
Mitch, have you reviewed the People's Budget?

1 message

From: Annie Saunders <anniesaunders@gmail.com>

To: Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org, Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 4:25 PM

Councilmember,

I have lived in District 13 since 2010. I'm an artist and the daughter of attorneys/civil servants. I am wondering if you have had the chance to seriously consider The People's Budget LA for the 2020-2021 fiscal year? We are adamant that this initiative be adopted and you revise the current budget accordingly.

The budget is at this link. Please take the time.

<https://peoplesbudgetla.com/>

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. 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. 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,

Annie

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1 message

From: Kira G <kiradoula@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 3:47 PM

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

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Sincerely,

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1 message

From: Melissa Rosado <melirosado16@hotmail.com>
To: "mayor.garcetti@lacity.org" <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>
At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 11:56 AM

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

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Sincerely,

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From: 'Laura Herrera' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 11:02 AM

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

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Sincerely,
Laura Herrera

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1 message

From: Raisa Cruz <raisacruz00@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 10:33 AM

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

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Sincerely,
Raisa Cruz

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TGIF, but also Defund The Police

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: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 10:12 AM

Dear all,

Happy Friday! Thank goodness the weekend is finally here. However, even though the weekend is upon us, there is still a lot of work that needs to be done to ensure the best for the people of Los Angeles. As such, I'm writing today to urge you once again to defund the LAPD and invest in our local communities. When we all look back on this time in the future, don't you all want to be on the right side of history? 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. Have a great weekend!

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All the best,
Megan Salinas

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1 message

From: Rachel Majors <rachelchernus@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 9:52 AM

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

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Sincerely,

Rachel

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From: Danielle De Palma Sherman <danielledsherman@gmail.com>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 9:34 AM

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

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Sincerely,
Danielle Sherman

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Defund the Police Dept.

1 message

From: Tara Hall <taracarrehall@gmail.com>

To: councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 9:09 AM

Hi Paul,

I heard a chilling statistic that there are more than 66,000 homeless men, women and children living on the streets in LA county. I remember voting for prop HHH, an initiative to find permanent housing for this at risk community. I don't remember even voting to increase the police budget while decreasing funds for homelessness, education, health care and community programs.

Defund the police budget and help the citizens who need it.

Best,

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Tara C. Hall

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From: 'Nat Gnz' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org>
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org
At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 9:08 AM

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Natalie Gonzalez

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From: Olivia Davis <odavis@berklee.edu>

To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org

At: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 6:51 AM

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