



BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE: YOUTH COMMISSION BUDGET PRIORITIES

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COVID-19 AND SHELTER IN PLACE

- This report is slightly later than usual due to COVID-19 and the City' response: the YC being restricted from meeting remotely between late-March and June (the BPPs would usually be finalized in May)
- COVID-19 has specifically impacted youth, especially students, with some of the following impacts (this is not an exhaustive list):
 - School closures,
 - Distance learning,
 - Access to food and nutrition and wellness centers,
 - Access to mental health services.
- Disproportionate impacts have been felt in BIPOC communities.

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">• Abolition of Police and Prisons• 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

- Expand and Implement Voting Rights to Include 16 And 17-year-olds in San Francisco Municipal Elections
 - Continue to lead the country in the discussion and implementation of young voter engagement by indicating continued support for expanding voting rights to 16 and 17-year-olds (BOS).
 - Collaborate with SFUSD's Board of Education to implement more consistent voter education courses in public schools via the existing Board of Education Resolution 162-23A3 -- *Encouraging Students to Exercise Their Voting Rights*.
 - Include adequate funding for youth voter outreach and voter pre-registration and registration of the newly eligible 16 and 17-year-olds (Department of Elections **\$84,556-\$102,000**).
 - Legalize the right to vote for non-citizen 16 & 17-year olds in San Francisco municipal elections while ensuring confidentiality and their safety.



TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- Building a World Without Prisons or Police (#8toAbolition)
 - Police Abolition isn't about defunding every department instantly. It's about a gradual community process of strategically reallocating resources, funding and responsibility away from police and toward community-based models of safety, support and prevention.
- The Transformative Justice committee abides by community needs and is following the lead of the #8toAbolition campaign, a campaign that roots itself in community organizing as a means to end policing and incarceration. The Youth Commission trusts those already doing this work and, as a body, will continue to follow the recommendations that are outlined as follows:
 - *Defund Police*
 - *Demilitarize Communities*
 - *Remove Police From Schools*
 - *Free People From Jails And Prisons*
 - *Repeal Laws that Criminalize Survival*
 - *Invest in Community Self-Governance*
 - *Provide Safe Housing for Everyone*
 - *Invest in Care, Not Cops*



TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- Defund SFPD
 - Per the Mayor's recommendation, all City departments were instructed to cut their budgets by 10-15 percent. At minimum, that would mean cutting the SFPD budget by \$70 million to \$105 million from their \$700 million budget. We urge that the SFPD's budget is cut by at least 50% (350 million)
 - 25% (175 Million) about goes towards a "Community and people's budget" similar to the proposal in LA
 - 8.5% (29.75 Million) of the SFPD's budget cut goes to aid victims of sexual misconduct
 - 15% (52.5 Million) to go to SFUSD to fund wellness centers and equitable education for Black and Latinx youth
- Demilitarize Communities
 - Repeal all laws that hide, excuse, or enable police misconduct
- Remove Police from schools:
 - Redirect funds from SFPD SRO program (45,000) into services such school-based social workers, psychologists, restorative justice practitioners, or other mental or behavioral health professionals
 - SROs cost \$3,397,234 per year (SFPD pays for 17 officers and 80% of 1 captain; SFUSD paid 20% but this is ending [1])



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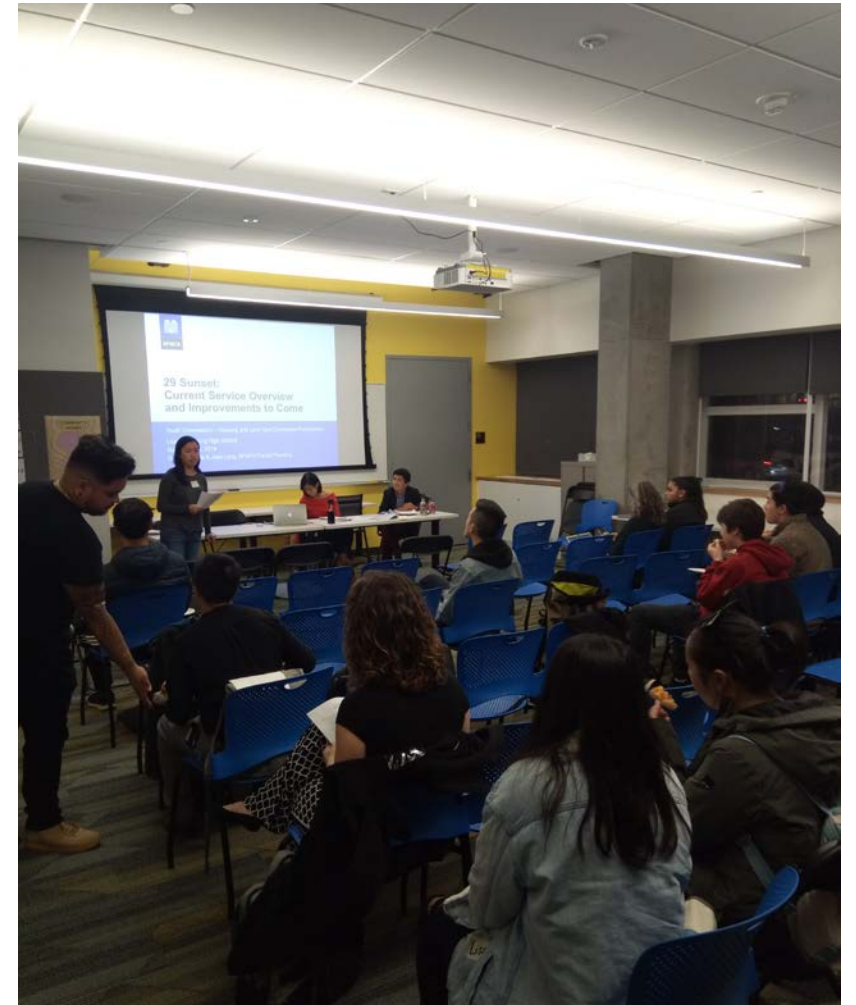
- Continue to expand alternatives to incarceration for youth and taylor and Close the Youth Guidance Center and County Jail #4
 - Close 850 Bryant by November 2020 and Juvenile Hall by December 2021, and provide young people open-door, non-detention settings in non-deputized facilities and accessible after-school programming that provides internships and job opportunities.
- Repeal Laws that Criminalize Survival
 - End Quality of Life Crimes
 - Expunge Former Marijuana Convictions
 - End all fines and fees associated with the criminal legal process
- Invest in Community Self Governance
 - Support life affirming infrastructure such as universal healthcare, Free Muni4All and universal based income
 - Building up community resources, neighborhood wellness centers
- Provide Safe Housing for Everyone
 - Require Department of Homeless and Supportive Housing to equitably provide permanent local housing for vulnerable youth populations such as homeless, LGBTQIA+, Black, and Latinx populations and those facing housing instability

HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

- Increase Emergency Shelter Options and Permanent Exits from Homelessness for Transitional Age Youth (HSH)
 - **Complete the 2015 TAY Housing Plan.** The Youth Commission urges HSH to fully fund the identification of the remaining 120 units to reach the goal of 400 units of permanent supportive housing for TAY (**working to figure out cost with HSH staff**).
 - **Recommit to a new 2025 TAY Housing Plan.**
 - **Maintain a requirement to have a TAY Navigation Center and explore opening more.**
 - **Increase Supportive Services for TAY.**
 - **Fund TAY Programs proportionally to TAY population.**

HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

- Deliver Transportation Equity for Youth (SFMTA)
 - Allocate funding to **strategize to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for SF youth and students.**
 - Collaborate with SFUSD and CCSF to obtain **universal enrollment of students in the Free Muni for Youth Program.**
 - **Eliminate all nominal fares for youth including TAY up to age 23 (\$2,000,000 per fiscal year, offset by reduction in administrative costs).**
 - **Increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvement Project,** and other MuniForward projects along high youth ridership lines.
 - **End SFMTA collaboration with SFPD** when enforcing fares.
 - Fund the SFMTA's **Battery-Electric Bus Evaluation Program,** with funding for a Fourth Contractor (**\$4,100,000-5,300,000**).



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 – YC staff have worked with the Clerk's Office to reduce this amount, considering the COVID-19 situation.

THANK YOU

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