
Enact the People's Budget LA

1 message

From: Chris Pollock <cpollock911@gmail.com>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 6:58 PM

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I write to express my deep concern regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-21.

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Sincerely,
Chris Pollock

Sent from my iPhone

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1 message

From: Josie Teed <josieteed@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 6:06 PM

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Sincerely,

Josie Teed

Reallocating police funding

1 message

From: vee alexander <valexa@sbcglobal.net>

To: "Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org" <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 5:40 PM

To the Clerk of Budget and Finance Committee:

I live in Sherman Oaks. Because our Mayor is asking for our comments on the allocation of police funding, I am chiming in with my opinion, and hope you will pass these sentiments on to him.

As you know, the LAPD's current budget, around \$1.8 billion, includes at least \$1.28 million in administrative costs over which the City has no control. But until we are able to create a new culture of equality and fairness within the organization designed to protect us all, I STRONGLY advocate for the reallocation of far more than \$100-\$150 million from the LAPD. These funds should be poured into community services such as housing, education, youth empowerment and mental health aimed predominantly at our Black population which has been so severely underfunded.

As all us Angelinos know, we have an out-of-control homeless problem which will require much more funding than is currently available. In addition, we have seen more clearly than ever over these past weeks just how deeply poverty, shoddy education, and rampant racist attitudes have contributed to crime and violence. Worse, we have once again been made starkly aware of the hardened intolerance of our police culture.

I am a 73-year-old white widow living alone in a neighborhood of single family homes. Of course, I want to be safe in my home. But I am much more afraid of and horrified by the entrenched racism/ignorance which currently inflicts our police culture. Re-allocating all the funds at our Mayor's discretion can only begin to address the urgent priorities we are seeing today.

Thank you for all the help you can give in this matter.
Virginia Alexander

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1 message

From: Chelsea Muehe <chelseamuehe@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 5:38 PM

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Sincerely,

Chelsea Muehe

Please Don't Slash LAPD Budget

1 message

From: admin@braumrealestate.com <admin@braumrealestate.com>

To: "Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org" <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 3:23 PM

Hi,

The LAPD budget should be have to the same. Please do not cut Public Safety related departments. Hideous most basic obligation is to ensure our safety.

Thanks,

Daniel Braum

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Please Enact the People's Budget LA

1 message

From: Sarah DeBoer <deboers117@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 2:09 PM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-21. I urge the City Council to amend Mayor Garcetti's budget to reflect the values of our community. We want to increase our social services, employment programs, public health resources, rent relief, and restorative justice programs, instead of more policing. Too many of these social responsibilities have fallen to our police department instead of qualified social professionals.

We request the City Council consider the People's Budget LA. While the Mayor recently announced he would decrease LAPD funding by up to \$150M, this gesture is simply not enough. There needs to be a drastic reduction of LAPD funding and an unarmed, community-based, alternative policing system –on top of more funding for social programs. People are marching through the entire city demanding systemic change and justice for the 600+ black people killed by police in LA County since 2012. We implore you to listen to the demands of your constituents. Public safety should no doubt be one of the City's highest priorities. But investments in housing and job security, mental health care, and after-school programs are investments in public safety. They create stability and safety from the ground up.

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Again, please consider investing more resources into social services, housing, employment programs, restorative justice programs, rent relief, and public health efforts instead of the LAPD. Consider the People's Budget LA. This city has so much potential and the willpower to improve the livelihoods of our friends and neighbors from the ground up. We have the chance now to set the stage for generations to come.

Sincerely,
Sarah DeBoer
Proud Resident of Los Angeles

Defund the LAPD - \$150m cut is NOT ENOUGH

1 message

From: kate trefry <katy_tree@hotmail.com>

To: "councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org" <councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org>, "clerk.budgetandfinancecommittee@lacity.org" <clerk.budgetandfinancecommittee@lacity.org>, "edna.degollado@lacity.org" <edna.degollado@lacity.org>, "mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org" <mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org>

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 1:42 PM

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members,

My name is Kate Bolea and I am a resident of Los Angeles, Council District #4. We are in the midst of a health pandemic with severe economic consequences. Over 50% of Angelenos are unemployed — and we can expect 42% lasting unemployment. Over 50% of this city is renters — and if they are unemployed, they cannot pay rent. Prior to the pandemic, there were around 60k people unhoused in LA, by our best estimates; after evictions and economic insecurity due to COVID-19 and its fallout, we can expect thousands more.

The “cuts” to LAPD announced so theatrically by Mayor Garcetti this week are not deep, as they have been characterized in the media; rather, they are in line with or even lagging behind cuts to other areas of the city’s budget. In the midst of widespread upheaval over the systemic violence, embodied by the LAPD, which has murdered more than 600 people during the tenure of DA Jackie Lacey. We will no longer accept empty gestures and suggestions of “reform.”

We need to defund the LAPD. We need a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of Angelenos during this trying and uncertain time; and we need a budget that supports communities and supports their wellbeing, not which empowers the force(s) that tear them apart. We need to see cuts to the LAPD that actually are deep — that are deep enough to fund other areas of the city budget to support the humanitarian needs of Angelenos. Nearly every area of city services needs to be significantly ramped up to respond to the pandemic and the resulting economic depression, and the LAPD budget is the right place for those cuts to take place.

I am urging you, as representatives of your constituents, to completely revise the LA budget for 2020-2021 and fund [#CareNotCops](#). You need to adopt a People’s Budget.

Thank you for your time,

Kate Bolea

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1 message

From: Van Waring <vanwahwaring@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 11:43 AM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin,

I would like to express my deep concern regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-21. How will this proposed budget promise to help public safety shift from the current model of corruption that is on full display across the nation right now?

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Sincerely, Vanessa Waring

Sent from my iPhone

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Invest in our community

1 message

From: Megan Salinas <megan.m.salinas@gmail.com>

To: Bob Blumenfield <bob.blumenfield@lacity.org>, Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org, councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org, councilmember.Lee@lacity.org, councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org, councilmember.bonin@lacity.org, councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org, councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org, councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org, councilmember.huizar@lacity.org, councilmember.martinez@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.rodriquez@lacity.org, councilmember.wesson@lacity.org, curren.price@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org, mike.bonin@lacity.org, paul.koretz@lacity.org, paul.krekorian@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 11:35 AM

Dear all,

I have to ask you, what is important to you? Do you genuinely care about the community you serve, or do you only care about preserving the status quo? It has become very apparent that the corruption of the LAPD is a symptom of the larger illness of systemic racism, and it is long past time we work to eliminate this system. The steps Mayor Garcetti announced earlier this week are a start, but it is still laughably inadequate for what is needed. The budget for the LAPD is still taking up the majority of this city's budget, so much so that it is ultimately the same as it was for the previous year. The cuts are negligible at best. The budget for the LAPD is still far larger than it should be, less money needs to be spent on militarizing our police and instead should be put into community programs, support for the homeless and communities of color. Furthermore, no steps are currently being taken to hold the LAPD or Police Chief Moore accountable for the countless acts of police brutality against peaceful protesters. You all have a responsibility to each and every citizen of Los Angeles to ensure that justice is upheld and that every member of the police responsible for these unprovoked attacks is removed from the LAPD and is held accountable to the full extent of the law. You work for us, so stop making empty promises and platitudes and start doing your best to ensure that your constituents are no longer in danger of unprovoked violence from the LAPD.

We are in the midst of a global pandemic, a crisis unprecedented in our time, so why is the LAPD being allocated 51% of the overall budget for the city? Why are these funds not being used for social services, housing, aid for the homeless, and medical care? Defund the LAPD and adopt a people's budget and start proving that your allegiance is to your constituents and not the Police Union.

Do the right thing and defund the LAPD.

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All the best,
Megan Salinas

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2 messages

From: 'Kada Jackson' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:56 AM

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Sincerely, Kathrine.A.

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From: 'Jessica Liberatore' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 11:02 AM

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Sincerely,
Jessica Liberatore

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1 message

From: Batista, Luz <Luz.Batista@disney.com>
To: "mayor.garcetti@lacity.org" <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:52 AM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin,

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Do the right thing.
You know this is what the community needs.

Sincerely,

Luz Batista
Story Artist, Designer

Enact the People's Budget LA

1 message

From: julia Tovar <jhouston@hotmail.com>
To: "mayor.garcetti@lacity.org" <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:30 AM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin,

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Sincerely,

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S8 Active, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

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1 message

From: Giselle Cortez <cortezgiselle505@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 9:16 AM

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Sincerely,
Giselle

Sent from my iPhone

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1 message

From: Vince Musci <vamusci@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 4:39 PM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin, I write to express my deep concern regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-21. I urge the City Council to amend Mayor Garcetti's budget to reflect the values of our community: we want more social services, employment programs, public health resources, rent relief, and restorative justice programs, not more policing. We request the City Council adopt the People's Budget LA. While the Mayor recently announced he would decrease LAPD funding by up to \$150M, this symbolic gesture is simply not enough. There needs to be a drastic reduction of LAPD funding and an un-armed, community-based, alternative policing system –on top of more funding for social programs. People are marching through the entire city demanding systemic change and justice for the 600+ black people killed by police in LA County since 2012. We implore you to listen to the demands of your constituents. Public safety should no doubt be one of the City's highest priorities. But investments in housing and job security, mental health care, and after-school programs are investments in public safety. By cutting these services, this budget will not make Angelenos safer. Furthermore, protests in Los Angeles following the murder of George Floyd have exemplified the issue of police brutality, including the indiscriminate use of tear-gas and rubber bullets against protesters, demonstrating the need for an overhaul of the LAPD. We are presented with an opportunity to improve upon the past instead of repeating its mistakes. It is in that spirit that I ask you for a compassionate budget—and through it, for a more just, equitable, and humane Los Angeles. I urge the City Council to adopt the People's Budget LA and amend Mayor Garcetti's budget to shift resources from the LAPD to social services, housing, employment programs, restorative justice programs, rent relief, and public health efforts. Sincerely,

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1 message

From: 'Noga Wizansky' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 8:16 AM

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmembers Krekorian, Price, Koretz, Blumenfield, and Bonin,

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From: Siabella <siabella1@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 7:58 AM

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I write to express my deep concern regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-21.

I urge the City Council to amend Mayor Garcetti's budget to reflect the values of our community: we want more social services, employment programs, public health resources, rent relief, and restorative justice programs, not more policing. We request the City Council adopt the People's Budget LA.

While the Mayor recently announced he would decrease LAPD funding by up to \$150M, this symbolic gesture is simply not enough. There needs to be a drastic reduction of LAPD funding and an un-armed, community-based, alternative policing system—on top of more funding for social programs. People are marching through the entire city demanding systemic change and justice for the 600+ black people killed by police in LA County since 2012. We implore you to listen to the demands of your constituents.

Public safety should no doubt be one of the City's highest priorities. But investments in housing and job security, mental health care, and after-school programs are investments in public safety. By cutting these services, this budget will not make Angelenos safer.

Furthermore, protests in Los Angeles following the murder of George Floyd have exemplified the issue of police brutality, including the indiscriminate use of tear-gas and rubber bullets against protesters, demonstrating the need for an overhaul of the LAPD. We are presented with an opportunity to improve upon the past instead of repeating its mistakes. It is in that spirit that I ask you for a compassionate budget—and through it, for a more just, equitable, and humane Los Angeles.

I urge the City Council to adopt the People's Budget LA and amend Mayor Garcetti's budget to shift resources from the LAPD to social services, housing, employment programs, restorative justice programs, rent relief, and public health efforts.

Sincerely,

Kathrine Weber