



YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor London Breed
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

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FROM: 2019-2020 Youth Commission

DATE: Wednesday, March 11, 2020

RE: Youth Commission's Mid-Annual Budget Priorities for Fiscal Years 2020-21 and 2021-22

On Wednesday, February 26, 2020, Youth Commissioners presented their mid-annual budget priorities to the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Appropriations committee. This was a follow up to the Youth Commission's [Omnibus Preliminary Budget Priorities Resolution](#) (OPBP Resolution) that was unanimously passed on January 19, 2020.

The Youth Commission's mid-annual budget [memo](#) and [presentation](#) can be viewed in the attached links and documents. Footage from the hearing on Youth Commissioners' budget priorities can also be viewed [here](#).

The YC is focused on obtaining funding for:

1. **Department of Elections:**
 - a) Outreach and internal system reorganization to accommodate registration of 16- and 17-year olds on the voter rolls
2. **Adult Probation Department:**
 - a) Re-entry programs such as Interrupt, predict and Organize for young adults, focusing on employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation services, and education support
 - b) Young Adult Court
3. **Department of Children, Youth and their Families:**
 - a) Increase funding for social services, health and mental health care, substance use support, or other wrap-around services
 - b) Increase funding for justice programs that support leadership skill-building and workforce development
4. **Department of Police Accountability:**
 - a) Community visibility and outreach on Know Youth Rights trainings
5. **Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing:**
 - a) Create and maintain a minimum of 100 units of permanent supportive housing for girl shelters
6. **Juvenile Probation Department:**
 - a) Gender-specific and LGBTQ+ inclusive programming, employment and education resources, mental health counseling, after-detention rehabilitation/healing support, and community programs for youth and families
7. **San Francisco Police Department:**
 - a) Funding for mandatory in-depth youth and TAY rights training
 - b) Community advisory workgroups for Know Your Rights trainings for in-depth community engagement and feedback
8. **Public Defender's Office:**
 - a) Immigration relief programs, reentry programs case management, bail reform initiatives, and services for children of incarcerated parents
9. **Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing:**
 - a) HSH needs to meet SF's 2015 goal of 400 units of permanent supportive housing for TAY exiting homelessness
 - b) Fund TAY-specific housing/ programs/services proportional to the size of that population in the homeless population (20%)
 - c) Mental health/substance use treatment and counseling programs in supportive housing for TAY

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- d) Equip TAY experiencing homelessness with first-aid, and increased support services for food and laundry
- e) Employment training and life-training for TAY exiting homelessness
- f) More accessible drop-in centers with staff trained in youth development and to receive youth from marginalized communities

10. San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority:

- a) Establish a strategy to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for San Francisco youth and students
- b) Enroll all SFUSD and CCSF students in Free Muni for Youth
- c) Increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project

11. Board of Supervisors:

- a) Increase Youth Commission budget to include pay rises for YC staff and an expanded community outreach budget

Youth Commissioners would like to thank Chair Fewer, Vice Chair Walton, Supervisor Mandelman, Supervisor Yee, and Supervisor Ronen for their time and support, as well as the countless City staff and community partners who helped to develop and inform these budget priorities. They look forward to working with Mayor Breed, members of the Board, and the City family to achieve these priorities on behalf of young San Franciscans.

Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.



Memorandum

TO: Youth Commission Staff	FROM: Calvin Quick, LAO
RE: Omnibus Priorities 2020 Summary	DATE: February 20, 2020

Please find below a summarized list of the Youth Commission’s preliminary budget-related priorities, by policy area, as approved in [YC File No. 1920-AL-02](#) on January 19, 2019. See attached Resolution for full details. The ordering of the recommendations is not reflective of prioritization—rather, it reflects the order in which they appear in the Resolution as approved.

Civic Engagement Committee

Department of Elections:

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| 1) Outreach and internal system reorganization to accommodate registration of 16- and 17-year olds on the voter rolls | YC will work with the Department in anticipation of the Vote16 2020 ballot measure |
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Transformative Justice Committee

Adult Probation Department:

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| 2) Re-entry programs such as Interrupt, predict and Organize for young adults, focusing on employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation services, and education support | Establish and fund |
| 3) Young Adult Court | Maintain and expand the program |

Department of Children, Youth and their Families:

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| 4) Increase funding for social services, health and mental health care, substance use support, or other wrap-around services | Must target children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system |
| 5) Increase funding for justice programs that support leadership skill-building and workforce development | --Ditto-- |

Department of Police Accountability:

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| 6) Community visibility and outreach on Know Youth Rights trainings | Increase funding |
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Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing:

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| 7) Create and maintain a minimum of 100 units of permanent supportive housing for girl shelters | Needed to avoid out-of-county placements after contact with the juvenile justice system |
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Juvenile Probation Department:

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| 8) Gender-specific and LGBTQ+ inclusive programming, employment and education resources, mental health counseling, after-detention rehabilitation/healing support, and community programs for youth and families | YC recommends collaboration with other agencies and community-based organizations |
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San Francisco Police Department:

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| 9) | Funding for mandatory in-depth youth and TAY rights training | Must cover youth brain development through equity/trauma-informed lens |
| 10) | Community advisory workgroups for Know Your Rights trainings for in-depth community engagement and feedback | Needed to foster more positive and fair interactions between law enforcement and youth |
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Public Defender's Office:

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| 11) | Immigration relief programs, reentry programs case management, bail reform initiatives, and services for children of incarcerated parents | Continue and expand |
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Housing and Land Use Committee

Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing:

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| 12) | HSH needs to meet SF's 2015 goal of 400 units of permanent supportive housing for TAY exiting homelessness | Needs substantial funding in the immediate future to reach 400 units online |
| 13) | Fund TAY-specific housing/ programs/services proportional to the size of that population in the homeless population (20%) | TAY experiencing homelessness are a severely underserved segment of the population |
| 14) | Mental health/substance use treatment and counseling programs in supportive housing for TAY | HSH must coordinate with service providers and DPH to enhance and expand existing options |
| 15) | Equip TAY experiencing homelessness with first-aid, and increased support services for food and laundry | HSH must coordinate with service providers to enhance and expand existing options |
| 16) | Employment training and life-training for TAY exiting homelessness | HSH must develop programs |
| 17) | More accessible drop-in centers with staff trained in youth development and to receive youth from marginalized communities | HSH must coordinate with service providers |
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San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority:

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| 18) | Establish a strategy to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for San Francisco youth and students | Work with SFCTA, need to develop plan specific to youth, especially for disadvantaged students |
| 19) | Enroll all SFUSD and CCSF students in Free Muni for Youth | Collaboration between SFMTA and school districts |
| 20) | Increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project | Fast-track a Rapid bus on the route as demanded by student advocates |
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Other Recommendations

Board of Supervisors:

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| 21) | Increase Youth Commission budget to include pay rises for YC staff and an expanded community outreach budget | Essential to retain staff with institutional knowledge and connect with community |
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BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE: YOUTH COMMISSION BUDGET PRIORITIES

Presenters: Calvin Quick, District 5
YC Legislative Affairs Officer

Date: February 26, 2020

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BACKGROUND

- The Youth Commission (YC) is charged by Charter Sec 4.124 to “report to the Board of Supervisors the activities, goals, and accomplishments of the Commission by July 1 of each calendar year [...]”
- Charter Sec 4.124 also explicitly states “The purpose of the Commission is to collect all information relevant to advising the Board of Supervisors and Mayor on the effects of legislative policies, needs, assessments, priorities, programs, and budgets concerning the children and youth of San Francisco.”

BACKGROUND

- For the second year in a row, the Youth Commission is presenting to the BOS Budget and Finance Committee early on preliminary budget priorities and recommendations
- The Youth Commission's full **Budget and Policy Priorities** (BPP) report will come out in May and may be subject to a further Board presentation at that time
- The priorities listed in this presentation were finally approved by the Youth Commission in YC File No. 1920-AL-02 on January 19, 2020 after an extensive discernment process

COMMITTEES

- The Omnibus Resolution was debated in the YC's three policy committees, which provided input on budget-related priorities that were then incorporated into the Resolution:

Committee	Priority Area
Civic Engagement Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vote 16 SF 2020
Transformative Justice Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alternatives to incarceration
Housing and Land Use Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TAY Housing and Homelessness• Youth and TAY Transportation Equity

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Department of Elections
 - Funding for outreach and internal system reorganization to prepare for expanding the voting age to 16 and 17 year olds: expand pre-registration efforts



TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- Adult Probation Department
 - Maintain and expand the **Young Adult Court**
- Department of Children Youth and their Families
 - Propose funding for **social services, health and mental health care, substance use support**, or other wrap-around services for justice system impacted communities
 - Increase funding for **leadership skill-building** for justice impacted communities
- Department of Police Accountability
 - Increase funding for accessible **Know Your Rights trainings**
- Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
 - Propose funding for minimum **100 units of PSH for girl shelters** to avoid out-of-county placements post-justice system contact



TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE



- Juvenile Probation Department
 - Collaborate with other agencies and CBOs on **gender-specific and LGBTQ+ inclusive programming**
- San Francisco Police Department
 - Propose funding for mandatory **internal youth and TAY rights training** incorporating youth brain development research through an equity and trauma-informed lens
 - Propose funding for Know Your Rights trainings and **community advisory groups** to foster more positive and fair interactions between law enforcement and youth
- Public Defender's Office
 - Increase funding for **immigration relief** programs, **bail reform** initiatives, **services for children of incarcerated parents**, and case management for **reentry programs**

HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE



- Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
 - Propose funding to create and maintain a minimum of **400 units of TAY permanent supportive housing**
 - **Proportional funding** for TAY to their proportion of the homeless population
 - Propose funding for **mental health and substance use treatment and counseling** for vulnerable TAY
 - Propose funding to equip TAY experiencing homelessness with first-aid survival resources, as well and increased services for food, laundry and transportation
 - Collaborate with other agencies and CBOs on employment and financial health trainings for TAY
 - Propose funding for more accessible drop-in centers for TAY experiencing homelessness

HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

- San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (and SF CTA)
 - Propose funding to strategize to build an effective, equitable and sustainable transportation system for SF youth and students
 - Collaborate with SFUSD and City College SF to obtain universal enrollment of students and youth in the Free Muni for Youth program
 - Increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project, with the view of developing a rapid bus service along the aforementioned line



SALARY AND BUDGET

■ Board of Supervisors

- Increase salaries for all Youth Commission staff over 100% AMI to enable the commission to retain long-standing staff with valuable institutional memory
- Establish a Youth Commission outreach and community events budget to cover the costs of organizing and hosting community outreach events



COSTINGS

- The Youth Commission does not currently have the resources nor the access to Department fiscal records and planning to provide costings for our recommendations.
- The Youth Commission has reached out to the Controller's Office on strategies to get costings for our budget recommendations.

THANK YOU

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