

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: The potential budget cuts that will impact LA Animal Services is incredibly concerning and inhumane to these helpless animals. Our animal shelters are already in crisis with over crowding and under staffing. Cutting the budget further for animal services will just perpetuate this devastating problem. After the fires, non-profit rescues worked tirelessly to help temporarily alleviate overcrowding at the shelters because the system couldn't handle more inflow of animals and these non profits can not pick up the slack of the closing of half our shelters. For years, advocates and volunteers have been pleading to get more funding, but to hear of budget cuts is absolutely mind boggling. As a tax payer and resident of LA County, I am extremely disappointed that this would even be considered as an option. City council and our elected officials need to listen to what residents need rather than focusing on their own personal agendas. These animals are suffering and we cannot only rely on non profit rescues to save the day. Cutting the LA Animal Services budget will be devastating to this city and its animals.