools and students
- Provide more affordable housing and mental health care initiatives
- 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 that were murdered at the hands of police officers who have yet to be held accountable. While the police department has more funding than it knows what to do with, we have 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,  
Amanda

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Emma Cihanowyz <cihanowyz.emma@gmail.com>  
**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 4:34 PM

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Hello,

My name is Emma Cihanowyz. 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.

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Sincerely,  
Emma Cihanowyz

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## Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

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**From:** Camila Quiñones <camila.quinones28@gmail.com>

**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 1:30 PM

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Hello,

My name is Camila Quiñones. 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.

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Sincerely,  
Camila Quiñones

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## Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

2 messages

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**From:** Jessica Hammond <jessicamarissahammond@gmail.com>  
**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org  
**At:** Thu, Jun 4, 2020 at 9:33 AM

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Hello,

My name is Jessica Hammond. 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.

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Sincerely,  
Jessica Hammond

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Jessica Hammond <jessicamarissahammond@gmail.com>  
**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 12:13 PM

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Hello,

My name is Jessica Hammond. I am a resident of Los Angeles County and I 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.

Best,  
Jessica Hammond

On Jun 4, 2020, at 9:33 AM, Jessica Hammond <[jessicamarissahammond@gmail.com](mailto:jessicamarissahammond@gmail.com)> wrote:

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restructuring of the Los Angeles city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for communities, and to drastically minimize spending on Police.

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## Restructure Budget

1 message

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**From:** Scott Huberty <scott.huberty@mail.mcgill.ca>  
**To:** "mayor.garcetti@lacity.org" <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 12:09 PM

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Hello,

I am a resident of Los Angeles County district 5 and I am following up from previous emails 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 am glad to see that the city is holding meetings that the public can comment in, but that is just the start. Canceling this years increase in police budget is not enough! I will be watching this closely and will vote accordingly.

Best,

-- Scott Huberty

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**From:** Scott Huberty <scott.huberty@mail.mcgill.ca>  
**Date:** Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 10:15 AM  
**To:** "mayor.garcetti@lacity.org" <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>  
**Cc:** "controller.galperin@lacity.org" <controller.galperin@lacity.org>, "councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org" <councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org>, "councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org" <councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org>, "councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org" <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>, "david.ryu@lacity.org" <david.ryu@lacity.org>, "paul.koretz@lacity.org" <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, "councilmember.martinez@lacity.org" <councilmember.martinez@lacity.org>, "councilmember.rodriquez@lacity.org" <councilmember.rodriquez@lacity.org>, "councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org" <councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org>, "councilmember.price@lacity.org" <councilmember.price@lacity.org>, "councilmember.wesson@lacity.org" <councilmember.wesson@lacity.org>, "councilmember.bonin@lacity.org" <councilmember.bonin@lacity.org>, "councilmember.Lee@lacity.org" <councilmember.Lee@lacity.org>, "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>, "councilmember.huizar@lacity.org" <councilmember.huizar@lacity.org>, "councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org" <councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org>, "CityClerk@lacity.org" <CityClerk@lacity.org>  
**Subject:** Canceling the Increase is NOT ENOUGH: Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

Hello,

My name is Scott Huberty. I am a resident of Los Angeles County district 5 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.

Mayor Garcetti, you recently announced you would cancel your proposed INCREASE to the LAPD, around 100 million, and divert it to black community organizations. This is a nice gesture but NOT enough, and this is NOT what we are asking you for. We are asking you to DECREASE the outrageous LAPD budget, which even before the increase, accounts for HALF of the Los Angeles city budget!!!!

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.

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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.

And while you're at it FIRE MICHEL MOORE!

We are watching your next steps closely. We will be reminding you at every budget and finance committee this month. We are spreading awareness to our fellow citizens of your currently toothless gesture. We will not be fooled into complacency again.

Sincerely,  
Scott Huberty

-- Scott Huberty  
PhD candidate in Neuroscience

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## Adopt the People's Budget of Los Angeles, Reinvest in Communities

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**From:** Francesca Jimenez <francescamjimenez@gmail.com>

**To:** mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org, mayor.garcetti@lacity.org, CityClerk@lacity.org

**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 12:00 PM

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Hello,

As a lifetime resident of Los Angeles county and of the city of Los Angeles, I have found the city's, and in particular, Mayor Garcetti's handling of protests against police brutality as inhumane. He has served the interests of capital and property above those of the city's most vulnerable, most marginalized -- in COVID-19 and pre-COVID-19 times.

From 2018 to 2019, homelessness in LA has increased 12%. How much further will you continue to deny residents and communities access to basic necessities of housing, medical resources, and much more? How much longer will you use your seat of power to maintain an exploitative, hierarchical status quo, when you have to power to substantially improve the city's quality of life for so many marginalized communities?

[Adopt the People's Budget for Los Angeles](#). The current 7% budget decrease to the LAPD is not enough when our housing, education, public works, and healthcare and medical access infrastructure are SEVERELY lacking and can be invested in with more defunding from the LAPD police budget.

Look to Minneapolis. Look to San Francisco up north. Listen to the organizers and activists of the communities who have been asking and fighting for these long promised budgetary changes to better Los Angeles.

These budget decreases are long-term investments towards our city becoming safe for our Black and marginalized communities, and for Los Angeles to truly become the radically inclusive and supportive community I know it has the power to be. Will you lead the change? Will you set the precedent for investing in and building a city where all of its communities can live a good quality of life?

Thank you,

Francesca Jimenez

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## Restructure the Los Angeles Budget NOW

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**From:** 'Helen Chathams' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>  
**To:** councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 11:35 AM

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Dear Councilmember Cedillo,

My name Helen Showalter and I live in Los Angeles District 1. I am emailing to echo my neighbors and demanding the People's Budget LA for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Now is your chance to prove you care about the citizens of Los Angeles

Thank you for your time,

Helen

Sent from my iPhone

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## Please Restructure the Los Angeles Budget to Defund the Police and Adopt the People's Budget

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**From:** Jason Fendi <fendijason@gmail.com>  
**To:** david.ryu@lacity.org, cd4issues@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 11:35 AM

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Dear Councilmember Ryu,

My name is Jason Fendi and I live in Los Angeles District 4. I am writing to demand you consider the People's Budget LA for the 2020-2021 fiscal year and revise the current budget accordingly.

Unlike the Mayor's budget, which -- even with cuts and proposed reapportionments -- gives more than half of unrestricted funds to the LAPD, the People's Budget LA gives only 5.7% to the police. It is absolutely absurd that traditionally the police budget -- at a whopping \$1.8 billion dollars -- 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. Survey takers determined that the city should prioritize universal needs (such as housing, childcare, healthy food, clear air and water), pandemic recovery, built environment, and reimagined public safety over the police department. Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever. 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. You need to engage directly with communities, especially Black and Indigenous communities -- the most at risk of police brutality and murder -- to create a budget that serves ALL Angelenos.

Over the past two weeks, our city has shown its overwhelming support for defunding the LAPD. It has made clear -- through both physical and digital actions -- that LA must not use its money to fund the murderous LAPD.

Throughout this time of mass protest, the police have reacted with extreme violence and unwarranted escalation towards peaceful protestors and our unhoused neighbors. LAPD Commander Cory Palka flashed a White Power signal on television. Chief Moore blamed the police murder of George Floyd on LA protestors. Many police officers have hurt, abused and maimed.

This is unacceptable and LAPD must be defunded, now. I urge you to support the People's Budget LA.

Thank you for your time,

Jason

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## Adopt the People's Budget, Be on the Right Side of History

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**From:** Francesca Jimenez <francescamjimenez@gmail.com>

**To:** paul.koretz@lacity.org

**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 11:11 AM

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Hello Councilman Koretz,

As a resident of the Pico-Robertson neighborhood and a constituent in your district, I support the People's Budget for Los Angeles.

On Monday, June 15, a coalition representing the People's City Council presented the People's Budget for Los Angeles to 5 out of the 15 LA city council members. I watched the entirety of that presentation and meeting as it was broadcasted online.

The egregious amount spent on the police is evidently linked to defunding taken from public education, public access to healthcare, public works in maintaining parks and the infrastructure of our city, public transportation, and more.

I implore you to listen to the demands of the People's City Council and their proposed budget. Los Angeles is facing a history moment and can lead progressively towards civil rights and justice for all city residents. How are you going to be remembered in history for this time? Will you support the greater Los Angeles as a whole in becoming truly the progressive and model city it claims to be (but is not acting as so now)? Are you going to use your position to uphold a property and wealth protecting status quo? Or are you going to use your position to value ALL of the city's citizens and ALL of their futures?

Thank you,

Francesca Jimenez

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## Please Restructure the Los Angeles Budget to Defund the Police and Adopt the People's Budget

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**From:** Claire Jia <claire.ccjia@gmail.com>  
**To:** paul.koretz@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 10:25 AM

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Dear Councilmember Koretz,

My name is Claire and I live in Los Angeles District 5. I am writing to demand you consider the People's Budget LA for the 2020-2021 fiscal year and revise the current budget accordingly.

Unlike the Mayor's budget, which -- even with cuts and proposed reapportionments -- gives more than half of unrestricted funds to the LAPD, the People's Budget LA gives only 5.7% to the police. It is absolutely absurd that traditionally the police budget -- at a whopping \$1.8 billion dollars -- 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. Survey takers determined that the city should prioritize universal needs (such as housing, childcare, healthy food, clear air and water), pandemic recovery, built environment, and reimagined public safety over the police department. Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever. 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. You need to engage directly with communities, especially Black and Indigenous communities -- the most at risk of police brutality and murder -- to create a budget that serves ALL Angelenos.

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Thank you for your time,

Claire Jia  
Westwood, LA

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## Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

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**From:** Al Jimenez <ango23@sbcglobal.net>

**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 7:14 AM

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Hello,

My name is [insert name]. 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.

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Sincerely,  
[your name]

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** <varshinisun@gmail.com>  
**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 6:37 AM

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Hello,

My name is Varshini Sundaresan. Even though I am not a resident of Los Angeles County, 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.

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Sincerely,  
Varshini Sundaresan

Sent from my iPhone

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**!!!!Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE**1 message

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**From:** 'Tanya Martinez' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>  
**To:** mayor.garcetti@lacity.org  
**At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 12:45 AM

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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.

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