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Hello,

My name is Thanh-Nhan Nguyen and I support council member Compos memo. I wish to support the conversion of 1 Branham to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and for individuals age 55 or older.

Thank you,  
Thanh-Nhan Nguyen

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To whom it may concern,

I am in support of Council Member Campos Memo regarding the 1 Branham Ln conversion of the facility.

Kind Regards,

Christian Wruck

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Hello,

My name is Kathy Nguyen and I am a resident at Deer Run II. I support Councilmember Campos' memo.

1 Branham has taken away the quality of life as a resident. In the short amount of time 1 Branham has been here, there have been fire alarms going off almost daily, police arrests, and even the more recent

news regarding the 1 Branham resident that sexually assaulted a teenage girl. There are other residents residing at the facility that are also on Megan's Law.

1 Branham has turned this neighborhood into an unsafe area. This area is home to many families with small children, including mine. Many families around here have moved or considered moving due to 1 Branham.

Please convert 1 Branham to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and for individuals 55 and older.

Regards,  
Kathy Nguyen

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Hello,

My name is Lisa Doyle and I support Council Memo Campos memo.

Since the opening of the EIH at 1 Branham lane, the quality of life for neighboring communities has significantly decreased. I am directly impacted by this EIH at 1 Branham Lane on a daily basis.

I can no longer walk out my front door without pepper spray, even if I stay within the private property [REDACTED] community.

We have experienced multiple incidents of trespassing, people hiding scooters within [REDACTED] property, sleeping, I have found a methamphetamine glass pipe on private [REDACTED] property.

Children in the immediate area are constantly exposed to public drug use on Lost Trail Court, urinating in public, erratic behavior, and other things of that nature as a result of the people at the EIH.

Unfortunately, we have found that it is not only the clients partaking in such horrific behavior, but the employees of LifeMoves as well.

Townhomes in the area have been unable to sell as a result of the EIH towering over them and being the primary view from many resident's bedroom windows. This has not only destroyed the quality of life, but created serious financial hardship for many.

The only way to restore the quality of life in the area is to change the people the facility serves.

A low income permanent housing for the 55 and up community would address many of these concerns and work towards restoring our quality of life and property values, while also accommodating those in need.

Regards,  
Lisa Doyle

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My family and I support Council Member Compos' proposal for 1 Branham facility. When being proposed, we were assured there would be monitoring and oversight at the housing facility to ensure drug operations/usage would not be allowed. So much for promises. Our neighbor just had a breakin attempt at his home.... police notified but obviously oversight is/was not occurring. Campos' proposal is at least a step in the right direction. I

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[lssa@safersj.com](mailto:lssa@safersj.com)

On Sat, Mar 14, 2026 at 2:55 PM Denise Murray <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi,

I am writing this to let you know that I am in full favor of the proposal to turn 1 Branham Lane into permanent housing for people with disabilities and people over the age of 55.

I am a homeowner in the townhouses directly behind this facility and I have not felt safe in my own home since the opening of this place. There have been so many sightings of people loitering in this complex during all hours of the night. You can rarely drive out of this complex without seeing people loitering in the court, residents doing drugs, littering, etc,

I truly believe that turning this facility into permanent housing would benefit everyone in this area. It is so close to a public library, park and school and in my opinion should have never been built for this type of housing to begin with. When we were told this facility was going to be built, it was sold to us that it would be housing for the "working" homeless. When the question was asked during the last CAC meeting, we were told that a very low percentage of the residents are actually employed.

I am looking forward to hopefully seeing this proposal come to fruition to benefit everyone that has been impacted since the opening of this facility over a year ago.

Thanks for taking the time to read this email.

Denise Murray  
Concerned Homeowner

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Hi staff,  
I sending this email to support Council Member Compos memo.

Best Regards,  
Ratchanee.

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**Subject:** Support for Transitioning 1 Branham Lane to Permanent Housing

Hello,

I am writing to express my strong support for Pamela Campos's proposal to transition the interim housing site at **1 Branham Lane** into **permanent housing** specifically for low-acuity, low-income households. This transition represents a strategic and compassionate shift in how we address our local housing crisis. I believe this proposal is the right direction for our community for several key reasons:

- **Increasing Permanent Housing Stock:** We are in desperate need of long-term solutions. Moving this site to permanent housing directly addresses the root cause of homelessness by providing stable, long-term residences for our neighbors.

- **Fiscal Responsibility:** By transitioning to a permanent housing model, the City can significantly reduce or even eliminate the heavy ongoing operational costs associated with maintaining interim shelter facilities.
- **Neighborhood Compatibility:** Permanent housing is a much more compatible land use for this specific residential area, fostering a sense of stability and community integration for both residents and neighbors.

I also appreciate the thoughtful approach to the transition period. It is vital that we continue to protect our most vulnerable residents. I fully support the plan to maintain **emergency shelter availability** for individuals with disabilities and those aged 55 or older through a preference program managed by the County and the shelter operator.

This proposal offers a sustainable path forward that balances immediate needs with long-term community goals. I urge you to move forward with Pamela Campos's recommendation.

Sincerely,

Madhur Khadabadi

Resident of District 2

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Hello,

My name is Sue Buckley, and I am writing in strong support of Council member Campos' memo. Since the opening of the Emergency Interim Housing (EIH) facility at 1 Branham Lane, the quality of life for neighboring communities has deteriorated dramatically. I am directly impacted by the EIH at 1 Branham Lane on a daily basis, and the situation has become increasingly unacceptable.

I no longer feel safe walking out my front door without carrying pepper spray, even when remaining within the private property [REDACTED] community. No resident should have to live in fear within their own neighborhood.

Our community has experienced repeated incidents of trespassing, individuals hiding scooters within private [REDACTED] property, people sleeping in common areas, and my neighbor personally found a methamphetamine glass pipe on [REDACTED] private property. These are not isolated incidents, but part of an ongoing pattern that has severely disrupted the safety and security of our community.

Children in the immediate area are regularly exposed to public drug use on Lost Trail Court, public urination, erratic behavior, and other disturbing and inappropriate activity believed to be associated with individuals from the EIH facility. This environment is completely unacceptable for families and young children.

Unfortunately, these concerns have involved not only some clients, but also employees of LifeMoves, which has further eroded trust and confidence that the facility is being operated in a manner that protects the surrounding neighborhood.

In addition, several townhomes in the area have been extremely difficult to sell due to the EIH facility towering over nearby homes and becoming the primary view from many residents' bedroom windows. This has had a serious negative impact on both quality of life and property values, creating significant financial hardship for homeowners who invested in this community in good faith.

I firmly believe the only way to restore safety, stability, and livability to the surrounding neighborhoods is to change the population the facility serves. Converting the site to low-income permanent housing for residents age 55 and older would address many of the current safety concerns while still providing housing for those in need, and would be far more compatible with the surrounding residential neighborhoods.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

Sue Buckley

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Dear San José City Council and Staff,

I am a resident and community member living in the direct vicinity of 1 Branham Lane. I am writing to express my strong support for Councilmember Pamela Campos' recommendation to convert the Emergency Interim Housing (EIH) site at 1 Branham Lane into permanent housing for low-income senior residents.

While I supported efforts to reduce homelessness in our city, the reality of the EIH in its current state has brought significant challenges to our immediate neighborhood, including documented safety concerns, management challenges, and structural issues that have raised questions about its long-term viability as a "temporary" solution.

Councilmember Campos is correct: we have more than done our part in Council District 2 with some of the largest interim housing communities in the city. However, interim housing is meant to be a bridge, not a permanent destination. The lack of transition options means these sites can unfortunately become dead ends rather than true stepping stones to stability.

Converting 1 Branham Lane into permanent, supportive, low-income housing for seniors an excellent solution to the challenges that have plagued this EIH location as it provides the security, stability, and dignity that our senior community members need to thrive, rather than managing a revolving door of emergency crises in a family neighborhood.

I urge the City Council to support this transition, invest in long-term solutions, and stabilize our neighborhood by converting this site to permanent housing.

Best regards,

Brandi Muniz

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Dear all,

My name is Shaoqian Wang and I live in the same neighborhood as the 1 Branham EIH. As temporary housing for the homeless, it has greatly deteriorated the cleanliness and safety of the neighborhood.

Therefore, I am writing to support Council member Campos' proposal to convert this facility to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and for individuals age 55 or older.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Shaoqian Wang

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Dear Government Officials,

My name is Alison Guo, and I'm the current resident [REDACTED], which is the neighboring community to 1 Branham ElH. Per the current situation, all the local [REDACTED] residents(including me) are deeply worried about the rising safety and environmental issues caused by the current 1 Branham residence. For a year, we've been through multiple reported crimes, such as destroying the residential mailboxes, delivery package theft, and even the random existence of sex offenders.

Therefore, I'm writing to strongly support Council member Campo's proposal for the conversion

of 1 Branham EIH from homeless apartment to permanent housing for people with disabilities and those aged 55 or older.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Alison Guo

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Greetings,

I am strongly in favor of the proposed change, presented in Councilperson Campos memorandum. As a 20 plus year resident of the Deer Runll community, the quality of life has been drastically changed since the opening of One Branham Lane. Please count this email as support for the proposed change.

Thank you,  
James Ramos

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**Hi Everyone!**

**I'm a resident in the village behind 1 Branham Lane, we support Council Member Pamela Campos' that this homeless facility be converted to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and for individuals age 55 or older.**

**Thank you!**  
**Alwin Junsay**

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Dear City Councilmembers,

I am writing as a resident [REDACTED] to support Councilmember Pamela Campos' recommendation to transition 1 Branham Lane Emergency Interim Housing into permanent housing for low income residents, especially those over 55 or living with disabilities. I believe this approach will benefit both vulnerable residents and the surrounding neighborhood.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Zbigniew Pisanski  
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As a local resident, I urge the City Council to vote in favor of Councilmember Campos's proposal to transition 1 Branham to permanent low-income housing for those 55+ and people with disabilities. This change is exactly what our community needs to restore our quality of life and provide better solutions for the vulnerab

Regards,  
Chandan Bhagwat

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Please support Councilmember Campos's memo to convert the 1 Branham tiny homes into permanent housing for seniors and individuals with disabilities. I believe this transition will lead to a more secure and well managed environment for both the residents and the surrounding Deer Run II community."

Thanks and regards,  
Deepti Hegde

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Dear Councilmembers,

As a nearby resident [REDACTED] community, I have witnessed ongoing issues affecting our neighborhood since the Branham Lane interim housing site opened. I support Councilmember Campos' proposal to convert the facility to permanent housing so that it can operate with greater stability, stronger management, and improved accountability for the surrounding community.

I appreciate the city's efforts to address homelessness while also protecting the quality of life for nearby neighborhoods.

Sincerely,  
Siddharth Babbar

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It has come to my attention that in item 3.3 of the mayor's March budget is a proposal to explore scalable models for extended RV parking, such as working with existing mobile home parks to expand rentable RV parking. This may sound like a way to help remove RVs from our streets but it has obviously not been thought through completely.

There are a host of reasons why this proposal would be difficult if not impossible to implement. To expand spaces in mobile home parks you would first have to have the state's HCD do an evaluation and sign off on it which would take a great deal of time if they even would. You would also need to find places where the current space hasn't already been used in the most efficient way for the park owners to make a profit. The only spots would be community areas such as clubhouses and or recreational areas. If the park owners and mobile homeowner's where willing to give up these areas there would be exorbitant costs to connect them to sewage and utilities.

I'm not sure who would be responsible for those expenditures, but I doubt that the park owners would be willing to take on those costs. RV owners would then need to meet the requirements set by the parks for proof of financial solvency unless the City plans to cover all expenses incurred. Even if those issues could be resolved this would mean bringing an unknown element into an established community that would change its identity, culture and possibly the safety of its residents. Would park owners and residents have a choice in this or would it be forced on them in some way?

This should have been thought through more carefully by the Mayor's staff. It seems like it is just a proposal on paper that will go nowhere but will make the Mayor look like he's addressing the problem while he is campaigning to run for the Governor's office. I am strongly opposed to this proposal and hope that the Council will reject it and come up with a less expensive and divisive way to find places for these RVs.

Sincerely,

Daniel Finn  
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I support the letter from Candelas, Campos, Ortiz, Doan, and Casey on item 3.3 - the introduction of long-term RV parking within established mobile home communities.

First of all, such a move mandates permitting from the State of California, HCD (Housing and Community Development). You can't "just do it."

I have been asked these questions by numerous residents and I ask them now again in this letter:

I have been asked if outreach was made to GSMOL on this issue

I said no.

I have been asked if the City intends to buy RVs for the homeless and move them into Mobilehome Parks.

I said I have no idea.

I have been asked if such folks will be required to meet the 3 X space rent net monthly income threshold.

I said I have no idea.

I have been asked by residents what, if any, case management is going to be provided since the demographics of RV folks now in MH Parks may be different from RV folks on the streets.

I said I have no idea.

I have been asked if the City intends to ask Park owners to eliminate open spaces, ponds, community facilities to provide more spaces for RVs.

I said I have no idea.

Again, I support the Doan et al memo.

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I am in support of the Council Member Compos memo. I purchased my "final" home [REDACTED] complex in 2023. However, the area seemed to change when single homeless residents moved into the Branham One apartments and I began to feel scared and always having to watch out. "Fear is what I felt". I believe that if we had permanent housing for seniors in that apartment complex, the Deer Run Circle residents would most likely be lending a helping hand rather than always calling the police department. 76 year old single retiree.

Thank you.

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Dear Concilmember Campos,

Thank you! The homeless center on Branham--attractive and practical from the outside--is a mess as you know well.  
Hopefully the rest of council will agree with your memo--and the city will put more serious effort to get this place well run, a good neighbor, and under control.

Marilyn Bell Zelaya  
Willow Glen Travel Agency  
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The current EIH has been trouble since day number 1.

Humbly, a citizen of District 2

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Megan Alvarez

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Dear Mayor Mahan, Vice Mayor Foley, Councilmembers, and Staff,

Please find attached a letter from the REAL Coalition regarding Item 3.3, Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message.

We look forward to your discussion on this topic.

Best,

**Shannon Zhang** | Nonprofit Policy + Advocacy Associate

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Dear Mayor Mahan, Vice Mayor Foley, and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of the Race Equity Action Leadership (REAL) Coalition, we submit this letter in response to the Mayor's March Budget Message and the March 13 memorandum from Councilmembers Campos, Ortiz, Doan, Candelas, and Casey, responding to the Message. We thank the Councilmembers who authored the March memorandum (Council memorandum) for elevating affordability as a key priority and emphasizing several priorities that align with community concerns, including homelessness prevention and support for families and young children, youth, and older adults.

As the City begins difficult budget deliberations, REAL urges the Council to center decisions on affordability, racial equity, and household stability, consistent with the principles outlined in our recently submitted framework, *STAY in San José: A Racial Equity Affordability Framework for FY 2026-27*.

Affordability is not a peripheral issue—it is the defining challenge facing San José residents. Budget decisions that determine whether people can remain housed, access childcare, avoid eviction, or maintain economic stability must therefore be evaluated through an affordability and racial equity lens.

These affordability pressures are not evenly distributed. Rising housing costs, displacement, and economic instability disproportionately affect Black residents, Latino residents, immigrant communities, and other historically marginalized groups who have faced decades of housing discrimination, exclusionary zoning, and unequal access to wealth-building opportunities. In San José, Black households in particular continue to experience some of the highest rates of rent burden, displacement risk, and housing instability. As the City evaluates difficult

budget choices, it must do so consistent with the Racial and Social Equity Ordinance and Equity Values and Standards Policy, which require the City to identify and address policies that exacerbate disparities and to center the needs of communities most impacted by inequity.

### **REAL Coalition Priority Recommendations**

In particular, we urge the Council to prioritize the following actions in the FY 2026–27 budget:

#### **1. Expand Homelessness Prevention Investments**

Increase funding for the Homelessness Prevention System (HPS) and related stabilization programs, including flexible financial assistance and eviction prevention services that keep families, older adults, and vulnerable residents housed.

#### **2. Pilot a Code Enforcement–Linked Right to Counsel Program**

Establish a modest pilot program providing legal representation to tenants facing displacement as a result of code enforcement actions, ensuring that efforts to improve housing conditions do not inadvertently push vulnerable residents into homelessness.

#### **3. Sustain and Strengthen Violence Prevention and Youth Programs**

Maintain and expand investments in community-based violence prevention initiatives, including youth-serving programs like BEST, recognizing that prevention-focused approaches improve community safety while supporting young people and families.

#### **4. Maintain and Expand Immigrant Protection and Support Services**

Ensure sustained funding for immigrant protection efforts—including Rapid Response Network services, legal assistance, and Know-Your-Rights programs—so that immigrant families can live, work, and participate in civic life without fear.

These priorities are embedded in the broader framework outlined in **STAY in San José**, which centers affordability, tenant protections, and household stability as essential components of the City’s racial equity commitments.

### **REAL Comments Organized by STAY in San José Framework**

#### **1. Prioritize Permanent Housing and Prevention Over Costly Temporary Systems**

REAL appreciates the Council memorandum's emphasis on reducing inflow into homelessness and expanding prevention efforts, including:

- directing the City Manager to evaluate strategies to reduce homelessness inflow
- exploring increasing the share of Measure E funds for homelessness prevention
- reinvesting savings from interim housing operations into Homelessness Prevention System (HPS) programming

These proposals reflect a growing consensus that preventing homelessness is both more humane and far more cost-effective than responding after people lose housing.

At the same time, we remain concerned that the Mayor's March Budget Message continues to center San José's homelessness strategy on the Emergency Interim Housing (EIH) system, which has required hundreds of millions in capital and operating costs while permanent housing production has not kept pace. The prioritization of EIH creates an ongoing budget burden that cannot solve the housing crisis or the unhoused crisis on its own.

The Mayor's budget message calls for the City to "optimize" its current homelessness response strategies. However, optimizing approaches that are not producing durable housing outcomes will not resolve the crisis. Recent discussions in the Public Safety, Finance, and Strategic Support Committee highlighted that while hundreds of enforcement actions have been taken against unhoused residents under the City's current "code of conduct" approach, this strategy has produced exactly zero documented placements into shelter or housing ("throughputs") as a result of police "outreach." At the same time, the City continues to face a severe shortage of deeply affordable housing and limited capacity in prevention programs that keep residents from becoming homeless in the first place.

San José should focus its efforts on strategies that demonstrably stabilize households—such as prevention, deeply affordable housing, and tenant protections.

We are particularly concerned about proposals to reduce interim housing costs through resident fees or other "shared responsibility" models. Requiring

extremely low-income residents to contribute financially to interim shelter raises serious concerns about whether such policies could undermine residents' ability to stabilize financially and transition to permanent housing (by, for example, saving for a security deposit for a rental unit).

It is also deeply concerning to charge residents fees for living in shelters when many individuals enter the system through police-led outreach and enforcement actions. In an environment where people reasonably fear citation or arrest if they remain outside, requiring extremely low-income residents to pay for shelter raises serious ethical concerns and may undermine their ability to stabilize.

San José should instead focus on strategies that address the root drivers of homelessness, including:

- expanding homelessness prevention and eviction stabilization programs
- increasing the supply of deeply affordable permanent housing
- preserving existing affordable housing stock

## **2. Protect and Preserve Existing Affordable Housing**

San José cannot solve its affordability crisis solely through new construction and most certainly not anytime soon. The City must also protect the housing that residents already rely on.

REAL remains concerned that the Mayor's budget message focuses heavily on streamlining development and reducing regulatory barriers without identifying new resources for deeply affordable housing.

In particular, proposals encouraging reinvestment or redevelopment of older multifamily housing raise concerns about the potential loss of naturally occurring and rent-controlled affordable housing—often the most accessible housing for low-income residents, older adults, and immigrant families (without public subsidy).

Specifically, proposals to weaken tenant protections through changes to the Ellis Act are a policy idea that refuses to stay buried, despite longstanding evidence that such changes accelerate displacement. Redevelopment and redevelopment incentives that do not include strong tenant protections and replacement requirements risk worsening affordability rather than improving it.

REAL also supports the direction in the Council memorandum to explore the Working Families Housing proposal in partnership with regional jurisdictions, labor unions, and institutional investors. Developing new financing models that leverage pension funds and public-private partnerships could help produce permanently affordable housing for working families while reducing reliance on scarce public subsidy.

Again, we encourage the Council to strengthen strategies that:

- preserve rent-stabilized housing
- protect tenants from displacement
- invest in deeply affordable housing production

### **3. Stabilize Tenants and Prevent Displacement**

REAL appreciates the Council memorandum's direction to explore proactive code enforcement in Project Hope neighborhoods and partnerships with legal organizations and community-based organizations to support tenant protections.

These approaches recognize that housing stability requires not only building housing, but also ensuring that existing housing is safe and tenants can exercise their rights.

At the same time, code enforcement strategies must be implemented carefully to avoid unintended consequences. Enforcement programs that focus solely on buildings without supporting tenants may inadvertently trigger displacement if repairs or redevelopment lead to eviction.

We encourage the City to ensure that proactive code enforcement strategies include:

- tenant legal support; we respectfully ask for a MBA that evaluates the costs (and benefits) of an eviction representation pilot that prioritizes those in Tier 2 or Tier 3 buildings who are high risk of displacement and retaliation from landlords
- displacement prevention strategies
- partnerships with community-based organizations that protect tenants

### **4. Invest in Youth, Families, and Community-Based Prevention**

REAL appreciates several elements of the Council memorandum that prioritize investments in youth and families, including:

- increasing funding for implementation of the Children and Youth Services Master Plan to \$1 million
- protecting programs such as BEST and other youth violence prevention and intervention initiatives
- recognizing the importance of affordable childcare

We appreciate the Mayor's inclusion of \$500,000 in one-time funding to support the Children and Youth Services Master Plan priorities.

However, the scale of these investments does not yet match the urgency of the challenges facing young people and families. Community-based nonprofit organizations are already delivering culturally responsive youth programming and violence prevention services that are critical to neighborhood stability. Sustaining and expanding these programs should remain a priority.

REAL also supports the memorandum's recognition that affordable childcare is a major economic issue for families, and we encourage the City to continue working with Santa Clara County and community providers to strengthen childcare access. We support recommendation 29 of the Council memorandum to provide alternative funding options to sustain the Family, Friends, and Neighbors (FFN) Caregiver Support Network. We also recommend evaluating a community benefit strategy that potentially takes advantage of incoming data centers to fund childcare and other affordability and economic empowerment strategies.

## **5. Advance Community Safety Through Community-Based Solutions**

REAL appreciates the Council memorandum's emphasis on prevention and community investment, including protecting programs such as Project Hope and strengthening youth programming.

However, we remain concerned that the Mayor's budget message continues to prioritize enforcement-based strategies and expanded surveillance technologies while investing comparatively less in community-based responses.

San José and Santa Clara County have already made important progress in developing alternative response programs such as TRUST, which connect residents

experiencing mental health crises with appropriate care rather than relying solely on police response. Protecting and even expanding this successful model would improve outcomes while reducing reliance on more expensive emergency, policing, and carceral systems.

Last year's budget missed an opportunity to invest in—at very low cost—a community-designed, community-based strategy to prevent and intervene in interpersonal violence. This strategy should be revisited; communities should be given the support and tools to design their own solutions, drawing on the lived experience, trust, and knowledge that already exist within their neighborhoods.

We encourage the City to continue strengthening community-based safety strategies that prevent harm and stabilize neighborhoods.

## **6. Support Immigrant Communities and Small Businesses**

REAL appreciates the Council memorandum's direction to continue to protect those impacted by immigration enforcement concerns.

Immigrant families and immigrant-owned businesses are essential to San José's economic vitality. Policies that create fear or economic instability within immigrant communities have ripple effects across neighborhoods and local economies.

We also appreciate the Mayor's acknowledgement of the importance of immigrant support services, including legal assistance and rapid response programs. However, the current proposal identifies no dedicated funding allocation for the coming fiscal year, raising major concerns about the sustainability of these services during a period of uniquely heightened need. REAL stands in solidarity with our immigrant-serving partners in requesting that the City sustain the \$1 million in funding for immigrant protection and support and honor the Mayor's previously stated goal of raising \$500,000 from philanthropic organizations.

## **7. Ensure Budget Decisions Advance Affordability and Equity Over Non-Essential or Ineffective Initiatives**

At a time when San José faces a profound affordability crisis, the City must be clear-eyed about the consequences of its budget choices. While community-based services that stabilize households are being eliminated, reduced, or not renewed—including immigrant protection services, older adult nutrition and legal programs that prevent eviction, childcare provider training, family stabilization supports in East San José, and community-based crisis response—the Mayor’s proposal includes investments and directives that do not address root causes. These include one-time expenditures related to major event preparation, expanded surveillance and artificial intelligence tools, additional enforcement pilots for blight and dumping, a staff study mission to San Diego, and the creation of an additional Strategic Partnerships position in the Mayor’s Office, despite the existence of a similar role already within that office. The message also calls for yet another analysis of City-owned housing sites, despite years of previous reports that have already identified opportunities to use public land for affordable housing.

These choices are not race-neutral. Reductions to community-supporting services disproportionately affect communities already experiencing the greatest housing instability—particularly Black households, immigrant families, and low-income residents in historically underinvested neighborhoods such as East San José.

REAL does not oppose innovation or economic development, but these initiatives must not come at the expense of the services that allow residents to remain housed, healthy, and economically stable. As the STAY framework emphasizes, San José must prioritize stability over symbolic initiatives and permanent solutions over temporary or peripheral investments.

## **Conclusion**

San José residents consistently identify affordability and housing stability as the most urgent challenges facing the City. The choices made in this year’s budget will determine whether San José moves closer to addressing these challenges—or allows them to deepen.

The REAL Coalition urges the Council to prioritize policies that allow residents to **stay in San José**, including:

- expanding homelessness prevention
- protecting tenants and preserving affordable housing

- investing in youth, families, and community-based safety
- ensuring budget decisions advance racial equity and household stability

We appreciate your leadership during this challenging fiscal period and look forward to continued collaboration.

Sincerely,

Vaughn Villaverde  
AACI  
Co-Chair, REAL Coalition

Kathy Cordova  
Co-Chair, REAL Coalition

Kyra Kazantzis  
Silicon Valley Council of Nonprofits  
Co-Convenor, REAL Coalition

Poncho Guevara  
Sacred Heart Community Service  
Co-Convenor, REAL Coalition

On behalf of the REAL Coalition

### **About the REAL Coalition**

The Race Equity Action Leadership (REAL) Coalition is an alliance of more than 50 nonprofit organizational members, along with many additional nonprofit partners, community advocates, and grassroots leaders. REAL is committed to dismantling white supremacy culture and systemic racism, using our positional power to advance movement goals, and facilitating the voice of community in government decision-making. We are also committed to learning, advocacy, and organizing while building power in authentic community solidarity.

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Dear Mayor Mahan, Vice Mayor Foley, and Honorable Councilmembers,

On behalf of SV@Home, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Mayor's March Budget Message and the difficult choices facing the City this budget season. Please find attached our letter in response.

Warm regards,

**Alison Cingolani, AICP**  
*Director of Policy*



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RE: SV@Home Response to the Mayor's March Budget Message

Dear Mayor Mahan, Vice Mayor Foley, and Honorable Councilmembers:

On behalf of SV@Home, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Mayor's March Budget Message and the difficult choices facing the City this budget season. We are pleased that at a time when fiscal constraints could easily push housing solutions to the margins, the Mayor's efforts keep housing production central to the City's agenda.

We are especially encouraged by the focus on reducing barriers to housing development through meaningful structural reforms. Streamlining fees, guaranteeing permit timelines, and stripping away unnecessary building codes are valuable structural changes that could significantly ease housing production.

We also appreciate the inclusion of construction tax waivers as a strategy to reduce development costs for affordable housing. This is an important acknowledgment that local fees can affect project feasibility, especially in today's difficult financing environment. At the same time, the Council should recognize that this tool will not benefit all affordable housing types equally. Developments using project-based vouchers are already exempt from construction taxes.

There is currently a pipeline of projects with some funding secured and firm commitments of project-based vouchers for permanent supportive housing: a critically necessary response to chronic homelessness. Similarly, acquisition-rehabilitation projects, despite being essential preservation and anti-displacement tools, often have relatively low construction valuation, so construction tax waivers produce only modest savings. For these reasons, construction tax waivers should be viewed as one helpful tool, but not a standalone solution. The City should continue to identify additional tools to support permanent supportive housing, acquisition-rehab, and preservation, including direct local gap financing, fee deferrals, and other targeted subsidy mechanisms.

We are pleased that the March Budget Message would maintain the commitment of **10% of Measure E funds for homelessness prevention**. This remains one of the City's most important tools to keep households stably housed and prevent homelessness before it occurs. We urge the Council not only to preserve this commitment, but to direct any identified surplus or additional flexible revenue toward prevention.

At the same time, we are concerned that no funding is identified for tenant protection Housing Element programs beyond homelessness prevention. San José's Housing Element includes important commitments to reduce displacement and protect housing stability, but those commitments will not be meaningful without dedicated resources.

In particular, the City should identify funding for **proactive code enforcement and eviction prevention strategies** in Housing Element Programs including S-6, S-12, and S-28. Proactive

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code enforcement is especially important in older rental housing, where unsafe conditions and deferred maintenance can threaten tenants and contribute to displacement. Eviction prevention, including legal services, emergency assistance, and outreach, remains essential to keeping vulnerable households housed. San José cannot meet its housing goals by focusing only on production while underinvesting in the stability of current renters.

The directive to the City Manager to “bring recommendations to update the Ellis Act in a way that incentivizes investment in older housing stock, while protecting against displacement” should clearly state that tenant protections must not be weakened. The Ellis Act is an important tool to help prevent the displacement of lower-income households. While the City should absolutely explore ways to support reinvestment in older housing stock, that cannot come at the expense of tenants. The Council should make clear that any recommendations brought forward must preserve and strengthen anti-displacement protections—not dilute them.

Finally, the March Budget Message identifies no funding to support the existing pipeline of new affordable housing developments currently advancing toward construction, nor for the preservation of existing affordable housing. Given our shortfall of existing resources, staff needs direction and funding to support exploration of the next generation of affordable housing funding.

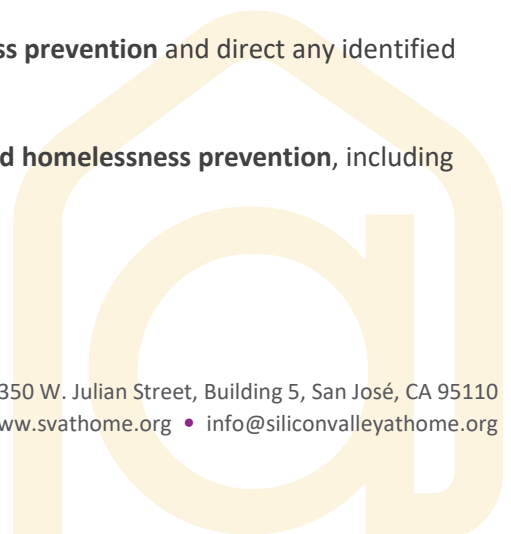
Regulatory reform, fee waivers, and process improvements are all valuable—but they are not substitutes for actual subsidy. Affordable housing, especially homes serving extremely low-income households and people exiting homelessness, does not pencil without public investment. Likewise, preserving affordable homes and naturally occurring affordable housing often requires capital to acquire, rehabilitate, and stabilize properties before they are lost to speculation or deterioration.

If San José is serious about being bold on housing, that boldness must include funding for affordable housing production and preservation—not just reforms to make development easier. We urge the Council to identify any available one-time or ongoing resources that can be directed toward local gap financing, acquisition-rehabilitation opportunities, and permanent supportive housing pipeline needs.

We appreciate the Mayor's effort to advance meaningful housing reforms in a difficult budget year. To truly meet this moment, however, San José must pair production-focused reforms with investments in housing stability, tenant protections, anti-displacement strategies, and affordable housing investment.

We urge the Council to:

1. **Support construction tax waivers while recognizing their limits**, especially for permanent supportive housing and acquisition-rehabilitation projects;
2. **Preserve the 10% Measure E commitment to homelessness prevention** and direct any identified surplus or additional funds toward prevention;
3. **Fund tenant protection Housing Element programs beyond homelessness prevention**, including proactive code enforcement and eviction prevention;



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4. Clarify that any Ellis Act recommendations must not weaken tenant protections and must prioritize anti-displacement outcomes; and
5. Identify funding for affordable housing production and preservation, recognizing that structural reform alone cannot close the affordability gap.

SV@Home stands ready to partner with the City in advancing a housing agenda that is both ambitious and equitable- one that not only makes it easier to build, but ensures that lower-income residents, tenants, and people experiencing or at risk of homelessness are not left behind.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Regina Celestin Williams  
Executive Director



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Hello:

I DO NOT support Council Member Pamela Campos' suggestion to convert Branham 1 to low income housing. This place was built to temporarily house the homeless, which it has been doing for over one year now. Yes it has its problems but the good outweighs the bad. 200 people are off the streets and with the help of many organizations are finding permanent housing.

If this place is changed over to low income housing, then all these homeless residents will be homeless again.

I have lived [REDACTED] for 23 years.

Thank you, Steve

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*Steven R. Morales, MSW*

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To whom it may concern,

I, Corenna Braun support Council Member Compos to have 1 Branham be converted to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and individuals that are 55+.

Since 1 Branham has been built. There's noting been trouble over there. When walking in my own complex, I hear nothing but fighting and yelling from across the street daily. Their alarms are going off constantly. One of the units did catch on fire last week.

We have sex offenders living there. One sex offender (also has a previous sexual assault conviction) that lives there that was arrested for sexually assaulted on a young girl. Someone has overdose and die in their unit. One of their employees was arrested for selling drugs. There's no drug testing for anyone who lives there or background checks. There's been more traffic in our complex over night and they leave their scooters or bike in our common areas. When will I be able to feel safe in my own neighborhood?

Regards,

Corenna Braun

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Dear City Council members,

I am writing to you on behalf of San Jose's libraries. I consider them an invaluable resource. I personally use them all the time. Checking out books is only one thing I do there. Sometimes I put books on hold. Sometimes I use the reading rooms. My kids have used the music library extensively. And I am in the community room at least once a month, if not more, to attend neighborhood relevant meetings.

We need to keep a public space that does not require anyone to pay money just to be there. We need an open forum where citizens and neighbors can meet. Please keep funding our libraries.

Sincerely,

Ute Orgassa

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**FW: Funding for Rapid Response Network**

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Please forward to council members for tomorrow's meeting:

- We urge the council to preserve the \$1 million in funding that was invested last year, and honor the Mayor's promise of raising an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy. This funding would continue to fund deportation defense legal services and the Rapid Response Network
- **As well as being a Rapid Responder, through the RRN I am also accompaniment responder, trained to accompany parties to either an ICE check-in or Immigration Court. In this capacity I have witnessed first hand the fear and anxiety asylum seekers are experiencing right now. Our presence with them not only reassures them that they are not alone but we can also document any negative outcome of their appointment. This last part is crucial to their attorneys to assist them in releasing their clients.**
- We are encouraged that the Mayor's budget message includes re-investing in immigration services, we need to preserve the full \$1M and raise the additional \$500,000 through philanthropy. These protections are critical to ensuring immigrant residents can work, access services, and remain safely housed in San José.
- With this initial investment, trusted community-based organizations have delivered over 70 Know Your Rights presentations to over 1,100 immigrant San Jose residents and legal services organizations have been able to serve over 300 individuals with immigration support.
- Studies show that individuals with legal representation are 10 times more likely to have a positive outcome in their immigration case, which is why we need to continue investing in immigration services to support those who need legal representation.
- In today's political climate, we need to meet the moment and protect our most vulnerable neighbors. Investing in immigration legal services and Know Your Rights education and outreach will help our immigrant residents continue to live, work, and make contributions to our city.

Jacqueline Griffin  
Sunnyvale



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Hello,

Please accept this letter as strong support for the memo by Council Member Campos to redevelop 1 Branham Lane (EIH) into affordable housing for senior and disabled residents. Although emergency homeless shelters serve a critical role, I believe this location is better utilized for this intended long-term housing solution.

Sincerely,  
Brittnie Sanchez

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Hello,

I am writing to express my strong support for Council Member Campos's proposal to convert 1 Branham Lane (EIH) into affordable housing for seniors and people with disabilities. While emergency homeless shelters serve a purpose, the location of such facilities requires careful consideration, making this repurposing a better fit for the area.

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City Council Members –

Please note that I strongly support the memo from Council Member Campos regarding the closure of the homeless shelter on Branham Lane.

This type of shelter should never have been built in a residential community. And the fact that it is corrupt and not operating properly in so many ways should in and of itself be enough to close the facility and NEVER reopen it as any type of homeless shelter.

I support a 55+ community in this space. It fits well with the surrounding homes and lifestyles.

Thank you.  
Margie Versen

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Dear Council Members,

I urge the council to preserve the \$1 million in funding that was invested last year, and honor the Mayor's promise of raising an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy. This funding would continue to fund deportation defense legal services and the Rapid Response Network.

I volunteer as a Rapid Responder in Santa Clara County and am proud to be serving the migrant community in our country. We are encouraged that the Mayor's budget message includes re-investing in immigration services, we need to preserve the full \$1M and raise the additional \$500,000 through philanthropy. These protections are critical to ensuring immigrant residents can work, access services, and remain safely housed in San José.

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In today's political climate, we need to meet the moment and protect our most vulnerable neighbors. Investing in immigration legal services and Know Your Rights education and outreach will help our immigrant residents continue to live, work, and make contributions to our city.

Sincerely,  
Molly Aufdermauer  
Santa Clara County Resident

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Dear Mayor Mahan, City Councilmembers, and City Clerk,

On behalf of the Santa Clara County Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California, I submit the attached letter, in pdf format, as public comments on agenda item 3.3, "Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message," of the San José City Council meeting to be held on March 17, 2026.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Victor Sin  
Santa Clara County Volunteer Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California



200 E. Santa Clara Street,  
San José CA 95113

March 16, 2026

**Re: Item 3.3, Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message**

Dear Mayor Mahan and City Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Santa Clara County Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California, I submit public comments on agenda item 3.3, "Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message" of the City Council meeting on March 17, 2026.

*Reducing Homelessness*

We understand the city is facing a critical situation with homelessness, and that there are challenging decisions to be made to support the wellbeing of the city's residents. We are staunchly opposed to any proposals or procedures to arrest, jail, and criminalize unhoused people. People who are unsheltered cannot avoid living outdoors when there is insufficient access to dignified interim or long-term housing. Any such procedures only criminalize unhoused San José residents, traumatize poor people in our community, and do not make the city safer. While we applaud the City's efforts to reduce homelessness, the City must make further investments into long-term, sustainable housing options instead of short-term, interim stop-gap measures.

This is both a racial justice and disability justice issue. Black people in Santa Clara County represent 2% of the population, but 12% of those who are unhoused<sup>1</sup>. A significant portion of San José's unhoused population reports having disabilities. According to data from the 2025 Santa Clara County Point-In-Time County Community Report, 26% of respondents reported having a physical disability, 27% reported chronic health issues, and 25% reported serious mental illness.

We appeal to City Council to reject proposals or procedures to jail unhoused people in San José. The city should not be conducting encampment sweeps, including sweeps of dispersed encampments, without safe, clean, and welcoming alternatives. We urge the City to invest in affordable housing and basic survival needs for our unhoused community members. We continue to be deeply concerned about reallocation of Measure E funding towards interim makeshift measures instead of funding new housing development. Resources should not be used to expand the homeless shelter system—a strategy that only further segregates unhoused people away from their communities and services. We agree that the City and County should improve collaboration and together deepen investment, in a coordinated fashion, in

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<sup>1</sup> Santa Clara County *Point-In-Time Count Community Report 2025*, available at <https://files.santaclaracounty.gov/exjcpb1571/2025-09/santa-clara-county-point-in-time-count-2025-final-report.pdf?>

the solutions that actually work and don't further harm traumatized people. We also hope that City Council will elicit perspectives and feedback from unhoused San José residents—they are your constituents and our fellow community members.

We remain concerned that the Mayor's March Budget Message continues to center San José's homelessness strategy on the Emergency Interim Housing (EIH) system, which has required hundreds of millions in capital and operating costs while permanent housing production has not kept pace. The prioritization of EIH creates an ongoing budget burden that cannot solve the housing crisis or the unhoused crisis on its own.

We question proposals to reduce interim housing costs through resident fees or other "shared responsibility" models. Requiring extremely low-income residents to contribute financially to interim shelter raises serious concerns about whether such policies could undermine residents' ability to stabilize financially and transition to permanent housing (by, for example, saving for a security deposit for a rental unit).

It is also deeply concerning to charge residents fees for living in shelters when many individuals enter the system through police-led outreach and enforcement actions. In an environment where people reasonably fear citation or arrest if they remain outside, requiring extremely low-income residents to pay for shelter raises serious ethical concerns and may undermine their ability to stabilize.

### Technology and Privacy

The March Budget Message notes the function of the SJPD Real Time Intelligence Center (RTIC). The RTIC already aggregates data including footage from cameras, creating a vast surveillance network able to monitor the everyday movements of law-abiding community members.

This surveillance is particularly dangerous to immigrant communities. There is clear evidence that local law enforcement agencies are sharing surveillance data with federal immigration enforcement<sup>2</sup>. Across the United States, federal immigration agencies have eagerly exploited local databases rich with information collected by private data brokers, municipal agencies, and police departments. This information is fed into a deportation machine that tears apart immigrant communities. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has further expanded its reach into communities by exploiting local surveillance systems and databases to track, identify, and target immigrant community members for detention and deportation. No local surveillance system is safe from ICE's demands.

As abortion and gender-affirming care is being criminalized in some states, there is a real threat that surveillance information collected in communities will be exploited to identify, track, and criminalize people who travel for care and the Californians who are helping those people obtain care. Deploying surveillance systems in our community fills databases with information that place people at risk. Even if there are limits to sharing information, once this information is collected, there is no foolproof way to immunize it from legal demands brought by out-of-state governments.

We are deeply concerned about the evaluation of integrating "additional City-owned camera networks, including Airport, Library, and Department of Transportation systems" into the RTIC. San José residents should not be subjected to their information becoming part of a vast surveillance network for simply accessing city library services.

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<sup>2</sup> SFPD let Georgia, Texas cops illegally search city surveillance data on behalf of ICE, available at <https://sfstandard.com/2025/09/08/sfpd-flock-alpr-ice-data-sharing/>.

We encourage you, as policy-makers, to look into and invest in alternatives to surveillance that are proven to increase public safety. Investing in the physical lighting of a neighborhood, rather than installing more cameras, can reap community-wide benefits. City Council must deliberate about the very real harms of surveillance and whether these invasive tools have been demonstrated to make a meaningful impact on public safety.

We are concerned about the proposal to allocate funding to an AI transcription service for body-worn camera footage. Police technology company Axon is pushing its “Draft One” product, which uses body camera recordings to generate a first draft of a police report for officers after an incident. Police reports play a crucial role in our justice system. They are central to the criminal proceedings that determine people’s innocence, guilt, and punishment, and are often the only official account of what took place during a particular incident. There are several problems with AI being used with body-worn camera footage. Using body camera transcripts for creating AI police reports raises significant issues around evidence and memory and raises serious questions about transparency. Requirements for police to write down the reasons for use of discretionary power reminds them of the legal limits of their authority<sup>3</sup>.

#### Immigration Services

We applaud the City for allocating \$1 million in one-time funding to support immigrant communities last year. This funding went to critical needs in our community, including Know-Your-Rights information and legal services. The depth of need in our immigrant community still far outpaces supportive programs. We implore the City to again consider allocating funding for immigration services.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to these important issues.

Respectfully,

Victor Sin  
Santa Clara County Volunteer Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California

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<sup>3</sup> ACLU White Paper on Police Departments' Use of AI to Draft Police Reports, available at <https://www.aclu.org/documents/aclu-on-police-departments-use-of-ai-to-draft-police-reports>.

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I am writing to urge you to preserve the \$1 million in funding invested last year and to honor the commitment to raise an additional \$500,000 through philanthropy. This funding is essential to continue supporting deportation defense legal services and the Rapid Response Network (RRN).

As a current Rapid Responder, I have seen firsthand how the RRN successfully assists families during the difficult days following an arrest or detention. The RRN has built a community that supports both vulnerable immigrants and the volunteers within the network. It provides an organized way for volunteers to engage with the broader San Jose community and work together to help others.

In today's fragmented political and cultural climate, having a unified goal to support our fellow residents helps keep San Jose united. Investing in immigration legal services, as well as "Know Your Rights" education and outreach, ensures that our immigrant residents can continue to live, work, and contribute to our city.

Thank you for your time and for your commitment to our community.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Zeidenstein

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Greetings,

Hope you are well. Regarding Agenda item 3.3 for the Tues 3/17 meeting, please preserve the 1.1 million in funding that was promised last year to the Rapid Response Network, as well as an additional .5 million from philanthropy. I am a Rapid Responder and it is so important to protect our undocumented neighbors, who contribute many good things to our community.

Thank you,  
Geri Weitzman PhD

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Good afternoon,

My name is Monica Limas, Director of Center for Employment Training's Immigration and Citizenship Program. Our program provides vital immigration legal services to San Jose City residents. I urge the mayor and council to preserve the \$1M in funding that was invested last year, and honor the mayor's commitment to raise an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy.

In today's political climate, we need to meet the moment and protect our most vulnerable neighbors. Investing in immigration legal services and Know Your Rights education and outreach will help our immigrant residents continue to live, work, and make contributions to our city.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,

**Monica Limas**

Director of Immigration and Citizenship Program (ICP)



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Dear City Clerk, please add this to the record for Agenda Item 3.3 on March 17, 2026.

My name is Steve Gonzales and I live in city council district 6 and I urge the mayor and council to preserve the \$1M in funding that was invested last year, and honor the mayor's commitment to raise an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy for Immigration support like the Rapid Response Network (RRN).

I am a Responder and it would be unconscionable that me and my fellow citizens need to continue to do put ourselves at risk AND pay for it out of our pocket or for the program to be defunded. I have gone on numerous calls to both the ISAP office accompanying immigrants and to ICE Alerts at all hours of the day and night. We should NOT have to do this in this in a supposed "democratic" country.

We are being attacked by rabid fascists who will not stop here. Now it is human trafficking, what will come next is genocide. The City MUST fund RRN and other immigrant programs.

With the initial city investment, trusted community-based organizations have delivered over 70 Know Your Rights presentations to over 1,100 immigrant San Jose residents and legal services organizations have been able to serve over 300 individuals with immigration support.

Studies show that individuals with legal representation are 10 times more likely to have a positive outcome in their immigration case, which is why we need to continue investing in immigration services to support those who need legal representation.

Best Regards,  
Steve Gonzales

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Hello,

I am writing in support of Council Member Compos' memo for 1 Branham to be converted to permanent housing for individuals with disabilities and for individuals age 55 or older

Thank you  
Jessica Chao

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Hello,

I fully support Council Member Campos's proposal to repurpose 1 Branham Lane for senior and disabled housing. The current emergency shelter has brought significant disruption and safety concerns to our neighborhood. A transition to permanent, affordable housing is a more appropriate use for this location and will better serve both the residents and the surrounding community.

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

On behalf of the San Jose Chamber of commerce, attached is a letter in support of the Mayor's March budget message.

Sincerely,

Lennies



Lennies M. Gutierrez  
Policy Consultant  
San Jose Chamber of Commerce



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City of San Jose City Council  
200 E. Santa Clara St.  
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**Re: Support for Item 3.3 - Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Mayor's March Budget Message**

Dear Mayor Mahan and Councilmembers,

San Jose's ability to accelerate housing delivery, business openings, and economic activity will define our competitiveness in the years ahead.

On behalf of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce, we support key priorities outlined in the Mayor's Budget Message and offer our partnership in advancing a focused, outcomes-driven approach to economic growth.

We highlight the following priorities as critical to San Jose's competitiveness:

**Fiscal responsibility paired with economic growth**

We support the Mayor's focus on fiscal discipline and maintaining core services, alongside strategies that generate new revenue through economic growth and long-term competitiveness.

**Safe, clean, and functional city**

Progress on public safety and homelessness is essential to a strong economy. A well-managed city supports residents, businesses, and visitors—and underpins a vibrant downtown and business districts.

**Strengthening PBCE and "one team" permitting**

We support minimizing impacts to Planning, Building Code, and Enforcement and advancing a "one team" approach across departments. Speed and predictability in permitting are critical factors in whether projects move forward in San Jose.

**Streamlined permitting to accelerate activation**

Reducing timelines for approvals will enable faster housing delivery, quicker business openings, and more active commercial corridors. Time to delivery is one of the most important drivers of economic feasibility.

**Housing production through cost and process reform**

We support deferring impact fees and taxes until certificate of occupancy and moving toward a per square foot fee structure. Continued focus on reducing costs and delays will be essential to meeting housing goals and supporting the workforce.

**Advancing the Sports & Entertainment District**

We encourage continued progress on a coordinated sports and entertainment strategy, including activation of public spaces and streamlined permitting for events. With global events ahead, this is a



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key opportunity to drive visitation, jobs, and revenue, while positioning San Jose as a premier destination for major events and year-round activity. The Chamber stands ready to partner in shaping and implementing this vision.

**Supporting small businesses and corridors**

We support continued investment in programs like the Storefront Activation Grant, alongside reducing permitting and regulatory barriers so small businesses can open and grow more quickly.

The San Jose Chamber of Commerce is committed to serving as a strategic partner—convening business, sports, entertainment, and civic leaders to help deliver a cohesive economic development strategy. With alignment and focus, San Jose can fully realize this moment of opportunity.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,



Leah Toeniskoetter  
President & CEO, San Jose Chamber of Commerce

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I am in support of the Mayor's March budget message; however, in regards to homelessness, I would strongly urge the city council/city manager implement a policy for better oversight, management, accountability of the operators of the various sites.

Some of the EIH sites have been in existence for at least 5 years. As a city, we should be able to learn over the years what works, what doesn't, how to be more effective to those that need help. As a District 2 resident, I am appalled that an employee of the company managing 1 Branham Lane was in possession of and selling drugs to the residents there. I am not comfortable that some residents at these sites have criminal backgrounds.

In regards to CM Campos' memo regarding 1 Branham Lane, I can support this; however, in conjunction, we must also have a policy for better management and oversight of all of the various EIH sites/shelters in the city. If a resident of 1 Branham Lane does not meet the recommended category, where will they go? To another site? One could argue that we are just moving the problem around

without addressing the issue. Let's make sure that we look at the big picture if we, the city, is responsible for management of these sites. I understand that the city alone can't completely resolve the issue and am happy to see collaboration finally take place with the county to help, but please help the neighboring communities surrounding the EIH sites. Being a good neighbor goes both ways and better oversight and accountability is definitely needed.

As a native San Josean, I can only hope for better outcomes in my district and city when it comes to the unhoused and EIH facilities.

Wanda Wong  
District 2

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To whom it may concern,

I support council member Campos memorandum. We have packages and mail stolen every month. It will be much safer for the community to turn the place to 55+ housing. We have three kids and they don't feel safe playing outside as we are only a block away

Thanks,  
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Hello, my name is Christal Niederer and I live in district 10.

I have been a member of the Rapid Response Network since 2017 and I have witnessed people being taken away in waist and ankle shackles multiple times here in San Jose. It is very disturbing to watch peaceful humans treated this way, and I am so impressed by the support work the network does.

I urge the mayor and council to preserve the \$1M in funding that was invested last year, and honor the mayor's commitment to raise an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy. This funding would continue to fund deportation defense legal services, Know Your Rights Outreach and Education, and the Rapid Response Network.

Thank you.

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**Fw: Agenda Item 3.3 for 3/17 budget meeting**

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Good afternoon, my name is Stephanie Kraemer and I live in city council district 6, and I urge the mayor and council to preserve the \$1M in funding that was invested last year, and honor the mayor's commitment to raise an additional \$500,000 from philanthropy. This funding would continue to fund deportation defense legal services, Know Your Rights Outreach and Education, and the Rapid Response Network. We're living in uncertain times, and we need the City of San Jose to continue to stand up for our most vulnerable neighbors so that they can continue to live, work, and raise their families in their communities.

I began volunteering with RRN of SCC out of concern for my neighbors and the well-being of our community. This organization is protecting us in a way that our city government is incapable of. It deserves as much funding as has been promised and more!!

Thanks  
Steph  
Sent from my iPhone

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Dear Honorable Mayor Mahan and City Council,

At the San José Public Library Foundation, we recognize that the City is facing a difficult budget year and real tradeoffs. At the same time, the Mayor's message is clear that San José should preserve day to day core services to the maximum extent feasible, especially services residents rely on most. Public libraries are, in practice, one of those core services residents rely on the most.

The Mayor's message also specifically recognizes San José Public Library as one of the City's most trusted services and calls for exploration of a renewed and expanded dedicated funding stream through the existing parcel tax. We support that direction. But while a longer-term solution is explored, the City should prioritize protecting library service levels now. SJPLF respectfully urges the City Council to keep Library funding at the same level in FY 2026-27 and avoid further cuts to staffing, collections, safety, digital access, and facility needs.

The gravity of protecting library funding is made clear in the numbers. Across San José's 25 branches, the library system welcomed more than 3.8 million visitors, circulated nearly 5.5 million items, hosted more than 17,400 programs, and served more than 755,000 cardholders in the most recent fiscal year. Put simply, that equals more than 10,500 visits a day, more than 15,000 items borrowed a day, nearly 48 programs a day, and nearly 1,000 program participants a day. Even with constrained public dollars, our library system is having an outsized impact. Based on visitor totals reported in the San Francisco Public Library's 2024-25 Annual Report and each system's adopted operating budget, San José Public Library delivers more than twice as many visits per \$1M in funding than the San Francisco Public Library, underscoring just how cost effective this public service is.

During a difficult economic moment for many San José families, their demands of our Library are rising, not falling. In the most recent reporting year, foot traffic increased by 6.35%, programming increased by 15%, and overall library space demand increased by 11%. Volunteer support also rose sharply, with total volunteers up 21% and volunteer hours up 17%, suggesting that residents are not only using libraries, but also dedicating their time and energy to supporting them. These trends make clear that residents are turning to libraries in growing numbers for learning, connection, and access to essential resources.

We also ask that Council remember that prior reductions to library funding have already strained access to collections, with 75,458 holds on eBooks and audiobooks and more than 7,400 items carrying months-long wait times. The Library and Education Commission has made the case for protecting library operations, staffing, collections, digital equity programs, and continued implementation of the Facilities and Customer Experience Master Plan. The latter is especially important given that 11 of the City's 25 branches are more than 20 years old, and the current facilities roadmap identifies approximately 497,000 residents as underserved. While the need clearly points to greater investment, we recognize the City's fiscal constraints, which is why our ask is simply to keep Library funding at current levels.

Libraries also advance the very goals the City says it values: educational attainment, workforce development, digital inclusion, neighborhood vitality, and economic mobility. They are safe and welcoming public spaces where residents learn, apply for jobs, build digital skills, access technology, and connect with community. Philanthropy can help strengthen that work, but it cannot and should not be expected to replace sustained public investment in core library operations.

Finally, public support for library funding is woven into the fabric of daily life across San José. Many letters have already been submitted in support of libraries through this budget process, and I see reminders every day, both personally and professionally, of how deeply residents value these spaces. At SJPLF, we believe it is our responsibility to help represent the more than 755,000 cardholders who may not be able to voice their support or advocacy for a variety of reasons. All of this points to a simple truth that our team sees and hears every day: residents use, need, and value their libraries.

For all of these reasons, SJPLF respectfully asks the City Council to preserve San José Public Library in the FY 2026-27 budget, keep funding flat from the current year, and avoid any further reduction of staffing, collections, safety, or facility investment.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

**Dawn Coppin, PhD** *(she/her)*

Chief Executive Officer

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As a homeowner [REDACTED] community I agree that this housing facility should be made available for qualifying adults for safe affordable housing for the elderly, disabled, low income, community etc.

I am pleased that the prior contract has been cancelled and hope this will be a new beginning for all!

Thank you to all who made this contract cancellation happen!

Katie Conners  
[REDACTED]  
San Jose, CA 95136

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To whom it may concern,

The LifeMoves project at 1 Branham Ln has failed. I support Council Member Pamela Campos's solution to turn 1 Branham Ln into low income housing for the elderly.

Sincerely,

Jose Ramos, Jr.

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