

Communication from Public

Name: Evelyn Jimenez
Date Submitted: 02/03/2021 01:52 PM
Council File No: 20-1202

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I am here to speak against HACLA's desire to continue its partnership with LAPD. As a constituent of Sylmar and see how over-policed my community is, I can strongly say we don't need this partnership because it can continue to endanger many lives of BIPOC people. How would you feel if you had a ton of police officers stationed outside your home?? This will not foster the "trust" of the community because if you all really want to help public safety, I would focus on helping our unhoused population and the thousands of lives that continue to lose their life to COVID-19. We need to defund LAPD and redistributed it to our community. Once again, I oppose The Housing Authority from working with the LAPD! Defund LAPD!

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Name: Olga Lexell

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Comments for Public Posting: Just imagine having police stationed outside your home all the time. More importantly, imagine what we can actually invest in with ~\$9mil over the next four years. We need SERVICES, not more police funding.

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Name: Jeremy Bowditch

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Comments for Public Posting: Must "Public Safety" always mean armed police? Providing additional funds to LAPD to monitor and arrest L.A. residents of public housing is the exact opposite of DEFUND THE POLICE. \$9M can build a lot of community trust, has the city council given any serious consideration to the People's Budget which calls for reinvesting these same funds into services?

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Name: Joshua Ulises Marmol

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Comments for Public Posting: For the board members consideration; if the motive for this allocation of funds is to promote "trust" between LAPD and residents, the trust is not there at this current time. No amount of money will certify the amount of trust needed for law enforcement and the people they deem do not belong in or around these developments. This has been proven time and again with their interaction with the homeless. Each neighborhood in each of these projected developments rest in currently over policed BIPOC communities in Watts and South Central. On this point alone, I must oppose the Housing Authority from working with LAPD through "community safety partnerships". 9 million dollars sounds like a lot of incentive to not listen to needs of the community, but rather the impunity of the police. If this council is already willing to spend this money on the city, then please consult neighborhood councils who can direct you to alternative uses of said money that will impact the community for the better.

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Name: Matt Wait

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Comments for Public Posting: No funding for police-community partnerships. We don't need 24/7 LAPD presence. Defund LAPD and put the money into actual housing. We told you loud and clear in June.

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Name: Karina

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Comments for Public Posting: Hi, I am speaking against HACLA's choice to continue their partnership with LAPD. I am a Sylmar constituent and have witnessed the over policing in my community. This partnership continues to target BIPOC lives. We must build trust in our communities; not targets. I urge you all to step into my fellow constituents shoes and witnesses a day in our lives with over-policing. The same officers who get away with murdering and threatening our BIPOC neighbors. Understand the fear we face everyday as our communities are not safer with LAPD but are targeted for violence. The partnership has Never "foster" a trust but has invoked fear. Invest our funds back to our communities by helping our unhoused families. Invest in a community safety partnership. Once again I strongly oppose The Housing Authority re-partnering with LAPD. We must Defund LAPD!

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Name: Xanthe Scheps

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Comments for Public Posting: It has been proven time and time again across Los Angeles and the entire country that increased police presence in any form does not keep communities safe. How many Black and Brown Angelenos must be murdered by LAPD before the city finally refuses any and all forms of funding for police? The People's Budget has proven that the majority of Los Angeles residents categorically disagree with the level of funding LAPD currently has and to allow a budget increase to further patrol and victimize residents of public housing would be a disgusting decision that willfully ignores the needs and values of the people. Los Angeles should not be taking the regressive steps of increasing the LAPD budget in any way, shape, or form. Where was that \$9mil for people who are on the precipice of eviction? Where was that \$9mil for people who have lost their jobs or had to risk their lives going into work during a deadly pandemic? Why use this money to boost police presence when it could be utilized to increase the amount of public housing available in our city? With tens of thousands of Angelenos unhoused, how can we in good conscience use our city's money to criminalize and surveil instead of using it to provide housing and financial stability to all of our residents? The idea of allowing LAPD to essentially infiltrate public housing is racist, classist, and destructive. These neighborhoods are already severely over-policed and we should be figuring out how to provide more services in these areas, not funding campaigns to further oppress Angelenos. I urge the committee not to approve this or any budget increase for LAPD.