From: Erika Casey

Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:10 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Reallocate Funds



[External Email]

Hello,

I am writing to express my strong agreement with recent proposals to reallocate funding from the San Jose Police Department to other areas. The people who respond to various crises in the community should not be the police but rather those who are trained to deal with them such as social workers, survivor advocates, neighbors, and mental health providers.

Increased funding to the police DOES NOT mean increased safety, but quite the opposite.

Thank you

Erika Casey

From: Alex Hao

Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:45 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Reallocate funding from SJPD to other resources.

Hi there,

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Given the cruel and violent response of the SJPD to peaceful protests over the past week and lack of accountability for the disproportionate impact this has and will continue to have on communities of color, more funding for the SJPD is not the answer.

Increased funding to the police DOES NOT mean increased safety but rather the opposite, as we've seen quite clearly in San Jose this week.

Thank you,

Alex Hao

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 8:35 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

Hello,

From: Anshul Aggarwal

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Require de-escalation.

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Duty to intervene.

Ban shooting at moving vehicles.

Require use of force continuum.

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Sincerely, Anshul Aggarwal From: Cindy Cheung

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 8:38 PM



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Cindy Cheung

From: Aditi Mukkara

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 6:46 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: DEFUND SJPD

To whom it may concern:

My name is Aditi Mukkara. I am a high school senior from the area and I am emailing today to voice my concerns regarding the budget cuts that will be approved on Monday, June 15th.

I demand that funding for the following six community, equity, education, and safety initiatives CONTINUES, if not INCREASES: Viva Calle & Viva Parks, Library Hours, Traffic Safety & Street Improvements, Community Service Officers, Parks Maintenance, and Equity Strategy for Allocating Funding.

This is one of the many pathways toward reforming our broken systems. Please don't choose between this and your efforts to defund, prosecute, etc. This is not an "either/or," but a "both/and." Whatever it is you are doing at this time, do this too.

There is a role in the good fight for everybody. I urge you to act today.

Sincerely but not silently,

Aditi Mukkara

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 6:38 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

Subject: Defund Police & Fund Community programs

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Hello,

From: REBECCA SCHOENENBERGER

My name is Rebecca Schoenenberger, and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, Black, Indigenous, and people of color. Recent response to protests in San Jose has been excessive, and SJPD has only inflamed situations rather than calmed them.

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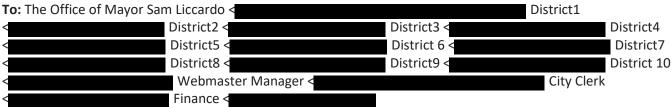
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Rebecca Schoenenberger

From: Austin Park

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 5:43 PM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US



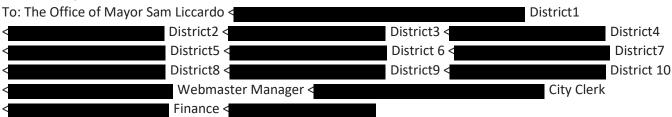
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Sincerely, Austin Nicholas Park From: Kush Patel

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 4:32 PM



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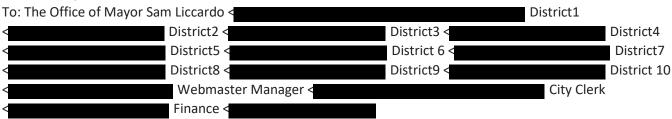
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Sincerely, Kush Patel From: Serilla Chavez

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 4:15 PM



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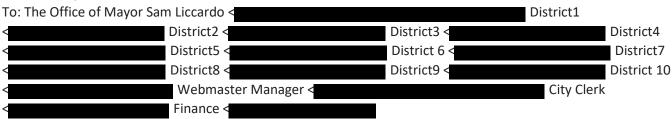
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Sincerely, Serilla Chavez From: Sahil Jayaram

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 3:32 PM



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My name is Sahil Jayaram. I am a resident of San Jose and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for our community, and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

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Sincerely, Sahil Jayaram From: Alex Lee < >
Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 2:58 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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City Clerk Subject: Divest from Police, Invest in San Jose Community



My name is Alex Lee and I am a resident of east side San José. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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In addition to these demands, please review the following compilation of background information and implementation strategies for necessary legislative actions derived from collecting the pleas of Black organizers, activists, and journalists, below.

Phillip McHarris (doctoral candidate focusing on race) and Thenjiwe McHarris (strategist with the Movement for Black Lives) explain the problem with current police reform efforts:

"More training or diversity among police officers won't end police brutality, nor will firing and charging individual officers. Look at the Minneapolis Police Department, which is held up as a model of progressive police reform. The department offers procedural justice as well as trainings for implicit bias, mindfulness and de-escalation. It embraces community policing and officer diversity, bans 'warrior style' policing, uses body cameras, implemented an early intervention system to identify problematic officers, receives training around mental health crisis intervention, and practices 'reconciliation' efforts in communities of color."

Evidently, that was not enough. Instead of heightening the resources that officers have, they advocate redirecting funds to alternative emergency response programs, which can also be fueled by state-level and local-level grants. The McHarris' argument is that we should work towards a reality in which healthcare workers and emergency response teams should handle substance abuse, domestic violence, homelessness, or mental health cases, while rapid response social workers provide individuals with the care they need. Community organizers would be responsible for spearheading responses to the pandemic. "The average police recruit spends 58 hours learning how to shoot and only 8 hours learning how to de-escalate." Police officers are not trained nor necessary in reacting to such crises—specialized responders are.

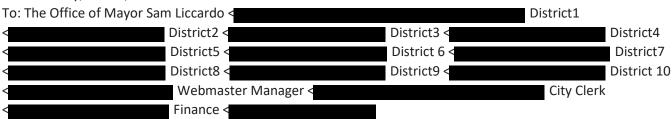
Most police funding is budgeted and taxed at the local level, with city-level and county-level votes periodically increasing budgets. In 2017, Oakland allocated the highest share of its general fund to policing nationwide, at 41 percent and \$242.5 million. It is crucial to establish state-level and local-level bans on heightening police funds, while simultaneously redirecting budgets to the aforementioned alternatives. For-profit policing is a large culprit. Even though Governor Brown's 2016 bill helped protect Californians from civil asset forfeitures, this is far from sufficient. As of 2020, 66.25% of forfeiture profits go to police—a C+ rating.

The Black Lives Matter Movement demands "a national defunding of police. We demand investment in our communities and the resources to ensure Black people not only survive, but thrive." The McHarris' conclusion states, "We need to reimagine public safety in ways that shrink and eventually abolish police and prisons while prioritizing education, housing, economic security, mental health and alternatives to conflict and violence."

Thank you for your time,

Best, **Alex Lee** From: Chirag Garg <>

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 1:27 PM



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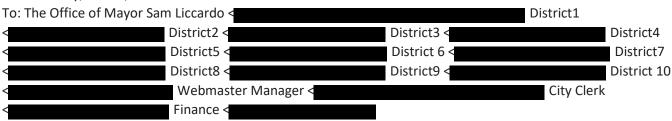
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Sincerely, Chirag Garg From: ayush aggarwal

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Sincerely, Ayush Aggarwal From: Lily Sun

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 11:56 AM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo



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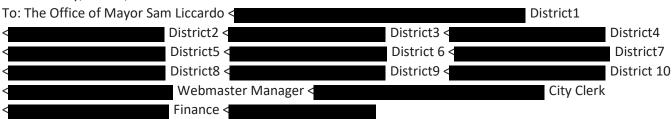
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Sincerely, Lily Sun

From: Nandita Somayaji

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 10:13 AM



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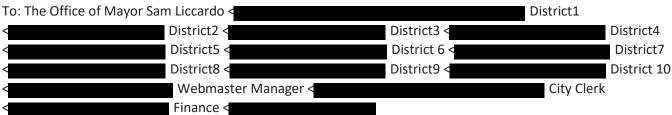
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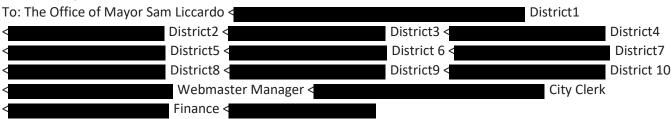
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Sincerely, Jordan Helledy From: Sanjana Murthy

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 9:51 AM



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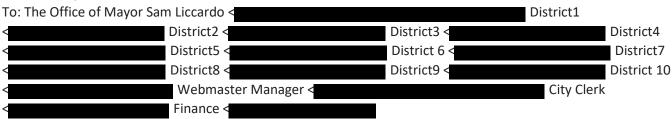
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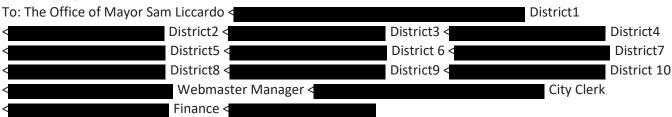
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Sincerely, Sai Padhy From: Momo Minamide <>

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 2:43 AM



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Sincerely, Momo Minamide From: Rupini Kamat < > Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 12:34 AM



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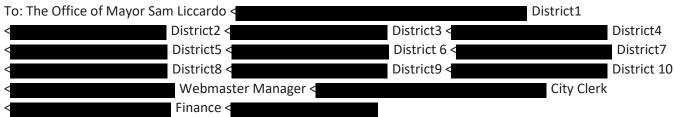
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Sincerely, Rupini Kamat From: justin leung < >

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 12:13 AM



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Sincerely, Justin leung Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:08 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

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Sincerely, Kianna Vargas From: Stephanie Ando < >

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 9:15 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Sincerely, Diana Jerolimov From: Hao Nguyen < >

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 8:55 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

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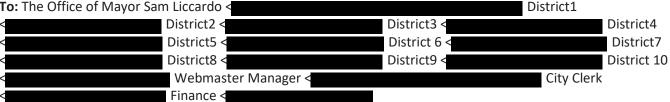
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From: Gurshi Kaur < >

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 8:54 PM **To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <



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Sincerely, Gurashish Kaur

From: Betty Franks < > Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 8:46 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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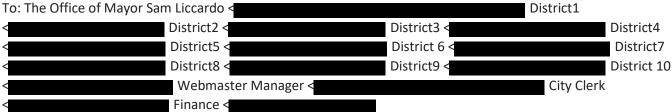
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From: Zoha <
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 8:45 PM
To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liceardo



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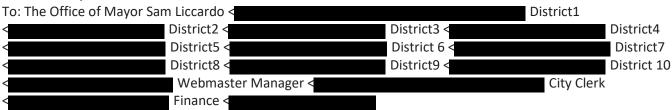
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Sincerely, Katarina Cupic From: Kirito Kirigaya <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:08 PM



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Sincerely, Jennifer From: Jasmine Rea <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:07 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Letters from the Public



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Hello,

My name is Jasmine, and while I am not currently a San Jose resident, I grew up in this city, went to school there, and frequent businesses there. I am writing to demand that San Jose Mayor Liccardo and City Council redirect money away from San Jose Police Department and reinvest into community resources.

While I understand that police work is hard, it is not fair to citizens that over 30% of city funding is going towards the Police Department. I also understand that with Coronavirus, our economy has been negatively impacted and there are budget cuts all around, but also hearing that \$5M is being invested into improving San Jose golf courses is upsetting. We should be reallocating and reinvesting these funds into education, libraries, parks, housing and transportation, all of these resources that help the overall community instead. I demand a budget that supports community wellbeing.

I may no longer live there, but I have multiple family members and friends living there and am still part of the community, and want to take it upon myself to speak up. I demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. I demand a criminal justice structure, that is inclusive of a robust task force of mental health professionals and social workers.

In the meantime, it's important to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. It was in the news the other day that because police were using these weapons on the crowd, their own anti-bias trainer was severely injured while peacefully protesting. The city must recognize that protesters are exercising their first amendment rights and should not be met with police violence when protesting peacefully.

I see that the city council hopes to create a process that includes the community and it starts here. By listening to your community. It is your duty to listen to your constituents. I am urging you to revise the San Jose city budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Best, Jasmine A From: Maya C <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:52 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Defund the police



[External Email]

Hello,

My name is Maya Chatrathi and I am a lifelong San Jose resident. I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

We stand the calls of those across the country and demand that the City Council defund and disband the SJPD similarly to Minneapolis. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police.

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Sincerely but not silently, Maya Chatrathi From: Claire Dunn

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:52 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Defunding the SJPD is Nessecary



[External Email]

Hello,

My name is Claire Dunn and I am a lifelong resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand change NOW, to demand that SJPD funding is reallocated to social and public programming in our communities. It is unethical and an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the SJPD, when education, the arts, housing, libraries, public parks, and transportation is neglected.

As seen from the countless videos and news reports of how SJPD has acted towards the public--- using rubber bullets, tear gas, and inhumane acts of police brutality during PEACEFUL PROTESTS-- this is an important matter and change needs to take place immediately. It is not enough to "reform"--- your "reforms" have been acts. of hypocrisy and a (literal) slap to the face of the communities you serve.

We stand with all across the country pushing for police defunding and disbanding, similarly to the city of MInneapolis. We demand a budget that effectively meets the needs of THE PEOPLE, at at-risk citizens of San Jose.

I urge the city council to use their own power wisely, and listen to the people, and please revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021.

Do the right thing, Claire Dunn From: Thi Nguyen <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:06 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Letters from the Public for the SJCC Meeting



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Yours,

From: Amberlin Chihhan Chen <> Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:35 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Letters from the Public for the SJCC Meeting



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Yours, Amberlin Chen From: Mariah Hopkins <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:45 PM
To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <

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Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

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Defunding the police and restructuring the budget is an absolute necessity now more than ever. Police perpetuate a pattern of excessive violence and force, especially directed towards Black People and their communities. The police refuse to hold their own accountable and this is unacceptable.

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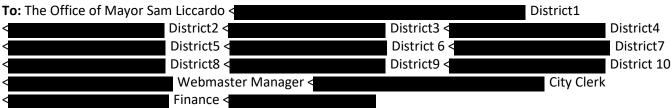
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Sincerely, Mariah Hopkins From: Amanda Chang

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 9:06 PM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US



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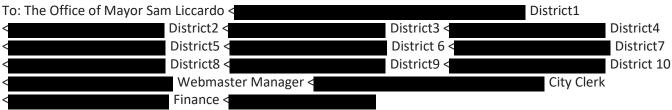
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Sincerely, Amanda Chang From: Shay Lari-Hosain

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 8:04 PM



Subject: Please defund SJPD

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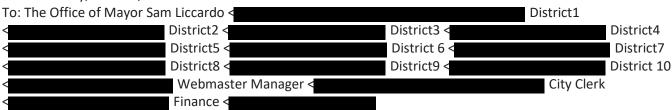
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Sincerely, Shay From: Emily Twu

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 7:27 PM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

Hello,

My name is Emily Twu. I am a resident of San Jose, CA and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for our community, and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

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Sincerely, Emily Twu From: Neda Bazofti []

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 7:15 PM

To: City Clerk < CouncilMeeting <

Subject: Defund the Police

Hello,

My name is Neda and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

We demand that the City Council defund the SJPD. We join the calls of those across the country to defund the police. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police.

It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Public opinion is with me.

Thank you for your time,

Best, Neda Bazofti From: Caitlin Flammer <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:15 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Comment for 6/9 City Council Meeting



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Hello,

My name is Caitlin Flammer and I am a resident of San Jose (Almaden). I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and people of color, especially Black and Indigenous folks.

We stand the calls of those across the country and demand that the City Council defund and disband the SJPD similarly to Minneapolis. **This includes taking police/"school resource officers" out of public schools.** We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police.

In the meantime, it is important to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. The city must recognize that protestors are exercising their first amendment right and should not be met with police violence. I have witnessed firsthand SJPD using excessive force.

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Thank you, Caitlin From: Brandy Fine <>

Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:19 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: City Council Meeting 06/09/2020



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Hello,

I received an email newsletter from Council Member Khamis with a survey asking if I agreed with these calls to defund the police department. I do not. Defunding the police department is the wrong move to make. Neither the citizens of this city nor any other have the training to investigate or solve complex crimes such as sex trafficing or murder. They do not have the money or resources to do a nationwide search for a kidnapped child, or loved one.

These people are having a knee-jerk reaction to an unacceptable situation that happens with the minority of police officers, not the majority. And when it does happen, those officers should be made accountable for their actions not the entirety of law enforcement. These men and women work hard to keep us safe.

I believe black lives matter, but I also believe we need the police department mostly intact. Just root out the bad apples.

Thank You, Brandy Fine rom: LILY WU [

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 10:16 PM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

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Sincerely, Lily Wu From: Paulina Lei []

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 11:02 PM



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Sincerely, Paulina Lei

From: Arun Ramakrishna []

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 2:21 AM

To: City Clerk < CouncilMeeting <

Subject: Defund SJPD



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Hello,

My name is Arun Ramakrishna and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that the city council defund the San Jose police department and reallocate its funds towards social and public programming. Policing has proven time and time again to be antithetical to public safety, especially for low income communities of color. It is abhorrent that five million dollars in public money is spent on San Jose golf courses, while education, housing and public transportation have all seen reductions in funding. The city of San Jose should be committed to racial justice and should begin the process of moving away from the current antiquated system of policing and seek out more effective community based solutions to criminal justice and public safety that include a robust task force of mental health professionals and social workers.

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In the meantime, it is important to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. It is laughable that the United States will criticize and invade other countries over the suppression of dissidents, while simultaneously allowing law enforcement to brutalize and use CHEMICAL WEAPONS banned under international law against peaceful protestors.

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Best, Arun Ramakrishna From: Ashley Phuong []

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 8:00 AM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US



Hello,

My name is Ashley Phuong. I am a resident of San Jose, CA and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for our community, and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

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Sincerely, Ashley Phuong From: Jennifer Deist []

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 9:14 AM



Subject: Invest in Your Communities - Divest From Policing

Hello,

My name is Jen. I live in San Jose, CA. I am emailing you all today to demand the restructuring of our city budget, to prioritize more social services for our community and to drastically divest spending from Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

This does not align with the values that I have as your constituent. I implore you and other city officials to work together to draft and approve a budget that diverts funds from the police department and reallocates them directly to benefit those in need.

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Sincerely, Jen Deist From: Daniela Cortez

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 11:06 AM To: City Clerk <

Subject: Letters from the Public

Hello. My name is Daniela Cortez and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30 % of city funding goes to the Police Department. The system in place is broken - at the expense of your citizens 'safety and well-being. We need a new criminal justice structure, inclusive of a robust task force of mental health professionals and social works. It was the stand with the calls of those across the country and demand that the City Council defund and disband the SJPD similarly to Minneapolis. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police. In the meantime, it is important to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. Tear gas is an abortifacient that can cause miscarriages, blindness and respiratory problems and is extremely hurtful to children and the elderly. It is banned in International Warfare and yet it is being used on citizens in the middle of a respiratory pandemic. This is not only irresponsible but inhumane. The city must recognize that protestors are exercising their first amendment right and should not be met with police violence. I see that the city council hopes to create a process that includes the community and it starts here, by listening to your community. It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Public opinion is with me.

Thank you, Daniela Cortez From: O Rose

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 11:05 AM

To: CouncilMeeting < City Clerk <

Subject: Defund SJPD

Hello,

My name is Olivia Rose and I live in District 9 of San Jose, CA. I write to demand that funding be reallocated from SJPD to the social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is **unethical** to cut budgeting towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5 million into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the San Jose Police Department. The system in place is broken---at the expense of your citizens' safety and well-being. We need a new criminal justice structure, inclusive of a robust task force of **mental health professionals and social workers.**

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With hope,

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Olivia G. Rose

From: Zain Ahmed

Date: Sat, Jun 6, 2020, 1:02 PM

Subject: Defund the Police Department



Hello, My name is Zain Ahmed and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color. We demand that the City Council defund the SJPD. We join the calls of those across the country to defund the police. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police. It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Public opinion is with me. Thank you for your time,

From: Zain Ahmed

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:30 AM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Fwd: ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE ATTACK ON DERRICK SANDERLIN

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From: Zain Ahmed

Date: Sat, Jun 6, 2020, 12:00 PM

Subject: ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE ATTACK ON DERRICK SANDERLIN

To: <

Raul Perez,

I am a San Jose resident who is completely disgusted and appalled at the SJPD attack on Derrick Sanderlin. Sanderlin was a Black man who knew the police department PERSONALLY, and was giving them anti-bias training to better develop police reform. However, NONE of this mattered, as he was shot IN THE GROIN by SJPD for attempting to stop the violence the POLICE demonstrated onto the crowd of protestors. This wasn't just any attack, it was intentionally targeted. It absolutely DISGUSTS me that this is how the police act. What happened to our freedom of speech? What happened to your talks about reform, change? Also, a 19 year old Native American named Michael Duran Jr. was MURDERED last week by SJPD. Where is the accountability?

You need to DEFUND, DISBAND, and ABOLISH the police. Reform policies have already been in effect in many cities, and yet police refuse to comply with them and they are never punished for doing so. Studies show that crime goes down the less police are around. Instead, fund money into transportation, housing, healthcare, schools, and more. Look at what is happening in Minneapolis, the conversation is already happening and a world without police is possible. Derrick Sanderlin DESERVES accountability for what was done.

Fix it,

Zain Ahmed

From: Rick Quaresma

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:36 AM

To: City Clerk <

Subject:



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Hello,

My name is Rick and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that local funding for SJPD be relocated to social and public programs in our communities. It is grossly unethical to cut the budget for education, libraries, parks, housing and even transportation while funneling \$5 million to a San Jose golf course. Are you kidding me?!? It baffles me that anyone could be heartless enough to even consider that to be the thing to do. Further more, over 30% of the city budget goes to the police department. The system in place is broken at the expense of your citizens safety and wellbeing. We need a new criminal justice system inclusive of a task force dedicated to mental health professionals and social works.

We stand with the calls across the country and demand that the city council defund and disband the SJPD similar to Minneapolis. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of all at risk San Jose residents during this trying and difficult time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing rather than one that empowers the police.

In the meantime, it is necessary to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas, and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. The city must recognize that the protesters are exercising their first amendment right and should not be met with inappropriate and unnecessary police brutality. Period.

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From: Stephanie Moya

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:46 AM
To: City Clerk <

Subject: We beg you to PLEASE invest in our children's future, do what is right

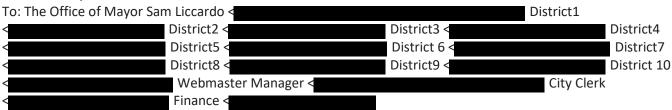


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Hello, my name is Stephanie Moya and I'm a San Jose resident. I am calling to demand that San Jose Mayor Liccardo and City Council redirect money away from the San Jose Police Department and invest into community resources. This year San Jose spent 33.4% of its general funds on police, and only 0.05% on housing. This is unacceptable. At this moment, Black people and their allies across the globe are demanding systemic change to policing, and we need to protect our crucial community resources from proposed budget cuts as a result of COVID19. I demand my city's funds to be redirected away from SJPD and into SJ programs that directly support Black lives and our community: housing, education, mental health, addiction recovery, parks, libraries, arts, and environmental awareness/issues. Seeing as how we pay you hundreds of millions of dollars to run the business of filling in the beds in your jail at the expense of our community, we only see it fair that you invest the money that is funded to you back into your people in order to MAKE A CHANGE. You profit enough off of many people here by lobbying to make the stupidest things illegal all as an incentive for your personal gains. If you want to be a city your residents can be proud of then in return we ask that you become representatives we can be proud of in order to reign in a new era. End the problem at the source by actually HELPING people and not throwing them in jail, it's very simple.

From: Niamh Doyle []

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:56 AM



Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

Hello,

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Sincerely, Niamh Doyle From: Ronda Hassoun []

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 11:15 AM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Defund SJPD and fund our community



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Thank you, Ronda Hassoun From: Sherilyn Thach

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:10 AM



Subject: [*** INSERT UNIQUE SUBJECT LINE ***]



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Hello, My name is Sherilyn Thach, and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color. We demand that the City Council defund the SJPD. We join the calls of those across the country to defund the police. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police. It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Public opinion is with me.

Thank you for your time, Sherilyn Thach

From: R.celeridad

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:24 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Hello,

My name is Rachelle Celeridad and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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Thank you for your time,

Rachelle Celeridad

From: Pauline Nguyen

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:12 AM



Subject: Stop Comparing Our City's Budget with Others, @Liccardo



Hello,

My name is Pauline Nguyen and I am a resident of San Jose. I am writing to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. I watched Sam Liccaro's Q&A last Friday (06-05) and I was baffled at what Liccardo had to say. One main reason why he is not defunding the police is because our city's budget is much smaller in comparison to other cities? Why should we care about the numbers of other cities'? We are San Jose. Liccardo needs to keep his focus on his own city. It is an outrage that 44% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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Pauline Nguyen

From: Edith perez

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:42 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Edith Perez

From: Andrea Garcia

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 11:01 AM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Andrea Garcia

From: Joey Canas

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 11:22 AM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Council meeting

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My name is Joseph Cañas and I am a resident of San Jose. I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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From: Peyton, Emma

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 10:28 AM
To: City Clerk <

Subject: Defund SJ Police Now



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My name is Emma and I am a Bay Area resident. I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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Emma Peyton

From: Katherine Wang

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 12:10 PM

To: CouncilMeeting < City Clerk <

Subject: Redirecting Funds from Police



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Best,

Katherine

From: Morgan Bishop Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:24 AM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 District2 < District3 < District4 District 6 < District5 < District7 < District8 < District9 < District 10 < Webmaster Manager < City Clerk < Finance < Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

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Sincerely, Morgan Bishop From: shorabmariam Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 10:30 PM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 District2 < District4 District3 < District 6 < District5 < District7 < District8 < District9 < District 10 < Webmaster Manager < City Clerk < Finance < Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

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My name is Mariam Shorab. I am a resident of San Jose and I am emailing to demand the restructuring of our city budget, so as to prioritize more social services for our community, and to drastically minimize spending on Police. It is unconscionable that 1/3 to 1/2 of the city's budget is going to the police department.

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Sincerely, Mariam Shorab From: Hoda Eldifrawy Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 6:55 PM To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 District2 < District3 < District4 District 6 < District5 < District7 < District8 < District9 < District 10 < Webmaster Manager < City Clerk < I Finance < Subject: We Need a Budget That Represents US

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Sincerely, Hoda Eldifrawy From: kai tsao

Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 2:09 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: CA Actions for #BLM

To Whom it may Concern,

My name is Kai and I am a resident of San Jose, California. I am writing to demand the following legislative changes you can make to eradicate the decimation of Black people at the hands of police officers.

The following is a compilation of background information and implementation strategies for necessary legislative actions derived from collecting the pleas of Black organizers, activists, and journalists:

1. Redirect Police Funding

Phillip McHarris (doctoral candidate focusing on race) and Thenjiwe McHarris (strategist with the Movement for Black Lives) <u>explain the problem</u> with current police reform efforts:

"More training or diversity among police officers won't end police brutality, nor will firing and charging individual officers. Look at the Minneapolis Police Department, which is held up as a model of progressive police reform. The department offers <u>procedural justice</u> as well as <u>trainings</u> for implicit bias, <u>mindfulness</u> and de-escalation. It embraces community policing and officer diversity, <u>bans</u> 'warrior style' policing, uses <u>body cameras</u>, implemented an <u>early intervention</u> system to identify problematic officers, receives <u>training</u> around mental health crisis intervention, and practices 'reconciliation' efforts in communities of color."

Evidently, that was not enough. Instead of heightening the resources that officers have, they advocate redirecting funds to alternative emergency response programs, which can also be fueled by state-level and local-level grants. The McHarris' argument is that we should work towards a reality in which healthcare workers and emergency response teams should handle substance abuse, domestic violence, homelessness, or mental health cases, while rapid response social workers provide individuals with the care they need. Community organizers would be responsible for spearheading responses to the pandemic. "The average police recruit spends 58 hours learning how to shoot and only 8 hours learning how to de-escalate." Police officers are not trained nor necessary in reacting to such crises—specialized responders are.

Most police funding is budgeted and taxed at the local level, with city-level and county-level votes periodically increasing budgets. In 2017, <u>Oakland allocated the highest share of its general fund to policing</u> nationwide, at 41 percent and \$242.5 million. It is crucial to establish state-level and local-level bans on heightening police funds, while simultaneously redirecting budgets to the aforementioned alternatives.

For-profit policing is a large culprit. Even though <u>Governor Brown's 2016 bill</u> helped protect Californians from civil asset forfeitures, this is far from sufficient. As of 2020, <u>66.25% of forfeiture profits go to police</u>—a C+ rating.

The Black Lives Matter Movement <u>demands</u> "acknowledgment and accountability for the devaluation and dehumanization of Black life at the hands of the police... We call for a national defunding of police. We demand investment in our communities and the resources to ensure Black people not only survive, but thrive."

The McHarris' conclusion states, "We need to reimagine public safety in ways that shrink and eventually abolish police and prisons while prioritizing education, housing, economic security, mental health and alternatives to conflict and violence."

A persistent, genuine, and well-thought-out legislative effort to redirect police funds and end for-profit policing is imperative.

2. Abolish Legislative Police Protections

Murderers who wear a badge have consistently been given a free pass to decimate Black life. <u>BLM</u> "demand[s] accountability [for] those who are victims of police violence."

It is vital to ensure that police officers are met with precisely the same consequences as their badgeless counterparts. Accountability has been denied to Black people for centuries, and it is crucial to impose legislative confirmation that accountability is ensured.

<u>Campaign Zero</u> is an organization dedicated to "limiting police interventions, improving community interactions, and ensuring accountability."

They propose a solution of independent investigations. Because only 1% of all killings by police lead to an officer being charged with a crime, "independent investigations and prosecutions of police officers" must be mandated to eliminate biases. A broken system should not be evaluating itself.

3. Demilitarize the Police

Campaign Zero emphasizes that <u>studies</u> show how "more militarized police departments are significantly more likely to kill civilians." Unfortunately, "the federal 1033 program transfers military weapons to police departments."

<u>Campaign Zero</u> continues that to demilitarize, we must "prohibit cities and counties from using federal funds to purchase military equipment."

California is not void of this indictment. In total, 41 MRAPs <u>are in the possession of law enforcement agencies in California</u>. All in all, California's quantity of purchasing such outlandish and high-level military technology is unmatched: "In terms of cash value, California gets more 1033 gear than other states."

Even though the LAPD has refused to take on more military equipment, they stated that <u>"the department will replenish and replace"</u> existing equipment. Such measures must be barred in an effort to eventually demilitarize the police force entirely in the long run.

Police departments should be <u>restricted</u> from using federal grant money to purchase military equipment, using the SWAT team, or conducting no-knock raids. Over-weaponized departments must reduce their use of weapon stockpiles, as "agencies should seek to return to the federal government the military equipment that has already been received" as places like San Jose already have.

The <u>warranting</u> is simple: "Military equipment naturally increases military-style training for said equipment. That training can increase the other dimensions of militarization," contributing to the war-like mentality implicitly enforced by the police, who have no place fighting wars against the most disenfranchised members of their communities.

I hope that our legislators can take tangible, policy-level initiatives to defend Black lives, something they have failed to do so up until this point. Please listen to the pleas of the Black entities listed above and countless others, and help give rise to a future where Black folks do not have to fear for their lives on a daily basis.

Sincerely but not silently, Kai

From: Mahesh Bhavana

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 12:52 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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Subject: Re-allocating city funding to community instead of police

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Mahesh Bhavana

From: Brenda Dinh

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 2:13 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <

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Subject: Your Statement

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

You've mentioned that when you go to neighborhood meetings, people ask you for more patrols and police. Have you ever thought about why they are asking? Having big patrolmen walking around will not address their underlying problems. Investing in our education systems, mental and physical health care facilities, and communities will do that.

I'm disappointed that you are making excuses and protecting the institution and officers that I have personally seen instigate violence at peaceful protests in San Jose, while other mayors are putting in real work. Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti is redirecting \$250 million from police toward health care and jobs programs and San Francisco Mayor London Breed has said the city will prioritize the redirection of funds toward that city's African-American community.

"The notion we can do without the police is an interesting experiment. I'd rather not be the guinea pig." The idea of defunding the police does mean eliminating all funding for the police. It means reallocating some of their resources so that doctors will not have to wear trash bags to work. So that educators can have money to buy school supplies. You say you'd rather not be the guinea pig but I see a grown man afraid to do what he knows is right.

I was born and raised in San Jose and have lived here my whole life, and reading those statements you made have made me ashamed and disgusted of this fact.

Regards, Brenda Dinh From: alicia williams

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 2:30 PM

To: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1

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[YOUR NAME]

From: rossmannemilia []

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2020 11:35 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Black Lives Matter

Hello,

My name is Emilia. I am a long time resident of San Jose and I am emailing today to demand accountability for the racist murder of George Floyd, as well as to urge that policing and criminal-justice be made a top-tier issue in future legislations.

George Floyd should be alive today if it was not for the gross abuse of power and white supremacy exhibited by the Minneapolis Police Department, all officers present, aswell as all officers who will commit such heinous crimes in the future, must face consequences for this murder. In order to provide his family with justice and prevent further cops from committing brutal acts of violence against our communities, as a country we must exhibit a zero-tolerance approach in regards to police brutality crimes towards the black community.

Along with the previous demand I call for the immediate defunding of the police force and propose that money be channeled to organizations that build up and protect our community with services rather than attack it and tear it down with military-grade equipment. I demand that we start providing more support towards community efforts and organizations outside of the police forces in order to prevent police brutality and violence in the future.

To quote President Obama, "Every step of progress in this country, every expansion of freedom, every expression of our deepest ideals have been won through efforts that made the status quo uncomfortable." Thank you for listening to our community's demands and acting accordingly.

Sincerely,

Emilia

From: Anna <>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:27 AM
To: City Clerk <
Subject: Budget of the City of San Jose



[External Email]

To: San Jose Mayor and City Council; 200 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose, CA.

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Sincerely, Anna Nicholson From: Maya Chatrathi <>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 2:32 PM

To: City Clerk <

Subject: Defund SJPD

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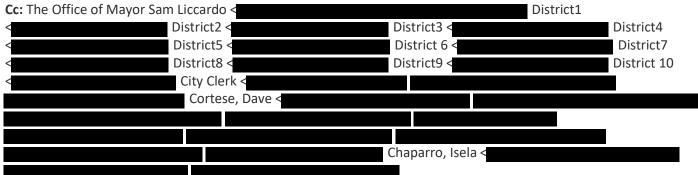
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Hello,

My name is Maya Chatrathi and I'm a resident of San Jose. I'm writing to demand that the Mayor and City Council vote to defund the SJPD by redirecting resources away from the police department and into community-led public safety options. The systemic racism that is evident throughout the policing structure has led to the murders of thousands of black people at the hands of police. We demand better. The budget for policing is extremely disproportionate and the money could instead be used to support education, housing, parks, libraries, the arts, and other resources to support the black and indigenous community, the unhoused, and people of color.

Sincerely, Maya Chatrathi From: Nikita Jain

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:07 PM



Subject: Black Lives Matter - We Demand Change in San Jose



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It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Public opinion is with me. #BlackLivesMatter

I appreciate your time.

Thank you, Nikita Jain From: Jeremiah Montemayor []

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 2:24 PM

To: District1 < District 10 < District5 < District 6 < District7 < District7 < District8 < District8 < District9 < The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <

Subject: ACTION REQUIRED: Please Reallocate SJPD Funds

[External Email]

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Thank you for your time,

Jeremiah Montemayor

From: Amy Eliassieh

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:54 PM

To: City Clerk < Youth Commission 3 <

Subject: Reallocating the Budget of the City of San Jose

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Hello,

My name is Amy, and I am a member of the general youth. I would like to address the city council with this letter regarding their budget. The letter is attached to this email.

Thanks,

Amy

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From: Andrew Benitez

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 7:36 PM
To: City Clerk <

Subject: San Jose City Council Agenda item 3.6

Hello,

My name is Andrew Benitez and I am a resident of East San Jose/Evergreen. I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budget towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused as well as Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

We stand with the calls of those across the country and demand that the City Council defund and disband the SJPD, similarly to what is occurring in Minneapolis. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk San Jose residents during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers police.

In the meantime, it is important to ban the use of rubber bullets, tear gas and other means of excessive force as a method of crowd control. The city must recognize that protestors are exercising their first amendment right and should not be met with police violence. It is inexcusable and frankly unacceptable that San Jose has become one of the most highlighted examples of the use of unnecessary force against protestors during a time in which police across the country have chosen to highlight their brutal tactics rather than listen to the people that they claim to serve and protect. By banning the use of tear gas, and rubberized "less-lethal" rounds, we stand to correct this image and instead rightfully ensure that our city serve as an example to the rest of the country of how the community's rights come before all else.

I see that the city council hopes to create a process that includes the community and it starts here, by listening to your community. It is your duty to represent your constituents, lest you face their wrath in coming elections. I am urging you to completely revise the San Jose city budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year to better represent the needs of San Jose's most vulnerable population. Public opinion is with me.

From: Brianna Motley

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:14 PM
To: City Clerk <

Subject: Public comment for city council meeting

My name is Brianna and I am a working, tax-paying resident of San Jose. I am here to demand that funding is reallocated from SJPD to social and public programming that takes place in our communities. It is unethical to cut budgets towards education, libraries, parks, housing, and transportation while funneling \$5M into improving the San Jose golf courses. It is also an outrage that over 30% of city funding goes towards the Police Department. The SJPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

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Let me end by reminding you of the principal our country's government was founded on. In the US, we claim to have a democracy. Miriam Webster defines democracy as a government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation usually involving periodically held free elections. That means the city of San Jose is governed by the people of San Jose. You are elected officials whose salaries come directly out of my pocket and the pockets of other tax-paying citizens in San Jose. That means regardless of your personal beliefs, regardless of any individuals or businesses that have the financial prowess to buy your personal loyalty, your first and only obligation is to the people of San Jose. You were elected to represent the interests of the people.

When the people are peacefully exercising their right to protest and city police officers exhibit gross misconduct and unprofessionalism, you need to act. If I were to exhibit a fraction of the unprofessionalism some officers in your police department have shown at my professional CPA job, I would be fired - from a profession where I don't have the authority to gun people down in the streets. My company would not suspend me or assign me to other duties. I would be fired. We need to hold police officers to a much higher standard of professionalism than we do CPAs. The misconduct and police brutality that we've seen just in the last couple weeks in San Jose is a miniscule window into the systemic racism embodied by our social justice system and exactly why we are demanding change. We, the people of San Jose want our money to go towards the social services, community projects, and preventative measures we need to improve the lives of our under resourced black and brown citizens rather than a militarized police force that perpetuates the racism our country was built on and the oppression of black people.

Listen to your constituents and take action. It's what we pay you to do.

Respectfully, Brianna From: Nikita Jain [] Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:49 AM Cc: The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo < District1 District2 < District3 < District4 District 6 < District7 District5 < District9 < District 10 District8 < City Clerk < Cortese, Dave < Chaparro, Isela < Subject: We Demand Change in San Jose

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200 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose, CA. 95113

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200 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose, CA. 95113

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