Fwd: Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE

1 message

From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 1:34 PM

----------Forwarded message----------
From: Camila Quiñones <camila.quinones28@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 1:30 PM
Subject: Restructure Budget and DEFUND POLICE
To: <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>
Cc: <controller.galperin@lacity.org>, <councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org>, <councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org>, <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>, <david.ryu@lacity.org>, <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, <councilmember.martinez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.rodriguez@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>, <councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org>

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.

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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Sincerely,
Camila Quiñones
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2 messages

From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 11:03 AM

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From: 'Diksha Dahal' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>
Date: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 11:02 AM
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Fwd: LA Wants To Reimagine Public Safety & The Budget Should Reflect That
1 message

From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 8:41 AM

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Tahnee C <tahn92@hotmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 5:04 PM
Subject: LA Wants To Reimagine Public Safety & The Budget Should Reflect That
To: mayor.garcetti@lacity.org <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>, 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.rodriguez@lacity.org <councilmember.rodriguez@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>

Hello Council Members,

I'm writing to ask that the council cut police funding by more than $150 million. I am a Los Angeles resident, a mother, and an employee of a non profit in LA that serves a large population of students who attend a school within the LAUSD. Our organization operates as a school. We offer classes within our walls to over 600 students per year (mostly Latinx, mostly low income) and we are open 49 weeks per year.

Our budget is less than 1 million dollars, and we are able to employ over 30 people while serving underprivileged students of all ages with high quality education day in and day out.

We've been around since the 1940s and we have never arrested a student. We have never caused bodily harm to a student. Students feel safe within our walls and I can confirm that part of this comfort is due to the fact that we do not employ racist or violent security or public safety entities to "keep students in line."

Defunding the police, in a substantial matter, is a civilian's call for a more inclusive and progressive city. A leader at a protest perhaps said it best, "It takes a very imaginative person to come up with a way of public safety that works for EVERYONE." I am asking you all to be that imaginer. Defund the police and stop the school to prison pipeline that disproportionately affects black and brown students, and the brutality and murder of civilians at the hands of officers who face no accountability. Find a way that works for everyone. There are places in your city that are doing it right now! Take the first step.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tahnee