Board Board of Supes,

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For starters, CUT THE ACADEMIES.

Thank you for your time.

Natasha Flambures NatashaMuse@gmail.com 31 Page Street, 401 San Francisco, California 94102

Board Board of Supervisors,

My name is Finn Black. I am a San Francisco resident, a nursing student at UCSF, and a former employee of the SF DPH.

I am writing to urge you to:

1) Support removing all the proposed police academies from the budget. The proposed budget aims to add new officers to the SFPD every year, a blatant violation of San Francisco's pledge last budget cycle to reduce the scope of policing and invest in community care.

2) Divert the proposed \$270 million in funds for the SFSD to public health. As a nursing student, I've seen SFSD used to intimidate and harass patients of color and homeless patients at SFGH. Police have no place in therapeutic environments. Their presence does not keep our patients or providers safe.

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5) Divert the \$5.3M for "Log Cabin Ranch", a detention center for children that was closed in 2018 due to concerns about the safety of the children.

Thank you, Finn Black MA

Finn Black finn.black2@ucsf.edu 95 Behr Ave 204 San Francisco, California 94131

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Dear Supervisors and Mayor,

My name is Rachel Erickson and I live in San Francisco District 4.

I am reaching out to urge you to support removing all the proposed police academies from the budget. The proposed budget aims to add new officers to the SFPD every year, a blatant violation of San Francisco's pledge last budget cycle to reduce the scope of policing and invest in community care.

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Refund our communities, and reimagine the path to community safety.

I am reaching out to you because we have seen that increased policing doesn't work to decrease crime. It's important that we stop funding a system that doesn't work, I hope that the current budget proposal can be amended to further decrease funding and scale back the police/sheriffs offices. A good place to start would be cutting funding for the police academies as more officers will not be needed.

Thank you for your time. Rachel

Rachel Erickson rc.erick01@gmail.com 1259 35th Ave San Francisco, California 94122

Board Board of Supes,

Hi my name is Brian Soucek and I live in San Francisco.

I am writing because the proposed budget aims to add new officers to the SFPD every year, a blatant violation of San Francisco's pledge last budget cycle to reduce the scope of policing and invest in community care.

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Thank you for your time.

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Brian Soucek brian.soucek@gmail.com 1130 Stanyan St. San Francisco, California 94117

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Julius Oatts jtoatts@gmail.com 288 Mersey Street San Francisco, California 94114

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Erik Rivas erikkant27@gmail.com 10 raymond ave San Francisco, California 94134

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Allie Curry curry.allie.m@gmail.com 2890 CALIFORNIA ST APT 403 SAN FRANCISCO, California 94115

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Thank you for your time.

Mimi Klausner kimklausner@comcast.net 1541 Alabama Street San Francisco, California 94110

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Harry Pariser friskoan@gmail.com 1327 9th Ave San Francisco, California 94122

Board Legislative Aides,

Hi my name is Casey Selden and I am a San Franciscan living in the Richmond district.

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Thank you for your time and attention. I can't say enough how important this is to so many of us. Please listen to the city residents who have had enough of the status quo.

Sincerely, Casey Selden

Casey Selden casey\_selden@yahoo.com 396 27th Ave Apt 2 San Francisco, California 94121

Board Legislative Aides,

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Best, JoJo Ty

Jose Ty j.ty415@gmail.com 900 Naples St San Francisco, California 94112

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ALA OAKLAND'S MAYOR, WHAT \$ GOING TO THE COMMUNITY, IS NOT TAKEN FROM THE POLICE, IT'S WHAT THEY WERE PROPOSED.

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IF YOU ARE DEFUNDING, WHY ARE THE BUDGETS INCREASING? QUIT TALKING POLITICIAN-SPEAK; ADMIT KNEELING ALA KAEPERNICK WAS HOLLOW; STOP BEING A POA ALLY, DO THE RIGHT THING!

DWIGHT OST

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Vy Truong vy@lyric.org 2212 Rosedale Avenue Oakland, California 94601

Supervisors Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

San Francisco's housing shortage and affordability crisis is more acute than ever, which is why I'm urging you to support bringing 100% affordable homes to 2550 Irving Street in SF's Sunset District.

Our city urgently needs more affordable housing on the Westside generally and in District 4 specifically. District 4, as you know, falls behind every other district when it comes to building affordable housing and has added only 17 new affordable homes over the last decade!

With hundreds of rent-controlled apartments losing protected status, rising housing prices, and the continued displacement of longstanding families, it is long past time for the Board of Supervisors to take bold action to protect our community. Each year, thousands of Sunset residents submit applications for affordable housing but there are virtually no affordable housing opportunities in the Sunset to meet the needs of working families and renters. That's why it is imperative that we build more safe, stable, and affordable homes right now.

The 100% affordable homes at 2550 Irving Street will expand access and opportunities for working families and renters by creating safe and stable homes in a community with good access to schools, parks, and the Irving Street commercial district. They will also help address SF's staggering housing inequality, allow diverse families to remain in our Westside community, and support the urgent needs of our most vulnerable neighbors.

Again, I'm urging you to support bringing 100% affordable homes to 2550 Irving Street without delay so that more residents can call San Francisco home. Thank you.

Raul Maldonado rmaldonadocloud@gmail.com

San Francisco, California 94132

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The Grover Cleveland Democratic Club strongly opposes legislation, heard at the Budget Committee tomorrow, that would enable low-income housing in the Sunset Neighborhood.

The Sunset is a safe and family friendly neighborhood, and while we support the development of housing for the missing middle on the East Side, we cannot let slum housing catering to thugs to bring down the quality of life in the neighborhood.

The Asian community has suffered enough hate crimes, Grandpa Vicha and Grandma Huang were murdered by residents of government low income housing. In addition, if 2550 Irving is allowed to go forward as planned, we will see more litter, urine, and defecation on the streets, more porch pirates, and will also bring down the quality of education at Lowell High School if the illiterates, illegitimates, and underachievers. In addition, we may see more transgendered rapists masturbating in front of playground and criminal illegals, bloods, crips, MS-13 shooting up our neighborhood.

We protested 2550 Irving recently, many of our members are Chinese and elderly, and the only people protesting for were Tenderloin trash, paid for by TNDC. In fact, one black woman who was likely paid to come down from the TL was screaming anti-Asian slurs and calling our Chinese members a virus.

We need to send a strong message that we do not want the Sunset to be turned into the Tenderloin, the Mission, or the Bayview, where layabouts can ruin the quality of life of the neighborhood.

The Grover Cleveland Democratic Club is an organization of disaffected moderate to conservative Democrats who support clean streets, low crime, high achievement in schools, a good business environment, appropriate development, and good quality of life. We have been left out by the elite progressives too long, and we shall overcome.

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То:	Breed, Mayor London (MYR); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS)
Cc:	cloudsrest789@gmail.com; Dion wong; Kenton Wong
Subject:	Vandalism in Nob Hill
Date:	Tuesday, July 13, 2021 12:00:20 PM

Dear Mayor Breed, Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Peskin:

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Thank you. A concerned citizen, Karen Wong mbile (415) 992-2489

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Thank you for your time. Rachel

Rachel Erickson rc.erick01@gmail.com 1259 35th Ave San Francisco, California 94122

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For starters, CUT THE ACADEMIES.

Thank you for your time.

Shaquille Heath

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Layla Rocha

Layla Rocha laylamarie96@yahoo.com 14789 Farnsworth St San Leandro, California 94579

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Thank you for your time, Savannah Landau

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Austin Truong catruong19@gmail.com 1668 35th Ave Oakland, California 94601

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Andrea Salinas aasalinas@gmail.com 66 Alvarado Street San Francisco, California 94110

Leg Aides Board of Supervisors ,

Hi my name is Nicolas Crowell. I've lived in San Francisco since 2014. I started out on the 3rd floor above Smoke Shop #2 on Mission St, then I moved to Cortland Ave in 2015. I moved to Crescent Ave in 2018. and I recently moved to the Miraloma neighborhood overlooking Glen Canyon.

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Nicolas Crowell politics@crowell.me 45 Encline Ct San Francisco, California 94127

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Leilani Ishaan leilaniishaan@gmail.com 433 San Francisco , California 94121

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Police didn't stop people from breaking into our home while our family was sleeping in April last year. Catching the people who did it (which police also did not do) might have gotten our stuff back, but it wouldn't have solved the problems that led them to steal my clean & dry sneakers, leaving behind mismatched wet ones, along with the laptop. That isn't what police are for, but that is what our community needs.

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Leg Aides Board of Supervisors,

Hello there,

My name is Melissa and I live in San Francisco— District 7. I also work in District 6.

I am emailing to urge you to make a motion to remove funding for vacancies from the sheriff budget, reduce the sheriff's overtime budget more significantly, and remove funding for CBO programs from the sheriff's budget and move it to GSA.

I am also asking you to support removing all the proposed police academies from the budget. The proposed budget aims to add new officers to the SFPD and the Sheriff every year, a blatant violation of San Francisco's pledge last budget cycle to reduce the scope of policing and invest in community care.

Police don't keep us safe. Policing perpetuates cycles of violence and injustice, and disproportionately targets Black, Brown, poor, and LGBTQ+ people, and diverts money from being spent on the needs of our most vulnerable neighbors: rent relief, affordable housing, healthcare.

The Mayor and SFPD say that this increase to the SFPD budget is simply to offset a projected reduction in the number of police officers on our streets when officers retire or resign. Yet, by early 2022 when these officers will actually join the department, San Francisco will possibly have over 10 alternative response teams whose purpose is to divert calls from police.

We don't need more police: instead, invest in and aggressively expand alternatives like the Street Crisis Response Teams and CART.

With the proposed budget, the Mayor and Supervisors are committing to

-> \$658 million for SFPD. This is primarily from an increase in support from the General Fund — money that can be directed to housing, schools, City College, healthcare, and more — from \$509 million to \$549 million: now the most money ever dedicated from the General Fund to SFPD.

-> \$270 million for the Sheriff's department. This includes increasing the Sheriff's budget by \$25 million despite closing an entire county jail with an operating cost of \$24m, money our community is clearly not being refunded for.

-> \$35.7M for Juvenile Hall, a facility that cages children (87 percent of whom are Black). This influx of funding would keep it open until 2023 despite the legislative mandate by the Board of Supervisors to close the facility by the end of 2021.

-> \$5.3M for "Log Cabin Ranch", a detention center for children that was closed in 2018 due to concerns about the safety of the children.

-> Increasing the budgets of District Attorney, Adult Probation, and Juvenile Probation.

-> Generally expanding the violent, anti-poor, ableist, racist, and explicitly anti-Black, 'criminal' punishment system!

A budget is a statement of values. Increases to the SFPD and Sheriff's budgets comes at the expense of resources that create real public safety for all.

Defund SFPD, Defund Sheriffs, refund our communities, and reimagine the path to community safety.

For starters, CUT THE ACADEMIES.

Thank you for your time.

Melissa Hernandez mghernandez117@gmail.com 256 Brighton Ave San Francisco, California 94112 From: Jean T Ishibashi <jishibas@ccsf.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:58 AM
To: linda.wong@sf.gov.org
Subject: Fw: SFBOS Budget hearing 6/25/21

Unsure if you received my public comment for today's SFBOS Budget Hearing. It is attached. Thanks you. Hope you are staying safe and enjoying ! Jean Ishibashi

From: Jean T Ishibashi
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:36 AM
To: linda.wong@sf.gov.org <linda.wong@sf.gov.org>
Cc: mfimkels@aft2121.org <mfimkels@aft2121.org>
Subject: SFBOS Budget hearing 6/25/21

Public Comment from Jean Ishibashi for today's hearing.

Greetings and appreciation to all of you and to the Ohlone People on whose land we are now standing.

A friend of mine emailed me the words to LIFT EVERY VOICE and SING that she attributes to her survival during the pandemic.

With your support you'll strengthen the original vision of City College by lifting every voice including elders or OGs like myself, the houseless, the babymamas/pregnant teens, immigrants learning English, our essential workers, firefighter/nurse trainees, welders/airplane mechanics, and four year transfer students...all community members who educated me in how to respect and, yes, even, love our differences!

We can sing your praises as you lift all our voices so that we may survive with the most valuable education that the city can offer: the City College of San Francisco, a community college supporting all our residents regardless of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, and much more....

THANK YOU.

From:	Carol Bisharat
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Cindy Liou; Katie Annand
Subject:	Full Funding for SFILDC Legal Services for FY2021-2023
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 2:20:51 PM
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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) is writing to respectfully request that the Board <u>make the San</u> Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative (SFILDC) whole for the full amount requested for both years of the two-year budget cycle. Fully funding the SFILDC would advance the protection for immigrant children seeking safety and protection San Francisco, and allow them to access humanitarian relief and a network of social service support as they integrate into their new surroundings. Given the large, sudden incoming number of unaccompanied immigrant children (UCs) arriving in California and San Francisco this year, it is the time to provide full funding for legal services for children and their families, especially given the lasting negative impact of the pandemic and harmful federal immigration policies for the last few years on immigrant communities in San Francisco.

SFILDC's original founding purpose once again needed to meet high numbers of arriving unaccompanied immigrant children: Fully funding SFILDC is more important than ever. SFILDC was founded in 2014 to address the record numbers of UCs arriving in San Francisco, subject to expedited removal (deportation) proceedings. There was and still is no guarantee or regular provision of attorneys for children facing deportation; these UCs must face trained, adversarial government attorneys in immigration court. Most children are not provided attorneys in immigration court or in family court, both places we go in the course of seeking legal status for these children. UCs with and attorney are 70 times more likely to obtain legal relief, than those without counsel. Nationally, more than half of all UCs continue to go unrepresented. In January 2021, the Biden administration took steps to restore processing of UCs at the border, creating a release valve for the bottleneck numbers of UCs that had built up from the Trump administration's restrictionist policies, leading to authorities to see a 61% increase of UCs apprehended in a single month in March 2021 from the historic highs set in March 2019. California and the Bay Area are top destinations nationally for the reception of unaccompanied children. From October 2014-February 2021, 39,481 UCs were released to sponsors in California, and over 1,450 UCs were released to adult sponsors living in San Francisco alone; let alone additional UCs that have migrated to San Francisco after being

released elsewhere. The high numbers of UCs arriving this year will test important safeguards San Francisco has created through the Collaborative —and I say this as one of the first SFILDC attorneys who has been working with San Francisco UCs for years. For these reasons, reinforcing the original intent of SFILDC to create a framework to assert San Franciscan children's legal rights as they arrive to our communities in a vulnerable situation remains more important than ever.

Complex legal work for immigrant children requires full representation, and professional and legal obligations require ongoing representation to see through the success of a case, which currently lasts more than a single budget cycle due to federal administrative delays: KIND has been part of the SFILDC legal services collaborative since 2016, providing free legal representation, pro bono mentoring, and coordination of social services for unaccompanied immigrant children (UCs) in San Francisco. The nature of legal services does not allow for the stopping and starting of legal representation depending on budget cycles. Once a legal provider represents a child client, it is our professional responsibility and obligation as well as community commitment to providing representation for the life of the case, and it would not be appropriate or even permissible to withdraw from our commitments mid-way through the life of an immigration legal case. The outcome of these cases, without exaggeration, could mean the life or death of a young person. Most UC cases currently take at least 2-3 years to process as a result of court and USCIS backlogs. We must be able to complete work on each case once we take them on. We typically seek asylum and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) in the majority of our cases, as well as U and T visas. Asylum is not always heard immediately by the Asylum Office, and cases referred to the immigration court might only be scheduled a year later. There is currently a SIJS visa backlog for children from the Northern Triangle countries (where the majority of UCs are arriving from) such that they can expect to wait at least three years before they can adjust status to become a permanent resident, and a long visa backlogs for U visa applicants as well.

Many of these children have experienced trauma, and are at risk of further abuse, exploitation, and trafficking if not provided legal services and support: Widespread gang violence; sexual- and gender-based violence; corruption; poverty; natural disasters; and other dangers imperil the lives and safety of many children in the Northern Triangle and in other countries, leaving many with no choice but to flee their countries in search of safety. UCs typically do not receive federally funded coordinated legal and social services after they are released from federal custody, are limited English proficient (many are indigenous language speakers), often highly traumatized, and have limited support networks. These children and their families are also at a higher risk of housing and food insecurity. SFILDC members work to connect these children to other community services, work with schools and pediatricians, while working on their legal case. Without legal services or immigration status, these children continue to face barriers to accessing benefits and services, and remain more vulnerable than

ever to further abuse, exploitation, and even sex and labor trafficking.

**SFILDC is a successful national legal services model for protecting immigrant children and families and should remain a leader in this work:** SFILDC has over a 90 percent success rate in the cases we take on. Through KIND's national work can attest that SFILDC is regularly referenced as a national model for legal services that other cities are emulating. Given the historic numbers of UCs entering the country and expected in San Francisco this year, we know that we will take on new cases – currently we have exceeded these metrics and hold extremely high caseloads for our legal staff.

While KIND is grateful for the Boards support and funding of the Collaborative and the requested increase for the first year in this two year cycle, the reduction in funding for the second year leaves these vulnerable San Franciscan children in a precarious position. We urge you to please restore the full amount requested, and fund both the first and second years of this funding cycle at \$1,254,86/year for SFILDC.

KIND is grateful for the Board of Supervisors' leadership in supporting the well-being of immigrant children and their families. Thank you.

Carol Bisharat Senior Attorney Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) 200 Pine Street, Third Floor San Francisco, CA 94104 tel: (415) 735-5308 fax: (415) 449-3662 <u>cbisharat@supportkind.org</u>

\*\* Please note that I am working remotely.



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From:	Abigail Trillin
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	PLEASE MAKE SF IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE COLLABORATIVE WHOLE FOR SECOND YEAR
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 2:21:09 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I write to support the Immigrant Justice Coalition's request to make the San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative funding whole for two years. Legal Services for Children is one of the founding members of the San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative. We came together, in 2014, at a time of unprecedented need for services for unaccompanied immigrant children who were arriving in San Francisco from the border in record numbers. Today, we face an even greater need as the number of unaccompanied children feeling Central America is, again, increasing dramatically.

I urge you to support the full request for both years so that we can provide consistent services that strengthen our entire community. These are complex cases that take time to resolve. A decrease after one year could leave clients vulnerable. San Francisco has the opportunity to continue to be a National leader in this work.

Thank you for your consideration.

Abigail Trillin Executive Director Pronouns: She, Her, Hers Direct Line: 415-780-6333 GOOGLE Voice: (415) 413-7406 Fax Number: 415-863-7708

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Thank you for securing full funding for the other two grants– CARECEN SF is a member of the SFILDC, and fiscal lead. We ask today that you please make SFILDC whole for both years.

This critical investment will expand immigration legal representation for 300-400 asylum or other removal defense cases. It is critical to advancing Due Process in SF, protecting human rights and keeping families together. The population that will benefit from this work will be able to adjust immigration status, gain employment authorization documents, increase wages, and be able to effectively integrate into the CCSF's social, economic, cultural and civic fabric. This investment will reduce homelessness, measurably increase wages, and lift the shadow of exclusion immigrants have continued to endure.

SF is the lead nationally in advancing Due Process. Now is the time to double down, especially given the current context of a pandemic that has devastated immigrant communities citywide, and other people of color and the working poor in our city.

This is a citywide investment, and touches all migrant communities.

We know you can do this. Thank you in advance for your championship and support of this request.

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From:	Bill Hing
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Fwd: Support for MOHCD"s Immigrant Justice Portfolio
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 2:22:23 PM

### **Dear Supervisors**

I heard this morning that SFILEN and SFRRN are secure for two years. SFILDC is secure for year 1, but only at 50% for year two. I hope you can support fully funding SFILDC for year two. The USF Immigration Clinic that I run is part of SFILDC, and we are representing almost a hundred SF residents facing deportation.

Bill Hing Director, USF Immigration & Deportation Defense Clinic Professor of Law and Migration Studies

From:	Jehan Laner Romero
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Fwd: PLEASE MAKE SF IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE COLLABORATIVE WHOLE FOR SECOND YEAR
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 2:22:39 PM
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Please see our comment below.

----- Forwarded message ------From: Jehan Laner Romero < jehan@pangealegal.org> Date: Tue, Jun 29, 2021 at 1:25 PM Subject: Re: PLEASE MAKE SF IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE COLLABORATIVE WHOLE FOR SECOND YEAR To: <<u>chanstaff@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>andrew.mullan@sfgov.org</u>>, Frances Hsieh <frances.hsieh@sfgov.org>, <Sarah.S.Souza@sfgov.org>, <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>, <<u>Daisy.Quan@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>aaron.peskin@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>Preston.Kilgore@sfgov.org</u>>, <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>, <abigail.rivamontemesa@sfgov.org>, <melgarstaff@sfgov.org>, <<u>matt.haney@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>dean.preston@sfgov.org</u>>, Carrillo, Lila (BOS) <<u>lila.carrillo@sfgov.org</u>>, Myrna Melgar <<u>myrna.melgar@sfgov.org</u>>, Temprano, Tom (BOS) <<u>Tom.Temprano@sfgov.org</u>>, Low, Jen (BOS) <<u>ien.low@sfgov.org</u>>, Lerma, Santiago (BOS) <<u>Santiago.Lerma@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org</u>>, Gallardo, Tracy (BOS) <<u>Tracy.Gallardo@sfgov.org</u>>, Ronen, Hillary <<u>hillary.ronen@sfgov.org</u>>, <ernest.e.jones@sfgov.org>, <geoffrea.morris@sfgov.org>, <lauren.l.chung@sfgov.org>, <<u>shamann.walton@sfgov.org</u>>, Ronald Munoz <<u>carecenadm@carecensf.org</u>>, Berenson, Samuel (BOS) <<u>sam.berenson@sfgov.org</u>>

Cc: Lariza Dugan <<u>lariza@carecensf.org</u>>, Roxana Moussavian <<u>roxana@pangealegal.org</u>>

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Thank you for securing full funding for the other two grants. Pangea Legal Services is a member of the SFILDC. We ask today that you please make SFILDC whole for both years.

This critical investment will expand immigration legal representation for 300-400 asylum or other removal defense cases. A 50% cut in our funding on the other hand would gut our ability to provide the legal representation services that we are ethically obligated to provide as the attorneys of record for our clients whose court proceedings are already in process.

In our work, we see the impact of our emergency services on a daily basis. Last year, ICE illegally deported a longtime SF resident and gay man, Oumar, to Chad, a country where he feared death and torture based on his sexual orientation. Pangea represented Oumar before a federal district court. His case required time-intensive emergency legal representation regarding complex and highly-contested legal issues. Due to our quick response, Oumar was brought back to San Francisco, and released back to our community.

Recently, Pangea helped a man reopen his case after an immigration court error resulted in a deportation order. Juan\* and his daughter had court in Sacramento Immigration Court, but moved to the San Francisco court's jurisdiction. At their hearing in Sacramento, the immigration judge agreed to change venue to San Francisco, but accidentally updated the record of another person, instead of Juan's. Juan got an order stating that his court was moved to San Francisco, but the court's computer system registered the hearing in Sacramento. Unaware of his Sacramento hearing, Juan did not appear for court and was ordered removed. Pangea helped Juan show evidence that he had an order directing him to appear in San Francisco, and requested that his case be reopened due to the court error. Even with this clear evidence of error, DHS objected to the court reopening his case. The immigration court acknowledged their error and reopened his case due to Pangea's support. This casework had to be done on an emergency basis, and was unfunded because his removal proceedings were closed. Juan's story demonstrates how much work is required for emergency immigration services that are often unfunded, and are sometimes required to fix the government's mistakes.

Every week, our organization receives calls from community members who need these types of emergency services. Our high-quality emergency response services represent the difference between life and death for SF residents who fled their countries to escape persecution. A cut in our funding would not only inhibit us from providing emergency services, but would also jeopardize our ability to carry out our ethical obligations to existing clients. Your support is critical to ensuring that as a city we can do better to provide for and support our immigrant community.

We know you can do this. Thank you in advance for your championship and support of this request.

Thank you

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From:	Jessica Farb
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Suzanne McCormick
Subject:	URGENT REQUEST: Funding SFILDC at FULL (for Year 2)
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 2:23:17 PM
Attachments:	MOHCD Immigration Portfolio Budget Requests 06.23.21.pdf

Please see below, for public comment.

Jess

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**Cc:** Suzanne McCormick <suzanne@icwclaw.org>; Lariza Dugan-Cuadra <lariza@carecensf.org> **Subject:** URGENT REQUEST: Funding SFILDC at FULL (for Year 2)

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From:	Ben H
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	SUPPORT POLICE FUNDING IN SF and RICHMOND DISTRICT
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 4:16:26 PM

Supervisors -

We have a crime issue in a city I love and I cannot live this way with all crime. Please continue to fund and support the police. More funding and resources the better.

If you need money for social or rehab programs, I am okay with paying more for that. But if there is a vote to reduce our police force and security, I will make sure my vote goes to someone who cares.

Respectfully,

Benson

From:	David Bihr
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment BOS Meeting Tuesday 6/29
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 5:23:27 PM

Hello,

My name is David Bihr, I am a San Francisco resident who has lived in district nine for 21 years. I am also currently employed by SFDPH as a registered nurse at Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES) at San Francisco General Hospital. I have worked in this position for over eleven years.

At the end of last year, and after nearly ten years of working in a particularly violent environment - I was assaulted by a patient. My coworkers and I had used all of our non-violent skills to deescalate, and attempt to contain, this patient. In spite of this, we were not able to stop the person from punching me in the head and face so severely that I required nearly a month off from work. Over the years, I have seen or heard of many of my colleagues being similarly violently assaulted. If the The SF Sheriff's are removed from SFGH, I anticipate an increase in these violent events. If the SF Sheriff's were not present to show support for us at SFGH, I would have to seriously reconsider my longevity as a nurse in the current environment in which I work.

My colleagues and I have recently learned of a proposed plan to defund the SF Sheriff's Department substation at San Francisco General Hospital. The plan to defund SF Sheriff's at DPH is being sold to us by management as a reapportionment of the funding from security (SF Sheriff's) to an increase in behavioral health staffing. The administration at SFGH states that it is an evidence based organization that relies on data to make decisions. If this is in fact true, then they will know that the increase in violent assaults on RN's and other staff at SFGH, as well as the increase in lateral violence between patient's at SFGH, is not an issue which can be dealt with by behavioral health staff alone. Please postpone the proposed 2021 SFDPH security plan until it can receive further evaluation. Frontline nurses have been shut out of the decision making process. We are the professional patient advocates in healthcare. We belong at the decision making table.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

David S. Bihr, RN dsbihr@comcast.net

From:	Nathan Hinsley
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Wednesday, June 30, 2021 7:24:44 PM
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Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District \_\_\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but our incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

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From:	Serena Fritz-Cope
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please do not cut funding of the Police!
Date:	Tuesday, July 6, 2021 10:56:17 AM

As a tax paying individual and business owner in the beautiful city of San Francisco, I am voicing my strong disapproval of the way the city is being run.

This is in regards to not prosecuting crime and taking funds away from police.

The city is a mess with the homeless, and the lack of punishing criminals so they have no

consequence and continue with delinquent behavior hurts everyday citizens.

EVERYONE wants to feel safe.

Your policies are creating a backlash of conservatives who want to feel safe in their city! The police are under a great deal of stress. Please help them and not hurt them by taking away resources.

I know I represent a large group of people.

Please do something!

Serena Fritz-Cope

From:	Brooke Jordan
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Comment on budget
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 7:46:47 PM

### Hi,

I'm a resident of San Francisco, and I'm friends with several city employees. It sounds like a big trend with my friends who are city employees, and other city employees who I speak with while seeking services is that most departments are doing more with less. It sounds like staffing has stagnated at levels from years ago while workloads have greatly increased. My friends in the Medical Examiner's office, the Police Department, HHS, and Other departments are struggling to do their jobs well because they barely have adequate staffing. Please, please allocate money in the budget specifically for hiring in these essential departments. Please specifically allocate the funds for hiring the jobs that get work done on the ground, and not just more managers who's high salaries would eat up the funding. For example, at the Medical Examiner's office no new investigators have been hired for years. My friends have said caseload is rising dramatically and they hardly are able to keep up. Meanwhile the ME's office has hired several higher salary jobs when they could have alleviated the strain on the people who do the majority of the work (autopsy technicians and investigators).

I appreciate you taking the time to read this. Please consider what I've said. While the hiring I've described isn't glamorous, they'll lead to better experienced for SF residents and I think it's worth it.

Thanks, Jennifer Redbridge

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: 37 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 1:24:55 PM
Attachments:	37 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.pdf

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Subject: 37 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644

Hello,

Please see the attached 37 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.

**File No. 210643** - Budget and Appropriation Ordinance appropriating all estimated receipts and all estimated expenditures for Departments of the City and County of San Francisco as of June 1, 2021, for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023.

**File No. 210644** - Annual Salary Ordinance enumerating positions in the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, continuing, creating, or establishing these positions; enumerating and including therein all positions created by Charter or State law for which compensations are paid from City and County funds and appropriated in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance; authorizing appointments or continuation of appointments thereto; specifying and fixing the compensations and work schedules thereof; and authorizing appointments to temporary positions and fixing compensations therefore.

Regards,

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## Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm someone who has participated in Black Lives Matter protests as well as written about the issue of police brutality and the challenges it presents in a law review article titled, "The Failure of Local and Federal Prosecutors to Curb Police Brutality," published in the Fordham Urban Law Journal, and yet I support funding two additional academy classes.

The number of officers available to patrol and their availability to spend resources on solving more serious crimes; murders, rapes, etc. will be adversely affected if we continue to reduce the number of officers.

I agree that officers should not be responding to every mental health crisis, but the solution to discriminatory practices by police officers or excessive force are not solved by reducing the number of police officers. Rather, it is solved by better training, a stronger police commission, eliminating or reducing immunity, prosecution of police for excessive force, etc.

We need to ensure that when we have a genuine emergence, we can rely on the fact that officers will respond in a timely fashion and have the resources to solve serious crimes. I am asking you to include in your budget funding for two academies for SFPD.

Thank you, Asit Panwala

Good Afternoon,

I fully support the proposed police budget. We MUST take action to make San Francisco safe for residents and visitors safe again. As along time resident (30 year) I have never felt unsafe to walk around by myself during the day or night as I do now.

Please save our beloved city before it is too late !!

Thank you,

Wendy Will Laurel Heights

From:	<u>aeboken</u>
То:	BOS-Supervisors; BOS-Legislative Aides
Cc:	Marstaff (BOS); Corso, Mark
Subject:	Follow Up to Budget and Appropriations Committee Meeting June 25, 2021 re Fire Department Budget
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 4:24:59 PM

# TO: Board of Supervisors members

It was my intention to testify once again on behalf of four hose tenders in the Fire Department budget during public comment at the Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting on June 25, 2021.

After several hours on the call in line, it didn't seem like this was going to happen.

That being said, I'm submitting the following comments in writing:

On behalf of both the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods (CSFN) and on behalf of Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK) regarding the Fire Department budget...

The Coalition's and SPEAK's position has been clear and consistent; that a total of four hose tenders be purchased in the upcoming budget cycle using General Fund monies.

This would be over and above any purchased with CalOES funds.

According to the Fire Department's CFO, the total is still two rather than four.

CSFN and SPEAK are strongly urging the Board of Supervisors to increase the amount to four using the add back process.

Eileen Boken

State and Federal Legislative Liaison Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods and President Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK)

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:	Ashley Hillard
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Reform not Defund the Police
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 6:13:53 PM

### Hello Board of Supervisors.

I moved to San Francisco after visiting and falling in love with the city in 2007. While I am thankful to have lived here, for all the city has given me, I am now one of the many leaving. I wouldn't consider leaving if it weren't so expensive and crime ridden, you can't have both and something has to give. Many of my friends are gone and I've been asked by one bar manager to put out the word that they are hiring, she can't find enough people left to hire. One friend who has lived here off and on since the 70's commented it's the worst it's been, this is something I've heard repeatedly from longtime residents. I've been the victim of crimes ranging from my car door being kicked in by a man in a psychotic episode to having my catalytic converter stolen to my car window being smashed to feel around the trunk for nothing to multiple encounters involving unwanted sexually aggressive and threatening behavior by men who seemed mentally ill, including being chased into the street. When will you prioritize the real issues, mental health and drug addiction? Housing alone won't fix it, a friend with connections to hotel owners shared the overdose stories from people housed (and supplied with drugs) in the hotels during the pandemic. San Francisco has been featured on CNN multiple times due to the rampant crime, is that not embarrassing for you? This isn't just Fox reporting it, this isn't a Republican talk track (as some woke white male city residents have said). One Chinese American friend carries a weapon with him due to the number of times he's been threatened. Fires are started behind Rincon Green in SoMa on a regular basis, while California is in a constant state of fire season danger. It's on the voters, but it's also on you. With Walgreens and other businesses closing, tech leaving, remote workers leaving - who will be left to pay the enormous bills the city leverages against taxpayers?

Chief Scott has been featured by news outlets like CNN, the police are understaffed already. Should there be police reform, yes many would agree with this. To have fewer police and less funding doesn't solve the problem, much like housing doesn't solve the homeless crisis. The band aid solutions don't get to the root issues. Do you work with consulting groups and strategists? Something to consider, because spaghetti at the wall policy planning isn't working. This city and it's residents, housed and unhoused, deserve so much better. Living here has made me more moderate because I've seen what living through progressive ideology without plans looks like.

Speaking of, I asked Jane Kim at a Bernie rally a few years ago what the progressives in SF will do to help treat the severely mentally ill. Her response was to blame former President Reagan. That's not a plan. The progressive agenda has great ambitions and ideas without tactical plans, without success metrics, without strategy and this is where it fails as seen in cities across the United States and on the national stage. This feeds into narratives about Democrats' proposals not being pragmatic, what town or city would want to look like what this city has become? It's a disservice to continue to let things go down this track. Supervisor Stefani has stood out as a leader among you, speaking up even when it goes against the

popular narratives.

Do better for this city and for the Democratic Party.

Thank you, Ashley - D3

I live in District 2 and I join Supervisor Stefani to support police funding.

Brenda Kwee McNulty 1-415-519-3028 Sent from my iPhone

### Dear Supervisors,

As an 18 year resident of San Francisco, I implore you to support the SFPD budget proposal. Crime in our beloved city is worse than it has ever been in my nearly two decades here. Burglaries are rampant; I have experienced this personally multiple times but none more recently and more alarmingly than when someone drilled a hole in our garage and stole a bike with our daughter's toddler seat affixed to it. While my daughter was upset, a bike can be replaced. However, the complete lack of conscience that it requires to steal something from a child is representative of the cold-blooded brazenness that has become instilled in the city's criminal network. Criminal justice reform and racial equity across the country, including in San Francisco, is necessary; however, keeping our streets and children safe is foundational to our society and the staying power of such reform. As such, I support the SFPD budget proposal to make our streets safer.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gavin

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I support police funding

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Engel, Shamideh (DPH)
То:	Breed, Mayor London (MYR); Miyamoto, Paul (SHF): Engler, Joseph (SHF); Carter, Tanzanika (SHF); Hollings, Crispin (SHF); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Colfax, Grant (DPH)
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Date:	Sunday, June 27, 2021 11:36:50 PM
Attachments:	SFDPH SAFETY & WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT.pdf

Good Evening Everyone,

My name is Shamideh Engel, and I've been a Registered Nurse in Psych Emergency at SFGH for over a decade. We understand an important vote will be held this week which will have a drastic effect on our lives. We are pleading with you all to please postpone the voting to defund the sheriffs department and listen to the concerned healthcare workers from SFGH, surrounding clinics and community. Our voices have been silenced and the decision to defund the sole protection we have at San Francisco General is in your hands.

I work in a place where people with psychiatric disorders are taken when they are in crisis. The individuals we treat suffer from a wide array of issues, and some of those issues are manifested in violent acts. In the last 6 months alone, I was assaulted 3 times by patients I was attempting to provide care for. One of those times, a sheriff deputy, SFPD and the CEO of our hospital was present. Between myself and my co-workers, we do not feel safe doing our jobs without San Francisco Sheriff's Deputies.

We understand we will have a deputy stationed in PES and the ER, however, the assaults that often occur, require the presence of 4-5 deputies to safely handle a situation, with the least amount of restrictive force. Removing more deputies from our campus will place us all at risk for injury, including the deputies. Furthermore, the amount of gunshot and severe injury has been increasing, which again, will displace the stationed deputies to the needed location.

According to the management of San Francisco General Hospital, between February of 2020 and February of 2021, there were 460 assaults reported at San Francisco General Hospital. This is a 4 fold increase in the past 3 years. How can the BERT team and cadets provide the same level of protection with an increased amount of criminal activity on campus?

Management at San Francisco General Hospital has devised a plan based on the current trend of defunding law enforcement to remove almost half of the Sheriff's Deputies assigned to SFGH. In an environment where violence is prevalent, can removing the Sheriff's Deputies really be the way to proceed? With assaults on staff escalating, nursing staff in the busiest and most dangerous areas of the hospital feel like the management would rather follow the national trends rather than provide for the safety of the medical staff. I have seen the data from the powerpoint presented by Basil Price, and I have to loudly point out, EVERY single call was initiated by a frightened healthcare worker.

Currently, national trends in areas where law enforcement has been defunded have seen sharp increases in the amount of crime. The national trend has been to quietly re-fund the defunded law enforcement agencies. Most jurisdictions which decided to cut law enforcement budgets are now quietly re-funding the agencies, and slightly increasing the budget. The reason for this is clear, with decreasing law enforcement presence, crime is increasing. And nowhere is this more terrifying than San Francisco General Hospital.

San Francisco is a beacon of inclusion and diversity in the United States. People from all walks of life come to San Francisco for the promise of acceptance, but this dream can quickly turn to a nightmare based on the current unrest. Our hospital is only as effective with the amazing staff that work alongside me.

Recently we conducted a staff survey and 90% of the respondents felt safer with the current level of sheriffs deputies. Please see the attached PDF with the results.

We don't have to go that far back in the annals of the hospital's history to see the story of Corinna Heyn-Jones. Even with a nearby sheriff's deputy and two San Francisco police officers, a patient assaulted her. According to the San Francisco chronicle, the patient grabbed her by the hair and his grip was unrelenting. She said the patient thrashed her to the ground, jammed her head against the floor, grabbed at her eye-sockets and shoved fingers into her upper lip. This was with law enforcement present. Will such assaults increase or subside with a decrease in our sheriff's deputies?

San Francisco is currently suffering from a massive homelessness problem. Mental illness is rampant amongst this population. San Francisco has done an amazing job increasing mental health awareness and providing treatment for this population, but it isn't enough. In my recent memory, an individual was suffering a psychiatric crisis and arrived at the psychiatric emergency room with a firearm. It was only our sheriff's deputies that the situation was brought under control. It should be noted that the individual was African American and deputies did not shoot him. They managed to de-escalate the situation.

I challenge every single person to go to the San Francisco General Hospital's emergency rooms and inpatient psychiatry units and ask them the last time they were assaulted. Not if, but when and how many times. I believe any reader that undertakes this endeavor will be shocked.

We all were shocked by the actions of ONE officer in Minneapolis last May, however, the actions of a single officer who was prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law do not justify putting the staff of San Francisco's in danger. Please do not allow our sheriff's deputies to be taken from us just because the administrators choose to follow the failed policies across this country. We choose to work at SFGH for a reason, the community, and we want to continue to work there. Please invest your time and energy in protecting us as much as we are invested in our community. Please slow this down and hear us out. #DPH MUST INVEST. Let us show the nation the way to positive, safe and effective change.

Thank you for your time, Shamideh Engel, RN Psychiatric Emergency Services "Sfgh deputies have kept our unit safe and are essential in keeping staff safe." - PES, RN

"Over the years SFGH medical services have declined. Yes we're short staff still, but back in the day we pushed through together, and kept our work profesional. We were focused on helping & saving lives without political distraction. The defunding of the police, I understand, the rethinking of funds; understood, but to take away our safety net, at SFGH is not in the best interest of anyone who will be at the wrong place, wrong time & become a victim. SFGH has a multitude of people coming on to the property who are of various states &/or emotions, under different circumstances. Let's say an unfortunate event occurs somewhere within the property. locating that person in need of help will be super delayed. SFPD doesn't know the property like SFSO. SFSO has come to the rescue plenty of times, when we call, they come, ready to help with callers' complaints. We use them all of the time to handle our dirty work because we're tired, irritated, afraid or unsure of how to deal with an obviously difficult person on the premises. We know who we are. Now we ignore, tolerate the wrong actions, and the behavior of visitors. If medical staff is concerned w/ how Deputies deal w/ matters then we need to come up w/ a clear plan of what is expected or wanted. I've seen those that stand around watching our co- worker being assaulted. Deputies come running to stop & take control of the violent individual, they're criticized for their actions. You sure didn't try to help that nurse from getting tossed around, did you doctor. A good chunk of hair was ripped out, but yet, you were ready to criticize & yell at the deputies, this is why we need them, for watchers like you- coward." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT, LVN, MEA

"No one believes in any Mission statement as to why they do what they do or for where they work. It's all taken for granted & sick patients mistreated. Thank goodness a cadet was around to get help for an elderly Hispanic lady who had collapsed on her way to urgent from the ER at the direction of the rude heartless triage nurse. She took the hell off, didn't stick around to explain how she totally didn't take the time to further ask questions of the elderly woman, you just wanted her out of your face." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT, LVN, MEA

"When the administration has meetings they have multiple sheriff's protecting them, why do they not extend the same towards their own staff?" - MED SURG, RN

"I believe many medical staff will find another job if there are less deputies on campus for safety reasons." - EMERGENCY, RN

"I no longer feel safe or supported working in psych at sfgh." - SFGH, RN

"Patient and staff safety in psychiatry are in the rise in my opinion. Decreasing the little bit of security provided by deputies will make us even more vulnerables." - PES STAFF MEMBER

"We've finally gotten SFSD posted in PES. In the last 2 months since, we have had fewer incidents. Taking them away will only make things worse for our safety." - PES STAFF MEMBER

"We need to KEEP the number of sheriffs we currently have. The frontline staff needs to feel safe. The frontline staff are the ones most affected by violence and uncontrollable patients, not the doctors/CNMs. Protect the frontline workers!" - L&D, RN

"Please protect us who work so hard to take care of our community!" - CLINIC, RN

"I can't speak to the rest of the campus. If we let down our guard and remove our security our staff will pay the consequences of that administrative decision."

"The patient population we serve at SFGH has drastically changed over the years. The patient's physical and mental health are more complex and challenging than ever before! Unfortunately, situations escalate and the verbal de escalation training that DPH has us review yearly is Not Enough. Patients arrive with weapons and can become hostile very quickly. I am in a Clinic across the street from the main campus. We are isolated and vulnerable. Anyone from the community can walk into our building and off our elevators and cause harm at any moment. That is a frightening reality. I have a better sense of security knowing I have the sheriff readily available to assist before a staff member or another patient becomes harmed. I fear for my safety every day I walk on campus. Please keep our sheriffs and cadets on Campus." - CLINIC, RN

"For those that do not want SFSD on the hospital property, it's because they don't deal with the craziness that goes on in the ED and PES." - EMERGENCY STAFF MEMBER

"We NEED SFSD to remain in the ED for staff safety from violent patients."

"The ED needs to keep our SFSO."

"The deputies are very helpful and they're doing their best to protect us from the dangerous and crazy people." - MEDSURG, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"Nurses medical assistance LVN's are being targeted for trying to do their job of providing patient care. Management and people in leadership are retaliating against staff for being outspoken and speaking out for the well-being of people in the community that we serve in San Francisco. HR has refused to hear people's stories and to address this abuse by people in power." -SFGH STAFF MEMBER

"Hi, I'm a Registered Nurse in psychiatry and believe removing the Sheriffs from our hospital will have perilous ramifications. The patients I've cared for at SFGH suffer from severe mental illness, many with impaired insight and judgement, and a lot who present under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We want to be able to care for these patients in the safest way possible, and when we are faced with violence, the Sheriffs are essential in helping nurses/doctors provide care for patients who are suffering. Their presence alone has prevented me from getting assaulted on numerous occasions during work hours. Please, if you care about the patients at SFGH, do not remove them from our campus." - INPATIENT PSYCHIATRY, RN

"Keep the Sheriffs. They are there to protect the staff AND patients." - EMERGENCY, RN

"Sheriff deputies need to stay ! To medical staff who do not work in ED or PES DOES NOT KNOW how we risk our lives working there especially at night ! We need the sheriff's PERIOD !" EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"I have worked in PESa for over 7 years, and in that time have witnessed more than 20 incidents where myself or my fellow coworkers have been physically or mentally attacked by patients with no help from hospital security because they did not have the staff nor man power to provide. At some point when will DPH put their staff and employees well being first rather than trying to save a few bucks!" - PES STAFF MEMBER

"I will no longer be able to feel safe and work at ZSFG ED." - PES STAFF

"We need more security to make us safe at work." - CLINIC, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"Nobody in the community knows what type of violence we deal with; if it's either verbal, physical or mental. The type of patients we deal with on a daily basis are the type that we need extra support with. The San Francisco Sheriff's Department works really well with us as we do with them since we both work together to deal with the treatment and/or the behavior of our patients. What benefits us a lot is that they know the patients from elsewhere (jail) and the patients respond to them. It's easy to say remove them from the hospital or ask us nurses why we work in such places like Psychiatric Emergency but honestly, who else has the mental and emotional capability to work in such a place and keep it together? Removing the Sheriffs from our specific department will cause the unit's acuity to increase and our safety to decrease." PES, RN

"If the board wishes to remove the funding to keep medical professionals safe, I think the board should spend at the minimum one shift with each department they wish to decrease funding from, especially ZSFG ED. I think they need to consider deeply and even revisit the number of "code 50", extra assistance/psychiatric, calls that legitimately require the help of law enforcement." - CLINIC, VOLUNTEER

"Staff safety needs to be a priority, removing the Sheriffs is not the answer." - CLINIC, RN

"We are chronically understaffed with lack of nurses and MEAs, we're holding violent patients for many, many hours awaiting placement in PES. Staff in the past have been seriously injured and without security it will only make our already dangerous job incredibly dangerous. We are losing staff and this will lead to more resignations. Seeing as it takes exceedingly long to onboard new staff to SFGH, this is a recipe for disaster. Please do not remove the SFSD officers from the ED! And for the love of God give us adequate staff!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Management here is based on a favorite position. Nepotism is rampant and favorites are played. The nurses in the ER run off of an exclusion versus inclusion system when it comes to safety. This will not change until management changes." EMERGENCY, RN

"Leadership is a joke. Staff have identified key risk issues to the department with not one word back. They get away with doing nothing or really anything they choose to do or not do. It is a display of ultimate power. You say something and your blacklisted so we all sit and wait. The ED has been very vocal with no union reps around a big risk but still no response for change. The Daisy awards were issued and would you think a year in a pandemic and the chaos in the Ed would get you to see a daisy award from the ED. Nope, were the bastard step children that can die. Awful leadership and even worse union help. It's a shit show!!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Having the presence of the Sheriffs with Psych patients or any altered patient gives our staff a sense of relief, protection. They are quick to react to violence towards our staff members which is great to have in the ER as we know a lot can happen in the blink of an eye." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"The sheriffs are the only ones who protect us. We get assaulted everyday!!!!!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Administrators are the only department that are so far isolated from the realities of patient care that they don't see that staff is physically being broken by the high demands of our population. Get out of offices, put the clip boards down and actually start making changes for our nurses to care for the hurting and sick population." - RN

"Our administration is a constant failure. When I did I need them all to help lower my casket into the ground so they can let me down one last time." EMERGENCY, RN

"Many have already expressed that they will leave if we lose our deputies. The only thing keeping us safe!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Keep law enforcement, there is too much violence and lawlessness." - EMERGENCY STAFF

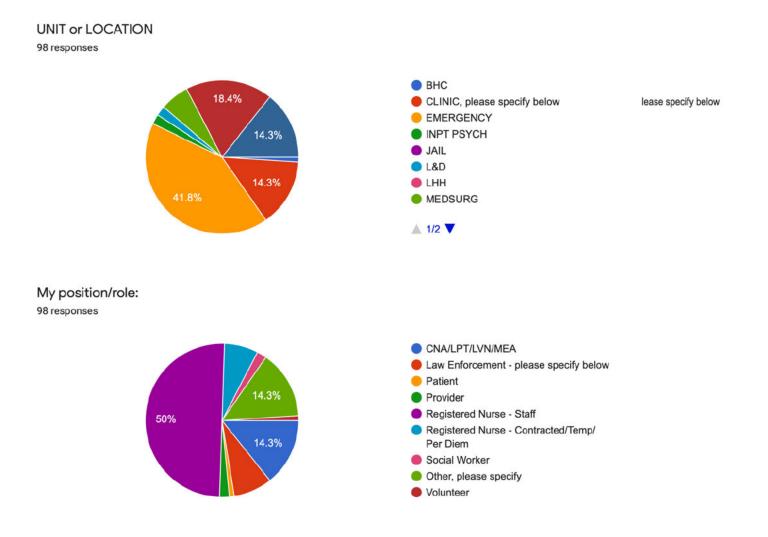
"Does management and the county leaders know that the increase of violence has corresponded with the pandemic, less access to psych help and street drugs getting stronger? It's not rocket science... verbal & physical abuse is up due to all of these things and we need more staff. Whatever that looks like. Sheriffs would be preferable though I'm concerned about their rule that they won't intervene till I'm assaulted. Will other staff other than sheriffs work ? Maybe- either way - more "hands on deck" is the answer." - EMERGENCY, RN "Management should try working or observing in the emergency department for a whole shift. Not just an hour or a few minutes. They need to stay for a whole shift so they can see how crazy and unsafe of a workplace environment it is. Management makes decisions while they sit in the comfort and security of their office. Be out there and see how it is before you decide." - EMERGENCY, RN

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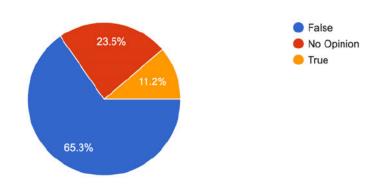
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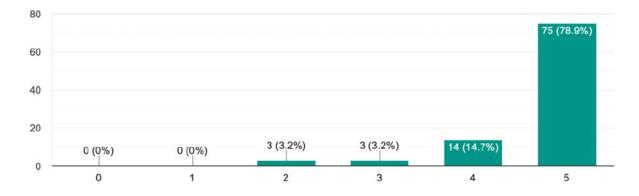
"Sheriff department are professionals trained in dealing with deranged people, if gone will be like 911 with no one to answer your call for help. Other departments should not have a say on what ED or PES needs in dealing with out of control angry people or patients." - ANONYMOUS



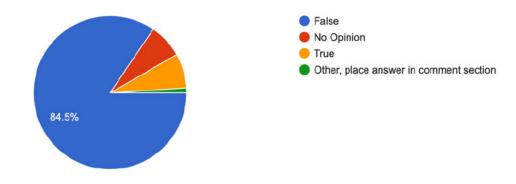
The staff at SFDPH have been given proper education/tools to appropriately prevent, de-escalate, or mitigate the violence they face at work? 98 responses



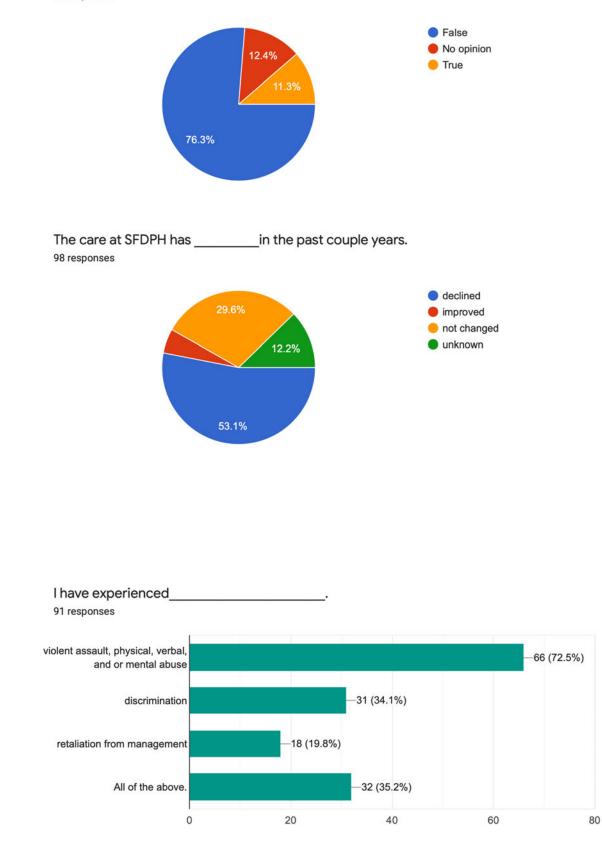
# How would you rate the risk of violence in the ED & PES? <sup>95</sup> responses

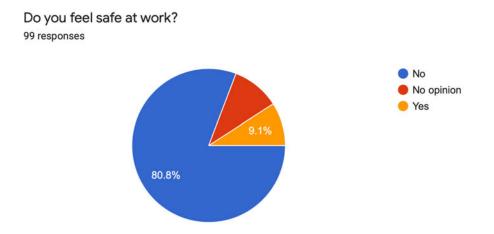


I believe SFDPH administration places safety and security ABOVE all other budgetary concerns. 97 responses

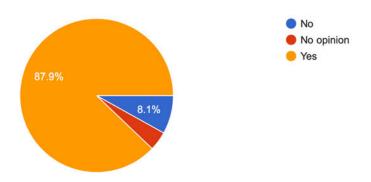


SFDPH administration shows staff and/or volunteers appreciation and support. 97 responses

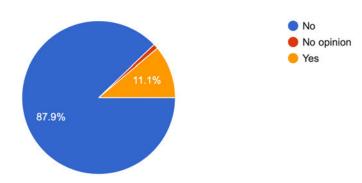




I feel more protected and safe with SFSD deputies on campus? 99 responses



SFDPH will be decreasing the budget of our Sheriff's Deputies, leaving us with less protection and no clear plan. Are you in agreement with this decision? <sup>99 responses</sup>



From:	dwayne charles
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	"Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues".
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 2:54:33 AM

• "Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues"

From:	Brittany (Lambert) Suszan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Colin Drane
Subject:	Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - SFPD open crime data feed
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 8:10:48 AM

Hi -

I wanted to make you aware of the complaint we have filed against SFPD in regards to the removal of block level locations on the open crime data feed. (See below).

I was interested in asking if anyone on the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force was interested in connecting? The decision made is not reflective of what other police agencies across the US are doing.

Thank you, Brittany

From: **Colin Drane** <<u>colin@spotcrime.com</u>> Date: Fri, Jun 11, 2021 at 12:42 PM Subject: Re: 05/18/21 Phone Call to DPA To: Mathias, Peachy (DPA) <<u>peachy.mathias@sfgov.org</u>> Cc: Brittany Suszan <<u>lambert@spotcrime.com</u>>

Hi Peachy,

Following up on my call.

I would like to file a complaint in terms of how the SFPD open crime data was neutered.

Specifically, crime data was moved to a less accurate intersection location from a block designation. There was no notice of this or any argument made for this move. It was done seemingly arbitrarily. I can find no research indicating this type of move is better for citizens or the police department.

We are seeing only one other US city make this type of move (Detroit). In the Detroit case, it was done as a retaliation event because of a local news report about response times. I have been unable to ascertain the motivation of the SFPD.

I have been working on open crime data for over 14 years. SF was one of the first cities to have a modern open data portal.

It is my sense/ belief that there was no data based evidence for lessening the accuracy of the data and no thought as to the effects on transparency and concentrating crime data at the intersection. Concentrating data at intersections could make business and homes at the

intersections perceptively more crime ridden.

Block level data is a nationwide convention. While not perfect, it does portray the crime data more accurately than a concentrated intersection motif. Additionally, the methodology of intersection reporting could be arbitrary. If a crime happened in between two intersections the software must choose (potentially arbitrarily) which intersection to go to. This would either represent the crime closer or farther away from a local citizen interested in the data.

What is the best way to submit a letter related to this matter? Who should I send it to?

Sincerely,

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Colin Drane Founder Spotcrime.com

Brittany (Lambert) Suszan SpotCrime.com lambert@spotcrime.com 443-296-2748

Dear Honorable Mayor and Board of Supervisors,

Attached please find a letter of support regarding the two new police academy classes proposed in the Mayor's budget. The support letter is from City Center Realty Partners, LLC and Blatteis & Schnur, Inc.

Thank you.

Best regards, Anne Flanigan

Anne Flanigan | Director | <u>LIGHTHOUSE PUBLIC AFFAIRS</u> MAIN (415) 364-0000 | MOBILE (417) 793-5434 June 24th, 2021

The Honorable Mayor London Breed and San Francisco Board of Supervisors San Francisco City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94012

Dear Honorable Mayor and Board of Supervisors,

As businesses operating in the heart of downtown San Francisco, we are writing to express our support for funding two new police academy classes as proposed in the Mayor's budget.

Thanks to your leadership during the last year, the City is now in a position to start moving past the pandemic and towards the next phase of recovery. Our economic recovery is dependent on keeping our streets welcoming and creating an environment where g tourists and residents feel safe as our local businesses open up. Ensuring there are enough police resources is a huge step towards our recovery and bringing back the vibrancy that San Francisco has always offered.

We also want to be clear that our support for these academy classes and police resources does not mean that the City should put aside meaningful criminal justice reform. We are proud of the City's recent efforts and believe the two can and should happen in tandem. We support criminal justice reform while ensuring our Police Department has the resources needed to continue keeping our streets safe.

Please support a budget that strengthens community policing, while working towards meaningful criminal justice reform.

Thank you,

Mark Stefan President, City Center Realty Partners, LLC

-DecuSigned by:

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Dan Blatteis Co-Chairman, Blatteis & Schnur, Inc.

DocuSigned by: Mare Guth

Marc Guth Principal and Head of Development, Blatteis & Schnur, Inc.

From:	<u>Carroll, John (BOS)</u>
To:	Wong, Linda (BOS); Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	FW: add back support - BOS File Nos. 210643 and 210644
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 11:12:24 AM

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From: Harriet Larkin <outlook\_DABA7BADFA659F84@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 5:26 PM
To: Carroll, John (BOS) <john.carroll@sfgov.org>
Subject: add back support

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#### June 25, 2021

RE: Add Back Funds

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am a resident of District 10 and also an employee of Renaissance Parents of Success. I would say that over the past ten years, we continually lost City funding; however, we continued to work on behalf of some of the most venerable residents of San Francisco. We provide job readiness/placement, life skills, mentoring/monitoring, and specialized training programs such as cannabis training/incubator, security training, and application to the Bureau of Investigative Services. The security program is open to ex-offenders, and if they are denied, we support them through the appeal process. We have sought funding for this program in the past without success. However, we provide security to many CBO's participants, and our program does not profit from this service. All fees collect from security go directly to a licensed trainer, processing fees, and live scan. We are not allowed in our offices by the PUC; we have had to incur the added expense of \$350.00 per training for the use of space. This evidence of our commitment to providing positive alternatives to residents who otherwise would be involved in illicit activities or on public assistance. We have been instrumental in changing the lives of many residents, especially ex-offenders. We are a one-stop-shop and address all of the needs of participants and walk-ins.

We run youth programs designed to empower them and provide the tools necessary to make positive decisions. This program includes teaching Black children and youth about their true history and how much Black people have contributed to America. Youth are required to write weekly reports on what they have learned. In addition, all of our participants engage in community service activities. We had also planned to provide a program called "self-image" to explore the problems between dark and lighter-skinned female youth, hair texture, etc. We believe in building solidarity among young girls and women. As a result, they can respect each others' differences and be more receptive to accepting and unifying with females from other ethnicities.

Our program is more than a program in our community, and past and present residents depend on us for support. All participants who enter the program must complete the clean slate program if they have a criminal background. We watch participants' children if they need help to go to class or an interview which shows the level of trust participants have in our staff. We provide meals while in our office and have a food pantry for those who suffer from food insecurities. We are family!!! We teach young people that violence is not the way and help them to file complaints in court vs. "taking it to the streets," we provide housing referrals and other resources.

Over the last ten years, we have consistently lost funding because we do not have a professional grant writer. As a result, our staff had to take on second jobs to support the program. In addition, we recently learned that the PUC that owns our location will not be allowing us to return to the building, which is yet another major setback. Still, we press on in support of our community. We are seeking add-back funds for \$350.000.00 or as close to that as possible. Our program is an integral part of the community and has provided services for more than 35 years. We are a constant in the community, and young and old alike know that they can depend on us to assist them, but we need your help. Our community is already mistrustful of organizations, and we have the trust of the community. Please help us to continue to be a valuable part of our community. Advocating for youth and community,

Harriet Larkin Program Director 415-424-5247

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	michael hill
То:	Haneystaff (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Subject:	Removal of SFGH Deputies
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 2:24:49 PM

Dear Supervisors, Board Members, and others:

4000 people signed a petition to keep the deputies at SFGH, yet a small, but vocal, minority of staff have been agitating to remove them. Before any decision is made that will put staff, patients and visitors at increased risk, I urge the Board to look closely at the record of violence at the hospital. It is extensive. We will be holding you all accountable if the deputies are removed and human lives are lost as a result.

Michael Hill, RN Emergency Department Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital

## Dear Supervisors,

I support police reforms. And, I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

Please keep the entire police budget, especially the portion that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because public safety is critical to the successful functioning of society. 70% of San Franciscans feel that SF is unsafe right now. We are sliding toward a very dangerous situation - you have the opportunity now to take action to show San Franciscans that you are responsive to their concerns. Or you could contribute to the sense of lawlessness in the city. We are all watching to see which course you will chart.

Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you.

Marie Hurabiell

<u>Terry Poplawski</u>
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Funding Jazz Professionals & Venues
Monday, June 28, 2021 9:19:44 PM

San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues

Terry Poplawski

Board of Supervisors Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District Alma Jackson\_\_\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

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You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Carletta Jackson-Lane cjacksonalne@yahoo.com 401 Yerba Buena Avenue San Francisco, California 94127

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Maria Hernández Pinto mhernan@students.pitzer.edu 2599 Huntington dr Claremont, California 91711

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Dominick Yu dominickyu8@gmail.com 70 Parnell Ave Daly City, California 94015

From:	Patricia Arack
То:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Gallardo, Tracy (BOS); Fregosi, Ian (BOS); Quan, Daisy (BOS); Hepner, Lee (BOS); Kilgore, Preston (BOS); Snyder, Jen (BOS);
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Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 6:29:48 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District 4 and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Patricia Arack parack@ccsf.edu 1900 Great Hwy San Francisco, California 94116

From:	Barbara Bettenburg
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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	Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 11:29:42 AM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District <u>6</u> and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Thank you!

Barbara Bettenburg quester09@gmail.com 19 Boardman Place San Francisco, California 94103

From:	Ami Molinelli
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues".
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 9:34:16 AM

## To the Board of SF Supervisors:

Please support the proposal for guaranteed fair-wages for our musicians in this city. My husband and I both perform and work regularly as band-leaders and musicians navigating the varying venues of our great city. I am a 3rd generation San Franciscan from an immigrant family and am ONLY able to live and reside in San Francisco becasue I live in a home that my grandparents form Italy purchased in 1929. I am an educator that runs a fiscally sponsored non-profit providing music integration to early ed classrooms in San Francisco Unified as a partner and I perform and cdreate project, one that was just presented through an SF Arts Commission IAC grant. I rarely perform in San Francisco because venues offer as little as \$50 - 90 for an evening or \$100 for 2 hours of music but 5 hours of work and with childcare costs and having to hire a babysitter, this is not sustainable. I rely on private events, festivals or subsidized gigs. San Francisco was a "jazz city" a "music city" and I have watched all of the historic clubs and venues close down that used to support live music. No one even remembers icons like Keystone Corner or that Cal Tjader cut his teeth here in North Beach. We have not preserved the legacy of music in this city from North Beach to Fillmore to downtown.

Please support this bill and insure also that fair wage from restaurants and clubs does also not mean a cap of a fee (i.e. \$150 as a minimum but not as a maximum or set fee). Thank you!

Ami Molinelli, Percussionist at <u>www.amimo.com</u> and... Co-Director Music is First! ® <u>www.musicisfirst.com</u>



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From:	Mark Britschgi
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	More Police Officers Needed!
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 10:27:13 AM

Please do not cut funding to the police. Ive been a resident of SAN FRANCISCO for 25 years and have never seen our City in worse condition or less safe! The streets are filthy and there are violent drug addicts running amok. We need more Police to address the rise in Burglaries that have occurred over the past few years. Its UNACCEPTABLE!! Yes, murders are down but other crimes that affect the quality of life for tax paying citizens are up and we are concerned. Thanks,

Mark

Mark Britschgi 415.794.6180

From:	Kieran & Donna O"Leary
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 5:10:29 PM

From Donna O'Leary's iPad

Sent from my iPhone

From:Koushik SundarTo:Board of Supervisors, (BOS)Subject:I support police fundingDate:Friday, June 25, 2021 10:38:22 PM

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Please increase SFPD funding. Crime is making this city unlivable.

Thanks, Koushik Sundar

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sent from +1.404.966.4910

From:Elizabeth FungTo:Board of Supervisors, (BOS)Subject:I support police fundingDate:Saturday, June 26, 2021 8:45:21 AM

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Hello my name is Elizabeth Fung. I'm a member of Stop Crime SF and I live in San Francisco Noe Valley.

I support police reforms. I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

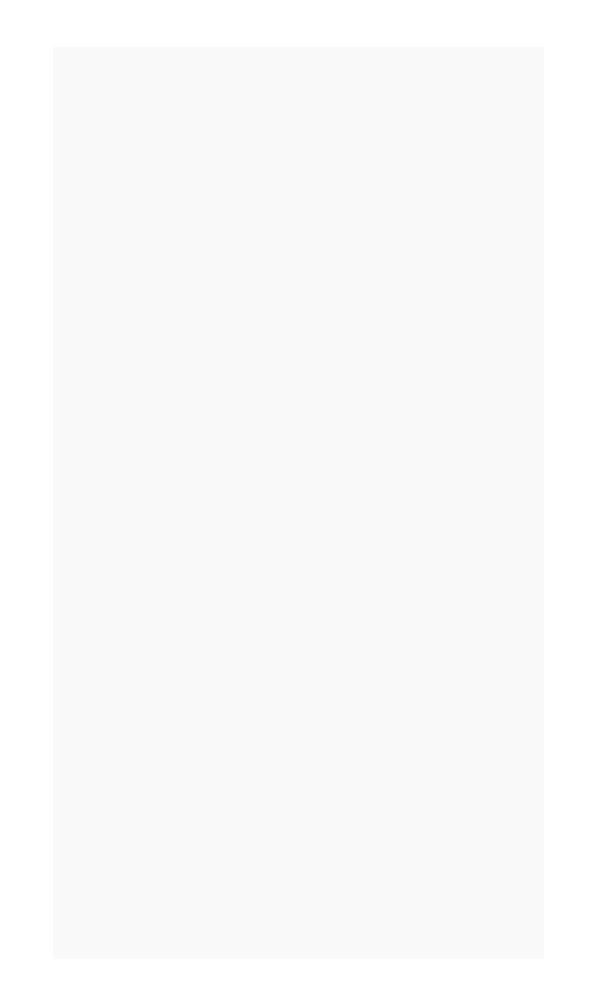
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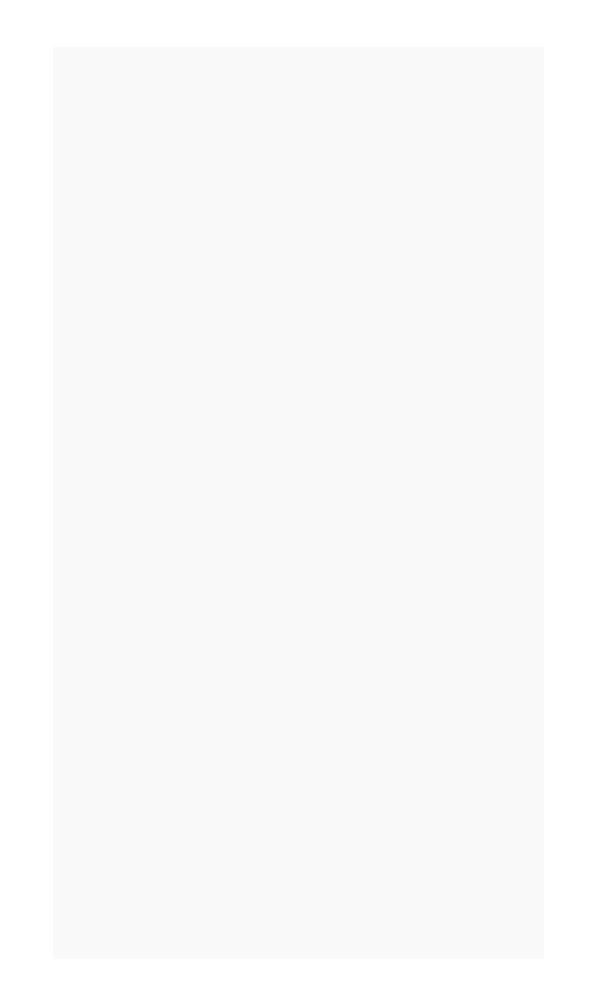
Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because I am asian in my 40's and worry about my and my families safety each time I leave my house.

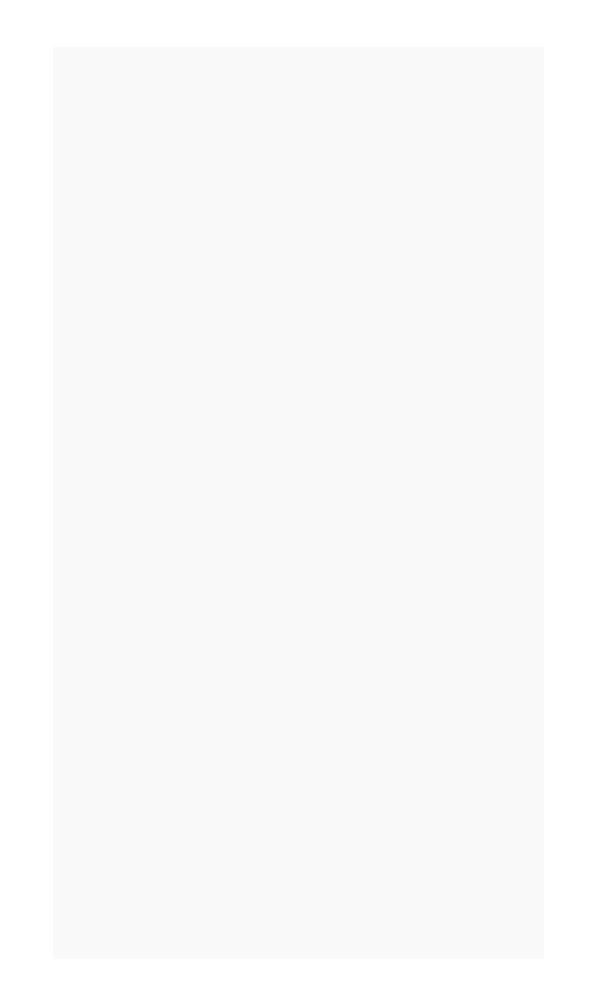
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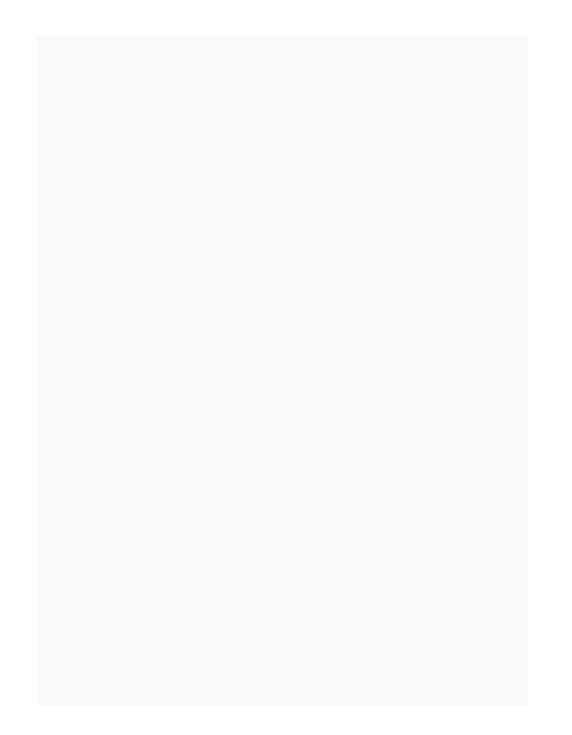
Thank you.

Elizabeth









Cassandra Costello
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Jalipa, Brent (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS)
SFPD Funding Support
Friday, June 25, 2021 5:02:05 PM

Hello Chair Haney and Supervisors,

I am writing on behalf of San Francisco Travel Association to urge you to support the SFPD's proposed budget. Pre COVID-Tourism was San Francisco's largest industry supporting close to 90,000 jobs. We have a long way to go to recover and the top concern we hear from visitors, convention attendees, small businesses and their employees is around safety on our streets. We are very supportive of the new response tools to non-violent calls. We also applaud the police department for their ongoing police reform efforts. This work is absolutely essential for the department to protect, serve and build trust within the community.

On behalf of our board and stakeholders, we urge you to support the proposed police Department's budget and prioritize a foot beat patrol presence in our high pedestrian trafficked areas as well as fund upcoming academies to manage attrition.

We also support an expansion of efforts such as the Street Crisis Response Team as this approach not only best provides those in need of service with the right care and response but also frees up law enforcement to respond to emergency needs.

Thank you Cassandra

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Cassandra Costello | SVP, Public Policy & Executive Programs E cassandra@sftravel.com | T 415.227.2655

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Hello! I am an elderly San Francisco resident. I saw that you had a meeting today, regarding the SF police force.

We badly need a better police force to fight crime in this city! San Francisco is NOT safe!

Plus, there is an INSANE shoplifting law in which hoodlums are allowed to steal, destroy our stores, destroy the lives of businessmen, and endanger the lives of customers! PLEASE GET RID OF THIS INSANE LAW!! PLEASE CATCH ALL CRIMINALS WHO SHOPLIFT-- AND SWIFTLY PUNISH THEM!! -- AND SCARE THE DAYLIGHTS OUT OF THEM!!

Also-- this city is FILTHY with "hippie" dope, car break-ins, home robberies, homeless, public use of streets as "bathrooms," WORSE-THAN-ANIMALS!!--

And HORRIFIC assaults and armed robberies -- especially of POOR, ELDERLY ASIANS!! HORRIFIC!!

THIS IS DESPICABLE, LAWLESS, FILTHY

"LIBERAL SAN FRAN-SICKO!!"

PLEASE END THIS INSANITY!!

WE BADLY NEED A DECENT CITY OF GROWN-UP, MATURE, DECENT, RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS!!

Linda Bellavia

Dear Supervisors,

One of the primary, and indeed fundamental purposes of government is to provide for public safety. If you fail at that, there is no reason for you to be in office.

Fund the police. Provide better training. Provide more foot patrols so the police are more integrated into the neighborhoods.

70% of San Franciscans have witnessed worsening crime. We are all watching what you do with this budget.

Marie Hurabiell

From:	Jo Falcon
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 6:51:18 PM

I was much impressed with the Sunday Chronicle's article on funding for various artists affecting by the covid-19 shutdown. However, the program does not appear to include independent musicians in small bands performing in the cozy neighborhood venues that are the 'farm teams' for larger showcases such as the San Francisco Jazz Center. The Jazz Center, and the well-known performers it features, are less in need of The City's assistance than the often equally-accomplished but less recognized musicians in small neighborhood clubs. It's these lower-profile artists whose shows are affordable to music students, low-income families, retired musicians -- those who spark the inspiration for the Emerging Artists program and for the next generation of music in The City. But the shows are affordable at the expense of the artists who, all too often, live in near-poverty while generously offering this gift.

San Francisco has set a outstanding example with the minimum wage resolution for many types of workers who suffered exploitation and economic uncertainty before The City took that bold step. Surely the musicians who feed our souls deserve as much compassionate assistance as the line cooks, dishwashers, and janitors of the workforce that feeds our bodies.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jo Falcon, MLIS Librarian At Large jofalcon@gmail.com

From:	Christy McCampbell
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support the Police!
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 7:39:59 PM

The country and the city will be in chaos if you do not financially support them!

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Barb Hauser
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
Date:	Saturday, June 26, 2021 8:23:03 AM

I urge you to support the MAVDA Proposal. Our music history in San Francisco goes back many years and is an integral part of the San Francisco lifestyle. I have supported live music in the Bay Area and San Francisco in particular, since the early 1970s. Over the years I have developed friendships with many musicians in the jazz scene. Believe me, they are not getting rich!

Thank you.

Sincerely, Barbara Hauser District 9 resident

From:	JAM C
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	<u>Calvillo, Angela (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:35:28 PM

My name is Jam. I am a health worker who lives in District 4. I am a member of DPH Must Divest.

I am calling to urge you to refund our community at least \$24M, the cost of operating County Jail 4, which we closed last year. An estimated 35-40% of individuals caged in San Francisco county jails receive care from Jail Behavioral Health Services. Jails are not designed for mental health treatment and are poor vehicles for mental health care. These monies would be better spent funding community-based programs that are available to the general public.

In San Francisco we are part of the less than 1% of public hospitals that rely on law enforcement as our primary security team. Our poor and low income Black and Brown patients are disproportionately policed with Sheriffs harassing, injuring, and arresting patients on outstanding warrants. I urge the Board of Supervisors to invest in violence-prevention which includes improved staffing for frontline nurses, patient navigators, and the behavioral emergency response team. As a former Laguna Honda employee, I ask that the Board of Supervisors oppose the expanded use of non-uniform cadets at Laguna Honda -- they cannot be held accountable to the same standards as a DPH employee nor do they have the clinical skills to address the needs of our patients. We have the tools and models to address staff and patient safety without an expansion of even unarmed SFSD presence. In order to ensure the success of the Community Safety Teams being piloted in our Community Clinics, I ask that any newly-created jobs be unionized DPH jobs.

I join my community [and DPH Must Divest] in demanding that the city INVEST in the wellbeing of all San Franciscans through programs that provide alternatives to policing and create union jobs. Thank you!

Hello,

My name is Crystal Le, and I live in District 6. I'm writing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is. While the city has technically done some of these things, the city has not kept true to the spirit of these promises, which was always to ensure that we could refund the savings into life-affirming resources and non-police alternatives. Time after time, the city has fallen short of refunding the people after their hard-fought victories. It's time to change that.

This is about public safety: as we slowly recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we must prioritize services and programs that center the well-being of our people. This is also about public trust: our City has closed a 100+ full-time-deputy jail and has planned to remove deputies from security posts in various buildings around San Francisco. So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, so why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual?

The funds would be put to much better use toward resources like mental health services, housing, and education. As a resident of San Francisco, I want these opportunities to be abundant for myself and my fellow neighbors. Redirect funds to them, as opposed to pumping additional money into the sheriff and the SFPD--institutions that routinely harass and harm marginalized San Franciscans. I urge you to do the right thing: defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community.

Thank you,

Crystal Lê She/her/hers

From:	Greg Dyer
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	<u>Calvillo, Angela (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:44:04 PM

## Hi there,

My name is Greg Dyer and I've lived in District 8 for 8 years. I'm calling to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is.

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Thanks, Greg Dyer

Andrew Dai
Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Calvillo, Angela (BOS); RonenStaff (BOS)
Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Friday, June 25, 2021 10:05:14 AM

Hi, my name is Andrew Dai and I live in District 9.

I'm emailing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is.

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So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, so why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual? I urge you to do the right thing: defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community.

- Andrew Dai

From: Rick Aubry <raubry@HomeRiseSF.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2021 9:40 AM
To: BOS-Legislative Aides <bos-legislative\_aides@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS)
<linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget hearing testimony

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On behalf of HomeRise (formerly Community Housing Partnership), I would like to submit comments regarding the critical need for budget addbacks that help address the housing needs of our city's most vulnerable residents. We are specifically concerned about three key areas:

*The Cost of Doing Business increase:* While we are relieved and grateful that the Mayor has budgeted for a 3% cost of doing business increase, we are concerned that- for the first time-the budget does not provide specific funding to also cover the costs of the minimum compensation ordinance (MCO) increase, which is a required expense. This means that nonprofits will be forced to use a substantial portion of their 3% cost-of-doing-business increase (CODB) for this MCO raise. This has a detrimental effect on the budget of those nonprofits and workers who are at the lowest end of the pay scale, and sets a damaging precedent that is a step backward in the City's support of its nonprofit partners. **We urge the Board to remedy this budget cut by providing a \$2 million addback in the City's budget to increase the wages of nonprofit frontline workers.** We cannot continue to provide quality supportive housing without the resources to fairly compensate our workers.

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- 2. Cuts to HSH budget/ permanent supportive housing funding: As a permanent supportive housing provider, we find the cuts to the HSH budget worrisome. we would like to see at least \$5 million of the \$7.1 million in cuts recommended by the BLA restored to address the following across the PSH portfolio, as requested by the SF Supportive Housing Provider Network (SFSHPN):
- Back rent assistance for PSH tenants who are unable to access state/local programs for

support to prevent eviction

- Invest in one time capital costs fund related to deferred maintenance with a target towards "legacy" portfolio where units/staffing levels are not on par with new sites investments in capital improvements such as Wi-Fi\_\_\_33/community space upgrades/bldg. amenities will have an impact on ongoing operating costs, and improve tenant experience/housing retention. Current funds are minimal, and not well utilized or accessed.
- Fund for remaining COVID costs related to transportation for swing/grave shift workers who still face challenges getting to/from work
- 3. OCOH Recommendations: We were a strong supporter of Proposition C, Our City, Our Homes, and are very invested in ensuring the funding is used in a way that was intended by the voters and that significantly moves the needle on addressing homeless. We support the OCOH recommendations submitted and urge that those that were not funded in the Mayor's budget are restored through addbacks. These outstanding items include:
- Flexible funds to extend 100 units of Family Rapid Rehousing Subsidies
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- 200 units of adult housing subsidies for people not in SIP hotels.
- 50 units of Flexible Housing Subsidies for Homeless youth
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- 12 Need-Based Family Housing Subsidies
- Family Rapid Rehousing Workforce Support to support 500 homeless parents

I appreciate your taking the time to consider our budget requests and invite you contact me with any questions you may have about this letter.

Sincerely,

From:	Eileen Tse
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Comment on budget
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 3:14:24 AM

Do not defund the police as Oakland has just done. Our city is a disgrace with the daily smash and grabs, garage burglaries, home invasions and attacks on the Asian community. Doing this removes the safety net long time San Franciscans want. We don't want police officers swapped out for restorative justice measures.

From:	David Ho
To:	Jalipa Brent (BOS); Somera Alisa (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Items 1 & 2
Date:	Tuesday, June 29, 2021 12:41:07 AM

Hi, my name is David Ho, and I live in District 5.

I'm writing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is and refund the community for jail closures and reduce funding to SFPD.

This is about actual public safety: again, 95% of calls to SFPD are for noise/nuisance complaints, traffic/parking, public health, or homelessness. See my previous email for links to studies showing, over and over, that police and prisons do not reduce crime. If we ever want to actually address any of the root causes of the public health and homelessness issues, we must invest in implementing non-police responders that are trained to help people in crisis, such as the community-driven and union-represented community safety team proposed by <u>DPH Must Divest</u> for our clinics and hospitals, and the <u>CART program</u> proposed by the community, which would connect people to services, focus on moving them off the streets permanently, and create infrastructure for addressing calls from both housed and unhoused San Franciscans. Both of these initiatives would reduce the risk of tragic or violent outcomes for BIPOC and/or unhoused folks who are most at risk of harassment by deputies and police.

This is about public trust: our City has closed a 100+ full-time-deputy jail and has planned to remove deputies from security posts in various buildings around San Francisco. So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And if we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual? I urge you to decrease the Sheriff's funding by at least \$24.7 million and a proportional amount from the SFPD budget to refund our community and invest in life-affirming services.

Thank you,

--David Ho 1050 Fell St, Apt 9, San Francisco, CA 94117 (District 5) <u>itsdho@gmail.com</u> 408-394-3965

On Sun, Jul 19, 2020 at 8:10 PM David Ho <<u>itsdho@gmail.com</u>> wrote: | My name is David Ho.

I've lived in SF for 6 years, recently in District 6, currently in District 5.

I'm writing to demand a city budget that incorporates the 37 line-item cuts listed on <u>defundsfpdnow.com</u>, as a first step to defunding, disarming, and disbanding SFPD entirely.

I demand that the resulting \$295 million saved be invested in services that actually prevent crime and improve health and safety for SF residents: stable housing, medical care (such as mental health care and drug treatment), and education.

The work has been done for you. Each line-item has extensive research and justification behind it, pointing to overwhelming evidence showing that:

- SFPD disproportionately harasses, harms, and kills Black and brown people, unhoused people, and LGBTQ people in SF. It's had a decades-long history of extreme anti-Black bias and intransigence to reform [1], that's forced the city to pay tens of millions of dollars from the general fund to settle lawsuits, on top of the police budget, every year.

- SFPD has not been keeping our communities safe. Their clearance rate for larceny theft is just 4%, motor vehicle theft 9%, burglary 16%, and rape 17% [2]. This is not surprising, given the fact that police were designed to catch slaves and break strikes, not to protect people or solve crimes.

- Today, less than 5% of SFPD calls for service are in response to violent crime [3]. Most are for noise/nuisance

complaints, public health, traffic/parking, or homelessness. We must immediately shift this work, and the associated funding, onto the existing unarmed civilian services who actually have the relevant training, and who don't carry guns and clubs.

Understand that the work of divesting from the police and prison industrial complex \*is\* the work of public safety. "Study after study shows that a living wage, access to holistic health services and treatment, educational opportunity, and stable housing are more successful in reducing crime than more police or prisons." [4]

You already, instinctively, know this: People don't commit crime because there are no cops. People commit crime because there are no jobs, no resources, no options.

There are already wealthy residential neighborhoods in SF where a white person can go about their entire daily routine, walk around block after block, and never see a single cop car, a single foot patrol. There are no visible police for deterrence, and yet the richest, whitest neighborhoods are not hotbeds of violent crime.

Why don't we see this? You already know the answer.

The status quo, the cops' budget, argues that the most efficient way to ensure public safety is to fund more cops and defund schools. It's what we've been doing year after year.

If the cops' argument was correct, neighborhoods with more cops and worse schools should be safer than neighborhoods with better schools and fewer cops.

Why don't we see this? You already know the answer.

None of this is surprising. It is naive to think that police keep a community safe. It is a fantasy we only believe because of TV shows and movies. The actual data is clear:

"A 10 percent increase in wages for non-college educated men leads to a 10 to 20 percent reduction in crime rates." [5]

"A one-year increase in average years of schooling reduces murder and assault by almost 30 percent, motor vehicle theft by 20 percent, arson by 13 percent, and burglary and larceny by about 6 percent." [6]

Meanwhile, there is no discernible relationship between rates of incarceration and crime rates [7]. There is no discernible relationship between police funding, or the number of police officers, and crime rates [8].

Again, you already know this on an instinctual level: police and prisons do not make a community safe, because police and prisons do not address the root causes of crime. Paying for a hundred cops will never give a single unhoused person a house, will never treat a single patient's drug addiction, will never give a single poor teenager a path out of poverty.

The only thing that makes a community safe is resources and services: housing, healthcare, jobs, and education. Every dollar that provides for residents' basic needs is more efficient at reducing crime than any dollar going to men with guns and domestic violence issues.

In the safest neighborhoods in SF, there's very little violent crime because people already have their basic needs met, and they're busy leading their own lives.

Even if you're white, you already know that a block with more cops represents a failure of public safety. If you've ever walked through the neighborhoods with the fewest cops on the streets, the rich neighborhoods, you know that public safety is the absence of cops.

And if you're Black or brown? You know that the police represent state-sponsored terror, harassment, and intimidation, with no meaningful accountability or independent oversight.

Understand that the people who are pushing hardest for police and prison abolition want the same things you do: we want to see less crime on our blocks -- we want to walk around safely, the way a white person can walk around safely in a rich neighborhood (without SFPD pointing guns at us 2.4 times per day).

We've seen again and again how the police fundamentally cannot and do not turn unsafe neighborhoods into safe

neighborhoods. We want something better. I'm urging you to make the budget decisions that will actually keep us safe. Defund SFPD, and reinvest in our community.

Thank you,

--David Ho 1050 Fell St, San Francisco, CA 94117 (District 5) <u>itsdho@gmail.com</u> 408-394-3965

[1] https://www.sfexaminer.com/news/implicit-bias-trainer-finds-extreme-degree-of-anti-black-sentiment-within-sfpd/

[2] https://www.sanfranciscopolice.org/stay-safe/crime-data/clearance-rates-dashboard

[3] https://arresttrends.vera.org/arrests?location=281&estimated=0&year=2016#infographic

[4]

https://populardemocracy.org/sites/default/files/Freedom%20To%20Thrive%2C%20Higher%20Res%20Version.pdf

[5] https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2016/05/raise-the-minimum-wage-reduce-crime/480912/

[6] https://eml.berkeley.edu/~moretti/lm46.pdf

[7] https://www.sentencingproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Incarceration-and-Crime-A-Complex-Relationship.pdf

[8] https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/investigations/2019/02/13/marshall-project-more-cops-dont-mean-less-crime-experts-say/2818056002/

#### Short but sweet comment:

Please allow more housing to be built on the west side, in SOMA, in the mission, everywhere! Affordable housing is crucial but we need housing in every way shape and form.

Also please allocate resources to stop the open air drug market and degradation of a great neighborhood like the tenderloin. Please fund foot patrols who can actually arrest people making the neighborhood unlivable.

From:	Jessy Lopez
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Provide SFPD more MONEY !!!
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 8:13:16 PM

Check this out, more money equals more cops, more cops equals, faster response times. More money equals more tasks forces put together to help the residents of San Francisco.

Listen, isn't it CRAZY that the tenderloin district is full of homeless ? I recommend, there be a accountability task force, because it's obvious somebody isn't doing their jobs. Far to often, we have people going to work just to collect a check, rather then serve in the best interest of the people.

BOTTOM LINE - HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE! Thank you, for your time Brent.

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Letter of Support for fully funding Charity Cultural Service Center's Culinary training programs
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 6:36:24 PM
Attachments:	Letter to BoS for CCSC Funding (1).pdf

From: Dennis Wu <dwu.apapa@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 6:18 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Letter of Support for fully funding Charity Cultural Service Center's Culinary training programs

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Dear Madam Secretary Wong,

# Attached you will find a PDF of our formal letter of support for the Charity Cultural Services Center. Please forward the attached letter to the members of the BOS Budget and Finance Committee.

The culinary program of the Charity Cultural Services Center is integral to the restaurant and hotel industry of San Francisco as it has provided thousands of much needed trained employees over the past 20 years. A severe cut in the program, short of much deserved increased support, will continue to force the community to suffer.

Dennis Wu 伍宗德 Chair San Francisco Community Alliance (APAPA-SF) Cell: (415) 999-0900 San Francisco Board of Supervisors Budget and Finance Committee 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102

# Dear Honorable Supervisor Matt Haney, Chair, Honorable Supervisor Asha Safari, and Honorable Supervisor Gordon Mar:

We, the San Francisco Community Alliance (APAPA-SF), are writing in support of fully funding the culinary training program at Charity Cultural Service Center. This program has met and exceeded expectations every year since its inception, despite the harsh conditions during the recent pandemic year. This speaks to the need of the community for these trainings.

This program started about 40 years ago and it's been the pillar of workforce development for our community of hotel chains, SFO, local bars and restaurants. The programs not only provide free certification training to people with barriers to employment, CCSC also provides wrap-around services, continuous case management, and job placements to support participants as they go through the path to self-sufficiency.

Many owners expressed concern over the on-going culinary workforce shortage. We know many families working in the culinary industry were forced to move out of SF due to the prolonged SIP induced by the pandemic. Unfortunately, the city's high cost of living prevented most from ever coming back. CCSC can meet the challenge by continuing training to sustain a healthy pipeline of culinary workforce locally. However, this Culinary training program was not renewed through the recent RFP process. CCSC's Culinary training participants are made up of more than 75% women, 95% first generation immigrants, 85% live in low income zip codes and 100% are residents of S.F.

We, the undersigned, strongly urge this committee to reconsider fully funding \$425K annually to support all aspects of the culinary training programs run by Charity Cultural Services Center. Keep a healthy pipeline of culinary workforce vital to sustaining our local culinary businesses.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis We

Dennis Wu, Chair of the San Francisco Community Alliance (APAPA-SF)

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Fund Climate Equity! (BoS File: 210643)
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 5:12:12 PM
Attachments:	1% for Climate Equity.pdf

From: SF Climate Emergency Coalition <info@sfclimateemergency.org>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Chan, Connie (BOS) <connie.chan@sfgov.org>; Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
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Cc: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; BOS-Legislative Aides <bos-legislative\_aides@sfgov.org>
Subject: Fund Climate Equity! (BoS File: 210643)

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Dear Supervisors,

The "once-in-a-millenium" heat wave that is currently sweeping across the West Coast is our latest reminder that the climate emergency isn't waiting until 2030 or 2050 to impact our lives.

In this budget cycle, you have an opportunity to make good on your promise to fund a response to the climate emergency in order to not only build a healthier, more equitable city, but also to help the city build back better with a just response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We were proud to join with labor, environmental justice, and community organizations -- including SEIU 1021, PODER, Emerald Cities Collaborative, Sierra Club, and the Southeast Community Council - in demanding that you allocate a significant amount (approximately \$130 million) of one-time funds (e.g. stimulus funds, revenue surplus, and city reserves) to new, equitable climate programs. We would like to repeat that call: we need 1% for Climate Equity, and we need it now. I have attached the letter laying out our proposal again for your reference.

The proposals put forward by Supervisors Mandelman, Mar, and Budget Chair Haney to spend \$1.4 million on a climate equity hub, a funding and resourcing study for implementing the climate action plan, and climate equity grants are a first step. You must fund them, and you must go beyond. We cannot afford to wait.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tahara SF Climate Emergency Coalition





June 24, 2021

Dear Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors,

As San Francisco recovers from the global pandemic, it is imperative that the City invest significant resources to rapidly and equitably address the present climate emergency.

The undersigned organizations submit this letter urging you to (1) allocate at least an additional 1% of San Francisco's total \$13.1 billion citywide budget to equitable climate mitigation, adaptation programs and policies during this budget cycle, (2) make the climate emergency a central focus of long-term planning and capital spending, and (3) ensure that all such investments and initiatives are paired with robust planning, accountability and oversight mechanisms that explicitly include frontline communities, and environmental justice and labor organizations.

San Francisco's Current Climate Action Plan: Underfunded, Under-ambitious and Perpetuating Local & Global Inequities

The City's existing climate investments, programs, targets, and accomplishments do not put us on track to meet science-based emissions reduction and equity obligations.<sup>1</sup> Climate justice is barely an afterthought in the proposed FY 21-22 and FY 22-23 budget, representing an infinitesimal fraction of total expenditures.

According to scientific and economic models, wealthy cities such as San Francisco – which are disproportionately responsible for historic carbon emissions, are obligated to reach near zero by the *end of this decade* in order to provide less well-off cities and nations around the world with sufficient time and momentum to fully decarbonize by 2050.<sup>2 3</sup> In 2019, the Board of Supervisors theoretically recognized this in the Climate Emergency Declaration, stating: "[t]o stay within 1.5 degrees Celsius, major cities throughout the world will need to significantly reduce their per capita emissions by 2030, and as a city on a rapid growth trajectory, San Francisco has an obligation to lead by example."<sup>4</sup>

The City's current "net-zero" between 2045 to 2050 target is insufficient.<sup>5</sup> U.N. scientists have updated the global target to a reduction of 7.6 per cent per year for the next decade, to limit global warming to 1.5° Celsius.<sup>6</sup> Yet San Francisco's Climate

<sup>2</sup> San Franciscans and Americans on average have cumulatively consumed far more than their share of emissions as compared to the rest of the world, and have comparably more means to transition rapidly away from fossil fuels. See Carbon Brief, Twitter Post, April 23, 2019, 8:48 PM, https://twitter.com/CarbonBrief/status/1120715988532629506?s=20.

<sup>3</sup> As stated by U.N. scientists in 2018, achieving this will require nothing less than "rapid, far-reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society." Summary for Policymakers of IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C approved by governments," U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, October 8, 2018,

https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/2018/11/pr\_181008\_P48\_spm\_en.pdf.

<sup>4</sup> "Resolution declaring a climate emergency in San Francisco; and requesting immediate and accelerated action to address the climate crisis and limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius," San Francisco Board of Supervisors, April 12, 2019,

https://sfgov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3874323&GUID=591C58DD-2B77-47FB-AA45-B59 E639314CF&Options=ID|Text|&Search=190222.

<sup>5</sup> "Focus 2030: A Pathway to Net Zero Emissions," San Francisco Department of the Environment, July 2019, https://sfenvironment.org/sites/default/files/files/sfe\_focus\_2030\_report\_july2019.pdf.

<sup>6</sup> "Cut Global Emissions by 7.6 Percent Every Year for Next Decade to Meet 1.5°C Paris Target - UN Report," United Nations Climate Change, November 26, 2019,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As outlined by the 2018 U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report, to limit global warming to 1.5° Celsius, scientists project that carbon emissions must fall approximately 50% *globally* from 2010 levels by 2030 and reaching "net-zero" by 2050. Meeting this target may provide humans with the best chance of maintaining a habitable Earth. While the City has in theory adopted these global targets, it has not allocated sufficient resources to accomplish them and is significantly behind. More importantly, such targets fall short of San Francisco's true science-based obligations; San Francisco is obligated to act more swiftly than global targets, reducing emissions as soon as possible—ideally by 2030.

Action Plan is based on the earlier Paris Agreement pledges, which are projected to warm the planet to a catastrophic 3° Celsius. We must update our target to zero emissions by 2030 in order to equitably share the world's remaining carbon budget with our neighbors in the Global South.<sup>7</sup>

At the same time, within San Francisco itself, there are significant inequalities with respect to the impact of global warming and air pollution on frontline communities, as well as efforts to mitigate emissions. Workers too face significant risks and injustices as a result of the current economic system that will likely only be exacerbated by a warming world.

### It's Not Too Late: San Francisco has an Opportunity to Lead

Undoubtedly, attaining zero by 2030 will require significant new and ongoing revenue sources, in addition to state and federal funds. Organizing to secure these sources will take time—time that we can't afford to waste. It is therefore critical that the City provide seed funding with approximately \$130 million *today* in order to jump-start the transition while simultaneously organizing for revenue sources in subsequent years.

Fortunately, during this budget cycle, the City has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to seed this transition with one-time funds, thanks to the more than a half a billion-dollar windfall from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan Act, as well as significant reserves and higher-than-anticipated tax revenue.

The Board of Supervisors also has an opportunity to provide frontline communities and labor with seats at the table in influencing the transition towards a zero-carbon city through legislation.

See below for an overview of recommended opportunities, with full details provided in the attachment.

### Immediate Budget Opportunities

We are calling on the City to immediately allocate funds to catalyze building electrification throughout San Francisco with pilot programs, including electrification retrofits and weatherization for 5,000 low-income homes/apartments and an income-qualified residential electrification incentive program via CleanPowerSF. Both programs should include requirements for the development of local community

https://unfccc.int/news/cut-global-emissions-by-76-percent-every-year-for-next-decade-to-meet-15degc-paris-target-un-report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> "UN emissions report: World on course for more than 3 degree spike, even if climate commitments are met," UN News, November 26, 2019, https://news.un.org/en/story/2019/11/1052171.

workforce and union jobs. In addition, we are asking you to fund initial program development, community outreach, and staff to develop a Climate Equity Hub—a central clearing house for building electrification resources for residents, other property owners, and the building trades.

With respect to the transportation sector, the City must expand the availability and affordability of zero-carbon micro-mobility options by launching a municipal pilot program subsidizing low- and moderate-income residents to purchase and/or rent bicycles and other mobility options.

Finally, we need to bolster (1) the community organizations that are already addressing climate, and (2) Department of the Environment work and workers. Support for community organizations should include equity grants for grassroots organizing, policy, communications, and/or community-directed projects.

### Immediate Legislative Opportunities

We are also calling for the City to establish a modern capital planning process that works for all San Franciscans. This is not the case now. For example, with the Embarcadero Sea Wall Program, San Francisco has prioritized wealthy and powerful centers of financial and commercial interests from sea level rise. Meanwhile the Bayview-Hunters Point, Treasure Island and other communities are left vulnerable.

In addition, to ensure our City is spending money in a way that meets community and labor needs and advances equity, it is critical to establish an oversight committee/task force with specific seat requirements to include various community representatives, including frontline communities and labor. The committee would be responsible for recommending and overseeing expenditures and planning efforts supporting the climate work of city departments as described herein.

### Now is the Time to Act

This decade is arguably one of the most critical in human history. Your action can help determine the fate of future generations for thousands of years. There are likely no second chances.

San Franciscans expect you to prioritize climate justice *now* among competing budget and legislative priorities.

Sincerely,

Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1021

People Organizing to Demand Environmental & Economic Rights (PODER)

Southeast Community Council (SECC)
Emerald Cities Collaborative
San Francisco Climate Emergency Coalition
Sierra Club, San Francisco Bay Chapter
San Francisco League of Conservation Voters
Sunrise Bay Area
Earthjustice
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Golden Gate Audubon Society
Mothers Out Front San Francisco
1000 Grandmothers for Future Generations, San Francisco
The Climate Reality Project, Bay Area Chapter - San Francisco Policy Action Team
San Francisco Tomorrow
Citizens' Climate Lobby, San Francisco Chapter
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1. 1% for Climate Equity Outline

## 1% for SF Climate Equity

## Summary

The City of San Francisco must invest at least \$136 million of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) one-time funds or other funds (such as surplus equity or tax revenue or COVID reserves) in equitable climate programs. This figure is approximately 1% of the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 citywide budget of \$13.6 billion. In addition, the City must commit to center climate with regard to its approach to long-term planning and capital spending. All investments and initiatives should be paired with robust accountability and oversight mechanisms.

As one of the wealthiest and most unequal cities in the world, San Francisco is disproportionately responsible for global carbon emissions and has a responsibility to act quickly. In other words, inhabitants of San Francisco and the United States have on average consumed far more than their share of emissions as compared to the rest of the world.

However, while it is incumbent on San Francisco to act swiftly, it must also do so in an equitable way. Certain communities and workers have borne the brunt of air pollution, climate change, racism and income inequality, and therefore must be prioritized and have a seat at the table during the transition towards a zero-carbon city.

ARPA funds provide a once in a generation opportunity to invest 1% of San Francisco's total general fund budget in equitable climate action. This initial allocation would represent seed money for the next decade of equitable climate investments and would serve as a pilot program for investing future revenue (both within SF as well as future federal and state funds).

Key principles:

- Investment of these funds must be equitable and sensitive and responsive to historic systemic economic, racial and societal inequalities;
- These funds must be *additional*; that is, they should be used to expand or create programs instead of displacing funding sources for existing program work;
- This funding must be accompanied by a mechanism for community approval and oversight of spending to ensure that it meets both its climate and equity goals;
- In addition, the City must establish as a long-term policy that all capital planning must be consistent with known climate impacts, and also must direct a significant percentage of spending towards equitable climate-impact mitigation.

## Immediate Funding Priorities

The following items are immediate investments the City should make in climate equity. This list is not exhaustive, and the priorities should be determined with sustained input from community groups (social, political, local etc), environmental justice organizations, and labor organizations. The recommended accountability structure, defined below, provides an additional mechanism for ensuring the spending ultimately meets community, climate, and equity needs.

## Buildings

Catalyze electrification<sup>8</sup> throughout our city, starting with those who can otherwise least afford the transition but stand the most to gain from it:

- Investment 1: Electrification retrofit and weatherization pilot program designed and implemented in consultation with residents and community groups<sup>9</sup>
  - Replace natural gas-powered appliances in approximately 5,000 low-income homes/apartments with clean all-electric appliances, performing electrical and weatherization upgrades as necessary, and installing locally-owned solar, battery resources (GoSolarSF), and EV charging as appropriate.
  - Must Include union/local/community jobs and workforce development requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Background: Natural gas use in buildings accounts for about 35% of the City's overall greenhouse gas emissions. The Department of Environment's Focus 2030 report states that in order to meet our climate goals, we need to convert 3% of the existing building stock per year from natural gas appliances to efficient, electric ones, starting in 2020. With the Mayor's proposed 2045 carbon neutrality goal, this number is 4%. Yet we have not even remotely begun planning or implementation.

Eliminating natural gas use in buildings is not only essential for meeting our climate goals, but there is a strong nexus with equity. Studies have demonstrated a 42% increased correlation with natural gas use in the home and asthma, not to mention the fact that gas extraction and pipelines pollute the homes and communities of those most vulnerable to climate change.

A market-based approach where we "start at the top" of the socioeconomic ladder and allow retrofitting to happen organically is an equity nightmare. In such a scenario, the fixed costs of the natural gas network will increase, leaving those already struggling families with skyrocketing utility costs. We cannot let this happen, and we must provide the benefits of electrification to those communities and households first.

Retrofitting our buildings is also a significant employment and economic recovery opportunity. If we invest in local job development and training, we can keep the economic benefits of the transition within our communities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See, e.g. <u>program from SMUD</u>

- Investment 2: Universally available and income-qualified subsidies for residential electrification for example via CleanPowerSF<sup>10</sup>
  - Must include union/local/community jobs and workforce development requirements.
- Investment 3: Climate Equity Hub: a central clearing house for building electrification resources
  - Seed funding for initial program development, community outreach, and staff.
     The Hub will serve at least the following purposes, among others:
    - Education on electrification benefits and opportunities for tenants and homeowners
    - Coordinating contractor training, education, and certification
    - Providing technical assistance
    - Providing centralized information about financing and funding opportunities
  - Investments in City College of San Francisco, particularly for programs in the building trades with a focus on electrification, as well as for climate, equity, and green technology education more broadly.

## Transportation

Accelerate transition away from fossil fuel transportation<sup>11</sup> through expansion of availability and affordability of zero-carbon micro-mobility options outside of SFMTA's<sup>12</sup> historic function:

- Investment 1: Micro-mobility Subsides
  - Incentive pilot program subsidizing low and moderate income residents to purchase and/or rent bicycles and electric micro mobility, with a preference for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See e.g., <u>Electrify Marin</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Background: According to 2019 data, 47% of San Francisco's emissions are transportation-based. Gasoline and diesel combustion is the largest share of emissions. Passenger vehicles are responsible for 72% of transportation emissions. Transportation Network Companies, also known as ridesharing, are an increasing share of the City's emissions, estimated at 15% of all vehicles trips.

In addition to being a significant contributor to GHGs, transportation-related fossil-fuel combustion is a significant contributor to particulate pollution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Although SFMTA is receiving dedicated stimulus fund money from ARPA, we recognize there are still major gaps. However, many of these priorities would benefit from dedicated infrastructure money (hopefully via federal legislation) and require much more significant community discussion to determine, particularly when discussing trade offs such as free fares, fleet electrification, and service expansion. Therefore, our recommendations focus on opportunities outside of MTA's typical operations.

subsidizing rentals from providers other than corporate mobility share programs such as Uber, Lyft etc.

## Climate Equity Grants

Bolster community organizations addressing climate:

- Investment 1: Grants
  - Community-administered climate equity grants,<sup>13</sup> including funding for grassroots organizing, policy, communications, and/or community-directed projects with nexus to climate.

## SFE Budget

Restore and fund critical positions and work in the Department of the Environment:

- Investment 1: Fund conversion of temporary contracts to full-time work.
- Investment 2: Restore SFE FY21-23 Budget Cuts
  - Restores the lost \$346,000 per year in work orders from SFMTA and SFPUC, through direct increases to SFE budget so that SFE can attain its original goals around EVs and clean power
- Investment 3: Fund Climate Action Plan Program Analysis and Funding Opportunities Study:
  - Fund SFE to hire consultants to propose programs needed to implement the city's climate action plan and to identify potential long-term funding opportunities to pay for them.

## Capital Planning

Establish a citywide policy that all capital planning must be consistent with known climate impacts and needs, to include, but not limited to:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See eg., <u>Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund</u>: A fund established by ballot measure (~2:1 vote) that raises \$40-60 million a year in funding to be distributed in the form of grants to priority communities for clean energy projects. The grant committee, comprising diverse community members, makes funding recommendations to the Mayor and City Council and evaluates the effectiveness of the Fund.

- Outcome 1: Investing in vulnerable communities, for example sea level adaptation for the Bayview and Treasure Island (as opposed to solely focusing on centers of financial power such as the Downtown), and mitigation efforts for neighborhoods with disproportionate air pollution impacts.
- Outcome 2: Rethinking development policies in the Southeast Corridor and Treasure Island that lack commensurate adaptation efforts. SF has already done significant work <u>assessing the risks and impacts</u>, and money should be directed at high priority efforts.
- Outcome 3: Dedicating a significant percentage of spending towards climate mitigation efforts.

## Planning and Oversight

In order to ensure our City is spending money in a way that meets community needs and advances equity, the city must establish an oversight committee, similar to that of the Our City, Our Home Fund.<sup>14</sup>

- Outcome 1: This committee would have specific seat requirements to include community members of various qualifications and would be responsible for recommending and approving expenditures to the Board of Supervisors and city departments.
- Outcome 2: This committee would be responsible for commissioning an implementation plan(s), in concert with city departments and outside experts. This implementation plan would dive into major areas of climate mitigation and adaptation and create actionable roadmap(s) for implementation that centers climate equity.
- Outcome 3: Any such structure must include funding to reimburse those community members who sit on the committee, money to pay community members who participate in outreach, and to support the expert analysis needed to plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> <u>Our City, Our Home (Prop C)</u>: Establishes a fund and oversight committee to hold and determine the uses of Prop C-generated revenues. Places requirements on committee seats and generally takes a similar structure to the Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund. Also requires that spending programs be additional: "Appropriations May Not Supplant Existing Expenditures."

I am a registered voter in SF, I would like to have more police not cutting them.

you probably don't care but I know how I would vote next time.

thanks

From:	V. Flanagan
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Police academies
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 4:57:26 PM

District 1 resident Veronica Flanagan. Like the rest of the country San Francisco has seen a wave of officer retirement and resignations from officers moving to lower crime suburban departments. It is critical the city continues to fund police officer training classes to maintain a sufficient level of staffing.

Sent from my iPhone

We need more police officers on patrol in neighborhoods.. My girl friend tends bar in Chinatown and I fear for her safety .. Thanks !

Sent from my iPad

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The slashing of public protection funds last year contributed to leaving the Asian American community and other innocent residents more vulnerable to attacks. The mass released of prisoners from jail compounded the safety issues. Car break ins have increased 375 % . Tourists are also fearful for there safety. We need the funding for the police to be restored as soon as possible. There are money coming from the state and federal government for the homeless and mentally ill. Police funding is for our safety and security, it is not to be used for other purposes. We need the police funding to be fully restored for our safety from violent crimes, car break in epidemic, theft , robberies, and the like. Thank you and have a wonderful day.

Best Regards,

JP

#### Hello,

I'm writing as a concerned San Francisco citizen in regards to the upcoming budget proposals. I firmly believe our police need more funding and training in order to keep our community safe and a place we all want to continue to live.

I've seen how good San Francisco can be, and am not blind to be able to identify how bad it has gotten. Crime is rampant and we no longer feel safe in the community.

I've been burglarized two times in the last 15 months. First in Mission Bay in the middle of the day in February of 2020, causing us to move. And then again back in April at our new place on Nob Hill. Both times, over \$15,000 of belongings taken. I walk around our neighborhood and see car windows smashed daily, if not hourly. There is constant harassment from vagrants and drug users on the streets, and every corner reeks of filth and urine. Clearly this place has become lawless, despite being one of the wealthiest cities in the world.

Enough is enough. The San Francisco police need more funding in order to do their jobs, and have enough staffing to keep up with the increased crime. They also deserve better training in order to respond to crimes appropriately. We have to get our community in check, and the police desperately need your support and the budget to do so.

Thank you for your time,

Andrew Morandi 1601 Larkin St. Apt 206 San Francisco CA 94109 andrew morandi@gmail.com

Hello,

I'm writing this email to voice my support of the SFPD and to ask our elected leaders to make sure that they have the resources they need to keep our community safe.

Our Police Officers do an incredibly difficult job and over the last year and a half have been demonized for a horrible event that happened on the other side of our country. All his while working through a pandemic and a spike in hate crimes.... Our city is hurting and we need to show our Officers that we support them, that we appreciate the work they do, and that we want to give them the resources that keep them safe, so that they can keep us safe.

My family and friends call SF home. We love this city and want it to be SAFE. Please be the leaders this city needs right now and support our Officers!

-Daniel

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public comment: budget re SFGH security plan
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 10:27:08 AM
Attachments:	SFDPH SAFETY & WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT.pdf

From: Engel, Shamideh (DPH) <Shamideh.Engel@sfdph.org>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 9:47 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public comment: budget re SFGH security plan

Good Evening Everyone,

My name is Shamideh Engel, and I've been a Registered Nurse in Psych Emergency at SFGH for over a decade. We understand an important vote will be held this week which will have a drastic effect on our lives. We are pleading with you all to please postpone the voting to defund the sheriffs department and listen to the concerned healthcare workers from SFGH, surrounding clinics and community. Our voices have been silenced and the decision to defund the sole protection we have at San Francisco General is in your hands.

I work in a place where people with psychiatric disorders are taken when they are in crisis. The individuals we treat suffer from a wide array of issues, and some of those issues are manifested in violent acts. In the last 6 months alone, I was assaulted 3 times by patients I was attempting to provide care for. One of those times, a sheriff deputy, SFPD and the CEO of our hospital was present. Between myself and my co-workers, we do not feel safe doing our jobs without San Francisco Sheriff's Deputies.

We understand we will have a deputy stationed in PES and the ER, however, the assaults that often occur, require the presence of 4-5 deputies to safely handle a situation, with the least amount of restrictive force. Removing more deputies from our campus will place us all at risk for injury, including the deputies. Furthermore, the amount of gunshot and severe injury has been increasing, which again, will displace the stationed deputies to the needed location.

According to the management of San Francisco General Hospital, between February of 2020 and February of 2021, there were 460 assaults reported at San Francisco General Hospital. This is a 4 fold increase in the past 3 years. How can the BERT team and cadets provide the same level of protection with an increased amount of criminal activity on campus?

Management at San Francisco General Hospital has devised a plan based on the current trend of defunding law enforcement to remove almost half of the Sheriff's Deputies assigned to SFGH. In an environment where violence is prevalent, can removing the Sheriff's Deputies really be the way to proceed? With assaults on staff escalating, nursing staff in the busiest and most dangerous areas of the hospital feel like the management would rather follow the national trends rather than provide for the safety of the medical staff. I have seen the data from the powerpoint presented by Basil Price, and I have to loudly point out, EVERY single call was initiated by a frightened healthcare worker.

Currently, national trends in areas where law enforcement has been defunded have seen sharp increases in the amount of crime. The national trend has been to quietly re-fund the defunded law enforcement agencies. Most jurisdictions which decided to cut law enforcement budgets are now quietly re-funding the agencies, and slightly increasing the budget. The reason for this is clear, with decreasing law enforcement presence, crime is increasing. And nowhere is this more terrifying than San Francisco

#### General Hospital.

San Francisco is a beacon of inclusion and diversity in the United States. People from all walks of life come to San Francisco for the promise of acceptance, but this dream can quickly turn to a nightmare based on the current unrest. Our hospital is only as effective with the amazing staff that work alongside me.

Recently we conducted a staff survey and 90% of the respondents felt safer with the current level of sheriffs deputies. Please see the attached PDF with the results.

We don't have to go that far back in the annals of the hospital's history to see the story of Corinna Heyn-Jones. Even with a nearby sheriff's deputy and two San Francisco police officers, a patient assaulted her. According to the San Francisco chronicle, the patient grabbed her by the hair and his grip was unrelenting. She said the patient thrashed her to the ground, jammed her head against the floor, grabbed at her eye-sockets and shoved fingers into her upper lip. This was with law enforcement present. Will such assaults increase or subside with a decrease in our sheriff's deputies?

San Francisco is currently suffering from a massive homelessness problem. Mental illness is rampant amongst this population. San Francisco has done an amazing job increasing mental health awareness and providing treatment for this population, but it isn't enough. In my recent memory, an individual was suffering a psychiatric crisis and arrived at the psychiatric emergency room with a firearm. It was only our sheriff's deputies that the situation was brought under control. It should be noted that the individual was African American and deputies did not shoot him. They managed to de-escalate the situation.

I challenge every single person to go to the San Francisco General Hospital's emergency rooms and inpatient psychiatry units and ask them the last time they were assaulted. Not if, but when and how many times. I believe any reader that undertakes this endeavor will be shocked.

We all were shocked by the actions of ONE officer in Minneapolis last May, however, the actions of a single officer who was prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law do not justify putting the staff of San Francisco's in danger. Please do not allow our sheriff's deputies to be taken from us just because the administrators choose to follow the failed policies across this country. We choose to work at SFGH for a reason, the community, and we want to continue to work there. Please invest your time and energy in protecting us as much as we are invested in our community. Please slow this down and hear us out. #DPH MUST INVEST. Let us show the nation the way to positive, safe and effective change.

Thank you for your time, Shamideh Engel, RN Psychiatric Emergency Services "Sfgh deputies have kept our unit safe and are essential in keeping staff safe." - PES, RN

"Over the years SFGH medical services have declined. Yes we're short staff still, but back in the day we pushed through together, and kept our work profesional. We were focused on helping & saving lives without political distraction. The defunding of the police, I understand, the rethinking of funds; understood, but to take away our safety net, at SFGH is not in the best interest of anyone who will be at the wrong place, wrong time & become a victim. SFGH has a multitude of people coming on to the property who are of various states &/or emotions, under different circumstances. Let's say an unfortunate event occurs somewhere within the property. locating that person in need of help will be super delayed. SFPD doesn't know the property like SFSO. SFSO has come to the rescue plenty of times, when we call, they come, ready to help with callers' complaints. We use them all of the time to handle our dirty work because we're tired, irritated, afraid or unsure of how to deal with an obviously difficult person on the premises. We know who we are. Now we ignore, tolerate the wrong actions, and the behavior of visitors. If medical staff is concerned w/ how Deputies deal w/ matters then we need to come up w/ a clear plan of what is expected or wanted. I've seen those that stand around watching our co- worker being assaulted. Deputies come running to stop & take control of the violent individual, they're criticized for their actions. You sure didn't try to help that nurse from getting tossed around, did you doctor. A good chunk of hair was ripped out, but yet, you were ready to criticize & yell at the deputies, this is why we need them, for watchers like you- coward." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT, LVN, MEA

"No one believes in any Mission statement as to why they do what they do or for where they work. It's all taken for granted & sick patients mistreated. Thank goodness a cadet was around to get help for an elderly Hispanic lady who had collapsed on her way to urgent from the ER at the direction of the rude heartless triage nurse. She took the hell off, didn't stick around to explain how she totally didn't take the time to further ask questions of the elderly woman, you just wanted her out of your face." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT, LVN, MEA

"When the administration has meetings they have multiple sheriff's protecting them, why do they not extend the same towards their own staff?" - MED SURG, RN

"I believe many medical staff will find another job if there are less deputies on campus for safety reasons." - EMERGENCY, RN

"I no longer feel safe or supported working in psych at sfgh." - SFGH, RN

"Patient and staff safety in psychiatry are in the rise in my opinion. Decreasing the little bit of security provided by deputies will make us even more vulnerables." - PES STAFF MEMBER

"We've finally gotten SFSD posted in PES. In the last 2 months since, we have had fewer incidents. Taking them away will only make things worse for our safety." - PES STAFF MEMBER

"We need to KEEP the number of sheriffs we currently have. The frontline staff needs to feel safe. The frontline staff are the ones most affected by violence and uncontrollable patients, not the doctors/CNMs. Protect the frontline workers!" - L&D, RN

"Please protect us who work so hard to take care of our community!" - CLINIC, RN

"I can't speak to the rest of the campus. If we let down our guard and remove our security our staff will pay the consequences of that administrative decision."

"The patient population we serve at SFGH has drastically changed over the years. The patient's physical and mental health are more complex and challenging than ever before! Unfortunately, situations escalate and the verbal de escalation training that DPH has us review yearly is Not Enough. Patients arrive with weapons and can become hostile very quickly. I am in a Clinic across the street from the main campus. We are isolated and vulnerable. Anyone from the community can walk into our building and off our elevators and cause harm at any moment. That is a frightening reality. I have a better sense of security knowing I have the sheriff readily available to assist before a staff member or another patient becomes harmed. I fear for my safety every day I walk on campus. Please keep our sheriffs and cadets on Campus." - CLINIC, RN

"For those that do not want SFSD on the hospital property, it's because they don't deal with the craziness that goes on in the ED and PES." - EMERGENCY STAFF MEMBER

"We NEED SFSD to remain in the ED for staff safety from violent patients."

"The ED needs to keep our SFSO."

"The deputies are very helpful and they're doing their best to protect us from the dangerous and crazy people." - MEDSURG, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"Nurses medical assistance LVN's are being targeted for trying to do their job of providing patient care. Management and people in leadership are retaliating against staff for being outspoken and speaking out for the well-being of people in the community that we serve in San Francisco. HR has refused to hear people's stories and to address this abuse by people in power." -SFGH STAFF MEMBER

"Hi, I'm a Registered Nurse in psychiatry and believe removing the Sheriffs from our hospital will have perilous ramifications. The patients I've cared for at SFGH suffer from severe mental illness, many with impaired insight and judgement, and a lot who present under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We want to be able to care for these patients in the safest way possible, and when we are faced with violence, the Sheriffs are essential in helping nurses/doctors provide care for patients who are suffering. Their presence alone has prevented me from getting assaulted on numerous occasions during work hours. Please, if you care about the patients at SFGH, do not remove them from our campus." - INPATIENT PSYCHIATRY, RN

"Keep the Sheriffs. They are there to protect the staff AND patients." - EMERGENCY, RN

"Sheriff deputies need to stay ! To medical staff who do not work in ED or PES DOES NOT KNOW how we risk our lives working there especially at night ! We need the sheriff's PERIOD !" EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"I have worked in PESa for over 7 years, and in that time have witnessed more than 20 incidents where myself or my fellow coworkers have been physically or mentally attacked by patients with no help from hospital security because they did not have the staff nor man power to provide. At some point when will DPH put their staff and employees well being first rather than trying to save a few bucks!" - PES STAFF MEMBER

"I will no longer be able to feel safe and work at ZSFG ED." - PES STAFF

"We need more security to make us safe at work." - CLINIC, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"Nobody in the community knows what type of violence we deal with; if it's either verbal, physical or mental. The type of patients we deal with on a daily basis are the type that we need extra support with. The San Francisco Sheriff's Department works really well with us as we do with them since we both work together to deal with the treatment and/or the behavior of our patients. What benefits us a lot is that they know the patients from elsewhere (jail) and the patients respond to them. It's easy to say remove them from the hospital or ask us nurses why we work in such places like Psychiatric Emergency but honestly, who else has the mental and emotional capability to work in such a place and keep it together? Removing the Sheriffs from our specific department will cause the unit's acuity to increase and our safety to decrease." PES, RN

"If the board wishes to remove the funding to keep medical professionals safe, I think the board should spend at the minimum one shift with each department they wish to decrease funding from, especially ZSFG ED. I think they need to consider deeply and even revisit the number of "code 50", extra assistance/psychiatric, calls that legitimately require the help of law enforcement." - CLINIC, VOLUNTEER

"Staff safety needs to be a priority, removing the Sheriffs is not the answer." - CLINIC, RN

"We are chronically understaffed with lack of nurses and MEAs, we're holding violent patients for many, many hours awaiting placement in PES. Staff in the past have been seriously injured and without security it will only make our already dangerous job incredibly dangerous. We are losing staff and this will lead to more resignations. Seeing as it takes exceedingly long to onboard new staff to SFGH, this is a recipe for disaster. Please do not remove the SFSD officers from the ED! And for the love of God give us adequate staff!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Management here is based on a favorite position. Nepotism is rampant and favorites are played. The nurses in the ER run off of an exclusion versus inclusion system when it comes to safety. This will not change until management changes." EMERGENCY, RN

"Leadership is a joke. Staff have identified key risk issues to the department with not one word back. They get away with doing nothing or really anything they choose to do or not do. It is a display of ultimate power. You say something and your blacklisted so we all sit and wait. The ED has been very vocal with no union reps around a big risk but still no response for change. The Daisy awards were issued and would you think a year in a pandemic and the chaos in the Ed would get you to see a daisy award from the ED. Nope, were the bastard step children that can die. Awful leadership and even worse union help. It's a shit show!!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Having the presence of the Sheriffs with Psych patients or any altered patient gives our staff a sense of relief, protection. They are quick to react to violence towards our staff members which is great to have in the ER as we know a lot can happen in the blink of an eye." - EMERGENCY, CNA/LPT/LVN/MEA

"The sheriffs are the only ones who protect us. We get assaulted everyday!!!!!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Administrators are the only department that are so far isolated from the realities of patient care that they don't see that staff is physically being broken by the high demands of our population. Get out of offices, put the clip boards down and actually start making changes for our nurses to care for the hurting and sick population." - RN

"Our administration is a constant failure. When I did I need them all to help lower my casket into the ground so they can let me down one last time." EMERGENCY, RN

"Many have already expressed that they will leave if we lose our deputies. The only thing keeping us safe!" - EMERGENCY, RN

"Keep law enforcement, there is too much violence and lawlessness." - EMERGENCY STAFF

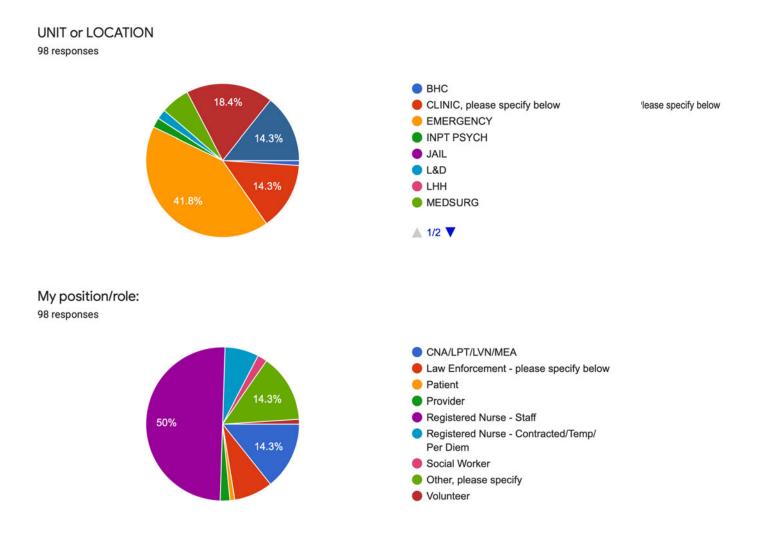
"Does management and the county leaders know that the increase of violence has corresponded with the pandemic, less access to psych help and street drugs getting stronger? It's not rocket science... verbal & physical abuse is up due to all of these things and we need more staff. Whatever that looks like. Sheriffs would be preferable though I'm concerned about their rule that they won't intervene till I'm assaulted. Will other staff other than sheriffs work ? Maybe- either way - more "hands on deck" is the answer." - EMERGENCY, RN "Management should try working or observing in the emergency department for a whole shift. Not just an hour or a few minutes. They need to stay for a whole shift so they can see how crazy and unsafe of a workplace environment it is. Management makes decisions while they sit in the comfort and security of their office. Be out there and see how it is before you decide." - EMERGENCY, RN

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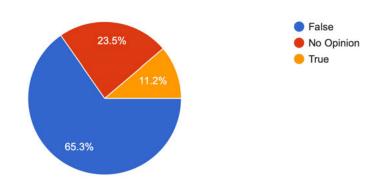
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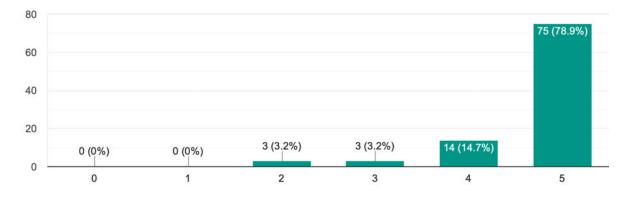
"Sheriff department are professionals trained in dealing with deranged people, if gone will be like 911 with no one to answer your call for help. Other departments should not have a say on what ED or PES needs in dealing with out of control angry people or patients." - ANONYMOUS



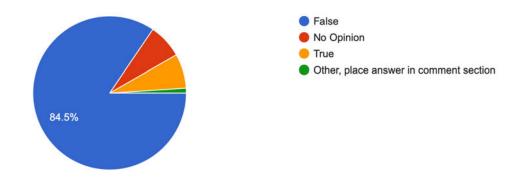
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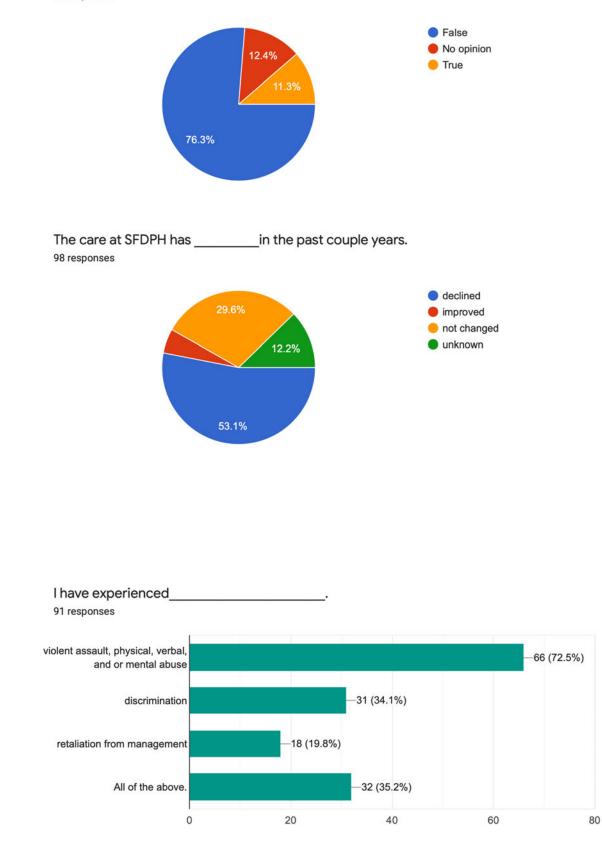
# How would you rate the risk of violence in the ED & PES? <sup>95</sup> responses

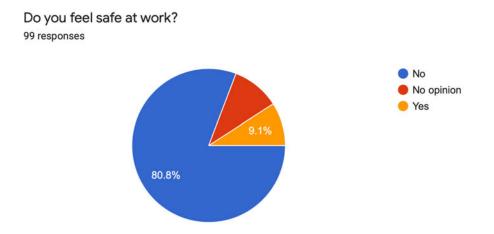


I believe SFDPH administration places safety and security ABOVE all other budgetary concerns. 97 responses

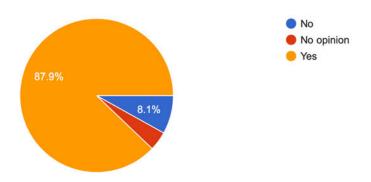


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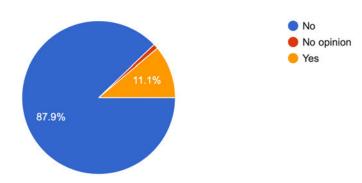




I feel more protected and safe with SFSD deputies on campus? 99 responses



SFDPH will be decreasing the budget of our Sheriff's Deputies, leaving us with less protection and no clear plan. Are you in agreement with this decision? <sup>99 responses</sup>



From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Follow Up to Budget and Appropriations Committee Meeting June 25, 2021 re Fire Department Budget
Date:	Monday, June 28, 2021 10:27:20 AM

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Subject: Follow Up to Budget and Appropriations Committee Meeting June 25, 2021 re Fire
Department Budget

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#### TO: Board of Supervisors members

It was my intention to testify once again on behalf of four hose tenders in the Fire Department budget during public comment at the Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting on June 25, 2021.

After several hours on the call in line, it didn't seem like this was going to happen.

That being said, I'm submitting the following comments in writing:

On behalf of both the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods (CSFN) and on behalf of Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK) regarding the Fire Department budget...

The Coalition's and SPEAK's position has been clear and consistent; that a total of four hose tenders be purchased in the upcoming budget cycle using General Fund monies.

This would be over and above any purchased with CalOES funds.

According to the Fire Department's CFO, the total is still two rather than four.

CSFN and SPEAK are strongly urging the Board of Supervisors to increase the amount to four using the add back process.

Eileen Boken

State and Federal Legislative Liaison Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods and President Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK)

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Kate Monico Klein <katemk1@gmail.com>
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Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Cameo House Funding

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Please add this to the Budget and Appropriations testimony on City budget deliberations for 2021-2022.

Thank you.

June 25, 2021

I am writing as a member of *San Francisco Taxpayers for Public Safety* to ask the Board of Supervisors to save **Cameo House**, a program of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ) which has been serving justice involved women and their children since the 1990's. Cameo House presently serves as home to 10 justice-involved women and their children, thereby breaking a cycle of homelessness and incarceration.

Cameo House serves homeless women, women of color, women with children. Without specific concrete action from the Board of Supervisors and the Office of the Mayor to ensure that Cameo House has access to funding to keep its' doors open, we will lose 10 more beds (plus space for children) of an already woefully inadequate supply of housing for women.

A year of bridge-funding/add-back monies will permit Cameo House a year of transition time to identify a new permanent sponsor. Cameo House has been strongly recommended for funding by OCOH, the Public Defender's Office the Office of the District Attorney, the Sheriff, San Francisco Pretrial Diversion and other justice involved community agencies. The Cameo House' funding request is for \$400,000 in 2021-2022 funding for a total annual cost of \$750,000.

In a City which prides itself on taking care of its' residents, San Francisco currently has less than 50 beds available to justice involved women. When we consider justice involved women with children, the number of available beds shrinks even further. We must expand the pool of available housing for women and their families, not eliminate another 10 beds from the pool of approximately 50 we currently offer to justice-involved women. The elimination of housing and services for justice-involved families will inevitably create another generation of homeless and incarcerated San Franciscans, a cycle we can start addressing by funding Cameo House.

I respectfully urge City leadership to take tangible action to support this vital community program.

Save Cameo House.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Monico Klein SF Taxpayers for Public Safety <u>katemk@comcast.net</u> From: Kate Robinson <kate@tlcbd.org>
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2021 5:33 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment for Budget Committe

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Hi Linda,

It is likely too late, but I would like to send my public comment anyway:

Budget & Appropriations Committee,

My name is Kate Robinson. I work in the Tenderloin and am urging you to fully fund the Tenderloin Community Benefit District's "Tenderloin Park Network" ask in this year's City budget. Tenderloin parks are important to me because they serve as an oasis and vital spaces for connection, healing, and joy for hundreds of vulnerable residents . The Tenderloin is one of the City's densest neighborhoods with the highest number of children, seniors and low income residents. The neighborhood also has one of the highest rates of mental health crises and substance abuse in the City. Research has shown that open space is critical to address these health disparities, but unfortunately most parks in the Tenderloin are very small, adding up to only 0.17 acres per 1000 residents, compared to 1.5 acres per 1000 residents city wide. In a neighborhood where the total open space available to each resident is less than half a yoga mat, we need to support the mental health and physical wellbeing of residents and invest the energy and resources to ensure that the parks are safe, clean and inviting for everyone.

The Tenderloin Park Network built a strong stewardship and activation parks program in 2021, hiring staff to support the evolution of the parks, launching a stewardship program, expanding activities with local arts and wellness organizations, creating a Resident Advisory Group, and developing new opportunities for connection, play, and joy. Now we must keep going forward. I ask that you fund the Tenderloin Park Network program to its full extent to provide Tenderloin kids, families, seniors, and residents with access to clean, safe, and inviting parks.

Thank you,

#### Kate Robinson

\*\*After nearly 13 incredible years in the Tenderloin, I will be moving on to work for Alameda County. This work has been the greatest honor and education of my life. Thank you for being a part of it. My last day will be July 9, and I am minimizing meetings in order to focus on transition. Thank you!\*\*

Kate Robinson | Senior Director **Pronouns: She | Her | Hers | why pronouns matter** Tenderloin Community Benefit District 512 Ellis St. | (415) 779-4102 | <u>tlcbd.org</u> ....A Vibrant Community For All

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Galing Bata"s Public Comments at Budget and Appropriations Commitee Hearing June 25, 2021
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Subject: Galing Bata's Public Comments at Budget and Appropriations Commitee Hearing June 25, 2021

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Hi Ms. Linda Wong,

We would like to share the written statements of our public comments from Galing Bata during the Budget and Appropriations Committee Hearing earlier, June 25, 2021 to be included in the official file.

Thank you very much!

## PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM STAFF, STUDENTS AND PARENTS OF FEC GALING BATA PROGRAM DURING THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE HEARING ON JUNE 25, 2021:

## 1. Charm Consolacion

Good morning Supervisors,

Thank you for your time and leadership to our communities during this time.

My name is Charm Consolacion and I'm the Site Director for Filipino Education Center (FEC) Galing Bata/Quality Children Program.

We serve mostly immigrant and low income families who are struggling to live in the city due to high-cost of housing.

Galing Bata is important in our community because we provide families care for their children, socio-emotional support during these tough times in the pandemic, language services and many more. Please fund the FEC Galing Bata Program which is included in the list of Budget Justice Coalition (BJC)...please find us in the list..

The funding for programs and services in the Budget Justice Coalition list helps support and provide a social safety net for the most vulnerable and marginalized residents of San Francisco. I urge you to Fully Fund the entire Budget Justice Coalition list. Thank you.

## 2. Shari Sarinas

Good morning Supervisors,

Thank you for helping our communities especially during this time.

I'm Shari Sarinas with the Filipino Education Center Galing Bata Program. We provide linguistically sensitive and culturally responsive programming and services to students in Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center and their families in South of Market/SOMA Pilipinas and all over San Francisco. Some of our services include providing Afterschool and Summer Care both for in-person and virtually, Academic Tutoring, Homework Help, Wellness Checks, Tech Support, Needs Assessments, Food Assistance, Assistance for Financial Relief Fund Applications, Connections and Referral Services to Community Resources, Translation, Interpretation, Parent/Guardian Support Group, Mental Health and Wellness, and many more.

We serve mostly immigrant, people of color, low-income families who have already been struggling to stay in the City due to the high cost of housing.

I urge you to fully give the funding needed by Galing Bata Program and we support the Budget Justice Coalition's ask in which Galing Bata's budget is in. Thank you.

### 3. Mark Belocura

Good morning Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for your time and for looking out for our vulnerable communities especially in these unprecedented times.

I'm Mark Belocura with FEC Galing Bata Program here in San Francisco's SOMA Pilipinas, and working as their Assistant Coordinator.

We serve mostly newly-arrived immigrants, POC, and low-income families which have been struggling to stay in the City due to the high cost of housing. With the soaring high cost of housing, we see families being displaced and having to leave the neighborhood due to gentrification as well.

Galing Bata is important in the community because we not just provide quality guidance, care, and protection to our students, but also to our families. Ever since the COVID-19 pandemic started on March 2020, our program was able to provide food assistance in the form of biweekly supplemental groceries from then up until now through our partnership with the Bayanihan Equity Center (BEC) which is another CBO here in SOMA Pilipinas. As of January 29, 2021 we were able to provide 859 grocery bags to over 52 households for 37 plus weeks. We knew that during the pandemic it was very crucial to address food security and access for our families who might've also lost their jobs. Most importantly, with our partnership with the Community Youth Center (CYC) in San Francisco, we were also able to assist our families in their applications for financial assistance in order to receive a \$1000 Cash Card. Besides that, we were able to also extend a safe space to the many parents and guardians of our students who we know were also shouldering a lot of the stress of what the COVID-19 pandemic has instilled in them. We created a safe space and supportive space for the overall wellness of our parents and guardians. The weekly virtual meetings helped strengthen and deepen the relationships of all the involved participants.

Galing Bata's work never stopped even though the pandemic affected us. So this is the time that we really urge you all to consider keeping, or better yet, increase the funding for organizations/programs like FEC Galing Bata. Please fund the FEC Galing Bata Program, which is included in the list of the Budget Justice Coalition. The success of programs/organizations like FEC Galing Bata also reflects on the success of not just the City and County of San Francisco, but also all the governing bodies that helps San Francisco as a whole progress and thrive in order to continue serving various marginalized communities. FEC Galing Bata is a safe haven for many folks here in SF.

The Budget Justice Coalition list prioritizes the essential needs of vulnerable/marginalized residents of San Francisco. We demand that you all FULLY FUND the ENTIRE BJC list. The funding for programs & services in the Budget Justice Coalition list help, support, and provide a social safety net for the most vulnerable and marginalized residents of San Francisco. We demand that you all FULLY FUND the ENTIRE BJC list.

Thank you very much! Maraming salamat po! We really appreciate you all for taking the time to hear out the people in YOUR community and jurisdiction who are also believing in your capabilities as policy makers to create positive change with equity in mind.

## 4. Carla Mae Naz

Hello, this Ate Carla, one of the middle school program leaders for the FEC Galing Bata Program. As an ethnic studies major stepping into the Galing Bata space, I found that this program was so radical in how the program provides such a safe space for students, and their staff model emotional vulnerability, and expose them to being advocates for themselves and their community at such young ages. As y'all will see in a bit, our students understand the importance of our program so much so that they were more than willing to speak today.

Most radical about Galing Bata is how it is truly the embodiment of family, which in my experience is rare in educational spaces. In our program, students feel safe because it feels like family. And as Stitch says in Lilo and Stitch, "family means no one gets left behind" and I've seen this to be true in our program. No one gets left behind. We work with each child and each child's family to understand the context of all their actions and we make an active effort to make each student feel seen and heard. For me as an Ate or staff of this program, I was trained to prioritize getting to know the students and building strong relationships with them first and foremost. Previous staff modeled for me to lead with grace and deep love in everything I do for my students. To this day, one of my proudest accomplishments is the relationships I've built with our students. They've become my family and I've become theirs.

Galing Bata is a gem in this city so I hope y'all continue to fund this program.

## 5. Maya Masagca

Good morning! My name is Maya Masagca and I go to Bessie Carmichael/FEC. FEC Galing Bata is important to me because they have helped prepare me for college. For example, they have assisted me with receiving multiple scholarships to fund my education. Another way they have helped prepare me for college is by providing academic support whenever I need it. Another way Galing Bata is important to me is because they are like a 2nd family to me. They have helped me strengthen my bonds with my fellow classmates and the staff there.

Without Galing bata, myself as well as other students like me wouldn't have learned about my culture, the Filipino language, and my own history. It's important to learn about my own history because if I don't write my own history, someone else will write it for me.

Please continue to help fund programs like FEC Galing Bata because they are a major step to our future. Thank you for taking the time to listen to us and the needs of the community.

## 6. Gabriella Jaakkola

Good morning Supervisors! My name is Gabriella Jaakkola. As a student who has been part of the FEC Galing Bata Afterschool Program for 8 years and still counting, I am calling for the Supervisors of San Francisco to not cut the funding.

The Galing Bata Afterschool Program is important to me because they are educating me in the Filipino culture and language. Activities such as virtual field trips to the Philippines, cooking Filipino cuisine, and visiting culturally valuable sites located in the SoMa Pilipinas have grounded me in my Filipino community and has deepened my self awareness as a Filipina. Galing Bata also prioritizes mental health and well-being. Students and staff usually have discussions acknowledging the importance of self love, self care, and self importance. This has mitigated the stigma around mental health and shown that it's okay to be vulnerable and show emotions in my class, and changed my perspective in life. By providing the funds to support Galing Bata, you are supporting the Filipino diaspora here in San Francisco.

## 7. Ledda Aniciete

Ako po si Ledda Aniciete nakatira sa Mission neighborhood. Isang maybahay at magulang na may dalawang anak na nag-aaral sa Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center.

Ang Programa ng FEC Galing Bata ay mahalaga at importante sa amin at sa aming pamilya dahil malaking tulong po ang naipagkakaloob nila sa aming buong pamilya lalung lalo na po sa pag-aaruga at pag-gagabay sa aming mga anak. Mahalaga po ang programa ng FEC Galing Bata na mapanatili ang Filipino culture at tradition sa mga bata. Bilang mga naghahanap buhay na magulang, nagagawa po namin nang maayos ang aming mga trabaho dahil kampante po kami na ang aming mga anak ay maayos at nasa mabuting kamay sa tulong ng Galing Bata Officers and staff. Salamat po.

## English Translation:

I am Ledda Aniciete, living in the Mission neighborhood. I am a wife and a parent of 2 children that go to Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center.

The FEC Galing Bata Program is valuable and important for us and our family because they provide a big help to our whole family especially through their care and guidance for our children. The FEC Galing Bata Program is essential to maintain the Filipino culture and traditions for the children. As we are working parents, we are able to do our jobs well because we are confident in knowing that out children are well and are in good hands with the help of the Galing Bata Officers and staff. Thank you.

## 8. Joyce Espanol (Read by Charm Consolacion)

I have 1 kid (hopefully going 2) at Bessie Carmichael/FEC and lives in the SOMA district. The Galing Bata Program is vital for our family and community because they help teach and support our kids not only for after school purposes. As a working mom, Galing Bata provides helpful services and resources to our family and community. Our daughter learns to speak and understand Tagalog/Filipino language, culture and values that are important to us. It helps her have a sense of belongingness knowing that there are Ate's, Kuya's (staff) and friends that she can relate to. The program has such a great impact to our daughter that she aspires to become a Galing Bata staff member in the future. Please consider funding the Galing Bata program. Thank you!

## 9. Antonina Real

Magandang umaga po! Ako si Antonina Real. Nakatira po ako sa pamayanan ng SOMA Pilipinas. Ako po ay isang magulang na may tatlong anak na nag-aaral sa Bessie Carmichael/ Filipino Education Center.

Ang programa ng FEC Galing Bata ay mahalaga at importante sa amin at sa aming pamilya dahil sa unang-una po ang Galing Bata po ang karugtong ng Filipino FLES Program sa Bessie Carmichael pagkatapos ng regular na oras ng pasukan. Nakakatulong po ito sa aming mga anak para maitatak sa kanilang isipan ang aming lahing pinagmulan. Ang Galing Bata po ay katulong naming mag-anak para mas maituro sa kanila ang kultura, wika, kasaysayan at magagandang asal. Oo, sa bahay tinuturuan din namin ang aming mga anak pero po ang impluwensiya ng Gating Bata Program ay mas nakakadagdag sa pagbuo ng kanilang pagkatao. Di po ba mas masayang pakinggan at tingnan kung ang mga anak natin ay lumalaking nasa tamang landas, may wastong pag-uugali at magiging batayan po ito kung anong klaseng tao sila sa pagdating ng panahon. Bilang Pilipino po na mamamayan ng Amerika - proud po akong sabihing lumalaking magagalang at may mabubuting asal na napupulot sa paaralan ang aming mga anak sa tulong po ito ng FEC Galing Bata. Ito lang po ang pinagkakatiwalaan namin para tumulong sa aming humubog ng batang magiging maaasahan at huwaran sa darating na panahon. Ang kinabukasan po ay nakadepende sa kung anong mga bata meron tayo sa ngayon. Kaya sana naman po tulungan ninyo kaming mapagpatuloy ang serbisyo ng FEC Galing Bata sa Bessie Carmichael. Salamat po!

## English Translation:

Good morning! I am Antonina Real. I live in the SOMA Pilipinas community. I am a parent of 3 children studying in Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center.

FEC Galing Bata Program is important for us and our family because first and foremost, Galing Bata is an extension of the Filipino FLES Program at Bessie Carmichael after the regular hours of the school day. It helps our children to remember in their minds our racial origins. Galing Bata is our family's helper to further teach to them our culture, language, history and good values. Yes, we also teach our children in our homes but the influence of the Galing Bata Program helps add to the building of their identities. Isn't it good to hear and see that our children are growing up in the right

path, with proper behavior and this will be the standard of what kind of people they'll be when time comes. As a Filipino and an American citizen - I am proud to say that my children are growing up to be respectful and with good moral values that they are learning in the school and this is through the help of FEC Galing Bata. They are the only ones we trust to help us mold the children into becoming reliable and good examples in the future. Our future depends on what kinds of children we have today. That's why we hope that you will help us continue the service of FEC Galing Bata in Bessie Carmichael. Thank you!

## 10. Eva Naredo (Read by Shari Sarinas)

Magandang umaga po! Ako si Eva Naredo at nakatira ako sa South of Market. Ako ay isang magulang na may 2 anak na nag-aaral sa Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center.

Ang programa ng FEC Galing Bata ay mahalaga at importante sa amin at sa aming pamilya dahil ang Galing Bata po ay nagbibigay ng stable na environment para sa after school at summer programming. Sila rin po ay nakakatulong sa aking mga anak na maging konektado sa kanilang Filipino heritage sa pamamagitan ng Filipino Language at Cultural Enrichment Curriculum at activities.

Sana po ibigay ninyo ang pondo para sa Programa ng Galing Bata, na kasama sa listahan ng Budget Justice Coalition na binibigyang prayoridad ang mga pangangailangan ng mga mahihina at marginalized na mga residente ng San Francisco. Nakikiusap ako na ibigay ninyo ang buong pondo na hinihingi ng Galing Bata at Budget Justice Coalition. Maraming salamat po!

## English Translation:

Good morning! My name is Eva Naredo and I live in the South of Market. I am a parent with 2 children attending Bessie Carmichael/Filipino Education Center. The FEC Galing Bata Program is vital and important for us and our families because Galing Bata provides a stable environment for afterschool and summer programming. They have also helped my children to be connected to their Filipino heritage through Filipino language and cultural enrichment curriculum and activities.

We hope that you will give the funding needed by the Galing Bata Program, which is part of the Budget Justice Coalition list that prioritizes the essential needs of vulnerable/marginalized residents of San Francisco. I am asking you to give the FULL FUND that Galing Bata and Budget Justice Coalition are asking for. Thank you.

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Support Letter to BOS Budget and Finance Committee for Charity Cultural Service Center
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-----Original Message-----From: Irene Riley <ireneriley8@aol.com> Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 7:06 PM To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org> Subject: Support Letter to BOS Budget and Finance Committee for Charity Cultural Service Center

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### Date: June 21, 2021 Subject: Letter of Support for fully funding Charity Cultural Service Center's Culinary training programs

San Francisco Board of Supervisors Budget and Finance Committee 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102

### Dear Honorable Supervisor Matt Haney, Chair, Honorable Supervisor Asha Safari, and Honorable Supervisor Gordon Mar:

I am writing in support of fully funding culinary training program at Charity Cultural Service Center. Their culinary training program includes Chinese, Western and Japanese Cooking, Bartending and Barista Training. Their bilingual and bi-literate staff have deep understanding of culinary community and immigrant populations they serve. This program meets and exceeds expectations every year since its inception, despite the harsh conditions during the recent pandemic year. This speaks to the need of the community for these trainings.

This culinary training started about 40 years ago and it's been the pillar of workforce development for our community of hotel chains, SFO, local bar and restaurants. The programs not only provide free certification trainings to people with barriers to employment, CCSC also provides wrap around services, continue case management, and job placements to support participants as they go through the path to self sufficiency.

The pandemic drastically altered the landscape of the entire culinary industry, and many of restaurant and bar owners are forced to make changes to their operations and the way they conduct businesses. This means changing the demand of the workforce to adept to these new changes to stay relevant to today's job market. Many of owners expressed concern over the on-going culinary workforce shortage. It's one of the biggest barrier towards a full and equitable economic recovery. We know many of families working in culinary industry were forced to move out of SF due to the prolonged SIP induced by the pandemic. Unfortunately, the city's high cost of living prevented most from ever coming back. CCSC can meet the challenge by continue training to sustaining a healthy pipeline of culinary workforce locally.

We applaud the Mayor's focus on the need develop a full and equitable recovery, one in which help uplift women, families, immigrants, and people of color out of poverty to be self sufficient. There are funding for vocational trainings for communities, however, this Culinary training program was not renewed through the recent RFP process. CCSC's Culinary training participants are made up of more than 75% women, 95% first generation immigrants, 85% lives in low income zip codes and 100% residents of S.F. A recent article stated the frustration of many local restaurants having difficulty recover to pre-pandemic level due to labor shortage. This is a true depiction of many restaurants in our communities. <a href="https://www.sfchronicle.com/food/article/The-fallout-from-the-Bay-Area-restaurant-labor-16237133.php">https://www.sfchronicle.com/food/article/The-fallout-from-the-Bay-Area-restaurant-labor-16237133.php</a>

We, the undersigned strongly urge this committee to reconsider fully funding \$425K annually to support all aspects of the culinary training programs run by Charity Cultural Services Center. Keep a healthy pipeline of culinary workforce vital to sustaining our local culinary businesses.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Riley

From: Chandra T <chagata7@gmail.com>
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Subject: Public Comment-living in peace

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Hi Linda Wong,

My name is Chandra Tagata and I stand and echo what Living in Peace stands for and represents. I vote pass the budget request so families in the PI (pacific Island) community can be adequately served.

Thank you kindly

Chandra

From:	<u>Carroll, John (BOS)</u>
To:	Wong, Linda (BOS); Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	FW: add back support - BOS File Nos. 210643 and 210644
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Subject: add back support

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#### June 25, 2021

RE: Add Back Funds

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am a resident of District 10 and also an employee of Renaissance Parents of Success. I would say that over the past ten years, we continually lost City funding; however, we continued to work on behalf of some of the most venerable residents of San Francisco. We provide job readiness/placement, life skills, mentoring/monitoring, and specialized training programs such as cannabis training/incubator, security training, and application to the Bureau of Investigative Services. The security program is open to ex-offenders, and if they are denied, we support them through the appeal process. We have sought funding for this program in the past without success. However, we provide security to many CBO's participants, and our program does not profit from this service. All fees collect from security go directly to a licensed trainer, processing fees, and live scan. We are not allowed in our offices by the PUC; we have had to incur the added expense of \$350.00 per training for the use of space. This evidence of our commitment to providing positive alternatives to residents who otherwise would be involved in illicit activities or on public assistance. We have been instrumental in changing the lives of many residents, especially ex-offenders. We are a one-stop-shop and address all of the needs of participants and walk-ins.

We run youth programs designed to empower them and provide the tools necessary to make positive decisions. This program includes teaching Black children and youth about their true history and how much Black people have contributed to America. Youth are required to write weekly reports on what they have learned. In addition, all of our participants engage in community service activities. We had also planned to provide a program called "self-image" to explore the problems between dark and lighter-skinned female youth, hair texture, etc. We believe in building solidarity among young girls and women. As a result, they can respect each others' differences and be more receptive to accepting and unifying with females from other ethnicities.

Our program is more than a program in our community, and past and present residents depend on us for support. All participants who enter the program must complete the clean slate program if they have a criminal background. We watch participants' children if they need help to go to class or an interview which shows the level of trust participants have in our staff. We provide meals while in our office and have a food pantry for those who suffer from food insecurities. We are family!!! We teach young people that violence is not the way and help them to file complaints in court vs. "taking it to the streets," we provide housing referrals and other resources.

Over the last ten years, we have consistently lost funding because we do not have a professional grant writer. As a result, our staff had to take on second jobs to support the program. In addition, we recently learned that the PUC that owns our location will not be allowing us to return to the building, which is yet another major setback. Still, we press on in support of our community. We are seeking add-back funds for \$350.000.00 or as close to that as possible. Our program is an integral part of the community and has provided services for more than 35 years. We are a constant in the community, and young and old alike know that they can depend on us to assist them, but we need your help. Our community is already mistrustful of organizations, and we have the trust of the community. Please help us to continue to be a valuable part of our community. Advocating for youth and community,

Harriet Larkin Program Director 415-424-5247

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Sent from my iPhone

Matthew Shilvock
<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Towards a vibrant return
Friday, June 25, 2021 7:38:37 PM

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Dear Supervisors Haney, Mar, Ronen, Safai and Walton,

I am Matthew Shilvock, the General Director of San Francisco Opera, and I am writing to thank you for your leadership of the City and, in particular, the arts over the course of this last year. That the arts are able to return at such strength now is a direct result of the care and thoughtfulness that the City has taken through this whole 15 months. At every step, the City has recognized the importance of the arts and cultural ecosystem of the City and I believe that San Francisco stands tall in America for how it has supported its cultural workers.

To that end, I am writing in complete support of the proposal to completely backfill the Hotel Tax in support of arts and culture organizations, cultural centers and cultural districts for the next two years. This \$16.2M is absolutely critical to maintaining the return of our cultural organizations at a time when finances have never been more fragile. After sustaining 18 months without any ticket revenue, we now face a huge uncertainty around how audiences will return to our organizations. We need in this moment to be bold, energized and welcoming to our community, and the security of the Hotel Tax Fund dollars, as prescribed in Proposition E, is critically important to our ability to bring arts and culture back to life in San Francisco.

San Francisco Opera has been a leader in the national and international arts field for how we have sustained our workers during this period. We have kept hundreds and hundreds of artists, musicians, technical crews and staff members employed and sustained with compensation and benefits. We are one of the very few arts companies in the world who has continued to pay its guest artists during this period. We want to maintain the message that San Francisco is a welcoming home for the finest artists in the world, and I am happy to say that that message has been clearly heard. We kept our Scene Shop and our Costume Shop open during almost the entire pandemic, keeping unique and vital creative talents employed at a time when almost no creative professionals had employment. This is the spirit of San Francisco Opera, and it is the spirit of the arts community in the City of which we are proud to be a part.

As we return to performances on August 21, we welcome our new Music Director Eun Sun Kim to the podium – the first woman and first Asian to lead a major opera company. It is a historic moment for the company and the City. We look to a future in which greater diversity and inclusion play a key role in the stories we tell on our stage, and the artists telling those stories. We come back to the Opera House a company inflected by the experiences of the last year, and we look to a future in which we can be seen as a trusted story-teller by the whole City.

The pandemic has been a gut-wrenching time for the arts. We employ around 1,000 musicians, artists, technicians and staff each year, the majority of which are represented by eight unions. The

loss of income and artistic expression for cultural workers has been devastating, and it was critical to us to do what we could to sustain as many people as possible. The Hotel Tax Fund has been instrumental in that commitment and enables San Francisco to lead the nation in its commitment to a vibrant, diverse and sustained cultural workforce. This cultural workforce is part of the broader ecosystem that is supported by the Hotel Tax Fund, and Prop E has allowed us to sustain one of the most diverse cultural communities in the nation. In summer 2022 we bring back *Dream of the Red Chamber* – an opera we premiered in 2016 and that is based on one of the most cherished works of Chinese literature. I will be so honored to welcome back our Asian-American community to be a part of this work, and our whole season, as we work to tell stories of meaning for all on our stage.

The arts are a crucial part of this City. A recent report by the Bay Area Economic Council found that the arts have a 17.5-fold return on investment by the City, generating \$1.7bn in economic output a year and supporting 37,000 jobs. We employ a broad range of artistic and technical staff – unique jobs that help define this as one of the iconic cities of the world. Our artistic events generate huge secondary economic impact through hotels, restaurants, bars and tourist spending. We need to return in a health, energized way; and the City needs the arts to return as such as well. It is vital that we return healthy, bold and flying the flag of San Francisco!

Thank you for your support as we look to next year's budget to maintain critical arts and culture funding, stabilizing the City funding that is so crucial to the continuation of an arts and cultural ecosystem that defines this City as one of the premiere cities on the planet. We are very proud to be creating art for all with your support.

With deepest gratitude for your support of arts and culture funding in this upcoming budget.

Warmly, Matthew

Matthew Shilvock General Director, San Francisco Opera Co-Chair, San Francisco Arts Alliance 415.794.0221 (mobile)

From:	Eddy Hernandez
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Somera, Alisa (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Items 1 & 2
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 6:08:16 PM

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Hi, my name is Edward Hernandez and I live in District 7. I'm reaching out to urge you to defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community. In the last year, the people shut down County Jail 4, fought to remove the sheriff from our clinics and hospitals, and brought forth non-police alternatives for the majority of the calls that SFPD currently handles. Despite closing down a jail that cost \$24.7M and around 100 deputies to run, the Mayor's budget gives the sheriff's department a \$25M increase. Similarly, despite the push to remove police from responding to homelessness and noncriminal calls-- which account for the vast majority of police calls-- the General Fund allocation to SFPD proposed by the Mayor would be the highest ever if approved by this Board. Meanwhile, services and resources such as child care, housing assistance, medical and mental healthcare, community college education, and other critical support systems are facing cuts, shortfalls, and in some cases, pay cuts. It is time to reduce the bloated sheriff and SFPD budgets to fund resources that will actually keep us safe. I urge you to make a motion to decrease the Sheriff's funding by at least \$24.7 million and a proportional amount from the SFPD budget to refund our community and invest in life-affirming services.

From: Bridget Morrison <bmo425@stanford.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:37 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment -- Support SF Public Defender's Pretrial Release Unit

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Hi, my name is Bridget Morrison, and I am a student living in Cole Valley. As a concerned community member and student, I want to advocate for more equitable funding across the criminal legal system. Specifically, I want to bolster funding for the San Francisco Public Defender's Office's Pretrial Release Unit because I saw firsthand the life-changing impact it can have on our fellow community members.

Last week, I met with a 19-year-old Black man who had been arrested for a crime he did not commit. He was terrified. He had recently obtained housing and a job and was due to start college. He was eager to provide for himself and his pregnant girlfriend.

The arrest jeopardized this life progress. And the young man started crying, distraught that he would soon end up homeless, jobless, and unable to provide for his future child. Yet the Pretrial Release Unit was able to contact his loved ones and housing on his behalf, preserve his job, and get his case dismissed.

I urge the Board of Supervisors to provide more resources to help scale this livesaving work.

Bridget Morrison Stanford Law School, J.D. Candidate 2023 From: Anita Gonzales <ajma196514@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:53 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Pacific Islander support in SF

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Hi Linda,

I am a pacific islander in the bay area; I spent a couple years in Jr high in SF living with my grandparents. When my grandfather died, my grandmother eventually had to move to Sunnydale and spent the rest of her days there until her passing 11 yrs ago.

It is very important that we improve life for those that are suffering for years and give them a fighting chance to make a better life for themselves and their children. Those children are the future of this country and we can all share in their success.

On behalf of Living in Peace, we firmly support their efforts to care for the polynesian community in SF. The Budget and Appropriations Committee can improve life for Pacific Islanders by voting to pass the budgets for organizations like Living In Peace.

Thank you for your support,

Allen Taylor Mobile: 408-836-3576

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: Youth-specific funding needed in the budget
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:22:20 PM
Attachments:	image001.png
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From: Suzi Alexander <suzialexander@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:58 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Youth-specific funding needed in the budget

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I live in SF Supervisorial District 6 (Supervisor Haney) and work in SF Supervisorial District 3 (Supervisor Peskin). I also serve as Board Chair of Larkin Street Youth Services.

As we consider the long-term impacts of the pandemic, I feel strongly that there must be youthspecific funding to address the unique needs of young people ages 12-25. Because almost 50% of all people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco first experienced homelessness before the age of 25, solving youth homelessness is a necessary step to ending it for all.

As you consider the budget, I urge you to keep youth-specific needs in mind, including housing, emergency services, homelessness prevention, behavioral health, and employment. I am attaching a more detailed description of specific needs in each of these areas and I know that Larkin Street staff is available to provide further explanations.

### Thank you for your consideration.

Suzi Alexander (she/her) Board Chair Larkin Street Youth Services 134 Golden Gate Ave. San Francisco, CA 94102 www.larkinstreetyouth.org



The mission of Larkin Street Youth Services is to create a continuum of services that inspires youth to move beyond the street. We will nurture potential, promote dignity, and support bold steps by all.



# 2021 TALKING POINTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

On any given night, **more than 1,100 young people have no safe, reliable place to sleep in San Francisco** and California is home to nearly 1/3 of all youth experiencing homelessness in the nation. As we consider the long-term impacts of the pandemic, there must be youth-specific funding to address the unique needs of young people ages 12-25. Because almost 50% of all people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco first experienced homelessness before the age of 25, solving youth homelessness is a necessary step to ending it for all.

# <u>Housing</u>

- 50 new long-term subsidy slots for TAY (transitional age youth) which will focus on serving youth of color from the Bayview, those who are LGBTQ+, and/or justice involved.
  - This ask will not only increase the permanent housing options for TAY, but focus on equity for those overly represented.
- **Subsidy extensions** for TAY in Rapid Rehousing programs who are not on track to take over the full cost of their rent because of the impact of the pandemic.
  - These extensions over the next year will ensure that TAY housed in Rapid Rehousing programs don't return to homelessness when their subsidy amounts are expended.

# **Emergency Services**

- Renewal funds for emergency housing vouchers.
  - One of the only ways to provide immediate access to a safe place to sleep.
     Youth providers can't afford to lose \$620,000 in emergency hotel voucher funds for TAY!
- Shelter, drop-in, and outreach services for unaccompanied minors and younger TAY (12-21) who have become homeless and disconnected from school because of the pandemic.
- Bridge housing for 15-25 TAY with a focus on TAY experiencing homelessness in the Haight.
  - Funding for 22 beds of transitional housing for TAY from the Haight was discontinued without plans to replace the program. These funds would help fill that gap.



## 2021 TALKING POINTS CONT.

## **Prevention**

- Direct cash transfer pilot for 25 TAY experiencing homelessness.
  - Cash transfer or minimum basic income programs are proving to be highly effective with TAY, and a small pilot will enable us to test this intervention at a time when its desperately needed.

# **Behavioral Health**

- Expanded clinical behavioral health services in shelter and drop-in settings.
  - Behavioral health needs among TAY are acute under the pandemic, and ondemand therapy in engagement programs will save lives.

# **Employment**

- Expanded workforce supports for TAY in Rapid Rehousing to support stronger pathways to living wage employment.
  - These funds will add education and employment services to the system, so TAY with the highest barriers to employment have more support to navigate the workforce.

From: Harriet Larkin <joneslarkinh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:05 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Add Back funds

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#### June 25, 2021

RE: Add Back Funds

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Advocating for youth and community, Harriet Larkin Renaissance Parents of Success Program Director 415-424-5247 Sent from <u>Mail</u> for Windows 10

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:30:46 PM

From: Marty Jaye <martyjjsf@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Justice4 Mario <mwjusticenow@gmail.com>
Subject: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption

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Hello, my name is Marty Jaye and I am writing to offer public comment in solidarity with the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, and in support of its Founder Phelicia Jones. The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed Phelicia Jones, including erecting a physical barricade to separate Phelicia from her colleagues. The Department attacks Phelicia and her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans.

The Sheriff's Department in particular has NO accountability. Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a written plan and commitment by the Sheriff to regular (quarterly) reporting to the public and officials, regarding (1<sup>st</sup>) how the department is identifying racism and corruption; and (2<sup>nd</sup>) how it is enacting discipline for these behaviors.

Thank you,

Marty Jaye SF District 9

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Letter to the SFBOS Budget and Appropriations Committee
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:32:08 PM
Attachments:	2021.06.25 FWCBD Letter to BOS Budget and Appropriations Committee.pdf

From: Randall Scott <randall@FWCBD.COM>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:48 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Letter to the SFBOS Budget and Appropriations Committee

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Please see the attached letter sent on behalf of the Fisherman's Wharf Community District regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget.

Thank you, **Randall Scott | Executive Director Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco** Phone 415-673-3530 | Office email <u>info@fwcbd.com</u> <u>Fishermanswharf.org</u> <u>Facebook | Twitter | Instagram</u>



June 25, 2021

RE: Letter in Support of Maintaining SFPD Budget

TO: The SF Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

The Fisherman's Wharf Community Benefit District, and Affiliates, are in full support of maintaining the existing budget for the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD). We are also strongly and completely opposed to the disbanding of the Traffic Division of SFPD which falls under the SFMTA Budget.

The staffing levels of the SFPD are dangerously low. While we fully support programs that better support the growing problems at hand, removing officers and reducing police resources at such a critical time, without having those alternative programs tested and in place, will significantly decrease public safety in an environment that is already unsafe and steadily declining. The conditions on our streets and in our public spaces are deplorable and require strong community policing efforts to make a difference. Furthermore, while the public is demanding more training and class time to provide the officers better ways to police, this will take more funding and will also keep officers off of the streets. We need more officers on the streets NOW which is the best way to keep our streets safe for everyone.

Time after time we get complaints from our tourists about how our City is not safe and they will never return. You need only look back to the KPIX interview last week of the tourist from Virginia. He not only said he will never return, but he will tell all of his friends not to visit San Francisco. In short, fewer police resources in our tourist areas means fewer businesses can stay open, fewer jobs, and fewer opportunities and ultimately less tax dollars. It is a vicious cycle, and San Francisco streets need to be safe for our residents and visitors.

We cannot say it more plainly and more strongly that the Board of Supervisors must at least maintain the current SFPD budget as is, the City's future depends on it!

Best regards

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**Randall Scott Executive Director**  From: Sandra Bagnatori <sandrabagnatori@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:15 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget Allocation

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To whom it may concern:

Please allocate renewal funds for emergency hotel vouchers. This is one way we can provide immediate access to a safe place to sleep for homeless youth.

Please allocate funds for more bridge housing, deeper education and employment investments and for more clinicians to provide behavioral support especially in our shelter, navigation and dropin programs across the city for TAY.

And finally, please allocate funds to help younger TAY especially the 14-18 year olds that have become homeless and disconnected from school due to the pandemic.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sandra Bagnatori

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:32:56 PM

From: Hazel O'Neil <oneil.hazel@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:07 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: mwjusticenow@gmail.com
Subject: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption

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Hello, my name is Hazel, and I am commenting in solidarity with the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, and in support of its Founder Phelicia Jones.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

I am concerned about this because we MUST work with community leaders in order to implement true public safety for all communities, specifically our Black residents.

Community Members have reached out NUMEROUS times and have received no answers. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed Phelicia Jones, including erecting a physical barricade to separate Phelicia from her colleagues. The Department attacks Phelicia and her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. The only reason for these attacks on Phelicia and her work is vehement anti-Blackness. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans and for the good of the City.

Community members contacted Sheriff Miyamoto about the attacks on Phelicia and her work, and also about a Sheriff's Deputy's racist, misogynistic, lewd social media post about US Vice President Harris. There was never any concrete response. Law enforcement is accountable to the PEOPLE and we deserve answers.

The City and County of San Francisco has a long track record of racism – leading to Black workers making national headlines for suing San Francisco. The Sheriff's Department in particular has NO accountability. Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a written plan and commitment by the Sheriff to regular (quarterly) reporting to the public and officials, regarding (1<sup>st</sup>) how the department is identifying racism and corruption; and

(2<sup>nd</sup>) how it is enacting discipline for these behaviors.

Thank you, Hazel O'Neil 5700 California St, 94121 From: Ron Stueckle <ron@sunsetyouthservices.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:02 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment on budget - support of the Public Defender's office

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### Good Morning

My name is Ron Stueckle. I am the Director of Justice Services at Sunset Youth Services. We provide services of advocacy and case management for many Juveniles and Transitional Aged Young Adults involved in the justice system.

I have lived in San Francisco for over 30 years, and have worked with the Justice system for over 28 years. I also work with all of the surrounding bay area counties systems of justice. I can say without any reservation that San Francisco has built a Public Defender's Office that should be the model for all surrounding counties. I would venture to say, with complete confidence and conviction, that San Francisco has the most effective and most well-run Public Defender's office in the country. Mr. Raju has a team of some of the most incredible, heart-felt attorneys I have ever witnessed. Their dedication to true justice and justice reform is genuine and complete.

Every individual attorney I have worked with has proven themselves to be both highly competent and full of integrity. Almost invariably, they all go above and beyond their assigned jobs. I have had countless Public Defenders dedicate their time, well beyond their pay, to ensure their client's life success. Many have acted as case managers to design success programs, and to coordinate services for their clients. The Public Defender's office is so much more than simply a group of highly-skilled attorneys. They are a group of people dedicated to the improvement of society and life for so many members of our vulnerable populations.

Unfortunately, this department is grossly underfunded. You are all aware that their funding level is so far below other law-enforcement related departments and offices. If we, in San Francisco, are truly dedicated to lowering the crime rates in San Francisco rather than just lock up vulnerable people, we need to utilize the Public Defender's office to their fullest. This will clearly take appropriate funding.

If the Public Defender's office is not appropriately funded, we in San Francisco have cut off one of the legs necessary to support the social change we all talk about. Let's do more than talk the talk.

Let's delve deep into what works, and support what does. The San Francisco Public Defender's office has done more to improve the quality of life in this city we all love than is ever understood or acknowledged. I have had the privilege of seeing this take place first-hand, and I wish I could adequately portray the essential part this office plays in the ongoing efforts to improve San Francisco. Please increase the funding to the Public Defenders office before we lose this valuable, life-changing department.

Thank you for your time

Ron

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**Ron Stueckle** Co-founder/Director of Justice Services <u>Sunset Youth Services</u> Cell: 415-987-0366. Office: 415-665-0255

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: SFPD Public Comment/Budget Hearing Today
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From: Clark, Clif <Clifton.Clark@luxurycollection.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 10:57 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Kevin Carroll <kevin@hotelcouncilsf.org>; Kelly Powers <kpowers@hotelcouncilsf.org>; 'Cathy
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Subject: SFPD Public Comment/Budget Hearing Today

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Hello Ms. Wong,

I wish I could call in to the hearing today, but my previous commitments will not allow it. If you could relay my comments from this email to those conducting the hearing I would appreciate it very much!

My name is Clifton Clark and I am the General Manager of the Palace Hotel. I have been working in the hotel business in the San Francisco market since 1993. Additionally, I serve on the executive board for the SF Hotel Council, the board of directors for the SF Travel TID, and the board of directors for the YBCBD.

I think that Police Chief Scott and his team have made significant accomplishments to deliver police reforms to our City. Today, I am urging the hearing board to protect the portion of the SFPD staffing budget so that we have appropriate staffing levels in the City including foot beat patrols and the continuation of police academies. As I mentioned earlier, I have been in the SF Hotel Business market for the past 28 years. The violence on our streets including gun violence, the growth of car break-ins, the out of control shoplifting, the wide spread public use and sale of illegal drugs, and the feeling of an unsafe environment has never been more acute. I believe that one of the best ways to rebuild trust between our peace officers and citizens is to increase local foot beat patrol officers in our high traffic areas.

Protecting the SFPD staffing budget is of primary importance for San Francisco's economic recovery

post-pandemic. Additionally, it is important to me because without safe-clean streets, we will not be able to regain the tourism that we once enjoyed. Thus, we will not be able to regain the Transient Occupancy Tax contribution to the general fund that supports City services. Today is just the 30<sup>th</sup> day since the Palace Hotel reopened after 14 months of Covid-19 related closure. Many of our employees that live and work in San Francisco, don't even feel safe returning to work because of the blatant crime, violence, and mental health issues on our streets. Please don't let our already bleak economic outlook get even worse by cutting the SFPD staffing budget even more.

Best Regards,

CLIFTON CLARK GENERAL MANAGER

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To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment

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### Hi,

As an SF resident I want to submit a public comment that I strongly support funding CART (Compassionate Alternative Response Team), allocating funding for public 24 hour access to bathrooms, and approving OCOH (Our City Our Home) funding proposal. Thousands of community members strongly support these measures and it's important that you listen:

<u>OCOH (Our City Our Home)</u> creates thousands of permanent pathways out of homelessness.
 OCOH is backed by the Coalition On Homelessness and funding proposals were carefully developed by people who know and do this work best. Along with funding affordable housing options and rental subsidies, OCOH will help respond to SF's housing issues in a reliable and lasting way.
 <u>Funding for public 24 hour access to bathrooms and clean, potable water</u> is absolutely necessary for the survival of people in SF and for everyone's public health especially amidst the threat of disease in this ongoing pandemic. If people really want clean sidewalks and for homeless people to be able to take care of themselves, this is a clear and basic city service that makes this possible.
 Currently water from fire hydrants is only making people sick, and lack of bathroom access simply means lack of public sanitation. Not prioritizing this funding will result in greater crises and is simply unacceptable.

- **CART (Compassionate Alternative Response Team)** will positively revolutionize emergency response to things like mental health crises, and will create ethical and effective solutions for the public as well as for businesses to respond to crises before there is escalation or violence. As a former frontline worker, **I often witnessed police and city officials respond inappropriately without proper understanding of the criss they were called to solve**. I have seen police respond "according to their training" to mental health emergencies in ways that only upset and traumatized mentally ill elders and youth and victims of domestic abuse more. In these situations, no one was helped and victims were often arrested simply to keep from upsetting business owners and residents wealthy neighborhoods. These people were not helped to enter programs or resources that could help them long term and are often just released into homelessness and further danger. In reality, everyone would be better off if the right community workers had the opportunity to help people in need rather than have police called (which even current mental health crisis hotlines still

do). Police and even EMT's alone are not fit to respond and often create further violence where **mental health professionals and harm reduction teams could safely and much more easily help everyone to safety** (as they have been whenever they are actually allowed to). **Funding CART would change San Francisco drastically for the better and make us all safer.** 

These measures are extremely important and are simply *the right thing to do* for the good of everyone in SF, including taxpayers. Funding these measures will prevent major public health disasters, keep the city safer and cleaner for everyone, and save taxpayer money in the long run. Properly meeting the basic health needs of homeless San Franciscans is vital to our entire city's public health, we can no longer fund programs which simply hide and sweep homelessness away, and we cannot rely on police to humanely or effectively solve homelessness issues because they only make the situation worse. There is substantial research and evidence attesting to this, and I have witnessed first hand how violent police and encampment sweeps violate the human decency of people who are only trying the best they can to survive. This is a bandaid reaction to appease wealthy people, and only results in further crisis and wasted resources.

<u>The solutions here proposed by and for community members are clear and effective.</u> People are here, we cannot disappear them or leave them behind, and they need access to water and bathrooms, as well as safe housing to transition out of homelessness. We have the resources for this and it's up to you to use them well.

It is in all your best interest to prioritize public health- and these solutions are not only effective, they are necessary.

Thank you, Mary Aquiningoc From: Cyntia <cyntia@tlcbd.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 10:42 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget Public Comment

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Good morning,

My name is Cyntia Salazar, a 20 year resident of the Tenderloin district. I am writing here today to express the importance of our neighborhood parks & to demand the Board of Supervisors to be in full support of the Tenderloin Park Network budget.

In a neighborhood where the safe open spaces are limited, it is imperial to help maintain the safety & vibrancy of our parks. San Francisco's Tenderloin district is full of diversity and community, and we are all in need of clean, safe, open & green spaces where one can enjoy a sense of belonging & safety in a neighborhood that has been underserved for years. In order to obtain this, it is extremely urgent & important for the BOS to be in full support of the TL Park Network budget, so our beloved Tenderloin parks can continue to be fully stewarded, clean & safe.

Working at Sgt. John Macaulay park the last few months, I've encountered many tenderloin families who have expressed the importance and positive impact our parks have had in their families, they feel a sense of community & safety within our parks. Families have expressed enormous gratitude and the importance of having our parks stewarded at all times. Don't take this away from our TL families, fully support the TL Park Network budget and help us build a community of safety, love & support within our parks.

Thank you for your time.

In community,

Cyntia Salazar (She | Her) Park Captain Coordinator Tenderloin Community Benefit District 512 Ellis Street San Francisco, CA 94109

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:34:04 PM

From: Victoria Juarez <vrjuarez5@gmail.com>
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Subject: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption

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Hello, my name is Victoria Juarez and I am a member of the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, Founded by Phelicia Jones.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed Phelicia Jones, including erecting a physical barricade to separate Phelicia from her colleagues. The Department attacks Phelicia and her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. The only reason for these attacks on Phelicia and her work is vehement anti-Blackness. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans.

The Sheriff's Department in particular has NO accountability. Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a written plan and commitment by the Sheriff to regular (quarterly) reporting to the public and officials, regarding (1<sup>st</sup>) how the department is identifying racism and corruption; and (2<sup>nd</sup>) how it is enacting discipline for these behaviors.

Thank you, Victoria Juarez Core Team Member, Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community

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To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
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The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

The racist corruption in the San Francisco Sheriff's Department cannot be allowed to continue.

Community Members have reached out NUMEROUS times and have received no answers. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed Phelicia Jones, including erecting a physical barricade to separate Phelicia from her colleagues. The Department attacks Phelicia and her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. The only reason for these attacks on Phelicia and her work is vehement anti-Blackness. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans and for the good of the City.

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The City and County of San Francisco has a long track record of racism – leading to Black workers making national headlines for suing San Francisco. The Sheriff's Department in particular has NO accountability. Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a written plan and commitment by the Sheriff to regular (quarterly) reporting to the

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Thank you, Jean Bridges From: J Y <jennifer.yan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 10:08 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Fwd: Fund the police !

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------ Forwarded message ------From: **J Y** <jennifer.yan@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Jun 24, 2021 at 10:12 PM Subject: Fund the police ! To: <<u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>>

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I have been living in lower Nob Hill and Marina in the last several years. In my adult life, I lived in several large cities, but in San Francisco, for the first time in my life, I would often have a fear of walking outside. I am sending you an email to OPPOSE cutting the police budget.

Two of my good friends were victims of hot burglaries.

Personally, a restaurant right next to our residence has been vandalized twice just in the last several weeks. There was a person at night walking around shouting "I am going to kill you" for half an hour, and it was unclear if he had a weapon or not. At that hour, how am I supposed to know which social worker to call? There were other instances of a homeless person sleeping in our lobby, a car ran into our building, and our building security entrance system video screen was stolen, while that person was caught on video with a mask on, there was nothing that we could do. Not to mention the alerts of people being mugged during day time or just seeing car windows being smashed. Criminals have been emboldened because there are no consequences.

Like many residents I feel more helpless and angry, why is public safety politicized? Why isn't BOS viewing public safety a priority? when 60% said crime is much worse in SF. Police Bill Scott said clearly on CNN, "eliminating cash bail requires other adjustments, so that officers can prevent crime" ? 70% of police officers hired recently are people of color.

Lastly, being Asian American, I used to love to go to Chinatown and Union Square. It does not give me any sense of security watching how the Chinese American female police officer being assaulted by racist homeless man or jewelry store robbed during daylight or thiefs did the smash and grab and walked out of Union Square shops. If anything, we need more community policing, like Officer William MA. More officers who understand the community. Otherwise, how can SF expect tourists and conventions to come back to the city to revive the economy?

Study says that the city should have 2200 officers, more than the current 1700. So please respect science and analysis and FUND the police. Safety first.

Jennifer Yan

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To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
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Hello Linda and the BOS Budget Committee, My name is Lisa King and I am commenting in solidarity with the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, and in support of its Founder Phelicia Jones. The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

I am concerned about this because she is an African American woman and community leader, and this is bullying behavior from the Sherriff's dept against her.

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Thank you, Lisa King

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: 1% for Climate Equity SF Support Letter for Submission to File #210643
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:34:55 PM
Attachments:	<u>1% for Climate Equity - June 24, 2021 - Sign-on Letter.pdf</u>

From: Chema Hernández Gil < chema@seiu1021.org>

Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 9:02 AM

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Cc: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

Subject: 1% for Climate Equity SF Support Letter for Submission to File #210643

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Dear Supervisors,

Please find attached the support letter for the 1% for Climate Equity SF campaign, recently endorsed by the SEIU Local 1021 San Francisco COPE. The campaign is also endorsed by dozens of other community groups and organizations, including:

- PODER
- San Francisco League of Conservation Voters
- Southeast Community Council (SECC)
- Sierra Club, San Francisco Bay Chapter
- Sunrise Bay Area
- Golden Gate Audubon Society
- California Native Plant Society (CNPS), Yerba Buena Chapter
- Wildfires to Wildflowers
- Nature in the City (NTC)
- Californians for Energy Choice
- Our City SF

Thank you for your consideration and please reach out if you have any further questions. Thank you.

Best regards,

Chema SEIU Local 1021 San Francisco Political Organizer



June 24, 2021

Dear Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors,

As San Francisco recovers from the global pandemic, it is imperative that the City invest significant resources to rapidly and equitably address the present climate emergency.

The undersigned organizations submit this letter urging you to (1) allocate at least an additional 1% of San Francisco's total \$13.1 billion citywide budget to equitable climate mitigation, adaptation programs and policies during this budget cycle, (2) make the climate emergency a central focus of long-term planning and capital spending, and (3) ensure that all such investments and initiatives are paired with robust planning, accountability and oversight mechanisms that explicitly include frontline communities, and environmental justice and labor organizations.

San Francisco's Current Climate Action Plan: Underfunded, Under-ambitious and Perpetuating Local & Global Inequities

The City's existing climate investments, programs, targets, and accomplishments do not put us on track to meet science-based emissions reduction and equity obligations.<sup>1</sup> Climate justice is barely an afterthought in the proposed FY 21-22 and FY 22-23 budget, representing an infinitesimal fraction of total expenditures.

According to scientific and economic models, wealthy cities such as San Francisco – which are disproportionately responsible for historic carbon emissions, are obligated to reach near zero by the *end of this decade* in order to provide less well-off cities and nations around the world with sufficient time and momentum to fully decarbonize by 2050.<sup>2 3</sup> In 2019, the Board of Supervisors theoretically recognized this in the Climate Emergency Declaration, stating: "[t]o stay within 1.5 degrees Celsius, major cities throughout the world will need to significantly reduce their per capita emissions by 2030, and as a city on a rapid growth trajectory, San Francisco has an obligation to lead by example."<sup>4</sup>

The City's current "net-zero" between 2045 to 2050 target is insufficient.<sup>5</sup> U.N. scientists have updated the global target to a reduction of 7.6 per cent per year for the next decade, to limit global warming to 1.5° Celsius.<sup>6</sup> Yet San Francisco's Climate

<sup>2</sup> San Franciscans and Americans on average have cumulatively consumed far more than their share of emissions as compared to the rest of the world, and have comparably more means to transition rapidly away from fossil fuels. See Carbon Brief, Twitter Post, April 23, 2019, 8:48 PM, https://twitter.com/CarbonBrief/status/1120715988532629506?s=20.

<sup>3</sup> As stated by U.N. scientists in 2018, achieving this will require nothing less than "rapid, far-reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society." Summary for Policymakers of IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C approved by governments," U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, October 8, 2018,

https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/2018/11/pr\_181008\_P48\_spm\_en.pdf.

<sup>4</sup> "Resolution declaring a climate emergency in San Francisco; and requesting immediate and accelerated action to address the climate crisis and limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius," San Francisco Board of Supervisors, April 12, 2019,

https://sfgov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3874323&GUID=591C58DD-2B77-47FB-AA45-B59 E639314CF&Options=ID|Text|&Search=190222.

<sup>5</sup> "Focus 2030: A Pathway to Net Zero Emissions," San Francisco Department of the Environment, July 2019, https://sfenvironment.org/sites/default/files/files/sfe\_focus\_2030\_report\_july2019.pdf.

<sup>6</sup> "Cut Global Emissions by 7.6 Percent Every Year for Next Decade to Meet 1.5°C Paris Target - UN Report," United Nations Climate Change, November 26, 2019,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As outlined by the 2018 U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report, to limit global warming to 1.5° Celsius, scientists project that carbon emissions must fall approximately 50% *globally* from 2010 levels by 2030 and reaching "net-zero" by 2050. Meeting this target may provide humans with the best chance of maintaining a habitable Earth. While the City has in theory adopted these global targets, it has not allocated sufficient resources to accomplish them and is significantly behind. More importantly, such targets fall short of San Francisco's true science-based obligations; San Francisco is obligated to act more swiftly than global targets, reducing emissions as soon as possible—ideally by 2030.

Action Plan is based on the earlier Paris Agreement pledges, which are projected to warm the planet to a catastrophic 3° Celsius. We must update our target to zero emissions by 2030 in order to equitably share the world's remaining carbon budget with our neighbors in the Global South.<sup>7</sup>

At the same time, within San Francisco itself, there are significant inequalities with respect to the impact of global warming and air pollution on frontline communities, as well as efforts to mitigate emissions. Workers too face significant risks and injustices as a result of the current economic system that will likely only be exacerbated by a warming world.

## It's Not Too Late: San Francisco has an Opportunity to Lead

Undoubtedly, attaining zero by 2030 will require significant new and ongoing revenue sources, in addition to state and federal funds. Organizing to secure these sources will take time—time that we can't afford to waste. It is therefore critical that the City provide seed funding with approximately \$130 million *today* in order to jump-start the transition while simultaneously organizing for revenue sources in subsequent years.

Fortunately, during this budget cycle, the City has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to seed this transition with one-time funds, thanks to the more than a half a billion-dollar windfall from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan Act, as well as significant reserves and higher-than-anticipated tax revenue.

The Board of Supervisors also has an opportunity to provide frontline communities and labor with seats at the table in influencing the transition towards a zero-carbon city through legislation.

See below for an overview of recommended opportunities, with full details provided in the attachment.

### Immediate Budget Opportunities

We are calling on the City to immediately allocate funds to catalyze building electrification throughout San Francisco with pilot programs, including electrification retrofits and weatherization for 5,000 low-income homes/apartments and an income-qualified residential electrification incentive program via CleanPowerSF. Both programs should include requirements for the development of local community

https://unfccc.int/news/cut-global-emissions-by-76-percent-every-year-for-next-decade-to-meet-15degc-paris-target-un-report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> "UN emissions report: World on course for more than 3 degree spike, even if climate commitments are met," UN News, November 26, 2019, https://news.un.org/en/story/2019/11/1052171.

workforce and union jobs. In addition, we are asking you to fund initial program development, community outreach, and staff to develop a Climate Equity Hub—a central clearing house for building electrification resources for residents, other property owners, and the building trades.

With respect to the transportation sector, the City must expand the availability and affordability of zero-carbon micro-mobility options by launching a municipal pilot program subsidizing low- and moderate-income residents to purchase and/or rent bicycles and other mobility options.

Finally, we need to bolster (1) the community organizations that are already addressing climate, and (2) Department of the Environment work and workers. Support for community organizations should include equity grants for grassroots organizing, policy, communications, and/or community-directed projects.

## Immediate Legislative Opportunities

We are also calling for the City to establish a modern capital planning process that works for all San Franciscans. This is not the case now. For example, with the Embarcadero Sea Wall Program, San Francisco has prioritized wealthy and powerful centers of financial and commercial interests from sea level rise. Meanwhile the Bayview-Hunters Point, Treasure Island and other communities are left vulnerable.

In addition, to ensure our City is spending money in a way that meets community and labor needs and advances equity, it is critical to establish an oversight committee/task force with specific seat requirements to include various community representatives, including frontline communities and labor. The committee would be responsible for recommending and overseeing expenditures and planning efforts supporting the climate work of city departments as described herein.

### Now is the Time to Act

This decade is arguably one of the most critical in human history. Your action can help determine the fate of future generations for thousands of years. There are likely no second chances.

San Franciscans expect you to prioritize climate justice *now* among competing budget and legislative priorities.

Sincerely,

Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1021

People Organizing to Demand Environmental & Economic Rights (PODER)

Southeast Community Council (SECC)
Emerald Cities Collaborative
San Francisco Climate Emergency Coalition
Sierra Club, San Francisco Bay Chapter
San Francisco League of Conservation Voters
Sunrise Bay Area
Earthjustice
350 San Francisco
Climate Health Now
Golden Gate Audubon Society
Mothers Out Front San Francisco
1000 Grandmothers for Future Generations, San Francisco
The Climate Reality Project, Bay Area Chapter - San Francisco Policy Action Team
San Francisco Tomorrow
Citizens' Climate Lobby, San Francisco Chapter
UPSTREAM
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Our City SF
Attachment

1. 1% for Climate Equity Outline

## 1% for SF Climate Equity

## Summary

The City of San Francisco must invest at least \$136 million of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) one-time funds or other funds (such as surplus equity or tax revenue or COVID reserves) in equitable climate programs. This figure is approximately 1% of the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 citywide budget of \$13.6 billion. In addition, the City must commit to center climate with regard to its approach to long-term planning and capital spending. All investments and initiatives should be paired with robust accountability and oversight mechanisms.

As one of the wealthiest and most unequal cities in the world, San Francisco is disproportionately responsible for global carbon emissions and has a responsibility to act quickly. In other words, inhabitants of San Francisco and the United States have on average consumed far more than their share of emissions as compared to the rest of the world.

However, while it is incumbent on San Francisco to act swiftly, it must also do so in an equitable way. Certain communities and workers have borne the brunt of air pollution, climate change, racism and income inequality, and therefore must be prioritized and have a seat at the table during the transition towards a zero-carbon city.

ARPA funds provide a once in a generation opportunity to invest 1% of San Francisco's total general fund budget in equitable climate action. This initial allocation would represent seed money for the next decade of equitable climate investments and would serve as a pilot program for investing future revenue (both within SF as well as future federal and state funds).

Key principles:

- Investment of these funds must be equitable and sensitive and responsive to historic systemic economic, racial and societal inequalities;
- These funds must be *additional*; that is, they should be used to expand or create programs instead of displacing funding sources for existing program work;
- This funding must be accompanied by a mechanism for community approval and oversight of spending to ensure that it meets both its climate and equity goals;
- In addition, the City must establish as a long-term policy that all capital planning must be consistent with known climate impacts, and also must direct a significant percentage of spending towards equitable climate-impact mitigation.

## Immediate Funding Priorities

The following items are immediate investments the City should make in climate equity. This list is not exhaustive, and the priorities should be determined with sustained input from community groups (social, political, local etc), environmental justice organizations, and labor organizations. The recommended accountability structure, defined below, provides an additional mechanism for ensuring the spending ultimately meets community, climate, and equity needs.

## Buildings

Catalyze electrification<sup>8</sup> throughout our city, starting with those who can otherwise least afford the transition but stand the most to gain from it:

- Investment 1: Electrification retrofit and weatherization pilot program designed and implemented in consultation with residents and community groups<sup>9</sup>
  - Replace natural gas-powered appliances in approximately 5,000 low-income homes/apartments with clean all-electric appliances, performing electrical and weatherization upgrades as necessary, and installing locally-owned solar, battery resources (GoSolarSF), and EV charging as appropriate.
  - Must Include union/local/community jobs and workforce development requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Background: Natural gas use in buildings accounts for about 35% of the City's overall greenhouse gas emissions. The Department of Environment's Focus 2030 report states that in order to meet our climate goals, we need to convert 3% of the existing building stock per year from natural gas appliances to efficient, electric ones, starting in 2020. With the Mayor's proposed 2045 carbon neutrality goal, this number is 4%. Yet we have not even remotely begun planning or implementation.

Eliminating natural gas use in buildings is not only essential for meeting our climate goals, but there is a strong nexus with equity. Studies have demonstrated a 42% increased correlation with natural gas use in the home and asthma, not to mention the fact that gas extraction and pipelines pollute the homes and communities of those most vulnerable to climate change.

A market-based approach where we "start at the top" of the socioeconomic ladder and allow retrofitting to happen organically is an equity nightmare. In such a scenario, the fixed costs of the natural gas network will increase, leaving those already struggling families with skyrocketing utility costs. We cannot let this happen, and we must provide the benefits of electrification to those communities and households first.

Retrofitting our buildings is also a significant employment and economic recovery opportunity. If we invest in local job development and training, we can keep the economic benefits of the transition within our communities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See, e.g. <u>program from SMUD</u>

- Investment 2: Universally available and income-qualified subsidies for residential electrification for example via CleanPowerSF<sup>10</sup>
  - Must include union/local/community jobs and workforce development requirements.
- Investment 3: Climate Equity Hub: a central clearing house for building electrification resources
  - Seed funding for initial program development, community outreach, and staff.
     The Hub will serve at least the following purposes, among others:
    - Education on electrification benefits and opportunities for tenants and homeowners
    - Coordinating contractor training, education, and certification
    - Providing technical assistance
    - Providing centralized information about financing and funding opportunities
  - Investments in City College of San Francisco, particularly for programs in the building trades with a focus on electrification, as well as for climate, equity, and green technology education more broadly.

## Transportation

Accelerate transition away from fossil fuel transportation<sup>11</sup> through expansion of availability and affordability of zero-carbon micro-mobility options outside of SFMTA's<sup>12</sup> historic function:

- Investment 1: Micro-mobility Subsides
  - Incentive pilot program subsidizing low and moderate income residents to purchase and/or rent bicycles and electric micro mobility, with a preference for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See e.g., <u>Electrify Marin</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Background: According to 2019 data, 47% of San Francisco's emissions are transportation-based. Gasoline and diesel combustion is the largest share of emissions. Passenger vehicles are responsible for 72% of transportation emissions. Transportation Network Companies, also known as ridesharing, are an increasing share of the City's emissions, estimated at 15% of all vehicles trips.

In addition to being a significant contributor to GHGs, transportation-related fossil-fuel combustion is a significant contributor to particulate pollution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Although SFMTA is receiving dedicated stimulus fund money from ARPA, we recognize there are still major gaps. However, many of these priorities would benefit from dedicated infrastructure money (hopefully via federal legislation) and require much more significant community discussion to determine, particularly when discussing trade offs such as free fares, fleet electrification, and service expansion. Therefore, our recommendations focus on opportunities outside of MTA's typical operations.

subsidizing rentals from providers other than corporate mobility share programs such as Uber, Lyft etc.

## Climate Equity Grants

Bolster community organizations addressing climate:

- Investment 1: Grants
  - Community-administered climate equity grants,<sup>13</sup> including funding for grassroots organizing, policy, communications, and/or community-directed projects with nexus to climate.

## SFE Budget

Restore and fund critical positions and work in the Department of the Environment:

- Investment 1: Fund conversion of temporary contracts to full-time work.
- Investment 2: Restore SFE FY21-23 Budget Cuts
  - Restores the lost \$346,000 per year in work orders from SFMTA and SFPUC, through direct increases to SFE budget so that SFE can attain its original goals around EVs and clean power
- Investment 3: Fund Climate Action Plan Program Analysis and Funding Opportunities Study:
  - Fund SFE to hire consultants to propose programs needed to implement the city's climate action plan and to identify potential long-term funding opportunities to pay for them.

# Capital Planning

Establish a citywide policy that all capital planning must be consistent with known climate impacts and needs, to include, but not limited to:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See eg., <u>Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund</u>: A fund established by ballot measure (~2:1 vote) that raises \$40-60 million a year in funding to be distributed in the form of grants to priority communities for clean energy projects. The grant committee, comprising diverse community members, makes funding recommendations to the Mayor and City Council and evaluates the effectiveness of the Fund.

- Outcome 1: Investing in vulnerable communities, for example sea level adaptation for the Bayview and Treasure Island (as opposed to solely focusing on centers of financial power such as the Downtown), and mitigation efforts for neighborhoods with disproportionate air pollution impacts.
- Outcome 2: Rethinking development policies in the Southeast Corridor and Treasure Island that lack commensurate adaptation efforts. SF has already done significant work <u>assessing the risks and impacts</u>, and money should be directed at high priority efforts.
- Outcome 3: Dedicating a significant percentage of spending towards climate mitigation efforts.

## Planning and Oversight

In order to ensure our City is spending money in a way that meets community needs and advances equity, the city must establish an oversight committee, similar to that of the Our City, Our Home Fund.<sup>14</sup>

- Outcome 1: This committee would have specific seat requirements to include community members of various qualifications and would be responsible for recommending and approving expenditures to the Board of Supervisors and city departments.
- Outcome 2: This committee would be responsible for commissioning an implementation plan(s), in concert with city departments and outside experts. This implementation plan would dive into major areas of climate mitigation and adaptation and create actionable roadmap(s) for implementation that centers climate equity.
- Outcome 3: Any such structure must include funding to reimburse those community members who sit on the committee, money to pay community members who participate in outreach, and to support the expert analysis needed to plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> <u>Our City, Our Home (Prop C)</u>: Establishes a fund and oversight committee to hold and determine the uses of Prop C-generated revenues. Places requirements on committee seats and generally takes a similar structure to the Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund. Also requires that spending programs be additional: "Appropriations May Not Supplant Existing Expenditures."

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: File # 210643: Statement in support of CART (Compassionate Alternative Response Team) Budget
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:35:04 PM

From: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 8:18 AM

To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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From: Alison Goh president@lwvsf.org

Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 7:00 AM

**To:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <<u>linda.wong@sfgov.org</u>>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <<u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>>

**Cc:** Breed, Mayor London (MYR) <<u>mayorlondonbreed@sfgov.org</u>>; LWVSF Advocacy <<u>advocacy@lwvsf.org</u>>

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The League asks you to fund CART as the only proposal by and for the community, to completely end the police response to homelessness. Refusing to fund CART, and instead only offering top-down institutional programs, is the opposite of community policing.

Sincerely,

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Alison Goh President president@lwvsf.org pronouns: she/her

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:35:30 PM

From: Kit Hodge <kitrhodge@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 3:25 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Wealth and Disparities... <mwjusticenow@gmail.com>
Subject: Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption

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Hello, my name is Kit Hodge. I live in District 7 and I am commenting in solidarity with the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, and in support of its Founder Phelicia Jones.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing unchecked racism, and targeting of community leader and Department employee Phelicia Jones.

The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed Phelicia Jones, including erecting a physical barricade to separate Phelicia from her colleagues. The Department attacks Phelicia and her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans.

The Sheriff's Department in particular has NO accountability. Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a written plan and commitment by the Sheriff to regular (quarterly) reporting to the public and officials, regarding (1<sup>st</sup>) how the department is identifying racism and corruption; and (2<sup>nd</sup>) how it is enacting discipline for these behaviors.

I also want to express my support for Mega Black's call for funding, particularly for learning loss recovery and closing the digital divide for Black SFUSD students. And I want to urge the Board of Supervisors to fully fund before and after care for all SFUSD students in need of the program next year; without before and after care, school just isn't logistically possible for many families.

Thank you, Kit Hodge

Wong, Linda (BOS)
<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
FW: Request for Funding Tenderloin Park Network
Friday, June 25, 2021 4:55:31 PM

From: Pratibha Tekkey <pratibha@thclinic.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 3:44 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Request for Funding Tenderloin Park Network

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My name is Pratibha Tekkey **I work** in the Tenderloin and am urging you to fully fund the Tenderloin Community Benefit District's "Tenderloin Park Network" ask in this year's City budget. Tenderloin parks are important to me because I work with families and Seniors for home open and safe park and space is important for their emotional wellbeing . The Tenderloin is one of the City's densest neighborhoods with the highest number of children, seniors and low income residents. The neighborhood also has one of the highest rates of mental health crises and substance abuse in the City. Research has shown that open space is critical to address these health disparities, but unfortunately most parks in the Tenderloin are very small, adding up to only 0.17 acres per 1000 residents, compared to 1.5 acres per 1000 residents city wide. In a neighborhood where the total open space available to each resident is less than half a yoga mat, we need to support the mental health and physical wellbeing of residents and invest the energy and resources to ensure that the parks are safe, clean and inviting for everyone.

The Tenderloin Park Network built a strong stewardship and activation parks program in 2021, hiring staff to support the evolution of the parks, launching a stewardship program, expanding activities with local arts and wellness organizations, creating a Resident Advisory Group, and developing new opportunities for connection, play, and joy. Now we must keep going forward. I ask that you fund the Tenderloin Park Network program to its full extent to provide Tenderloin kids, families, seniors, and residents with access to clean, safe, and inviting parks.

Thank you, Pratibha Tekkey CCSRO , THC

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To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 4:56:15 PM

From: saul bridges <brosaul@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 4:13 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: mwjusticenow@gmail.com
Subject: Public Comment BOS Budget Committee - Suspend SF Sheriffs Dept Budget Until Accountability for Racism, Corruption

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Hello, Budget Committee:

I waited 4 hours today on the phone to make public comment before the line went silent. I carried the phone around with me throughout all that time waiting to be called upon. This process is not one designed to encourage public comment.

My name is Saul Bridges and I am with the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, founded by Phelicia Jones.

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Thank you, Saul Bridges -----Original Message-----From: Angel Bernardo Solis <bernardsolis6@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 4:42 PM To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org> Subject: Pit Stop Program

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Hello Board of Supervisors, my name is colton coty and I am speaking on behalf of Lava Mae who provides mobile showers and other services in San Francisco and the Bay Area.

We're urging the Board of Supervisors to restore the 24/hour pit stop program cut by Mayor London Breed at the cost of 2.4 million.

Hygiene and sanitation are a human right, and cutting these services is completely inhumane and a threat to public health.

We demand the Pit Stop program be reinstated and expanded to address and meet the needs of over 8,000 people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco. According to the United Nations' Emergency Handbook for WASH in Camps, there needs to be at least one toilet and shower for every 50 people.

For example, by using this standard District 6 will need at least 73 toilets and showers operating to meet the minimum. We fall far below this standard, and cutting the Pit Stop funding is the wrong direction and is completely unacceptable. Homelessness in San Francisco is an emergency. We can do better. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Luisa Antonio <luisa.antonio@sfbec.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Statement from the Bayanihan Equity Center

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Ms. Wong,

BEC is still queued for public comment to submit our audio statement. As a supplement to the submitted audio statement, I am submitting the attached letter for the committee's consideration.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Luisa Antonio

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Luisa M. Antonio | Executive Director Pronouns: She, Her, Hers (<u>What's this?</u>) Bayanihan Equity Center | 1010 Mission Street, Suite C | SF, CA 94103 Tel: (415) 255-2347 | Fax: (415) 255-2358 | <u>www.sfbec.org</u> <u>Facebook | Instagram | Twitter</u>



June 25, 2021

San Francisco Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: Bayanihan Equity Center's Funding Request

Dear Supervisors,

The Covid-19 pandemic exacerbated the housing needs of the low-income, immigrant, community in the city.

By the looks of the streets in the South of Market, I can say that D6 has the most unsheltered homeless residents in the city. The housing crisis can be summed up by basic supply and demand - lack of affordable housing supply and high demand from the community. When housing opportunities become available, the low-income, immigrant community has a hard time competing with these units due to the complicated application process. Most of time, information that are available in-language are inadequately translated, resulting to confusion. Consequently, families and individuals who are in need of housing are less likely to apply without support from service agencies. As a result, affordable housing to many means co-habiting with extended family members or other individuals. Covid-19 highlighted this unsafe condition when individuals living in overcrowded dwellings are faced with significant risk of contracting communicable diseases.

Before you is a request for funding in the amount of \$75,000 to expand an existing program at the BEC that aims to inform, assist and place those seeking to move into affordable housing with culturally-relevant and linguistically appropriate services.

I encourage all of you to support BEC's efforts in making safe and affordable housing a reality to the most vulnerable San Franciscans. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Luisa M. Antonio Executive Director

Cassandra Costello
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Jalipa, Brent (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS)
SFPD Funding Support
Friday, June 25, 2021 5:02:05 PM

Hello Chair Haney and Supervisors,

I am writing on behalf of San Francisco Travel Association to urge you to support the SFPD's proposed budget. Pre COVID-Tourism was San Francisco's largest industry supporting close to 90,000 jobs. We have a long way to go to recover and the top concern we hear from visitors, convention attendees, small businesses and their employees is around safety on our streets. We are very supportive of the new response tools to non-violent calls. We also applaud the police department for their ongoing police reform efforts. This work is absolutely essential for the department to protect, serve and build trust within the community.

On behalf of our board and stakeholders, we urge you to support the proposed police Department's budget and prioritize a foot beat patrol presence in our high pedestrian trafficked areas as well as fund upcoming academies to manage attrition.

We also support an expansion of efforts such as the Street Crisis Response Team as this approach not only best provides those in need of service with the right care and response but also frees up law enforcement to respond to emergency needs.

Thank you Cassandra

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From:	<u>Kieran &amp; Donna O"Leary</u>
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 5:10:43 PM

From Donna O'Leary's iPad

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)	
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)	
Subject:	FW: 85 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644	
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 5:27:24 PM	
Attachments:	85 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.pdf	

From: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
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(BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: 85 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644

Hello,

Please see the attached 85 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.

**File No. 210643** - Budget and Appropriation Ordinance appropriating all estimated receipts and all estimated expenditures for Departments of the City and County of San Francisco as of June 1, 2021, for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023.

**File No. 210644** - Annual Salary Ordinance enumerating positions in the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, continuing, creating, or establishing these positions; enumerating and including therein all positions created by Charter or State law for which compensations are paid from City and County funds and appropriated in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance; authorizing appointments or continuation of appointments thereto; specifying and fixing the compensations and work schedules thereof; and authorizing appointments to temporary positions and fixing compensations therefore.

Regards,

Jackie Hickey Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 Phone: (415) 554-5184 | Direct: (415) 554-7701 jacqueline.hickey@sfgov.org| www.sfbos.org

Hi, my name is Carter and I work for Boys & Girls Clubs of San Francisco.

I am writing today to ask you to support the Service Providers Working Group two budget requests in full.

The first is a 10% Cost of Doing Business increase for youth-serving nonprofit workers contracted through DCYF to address wage inequities.

The second is to restore DCYF Equitable Access Match and SFUSD Backfill funding in order to prevent cuts to after-school slots.

Fulfilling these two requests is necessary in order to stand up for youth-serving nonprofit workers who have been called heroes throughout this pandemic but are grossly underpaid.

As well as ensuring low-income families have access to high quality afterschool programming and that no slots are lost.

If you want to help children and families thrive in this city, please ensure the Service Providers Working Groups requests are fully funded.

Thank you so much for your time, work, and leadership on behalf of our community.

All the best, Carter

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Carter Ashforth

Volunteer & Corporate Outreach Manager

Pronouns: she, her, hers

### Boys & Girls Clubs of San Francisco 380 Fulton Street, San Francisco, CA 94102 p: 415.445.5482 e: cashforth@kidsclub.org

From:	John Lewis
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support Police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 4:55:03 PM

We support Police funding and staffing, as we have lived in San Francisco for 2 years and notable increase in violent crimes and property crime endangers our family and neighbors. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From:	BILL CULLINAN
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I Support Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 6:47:14 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I support police funding for San Francisco. Please do not defund the Police Department and make the decision to support the funding we need for the safety of our City and the people that call it home. I am a native of this amazing City and I want everyone to feel safe and to have a police department that can and will do what it takes to make everyone feel safe and cared for and to be the kind of police force we can depend on in all of our neighborhoods. If you feel there needs to be more supports, trainings, and education for our police....then give it to them proactively, reducing them will not result in a safer community but providing them more education, information and the services needed to help them be successful in their jobs....then fund that!!

Please do what is right and just----Do Not Cut Police Funding! Respectfully, Kelli Jo Cullinan SF Native

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I have had my house and car broken in to as well as entered when I failed to lock every window well, and I've had many things taken! please I want more police funding.

Lisa Remmer

From:	Ivan Ng
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I Support Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:48:50 PM

#### Hi Board of Supervisors,

I have been living in inner sunset area for over 20 years. The crimes happening in this area and in San Francisco overall such as breaking in homes and cars, hate crimes targeting Asians and elders keep increasing. We need more police forces to keep the city safe. A safe city can keep residents from leaving and attract visitors. Please support polices funding. They are the protectors of the city.

Thanks, Ming

From:	Marina Roche
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I SUPPORT POLICE FUNDING
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:15:41 PM

To all members of the board of supervisors,

I immigrated to San Francisco almost 40 years ago. I have never felt as unsafe as I do now. Recently I was at Stonestown and parked my car inside at the target parking lot. As I walked away with my 1 year old granddaughter, I witnessed people in a beat up old van with cardboard blocking the side windows smash a car window . I will never park in there again because I seriously fear for my life. This is only one small example. I constantly get notifications on my citizen app of break ins, robberies, and gun shots which I hear. This is crazy. It saddens me that families are leaving because San Francisco has turned into a filthy , crime ridden city.

It sickens me to see our once beautiful city go to hell. I don't know what the answer is but what I do know is that like in any sporting game you never sacrifice defense. Decreasing the police budget is a BIG mistake. You need to increase the police budget.

We have a shortage of police officers and police officers are retiring early or leaving to join other cities. I can't say that I blame them when they do not have the support of their mayor or board of supervisors.

We the people of San Francisco deserve better. We deserve to know that our leaders believe in our safety. We are fed up and it is only a matter of time before the board of supervisors face a recall.

If you need to decrease the budget, start with the police commissioners. They do absolutely nothing to keep San Francisco safe.

Sincerely from a concerned citizen and taxpayer Marina Roche

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Dennis Morris
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:14:13 PM

Hello, my name is Dennis Morris. I have practically lived my entire life in San Francisco. I am a retired San Francisco Assistant District Attorney where I worked for over 27 years. I have seen crime dramatically increase recently. True, we need some criminal justice reform but based upon my extensive criminal justice experience we cannot afford to maintain fewer police officers in San Francisco. The safety of all San Franciscans is at risk with fewer officers. As such we must minimally maintain the police budget or hopefully increase it. Sincerely,

Dennis J. Morris Retired Assistant District Attorney

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for all your work with the City. On this upcoming police budget hearing, please approve a bigger budget to hire more police in San Francisco. I don't feel safe in the city and I had my garage broken in twice.

The police need more help, more police men and women to keep us safe. Founding the police is a future investment for our beautiful city.

Thank you so much for your support.

Erika McNamara

To whom it may concern,

I am a native and a lifetime resident of San Francisco. It saddens me that our once beautiful and great city has become a safe haven for drug dealers, murderers and thieves.

Our streets have become lawless and unsafe and Police officers are leaving San Francisco in the droves.

Car break-ins are rampant and the elderly are afraid to walk in their once safe neighborhoods. I really don't care about "stats" we can all see that the crime rate is through the roof.

Crimes go unpunished and the police officers are not getting the support from city hall. I can't believe that there is even a discussion about cutting the police budget.

If anything, we need more police and increased funding. I just hope it's not too late and that we can get San Francisco back on track.

Regards,

A proud San Franciscan.

Dear Board of Supervisors

As a concerned SF Citizen for over 25 years, I am very worried about the rampant crime situation the city is currently facing. changing the DA's tactics and policies is critical to improving this.

However the way in which the city can make me feel the most safe is to support our police. We need more police out on patrol and in communities to combat the roving thugs who drive around our city on a mission to commit crimes.

Appropriate funding for the police is critical.

Finding the police doesn't tacitly support bad cops. Infact it allows good cops to flourish and improve our city while police reform occurs.

Do not defund the police.

Chris

Chris Lehman, MD

Dear Supervisors,

I support police funding. Nationwide and in San Francisco police are retiring and quitting. Police are the protection of our people.

Please fund the police. Do not cut the budget and please adequately fund for sufficient hiring.

I believe safety and justice go together. Continuing to hire a diverse police force and implementing reforms can happen with adequate funding of law enforcement.

Sincerely,

Valerie Schmalz 1277-28th Ave San Francisco

Sent from my iPhone

mary walker
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I Support Police Funding
Friday, June 25, 2021 9:01:07 AM

#### Dear Supervisors:

What can we say? Tourists' vehicles ravaged in town, their belongings strewn through the Richmond District; neighbors' garages damaged as thieves search for bicycles and appropriate them; miscreants waking the hood in the wee hours by doing "wheelies" in our intersections; pilferers scooping up what they can from chain pharmacy stores and getting away with, right in front of our eyes, broad daylight, without impediment; opened Amazon packages thrown on my doorstep and found on a secluded path in Golden Gate Park on a hike. Kind of feels like the Wild, Wild West here. Having lived in San Francisco for 43 years, I remember the days in the 70's, and 80's when cops walked the streets--what a nice feeling of protection and care, policemen as a visible part of the community---and often drove their police cars leisurely in traffic, keeping most of us obeying traffic laws. Certainly not out of sight or out of mind, a good thing. Now, on our streets, you might think that we don't have any police, except for the responses to accidents and the infrequent police car going somewhere.

Please, fund the police, hire the 100 new officers suggested by the San Francisco Examiner report. Don't let us fend for ourselves out here, so depressing. We need the police visible, and more of them, as a deterrent to crime.

Sincerely, Mary C. Walker-MacLean 2045 Cabrillo Street, #12, SF, 94121 Resident of San Francisco since 1972 Age 72

Hi - I live in San Francisco in District 8. I support police reforms. I *also* believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence. Please **increase** the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

**Increasing** the police staffing budget is important to me because there have been two houses on my block alone broken into, a shooting just 3 blocks away, and an armed robbery on my usual route home, all in the past year. I live in this city with a small child and am getting increasingly concerned it is not a safe place for our family. With our police staffing rates already below the suggested rates, it feels irresponsible to the citizens of this city to not give the police department what they need to make our communities feel somewhat safe again. I have already had several friends relocate outside of San Francisco because of property theft; it is a disturbing trend that will continue if we can't commit to our residents that we are becoming a safer city.

# <u>Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.</u>

Thank you.

Olga (Lozovskaya) Kaplan

#### Dear board of supervisors

We need more police not less. Crime is up in San Francisco and reducing police would put the public at greater risk.

I am a mother with two school aged children and I do not feel safe walking alone and am even more concerned if they're with me should something go wrong. For example the shooting that occurred at stow lake this week when a young woman visiting from Watsonville was shot in the leg. This was completely random at a highly visited locals and tourist attraction.

More police presence is needed and we need to harshly punish criminals otherwise they keep coming to our city. Let police officers do their job and hire more of them.

We are losing families due to lack of safety and an inviting criminals because there are no consequences. More police are necessary.

Jamie Wong District 7 resident --Jamie

Caroline Pougnier
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I support police funding
Friday, June 25, 2021 9:31:28 AM

### Hello,

I do not want to defund the police -- rather increase spending on them and hold them accountable to investigating petty crimes. There is so much stealing in our city and it's frustrating that nothing gets done about it. Fund the police, please. Caroline Pougnier Noe Valley

From:	<u>Bev Epstein</u>
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 9:37:57 AM

My name is Beverley Epstein. I support police funding. Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you.

Hello, as a resident of the Castro/Mission neighborhood I would like to express my strong desire for more police capacity and footprint in my neighborhood and in the city.

This past year, a group of unhoused individuals setup an open-air camp next to my home; they attracted a rotating cast of individuals who were buying, selling, and using drugs, started multiple camp fires, and on one occasion brandished a knife and flailed around the sidewalk for hours (my wife and child and neighbors did not leave the house as a result). Further, this scene was revolting to potential tenants of the commercial space in front of which they setup their camp. There was no police response to any of these unsafe activities for days.

When the police did arrive, they were professional and extremely supportive to my family, our neighbors, and the group of unhoused individuals as well. But were they properly staffed, they could have arrived sooner and diffused an unsafe, dangerous situation for everyone.

I support funding the police and supporting our officers and city workers in combating this increasingly unsafe city.

Thank you, Abhay Puskoor 15th Street, 94114

From:	Melody Hom
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:04:11 AM

Hello,

My name is Elizabeth Clark and I support police funding. I live with my family in Presidio Heights and I have witnessed an increase in criminal activity during the past eighteen months. I believe in police reform but also police presence. We need more police on the streets in San Francisco.

Thank you Elizabeth Clark

My name is Jim Higgins and I live in North Beach. The impact of the recent lock downs and lack of prosecution of many crimes leading to even more, and at times heinous crimes. Now more than ever we need to support and community engage our men and women in "Blue".

Please approve or even increase the law enforcement budget and help improve our deteriorating city. Let's bring San Francisco back to a clean and "crime free" city it should be.

Sincerely,

Jim Higgins

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Board, Brent:

I understand today is a hearing for public comment.

I would like my comment as follows:

I fully support police funding to the maximum extent for the purposes of ENFORCEMENT of city, state and federal laws. The reason I do, is that I raise two children in this city, and my priority is the safety and security of my family, much more than any political agendas or various causes that supervisors support.

I know many supervisors are anti-family. But I am a voter, and taxpayer, and demand as such they serve the law abiding, tax paying citizens of San Francisco, which includes a clean, safe environment, which can only happen with Police

Police response times have been ATROCIOUS and as a result, the criminals that our DA seems to love so much are becoming bolder and can essentially get away with 99% of crime.

Best, Sameet Mehta 650.787.2716

I support police funding. Do not defund the police.

From:	Kathryn Kalmar
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:50:33 AM

Please keep our San Francisco Police Funding supported. We are seeing a crumbling of our society with shootings, burglaries, kidnappings, home invasions, catalytic converter thefts, etc. Let's get civility back into our city. Law and order please!!! Respectfully, Kathryn A Kalmar

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Lanier Coles
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:43:41 PM

Hello,

I'm writing to express my desire for the Board of Supervisors to maintain, rather than cut the police budget. I would like to see the police reformed AND on the streets providing community policing to create public safety. I believe the City can and should pursue criminal justice reform and effective policing at the same time. Please do not cut the police budget at this time.

Sincerely,

Lanier Coles Zip code: 94118

From:	Maina Tuimavave
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I SUPPORT POLICE FUNDING
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:50:14 PM

I was born, raised, lived, schooled and now work here in San Francisco. I support the men and women of the SFPD and Chief Scott. Our communities need to feel safe to walk around and enjoy being outside. Most of all we need to feel safe in our homes without the fear of criminals breaking in and robbing us or even worse killing us! I will always vote to keep our police department funded and support them in all of their needs to do their jobs!

Thank you,

Maina Tuimavave Resident in District 7 Lake Merced Hills neighborhood

Sent from my iPhone

Hello my name is Linda Chong. I'm a member of Stop Crime SF and I live in San Francisco Laurel Heights.

I support police reforms. I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because our garage was broken into and there was a trespasser on my front porch and also sleeping on my lawn.

Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Best,

Linda

#### Hello,

My name is Julianne. I'm a member of Stop Crime SF and I live in Twin Peaks, San Francisco. I support police reforms. I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe! I've lived in San Francisco for 10 years, and no longer feel safe walking outside in the evening, due to the increase in robbery, assault, and overall violence in the city. I've had my car broken into multiple times, and just last month, my garage was broken into as well. I have a new baby girl at home, and I fear for her safety raising her in the city, so much so that we are considering a move. This saddens me as I've always loved this city.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Thank you, Julianne Pekel

From:	Patrick Gilligan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Defunding the Police
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 1:30:21 PM

Please, BoS, take a break from your normal itinerary or prioritizing your own personal ideologies and pay more attention to the fact that defunding the Police is not a popular or majority opinion.

Its a strange kind of elitism that feels insulated enough from the reality of crime in the city that is ok pushing for this kind of terrible policy. And it will cost lives. Hard no. Please don't.

Patrick Gilligan (831) 239-3376

San Francisco, CA

From:	Tom Packo
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Fund the Police budget
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 1:44:35 PM

I'm writing to request that the BOS put full support to funding and staffing the Police force. Crime in SF, especially break-in of automobiles and garages, is worsening and negatively affecting residents and tourists.

Tom Packo 2566 Greenwich St San Francisco

Sent from my iPad

From:	duncan ley
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	SFPD Budget - Reform DO NOT DEFUND
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 1:49:02 PM

Hello Supervisors,

I'm writing as a resident and business owner raising a young family in SF. Please approve the SFPD's budget as was originally proposed.

We need funding for two cadet classes, Healthy Street Operation Center (HSOC), and Overtime which funds things like foot patrols, undercover operations & sting operations.. We need reform, not defunding of our current policing system in San Francisco. Violence and crime are severely impacting every neighborhood in SF. Our department isn't perfect but they are one of the more progressive departments in the country. Reform is hard and it takes funding. Keeping our streets safe and investing in meaningful criminal justice reform are not mutually exclusive.

Please support a meaningful budget to ensure the public stays safe.

Duncan Talento Ley 415.722.6520 <u>duncan.ley@gmail.com</u> San Francisco, CA

Dear Board of Supervisors:

The subject text says it all.

Musicians and their performances can significantly contribute to the cultural vibrancy and economic vitality of our city. Now is the time to step up with the funding to make this a reality.

Thank you for your attention! Than you for your support!!

Miles Anderson 101 Lombard Street APT 103E San Francisco, CA 94111

From:	lorretta marcel
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:30:02 PM

It's been too long that our fabulous musicians have had to suffer the disrespect of society, after they have brought so much beauty and happiness through their music. It's time to change our way of thinking and start supporting those who give so much!

Thank you, Lorretta Marcel

From:	Roz Hague-Foster
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 9:52:42 AM

## Dear Board of Supervisors for San Francisco:

I am writing to you to ask for your support of the MAVDA proposal for Musicians and Venues. This pandemic has wrought difficult times for our jazz community. The financial impact has been devastating as a result of the lockdowns. As our city recovers, we know that jazz music is a big part of the ambiance of our San Francisc music scene. We ask that you support this proposal that will not only help the jazz musicians, but vendors and venues as well. Let's bring jazz music back to our city and help heal our community from the trauma of this pandemic. As a music teacher I am always looking for ways to provide opportunities for my students to see jazz in the environment it was meant to be - in small intimate venues. Our youth need to be exposed to this art form that is truly American.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Roz Hague-Foster

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Roz Hague-Foster . Music Teacher

Pronouns - she/her/hers Live Oak School . (415) 861-8840

We're building room to grow and space to learn!

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From:	Brian Bechtel
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:11:59 AM

#### Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues

The pandemic has really devastated our musicians, and the venues which allow us to see them. The MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues would help restore a once-vibrant part of the culture of San Francisco. Please support budget money for this purpose in any upcoming votes. Thank you

--Brian Bechtel 53 Wilder Street #304 San Francisco, CA 94131

From:	<u>Sa</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:25:10 PM

#### To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Scott Amendola. I've been a Bay Area working musician since 1992. I'm writing to ask for your support for the MAVDA funds to help musicians make proper money for their work. The funds being discussed would help musicians for sure. I hope you take this in to consideration. I've noticed over the years that wages for musicians have continued to drop, or stay the same. We all understand how expensive it is to live in the bay area. But also we should recognize the importance of music and art. The bay has changed a lot since 1992. I for one would like to see more live music, and more artists move here. There's been a constant exodus since the late 90's.

Thanks for your time.

Yours,

Scott Amendola

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Dear Supervisors,

The MAVDA proposal is a huge boon to jazz musicians and the entire San Francisco community. Everyone benefits from live music in public spaces, and this value is often overlooked. This proposal is an opportunity for the City of San Francisco to recognize these musicians, while invigorating a struggling part of the area's economy.

Best, Gabe Lee

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Hi all,

Public comment is happening RIGHT NOW in the budget and appropriations committee.

Check out this link for instructions on making comment and talking points in the playbook: bit.ly/june25comment.

The budget proposed by the Mayor, which the Supervisors now are in a position to amend, gives a **RECORD BREAKING** amount of money to law enforcement. We need to make sure the Board of Supervisors hears our calls to divest from policing and incarceration, and refund our communities!

If it's possible to add this to the record for today's City Budget Public Comment Day, please do:

Hi, this is Meredith Dodson with the San Francisco parent coalition called Decreasing the Distance. I'm calling to respectfully ask you to prioritize city funds to ensure that \*afterschool care\* is fully funded this year. EVERY public school family who needs ACCESS and FINANCIAL COVERAGE for afterschool for their children MUST have it available to them. Our city has a tendency to shift the burden of education and child care costs onto our middle class working families. Let's stop that practice and prioritize ALL families who need this critical support. Not only does it benefit each of those families directly but our city overall. Let's please make San Francisco a city that works for families, that works for kids.

I also want to amplify the previous ask for learning recovery funds, particularly in support of our Black, Brown, and Pacific Islander children who experienced the greatest learning loss this year. We must do everything in our city's capacity to fully fund program and tutoring costs to recover lost academic progress for every single one of our children. Thank you.

From:	hklee1688@comcast.net
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding.
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:44:41 AM

Please do not cut any funding for police services. We need the police to maintain law and order in San Francisco.

Thanks.

My name is Judy Goddess, I am a senior and a long-time San Franciscan, a resident of District 7. I am writing about the cumulative loss of \$54M to services for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Last year, the \$3M contribution to the Dignity Fund at the Department of Disability and Aging was suspended in what became a most difficult year for older adults and adults with disabilities due to the City's anticipated loss of funds due to the pandemic.

The Dignity Fund, passed by the voters in 2016, promises a predictable increase in funding each year that would match the growth of older adults and adults with disabilities in SF. The loss of the current year's 3M leads to an eventual loss of 54M over the next 16 years.

The pandemic has disproportionately affected older adult and people with disabilities. We need the City's support as we struggle to return to the new normal. Please restore our lost funding.

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Jasmin M Pimley
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment about Afterschool Program Funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:52:36 AM

#### Hello,

I am a new kindergarten parent in the Richmond District. I'm also a City employee. Due to work obligations I'm unable to wait on hold for the phone system for public comment day today. I am hoping the timed message I prepared below can be included for the Board's review:

I'm calling to implore you to restore and enhance funding for after-school programs such as the Richmond Neighborhood Center. In progressive politics I hear of more proposals to fund childcare and correct imbalances, so why are we as one of the wealthiest and supposedly most progressive regions, taking it away? Availability of childcare has a huge impact on the average family, and statistics show that areas with reduced options for it disproportionately affect and downgrade the livelihoods of women and people of color. That burden doesn't go away with public elementary school, especially as classes end a full 3 hours before the traditional 9-5 workday, not to mention commutes. I'll admit I'm a little panicked at the prospect of not having a slot for my son at this valuable program. In addition to being a manageable price, I could finish out my work obligations while my son gets homework support, socialization, a safe environment and the chance to try new activities that would expand his horizons and improve his life greatly. Thank you.

Many thanks,

Jasmin Pimley Richmond District SF

Hello,

My name is karen So. I live in San Francisco Outer Sunset/ Outer Parkside district.

I support police reforms but I also believe we need more police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in drug-related overdoses, car break-ins, shoplifting, and gun violence.

Please support the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because recently crimes are up especially to Asia community.

Please support the police budget requests for foot

# patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thanks!

Karen

Sent from my iPhone

We need more funding for the police. Crime is at an all time high in SF. Safety is key!! Don't let us down!

Rebecca Saroyan --Rebecca Saroyan (415) 225-6261

From:	Ellyn Shea
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	"Please Support Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues"
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 1:09:31 PM

Dear Supervisors:

The recent pandemic crisis showed us that more than ever we needed live music. Musicians don't get paid paid truly what they are worth given the time they put into their craft, travel & equipment expenses and the valuable service they provide. Live music venues are on the ropes due to the recent closures and have trouble providing good compensation for musicians.

Please support the upcoming Magda proposal and fund live venues and the musicians who play there. Make it possible for musicians to continue to afford to live and perform in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

Ellyn Margret Shea Vocalist & Songwriter SF Resident since 1994

Dear BOS -

I believe that on the current trajectory we will see homicide rates, violent crime, stabbings, DUIs, hit & runs, burglaries, thefts, vandalism, overdoses, arson & harassment continue to rise. I believe that these crimes will disproportionally impact communities of color (especially Asians & Black people) - as well as those in low-income neighborhoods.

San Francisco is in the national (& international) spotlight. The world is watching us. I believe that defunding SFPD will lead to soaring crime, and ultimately set back the criminal justice reform movement decades.

The damage that has already been done to that movement is hard to calculate, but my intuition says it's quite large. I spend a lot of time on Twitter & other social media sites seeing how people talk about San Francisco. We are at risk of pushing every state, city & town in the nation towards more and more punitive approaches.

Let's keep the police funded. We are already in serious hot water.

- Michelle

Michelle Tandler Life School | Twitter | LinkedIn

Please.

Matt Houchin -SF Resident

I'm a 35 year resident of San Francisco. I support police funding. The vast majority of our police are doing their job as best they can and deserve our support.

Sent from my iPhone

I support police funding.

Lana Stein

From:	sffoxden@aol.com
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:02:33 PM

I am a resident of the Richmond District and have lived in San Francisco for more than 40 years. The past year has seen a significant increase in crime in my neighborhood. I live in fear of my home being broken into, and it's terrible to see all the thefts occurring in small businesses, Walgreens and countless auto burglaries. I'm embarrassed when I have to warn tourists to not leave belongings in their cars, and (prior to the pandemic), I helped at least 4 tourists who were visiting our Museums and had their possessions stolen.

Our quality of living is declining! We not only need more police officers in our community, we also need to incarcerate repeat offenders who continue committing these crimes.

Maureen Fox 149 6th Avenue San Francisco, CA 94118

I support Police funding.

From:	Robert Alvernaz
То:	Haneystaff (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Subject:	SFGH Safety
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:08:38 AM

### Hello,

I have been a registered nurse and charge nurse at San Francisco General Hospital Emergency Department for almost 10 years now. I cannot express how important it is for you to take a pause on the DPHMustDivest Campaign to remove our SF Sheriff Deputies until we have a plan that can show the safety of the staff and patients can be assured without our deputies. As of now, the people who are pushing to have the deputies removed do not work in the high risk environments such as the Emergency Department or the Psychiatric Emergency Department at SFGH. Instead they work in lower risk areas such as Labor and Delivery or staff offices where they do not work with the high risk patients.

Not only are assaults against healthcare workers increasing at an alarming rate, but gang violence in San Francisco with gunshot and stabbing victims is on the rise as well. All these patients of violent assaults come to SFGH as the only trauma center for all of San Francisco and Northern San Mateo Counties. At times, people have come to the hospital trying to "visit" these victims with the intention to "finish the job." Just this week, we had a domestic violence case where the patient was severely injured by her partner requiring her to go to the operating room. Shortly after, her partner showed up to the hospital to "finish the job" but luckily was apprehended before gaining access to the ER thanks to our deputies.

Sadly, I can not remember one single day that I have gone to work and was not verbally assaulted, spit on, kicked, pushed or threatened and not worried that they would be waiting for me outside when my shift is done. Just over a year ago, one of our nurses had her hair pulled, was thrown to the ground as the patient was bashing her head into the floor, then tried to gouge her eyes out. That nurse and her husband (also a nurse) quit SFGH after that horrific incident.

Did you know that San Francisco General Hospital is currently the most dangerous place to be in all of San Francisco? From February of 2020 to February of 2021, there were 460 assaults at SFGH compared to only 140 assaults in the Tenderloin District in less than 6 months this year.

I choose to work at San Francisco General Hospital because I want to help the underserved. I never though that doing so, my life would be dispensable to SFDPH by removing the majority of the only safety net we have there, our Deputies.

I can't even account for the number of staff who have so much PTSD from working at SFGH. So many have needed to quit SFGH because of this. I have nightmares almost daily of being assaulted, choked, stabbed, active shooter situations etc. I, amongst many, have gone to therapy to process these events. While I am at work, I am constantly paying attention to my surroundings, in fear for my life or my coworkers and patients lives as well. I constantly plan for safety scenarios during an active shooter situation to hopefully come up with a way to get the most people to safety. Knowing how many coworkers have quit SFGH because they don't feel safe should be a testament of how dangerous our ER is and how much we need our deputies.

I beg you, PLEASE let me come home to my family and friends safely and stop the removal of deputies until we at least have a proven safety plan that works and keeps us safe.

From:	Robert Alvernaz
То:	Haneystaff (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS)
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I can't even account for the number of staff who have so much PTSD from working at SFGH. So many have needed to quit SFGH because of this. I have nightmares almost daily of being assaulted, choked, stabbed, active shooter situations etc. I, amongst many, have gone to therapy to process these events. While I am at work, I am constantly paying attention to my surroundings, in fear for my life or my coworkers and patients lives as well. I constantly plan for safety scenarios during an active shooter situation to hopefully come up with a way to get the most people to safety. Knowing how many coworkers have quit SFGH because they don't feel safe should be a testament of how dangerous our ER is and how much we need our deputies.

I beg you, PLEASE let me come home to my family and friends safely and stop the removal of deputies until we at least have a proven safety plan that works and keeps us safe.

Thank you!

Robert Alvernaz

From:	Lesley Norelli
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	More police and help needed
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:25:50 AM

Please support any measures to help protect the Citizens of San Francisco from theft and violence. Well all know someone that has been assaulted in the City during daylight by mentally unstable and dangerous people. Walking freely is no longer an option. When did this become acceptable to you, those charged with protecting us? When did so much property crime of our homes, specifically our garages become ok? Please support measures for more police and funding to make it safe to be in SF again. Lesley Norelli

Sent from my iPhone

### Board of Supervisors,

Please do not consider this! We need the police more than ever. Crime is rampant in San Francisco everywhere, particularly in the Marina District where we have resided for over 40 years. We are native San Franciscans and love this City - as you should! We rely on you to protect its citizens and maintain the integrity of this magnificent City in the iconic manner it was years ago!

Please encourage police enrollments not attritions!!!

Sincerely,

Max and Gina DelleSedie

Sent from Gina's iPhone

From:	Skip Clemens
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:35:29 PM

> Please increase police funding!
> Charles Clemens
> 415-982-1112
> Resident of District 3
>
>

From:	<u>Usha Burns</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding!
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:22:33 AM

After a year where crime in our neighborhood exceeded any year prior, it is absolutely crazy to

be considering any reduction in the police budget. We need all the help from the police we can get in times like this. Usha N. Burns 3616 Sacramento St. San Francisco, CA 94118-1710

From:	Jared D. Goldfine
To:	Chan, Connie (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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	Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS): Safai, Ahsha (BOS)
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support for full funding of the San Francisco Police Department in 2022-2023 Budgete
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 9:57:42 AM

Dear Board Member,

I am a resident of District 8 and in support of funding the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) in the amount proposed in the Mayor's budget for FY's 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

While I strongly support police reforms and the use of nonpolice personnel to respond in low threat situations, I know that a key component of ensuring public safety is that of the police, particularly in a time when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence in San Francisco.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies. Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Sincerely,

Jared Goldfine

From:	dianataylor50@gmail.com
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Ng, Julian (POL); Angulo, Sunny (BOS)
Subject:	BCNA SUPPORTS SFPD BUDGET
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:04:38 AM
Attachments:	2021 LOS SFPD Budget BCNA 24June.pdf
Importance:	High

PLEASE SEE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SFPD BUDGET (Below and attached):

SF Board of Supervisors board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org

RE: BCNA SUPPORTS SFPD BUDGET Dear Supervisors,

On behalf of the Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association Board of Directors, I write in support of full funding for the SFPD.

We work closely with the Central Station officers and have been impressed by their dedication to public safety for all of our community regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, and income. Central Station officers have been very responsive to a rise in threats to pedestrian safety in our neighborhood [see link to BCNA article] and to working on solutions.

We are in support of continuing the reform measures that have already been instituted by the Healthy Street Operation Center (HSOC) especially the expansion of City mental health services as well as the direct coordination between SFPD and City mental health workers. We are in support of changes made in police cadet training to reflect proposed reforms. And finally, we support more foot patrols which also means filling vacant positions.

Please support the SFPD's budget request.

Sincerely yours,

Díana Taylor

Diana Taylor President

cc: District 3 Supervisor Peskin Central Station Capt. Ng



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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you not to cut police funding in San Francisco. You are aware of the significant crime in our city, not only in the data, but also in what is obvious from taking a walk in any neighborhood. Citizens are not safe. Property crime is more brazen than ever. Our garage door was taken off of its track at 5:45 in the morning. What if we had been inside, or one of our children heard noise and went down the stairs?

Any effort to defund or funnel police funding will further exacerbate the self-evident decline in quality of life. Poignantly, this is most felt by our lowest income communities. De-funding police harms those we should be protecting and supporting most.

Please reverse the decline of San Francisco - for all of us who are trying to leave here peacefully. This has become a city criminals flock too because they know there are no consequences. This isn't social justice, for anyone.

Thank you, Victoria Barret

Hello my name is Nicole Murray. I live in Marina District.

I support police reforms. I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

My family experienced our house alarm going off one night at 2am, and there was a man in my daughter's bedroom. This has caused serious trauma to my family since that incident....we have had another attempted break in and three stolen bikes which were separate incidents. The SFPD caught one of our attempted burglars the very next day!!!! Then the burglar was released! I'm so frustrated with the lack of consequences for these criminals. My three children can barely go to bed each night without one of them telling me they are scared someone is going to break in again. Our friends are moving to other states, my husband's small business is facing difficult times. PLEASE keep all the funding for the police department!!!

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Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

In Conclusion: Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you! Nicole Murray

Nikki Murray purcellmurray.com Purcell Murray Company 235 Kansas Street San Francisco, CA 94103 415.310.8922

# Dear Supervisors,

I strongly disapprove of the proposed increased police budget. There are other ways that we can address crime that do not put our communities of color at risk of racist police intervention. I urge you to look across the bay towards Oakland, where the city has approved a Reimagining Public Safety task force and will be voting on their proposed <u>budget cuts</u>. Data show that more policing does not keep our communities safe, while social services and measures such as decriminalizing jaywalking and rerouting crisis calls to social workers do. Listen to your constituents who have given record-breaking public comment demanding reductions from the police and sheriff's departments and antiracist training and reform.

Thank you, Hazel O'Neil 5700 California St, 94121

From:	<u>C Ray</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	"I support police funding"
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 8:58:30 AM

As a victim of a recent "hot" burglary attempt, I vigorously support police funding.

## Charles C Ray

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Good morning:

I'm emailing to show my support for including funds in the new budget to build a wage base for gigging musicians. As a community, we all need to support the artists and art venues.

Thank you, Elizabeth Mooney, 731 Congo St, SF, CA. 94131 415-587-7495

Sent from my iPhone

### Dear Board of Supervisors:

I have been a resident of San Francisco since 1993, raised a family and I have built of community of such wonderful people from across the city. However, I like many, question if it is a time to leave, like the present data is showing. San Francisco has reached national news in other countries, asking what is happening. We like you; all know what is happening.

But today we are here to address the budget of \$13 billion for a population of 874,961(2019). A budget that has baffled the residents of San Francisco as they can see little to no results.

At a minimum, I urge you to support the following fiscally.

- Chief Scott's requests for more police officers, even though the request is low.
- The Police Academy should be fully supported due to the rate of retirement, officers leaving to other counties, and an overall understaffed department.
- City Charter on SFPD staffing was broken repetitively. Prop E should be addressed above the 1994 City Charter numbers of 1,971 of active officers due to an increase of population and the implementation of justice reform.
- Both City College and SF Public schools' performances should be deeply reviewed, assessed, and budgets increased to begin the task of taking them to the top of the National list of best public and community schools in the country.
- Increase the private sector professionals to volunteer alongside government employees on critical City issues.
- Implementation of personnel management systems across all City departments to track performances and costs.

I am writing these requests, in honor of all the innocent victims they we lost, Kelvin Chew, Sheria Musyoka, Lovisa Svallingson, Jack Palladino and many more. Also, in honor of Black Lives Matter, for all the young male victims of homicides that continue to be highest numbers of deaths by homicide. For our Asian community who have been murdered, physically and psychologically victimize. And finally for the children and families of public education, who have been ignored throughout this pandemic all while private schools have been fully open.

Regards,

Ashley Wessinger

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From:	Andrea Aiello
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support for SFPD budget
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 9:35:15 AM

Dear Supervisors,

As the executive director for the Castro Community Benefit District, I am writing to express our strong support for the full funding of SFPD and HSOC as presented in Mayor Breed's budget.

The Castro CBD represents 29 blocks and about 685 parcels, a majority of which are owned by current residents of San Francisco. The Castro CBD has been providing services on the street 365 days of the year for 16 years, we know the neighborhood well. We also have a long and strong history of working very closely with DPW, HOT, DPH and SFPD. We consider ourselves partners, together, working to make this city welcoming, fun, interesting and quirky and safe.

When we speak to the needs of the city budget, we speak from experience. HSOC has been incredibly useful and helpful in working with us to provide services and connections to city services for those who want them and to hold others accountable. The beauty of HSOC is its multi-disciplinary response team. Trained and compassionate people from DPH, HOT, SFPD, DPW work together to resolve encampments. Their top priority is to get the unhoused into housing. They are compassionate, they make a difference and get results. We support full funding of the HSOC budget.

We also support funding of the SFPD budget as is presented in the Mayor's budget. This budget includes police academies, foot patrols and undercover operations. The SFPD does need to continue working on reform and improvement, but we need to continually be training and preparing new officers to replace those who retire and we need to fund foot patrols. Foot patrols are expensive and all San Franciscans want foot patrols, yet with a funding reduction, SF will not be able to meet this need. It just makes no sense to reduce the SFPD budget when the direction the City as a whole (residents and yourselves, our elected leaders) wants the Department to move closer and closer to Community Policing. Community Policing is really expensive, it requires the same officers walking a beat seven (7) days a week for at least 12 hours a day, officers who know their neighborhoods. Let's work towards real Community Policing in every neighborhood, throughout the city...let's have foot patrols funded in every neighborhood...this is what we should be working towards. Safety integrated and a part of the community...it's expensive and takes a vision and a commitment, let's work together to ensure the budget as proposed stays intact and then work to push for true community policing throughout the city.

Thank you very much for your support.

I am happy to discuss this with you further.

All My Best,

# Andrea Aiello



Andrea Aiello Executive Director Castro Community Benefit District Cell: 415-500-1181 www.castrocbd.org facebook.com/castrocbd

From:	Jane Ibrahim Gaito
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 5:06:25 AM

Please continue to fund the police and ensure adequate police staffing in San Francisco. We are already understaffed, and a further reduction will be destructive. A city of San Francisco's size should have at least 200 more police officers. We are already operating at a deficit and have seen crime skyrocket.

Crime has become normalized in San Francisco and this needs to change. Burglaries, robberies, attacks on Asian people, assaults when walking in our neighborhoods have become commonplace. We cannot even let our teenagers leave the house after sundown for fear of them being attacked in some way. This has gotten out of control and we need to return this city to a place of safety.

Defunding the police is an inappropriate action that ignores the current state of public safety and has dangerous consequences.

The citizens of this city deserve a higher police presence.

Jane Gaito

From:	beverly spector
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 8:51:20 AM

I deeply support having more qualified police on our steeets of San Francisco . I am a life long resident, age 65 continuing to live in the Richmond district . Beverly Spector

Sent from my iPhone

Reduce, Reuse & Recycle, we can all make a difference .

Dear Board of Supervisors and Mayor Breed,

As a San Francisco resident, I am writing to urge you to INCREASE, rather than decrease, police funding. I support Mayor Breed's proposal to fund 2 police academy classes, and want to see the number of SFPD officers rise to at least 2200, which seems to be the level objective experts estimate is necessary for keeping our neighborhoods safe and allowing our economy and cultural life to rebound from the Covid-19 pandemic.

I am aware that some Supervisors want to cut police funding to support additional social services, in the belief that ever more investment in social services will eventually lead to less crime. However it seems pretty clear that the rise in gun violence, business and residential burglaries, attacks on our AAPI neighbors and our elderly, drug dealing, carjackings, auto break-ins and thefts in recent years raise real questions about the effectiveness of City's current approach to addressing the underlying drivers of crime and violence. Alleviating poverty and hopelessness is certainly a worthwhile goal. Please find the money to get police alternative programs up and running WITHOUT reducing the budget for police, at least until these other approaches have proven to be effective.

The most basic job of government is to keep its citizens safe. You need to uphold your part of that social compact. We are sick of the crime and the lawlessness that seems so rampant in our city. We want to see more police on our streets, not fewer.

Respectfully, Andrea Galvin District 2

Stephanie Lehman
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
DO not cut or alter the police budget
Friday, June 25, 2021 7:29:56 AM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I have lived in this amazing city since 1996, and I have never felt less safe in it than I do today. I am emailing to urge you NOT to alter or cut police funding. I know you have the results from the City Hall independent study on police staffing, as well as the statistics on the increase in crime, as well as the increase in anti-Asian violence so I will not include them in this email.

What I will include are the very real statistics that are part of my personal day to day life in SF. At 5:40am, while walking her dog on Arguello at Lake St., my friend was held up at gunpoint. Her attacker threatened to kill her and her dog. I walk our dog everyday, many days at that early hour as well, and that very easily could have been me.

Almost every single one of my friends' garages has been broken into, bikes stolen. The majority of my neighbor's garages have been broken in to and their property was stolen, as have the garages of a vast number of my neighbors in the Richmond District. I think the only reason our garage was skipped up until now anyway is because it is empty, with literally nothing worth taking lying around.

There is nothing to be gained by cutting the police budget and everything to lose. Maintaining a professional and well-staffed police force and criminal justice and police reform ARE NOT MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE!! It is immature and uneducated to think otherwise.

Your failed policies around education, housing, the homeless, mental health, coupled with the abuses of power by SFMTA and a negligent dereliction of duty on behalf of our incompetent DA, have all contributed to the destruction of the joy and gift of living in the best city in the world. With families, professionals, and businesses all leaving in droves, San Francisco is a shell of her former self and defunding the police will be the last fatal blow on the assault of this once vibrant city. If you vote to defund the police, you will not only have the blood of countless future residents on your hands, but you will have been the Board of Supervisors responsible for the very death of the city itself.

DO NOT ALTER OR CUT THE FUNDING FOR POLICE.

Stephanie Lehman, LCSW (Delegate AD19)

From:	Carrie Mainelli
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	We support full police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 7:54:26 AM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As taxpaying residents of SF for over 14 years, our family strongly supports giving the SFPD every penny of what they are asking for in the upcoming budget discussion. Have you seen the CNN piece that aired a few days ago? Here's the link

https://www.cnn.com/2021/06/23/us/san-francisco-crime-homeless-opioid-pandemic/index.html

If the city can't do something stop these crimes we are in deep trouble The quality of life has been on a decline with the sharp increases in homelessness and crime. Defunding the police department IS NOT the answer. More media coverage like the CNN piece above will have terrible consequences on our much needed tourism industry. Everyone we speak to who live elsewhere have been asking us if we are "ok with the sad and dangerous state of affairs" living here. It's embarrassing and sad.

Please give the SFPD the budget they are asking for. We simply cannot afford to have fewer police given the state of affairs here in SF!!

Sincerely,

The Mainelli family Inner Richmond residents for over 14 years

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Viktoria Kolesnikova
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); ChanStaff (BOS)
Subject:	Fund the police!
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 8:19:02 AM

Hello -

Fund the police!!! Crime is rising steadily in San Francisco. We need more officers on the streets. Fund the police!!!

Viktoria Kolesnikova District 1 Resident of San Francisco since 1994

Anne Batmale
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Anne Batmale
Please Support Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:00:37 PM

To the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco County,

Musicians are among the artists hardest hit as a result of the COVID restrictions. Please help them get back on their feet and performing again. Music is so important to our well-being.

Thank you,

Anne Batmale <u>annebatmale@gmail.com</u>

Jazz is a rich part of SF's history, as is live music in general. Please keep SF alive by keeping jazz alive!

Thank you, Cr . . . telephonic email

From:	Leanna Louie
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Haneystaff (BOS); MandelmanStaff, [BOS]; Mar, Gordon (BOS);
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	assignment@singtaousa.com; sfwebmaster@worldjournal.com; editors@windnewspaper.com; Amber Lee;
	<u>Chinese Catholic Cross Radio San Francisco; crystalliang@skylinktv.us; David Huang</u>
Subject:	Fund the Police / Stop the Violence on our Communities!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:40:05 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors:

As a lifelong resident of SF since 1979, I have been a witness to the degradation of community safety over my lifetime. But, it has never been as bad, as it is today. We are hitting new lows every week.

While I fully acknowledge and accept that some police officers have been abusive in their power, that is not the norm, especially in a city like San Francisco. The City has put in many safeguards over the decades. And, I am sure there will be more guard rails that will continue to be put in place to address misconduct. The overwhelming majority of residents support those types of changes and that type of accountability.

The pendulum has swung too far against police, as an over correction, to tragic events in the news. The City has become the punch line on national TV shows, about a general sense of lawlessness that is rooted in some basic truths, such as:

\* No accountability for looting at drug stores like Walgreens on Ocean Ave, Potrero Ave, Stockton St in Chinatown, Third St in Bayview, and local Safeways - it is "anything goes" time,

\* Leading to the closing of many of these stores, especially where there are food deserts and nex, we will have fewer pharmacies around.

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In front of my house, we have numerous incidents of car break-ins. I live in the Bayview area, my home was invaded. But that means nothing. My friends in West Portal tell me the same story. Nice neighborhood or rotten neighborhood, car break-ins are the norm, not the

exception, in San Francisco.

Well, whose fault is this?

\* Police, who show up but then say the DA's office does NOT prosecute or seek accountability

\* DA's office, who say the police didn't present enough evidence

\* Society at large...parents of offenders, who have no control over their kids/young adults

Who knows whose fault it is? But there is a catch 22 with both DA and police pointing the fingers, at each other.

Yes, other underserved areas need more resources to solve some core issues, but the Police Department is already completely understaffed, with low morale and no one wants to go into this profession anymore. Can you blame them? The police have to witness the worst, stand by while criminals are seldom prosecuted and end up back out to re-offend.

As a resident and taxpayer of SF, the state of safety is unacceptable. Note the sentiment of the City. ENOUGH ALREADY with the EXCUSES. Recall petitions are now the rage:

\* School Board - had their underwear in a knot, about renaming schools, they failed in their core mission: the education of students.

\* DA - wants to reimagine criminal justice, as opposed to keeping SF safe. Boudin is in the wrong job. He should be the City's Chief Social Worker or the City's Public Defender, but not DA.

If the Board of Supervisors reduces police funding, please be prepared to be the subject of recall efforts, as residents have just had enough. Both recall efforts now have amassed databases of people who want accountability from public officials.

Responding to the "defund the police" chants is not an effective way to the deal with public safety concerns.

Thank you,

Leanna Louie 雷千红 (415) 310-8412 unlimited talk/text

From:	Robert Chan
To:	Leanna Louie
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Haneystaff (BOS); MandelmanStaff, [BOS]; Mar, Gordon (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); chan.staff@sfgov.org; Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS); MelgarStaff (BOS); KTVU-TVNewsDesk; wwalker@kpix.cbs.com; kpixnewsassign.editors@cbs.com; sergio.quintana@nbcuni.com; Liu Shako (NBCUniversal); Handa Robert (NBCUniversal); stories@nbcbayarea.com; Lim Dion F. (KGO-TV); kgotv.desk@abc.com; assignmentdesk@kron4.com; Philippe Djegal; Jessie Q. Liang; Angelina Wong; assignmentdesk@kqed.org; blaberg@@kqed.org; rui.wang@bayvoice.net; hanli@worldjournal.com; assignment@singtaousa.com; sfwebmaster@worldjournal.com; editors@windnewspaper.com; Amber Lee; Chinese Catholic Cross Radio San Francisco; crystalliang@skylinktv.us; David Huang
Subject:	Re: Fund the Police / Stop the Violence on our Communities!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:20:25 PM

Great letter, Leanna! Many have already fled the City, individuals and major corporations, tourists and small businesses. No one feels safe in any part of the City at this point, especially the poor who can't protect themselves from the criminals who are just looking for the most vulnerable targets. When the police are around, their presence has a tangible effect. I've noticed it immediately. If this City is to recover and stop the downward slide, we need more police. It's that simple. During this pandemic, the criminals have become more brazen. People don't feel secure in their homes. Now that the tourists, who were the easiest targets, have left, the residents are the new targets.

The people of this City will hold its leaders accountable. New networks are forming in our communities out of self-preservation. The people who are fed up are organizing and their opinions will be heard. The level of crime may have decreased because the pandemic closed businesses and people have been holed up, but in all honesty, there should have been far less crime. Now that the criminals are used to having their way, the biggest mistake you can make now is to reduce police staffing as our city reopens.

On Jun 24, 2021, at 10:39 PM, Leanna Louie <<u>leannalouie28@yahoo.com</u>> wrote:

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\* DA's office, who say the police didn't present enough evidence

\* Society at large...parents of offenders, who have no control over their kids/young adults

Who knows whose fault it is? But there is a catch 22 with both DA and police pointing the fingers, at each other.

Yes, other underserved areas need more resources to solve some core issues, but the Police Department is already completely understaffed, with low morale and no one wants to go into this profession anymore. Can you blame them? The police have to witness the worst, stand by while criminals are seldom prosecuted and end up back out to re-offend.

As a resident and taxpayer of SF, the state of safety is unacceptable. Note the sentiment of the City. ENOUGH ALREADY with the EXCUSES. Recall petitions are now the rage:

\* School Board - had their underwear in a knot, about renaming schools, they

failed in their core mission: the education of students.

\* DA - wants to reimagine criminal justice, as opposed to keeping SF safe. Boudin is in the wrong job. He should be the City's Chief Social Worker or the City's Public Defender, but not DA.

If the Board of Supervisors reduces police funding, please be prepared to be the subject of recall efforts, as residents have just had enough. Both recall efforts now have amassed databases of people who want accountability from public officials.

Responding to the "defund the police" chants is not an effective way to the deal with public safety concerns.

Thank you,

Leanna Louie 雷千红 (415) 310-8412 unlimited talk/text

This city is riddled with crime. I strongly support an increase in the police budget. Hire 100 more cops, prosecute criminals and end the lawlessness.

Please keep Outdoor Dining. SF is so much better with it than before.

Put up signs warning bikers not to cross the train tracks in the middle of the road so people don't get hurt.

--Mike Hayes Valley

From:	Barbara Addeo
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	SFPD Budget SF
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:58:29 PM

Dear Supervisors,

I am a voting resident of District 1, and I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I support reform not defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform. I am the parent of a Teen Age Son and want our streets to be safer and to know that he can travel the streets to and from school and to activities without any altercations or injury. It is important to balance police reforms with public safety. San Francisco will not be able to recruit Police officers given our current expectations and work environment. Do NOT tie their hands. Retrain YES! Recruit, design appropriate training, encourage mental health advocates to advise and be part of the team on the streets.

PLEASE listen to your constituents and ADDRESS this important issue to the benefit of the city and return to a safe city that was the gem of the traveling world. It no longer serves us this way and tourism will not return without a return to safety on our streets. Help the police to do their jobs, our children to be safe, and promote our businesses. Sincerely, Kathleen Havlin 529 7th Ave San Francisco, CA 94118

I support funding the police in order to address the rising crime problem in San Francisco.

Sent from my iPhone

Hi,

I am trying to continue loving San Francisco, but, ugh, it's rough. We're so far gone, we're waving goodbye from the former Soviet Union, my first homeland, while begging to be poisoned by Putin.

I can write to you about a lot, but this email is regarding the police. I'll keep it brief: Fund them well. They're essential for our safety and well-being.

Paulina Fayer

Sent from my iPhone

As a 21-year long citizen of San Francisco, you all need to pull your heads out of your youknow-whats and allocate the necessary funding to our police department.

Then, you all need to resign.

Each and every one of you.

Please do the right thing, and make room for somebody, anybody, really, with two brain cells to rub together and a lick of common sense.

And please take the Board of Education and the Mayor with you, along with our absolutely useless District Attorney. And don't let the door hit you on the you-know-what on the way out. Or do. I honestly couldn't care less.

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J.D. Miller

From:	<u>7                                    </u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Fund the police !
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:12:39 PM

#### Dear Board of Supervisors:

I have been living in lower Nob Hill and Marina in the last several years. In my adult life, I lived in several large cities, but in San Francisco, for the first time in my life, I would often have a fear of walking outside. I am sending you an email to OPPOSE cutting the police budget.

Two of my good friends were victims of hot burglaries.

Personally, a restaurant right next to our residence has been vandalized twice just in the last several weeks. There was a person at night walking around shouting "I am going to kill you" for half an hour, and it was unclear if he had a weapon or not. At that hour, how am I supposed to know which social worker to call? There were other instances of a homeless person sleeping in our lobby, a car ran into our building, and our building security entrance system video screen was stolen, while that person was caught on video with a mask on, there was nothing that we could do. Not to mention the alerts of people being mugged during day time or just seeing car windows being smashed. Criminals have been emboldened because there are no consequences.

Like many residents I feel more helpless and angry, why is public safety politicized? Why isn't BOS viewing public safety a priority? when 60% said crime is much worse in SF. Police Bill Scott said clearly on CNN, "eliminating cash bail requires other adjustments, so that officers can prevent crime" ? 70% of police officers hired recently are people of color.

Lastly, being Asian American, I used to love to go to Chinatown and Union Square. It does not give me any sense of security watching how the Chinese American female police officer being assaulted by racist homeless man or jewelry store robbed during daylight or thiefs did the smash and grab and walked out of Union Square shops. If anything, we need more community policing, like Officer William MA. More officers who understand the community. Otherwise, how can SF expect tourists and conventions to come back to the city to revive the economy?

Study says that the city should have 2200 officers, more than the current 1700. So please respect science and analysis and FUND the police. Safety first.

Jennifer Yan

I urge you to please support budget money for the MAVDA proposal for musicians and venues. Musicians and venues turn a bland city into something much more colorful and exciting, and a huge shot in the arm for the economy. Thank you.

Michael Gambale

Supervisors,

I've been a San Francisco resident for almost 30 years and I've never seen the city in such disarray. The once gentle city on the hill, the city of love and "kumbaya" is now out of control. I lived in New York City in the 80s and I felt safer there than I do here.

We need fill the 200 officers that we are short. We have been short 200 officers since the 1970s. It's time to let go of the 1960s notion of the police being "the man" and reshape the force to where the police can be our protectors and friends, not our foes.

I fully support BLM. Don't let BLM be an excuse for not having enough officers. They are two different issues. We need 200 more officers who treat everyone fairly, who also support BLM.

I live in Miraloma Park, one of the safest neighborhoods in the city but in just the last month, there were three hot prowls on my street alone!

Thank you,

Bryan Forman

From:	Fred Winograd
То:	Chan, Connie (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
	Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); MelgarStaff (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Walton,
	<u>Shamann (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS)</u>
Cc:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Why are we reducing SFPD budget?
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:27:16 PM

Historically every year, we loose about 100 sworn officers due to attrition, resignations and dismissals. When I look at crime in my neighborhood (The Castro) including vandalism, garage break-ins, open drug use, retail crime and gun violence it makes no sense to reduce staffing levels of the SFPD.

We need to fully support SFPDs efforts to recruit, train and deploy replacement officers for those who leave each year. If that includes budgeting for three academy classes each year, so be it. Also, we need to support enough administrative people to support our present level of staffing.

Yesterday, President Biden announced plans to fund our troubled cities police departments in order to minimize gun violence. That fact goes a long way to supporting the planned SFPD budget.

Please do not "nickel and dime" the police budget when reducing it clearly makes us all less safe.

From:	<u>John M. Burns</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding!
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 10:17:09 AM

After a year where crime in our neighborhood exceeded any year prior, it is absolutely crazy to be considering any reduction in the police budget. In the three blocks of Sacramento St btwn Laurel and Spruce around me, we have had the following crimes (among others):

- Robbery of the Runners Mind store twice by using a van to drive through the front door
- Robbery of Susan's of Burlingame 3 times
- Robbery of LPH shipping 3 times

We need all the help from the police we can get in times like this. If as supervisors you are paying attention to what is happening in other parts of the country where crime is rampant (like NYC), it would be in your interest to get control of crime NOW! Otherwise, face the rath of the voters like the DA and the DOE.

John Burns 3618 Sacramento St SF CA 94118 From: Susan Boeckmann <susan.boeckmann@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 5:17 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public comment for 6/25/2021 Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting

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Hello,

I waited **9 hours** to give public comment over the phone and was cut off before I could finish my statement. Here it is in its entirety:

Hello, my name is Susan Boeckmann and I am a member of the Core Team of Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, founded by Phelicia Jones.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department should not continue to be allowed to engage in its ongoing, unchecked racist targeting of community leader and department employee Phelicia Jones.

The Sheriff's Department has continually harassed her, including erecting a physical barricade to separate her from her colleagues. The Department also attacks her work, such as the Discovering Your True Self program, which improves the lives of incarcerated and post-incarcerated people. With Black people comprising under 5% of San Francisco's population, but over 50% of its jail population – DYTS is a vital program for Black San Franciscans.

The only reason for these attacks on Phelicia and her work is vehement anti-Blackness and the Sheriff's Department has shown NO accountability.

Please suspend the Sheriff's Department budget or greatly reduce it until such time as there is a commitment AND a written plan from the Sheriff for quarterly reporting to the public and officials regarding 1) how the department is identifying internal racism and corruption; and 2) how it is enacting discipline for these behaviors.

Thank you

From:	Rick
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	Defund militarized police; fund housing, community services, retrofitting homes and government buildings good paying jobs for young people
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 2:41:01 PM

The people of SF have made it abundantly clear to move money away from cops carrying guns and into alternative nonviolent interventions for unhoused and people experiencing psychological episodes. Listen to the people by shifting police spending to provide real community services.

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Rick
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Somera, Alisa (BOS)
Subject:	Defund militarized police; fund housing, community services, retrofitting homes and government buildings good paying jobs for young people
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 2:58:05 PM

The people of SF have made it abundantly clear to move money away from cops carrying guns and into alternative nonviolent interventions for unhoused and people experiencing psychological episodes.

Listen to the people by shifting police spending to provide real community services.

We have lived in SF for over 30 years and are not happy with the criminalization of poverty and the obscene inequality in SF.

Rick and Val Girling 182 Banks St SF 94110

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Terry Beswick
То:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS)</u>
Cc:	Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Chan, Connie (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS);
	Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS);
	<u>Ruiz-Cornejo, Victor (MYR); Temprano, Tom (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Sign-on letter from hundreds of LGBTQ Museum supporters
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:00:36 PM
Attachments:	LGBTQ Museum Support Letter.pdf

Dear San Francisco Board President Walton, Chairman Haney and Supervisors:

Attached please find a sign on letter for the proposed funding for a new LGBTQ museum signed by nearly 500 community leaders, historians and supporters of queer history.

Thank you for your support and all you do,

**Terry Beswick** 

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**Terry Beswick Executive Director GLBT Historical Society** 989 Market St., Lower Level San Francisco, CA 94103 (415) 777-5455 x 5

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Use coupon code "rainbow" for 20% off your membership all Pride month long.



June 24, 2021

Dear President Shamann Walton and Supervisors:

We, the undersigned, respectfully express our strong support for Mayor London Breed's proposal to establish a new museum of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) history and culture in San Francisco. The mayor has proposed \$12,000,000 in her revised FY 2022 budget for the purpose of site acquisition and development for this museum. We urge you to support full funding of this request.

This will be the first full-scale museum of LGBTQ history and culture in the United States, and only the second in the world. In 2017, the Board of Supervisors passed a resolution unanimously calling for the establishment of such a museum. Now is the time for a world-class museum in San Francisco with adequate space and resources to represent the full spectrum of LGBTQ people, including all races and ethnicities, genders and sexualities, ages and abilities. The stories of LGBTQ people have been marginalized for too long.

For the benefit of all generations, our city needs this museum to share the rich histories in the collections of the GLBT Historical Society and other institutions. We want to do justice to the stories of José Sarria, who in 1961 ran for San Francisco supervisor as the first openly gay candidate for public office in the United States; the Compton's Cafeteria Riot of 1966, when transgender women in the Tenderloin fought back against police harassment; Harvey Milk, California's first openly gay elected official; Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin, who co-founded the country's first lesbian rights organization; Sylvester, San Francisco's greatest disco diva; the rainbow flag, first flown in San Francisco in 1978; and so many more.

Internationally, San Francisco is seen as a beacon of LGBTQ history and acceptance. Travelers flock to the city from around the globe to experience our culture and visit our museums, which have been shown to be economic drivers, creating jobs and attracting tourist dollars.

This Pride season, let's bring our rainbow of LGBTQ history into the light for all to see. LGBTQ people around the country and globe still suffer from oppression and discrimination. San Francisco has been a pioneer in the struggle for LGBTQ visibility, rights and acceptance for the past half-century. We must maintain this tradition by establishing a world-class institution that shares our stories of struggle, hope and celebration.

We implore you to support full funding for Mayor Breed's proposal of \$12 million for a new museum of LGBTQ history and culture in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

T\_\_\_\_\_ Terry Beswick

Executive Director, GLBT Historical Society

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From: Mary Howe <mary@homelessyouthalliance.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment

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Linda I am at a loss I along with many staff and program participants have been waiting since 10am on many phones and in the last 10 minutes we were hung up on 5 times and I am at a loss and not sure what to do So while I will continue trying to call in and be heard I am also submitting my very brief statement please share accordingly. Thank you for your service!

Thank you honorable BOS, what a long day it's been.

For 21 years, I've been working with young people experiencing homelessness and running Homeless Youth Alliance; before that I myself was unhoused when I was a teenager. I'm giving my full support of the HESPA youth request, which was carefully created by people with actual lived and professional experience. I want to highlight a particular area referred to as Bridge Housing for TAY. It was approved by the OCOH committee, but was lost in the mayor's budget. It must be added for the next fiscal year. This model is what youth are asking for. This model of housing succeeds specifically with young people who have long histories of trauma, many who've spent a decade or more of their young lives living on the streets who deserve better. Its intentional design provides a communal setting that encourages the development of healthier relationships and life skills, and allows young people to create their own communities that are essential to their ability to not just survive, but to thrive. The youth deserves this specific opportunity and more.

To support HYA's work during the COVID-19 Outbreak donate here: <u>https://homelessyouthalliance.networkforgood.com/projects/97511-emergency-funds-for-covid-19-</u> response

Help us find a home again, consider donating to our Capital Campaign "Go Big or Stay Homeless" www.homelessyouthalliance.org

Mary Howe Executive Director, HYA Pronouns: She/Her PO Box 170427 San Francisco CA 94117 Cell: 415-630-0744 Fax: 415-386-8212 From: Kevin Shaw <kvincentshaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 2:29 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Rental subsidies and affordable housing for SRO families

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing in support of subsidies and affordable housing for SRO families — echoing Chinatown Community Development Center and the families that bravely shared their stories today.

After a record year of violence against Asian immigrants and Asian Americans, supporting SRO families is an important way of supporting the Asian community here in the Bay Area. Let's remember that the majority of SRO families in San Francisco are low-income Chinese immigrants. **Therefore, an investment in safe and healthy housing for SRO families is an investment in safety and opportunity for the most vulnerable members of the Asian community.** 

When people lack access to private space, it makes them more reliant on public space. This year, we have seen public spaces become less and less safe for Asian people.

When people lack access to safe public space, it makes them more reliant on private spaces. SRO families are typically compressed into 60-80 sq ft of livable space, which has only gotten worse during the pandemic (as we heard in the testimony, families have lost safe access to hallways and other shared spaces due to COVID).

Asian SRO families are trapped in a vice grip where they lack access to safe and healthy spaces both at home and on the streets. **An equitable response to anti-Asian hate and violence must center those who are most vulnerable and affected.** That's why supporting SRO families is crucial to supporting Asian American constituents as a whole.

If we want to support and protect the Asian American community, we must center Chinatown SRO families.

I hereby call on the Board of Supervisors to include rental subsidies for SRO families as part of a comprehensive, equitable response to anti-Asian hate and violence.

Signed,

Kevin Shaw A Chinese American living in the Bay From: Gloria Stanley <gloriastanley48@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 2:18 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget and Appropriations Committee - Public Comment

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Our church in BVHP (District 10) was burglarized a couple of weeks ago. The neighbor (who also belongs to the church) saw two guys coming out of the church carrying items, so she called 911. Almost immediately there were about 12 police officers there. Their response time was very impressive. This type of reaction is what makes us feel safe and protected. These burglars had staged other items for them to come back and get. But because of the police presence they did not return. Also, since the police arrived so fast, they are probably thinking we have a silent alarm (and we do, we call Him Jesus). We can't afford an alarm at this point. But we are looking into Cameras.

And for this reason, in addition to the other things that are going on in this district I'm asking for the following.

Keeping our streets safe and responding to serious crimes requires police officers.

- We need officers walking foot beats to create a positive community presence and to provide a safer feeling on our streets, including for our seniors. Our seniors need to feel safe when going shopping or taking a walk.
- We also need officers responding to violent crimes, serious property crimes, and other important issues so that the people of San Francisco can see results and feel supported.
- These officers work together with other non-police efforts to keep our City safe, like our Community Ambassadors and Community Guardian programs.

Thanks,

**Gloria Stanley-Dews** 

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS); Ronen, Hillary
Cc:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Submission of Public Comment for 6.21 Hearing
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:21:28 PM

From: Lilli Milton <lillimilton@homelessprenatal.org>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 2:16 PM
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From: Daniel Weinberg <daniel.weinberg94@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 1:34 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget Comment

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Hello,

I am a San Francisco resident and would like to register my opposition to the current proposal to increase funding for police and incarceration. We should be shifting money away from police and violent systems, and reinvest that money into the people and communities that need it most. We need CART for our houseless neighbors and free housing.

Thank you, Daniel Weinberg 94133

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Supportive Housing Provider Network Budget Request
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 3:22:05 PM
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#### To: San Francisco Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee

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From:	Lilli Milton
To:	Wong, Linda (BOS); Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	Submission of Public Comment for 6.21 Hearing
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From:	Lauren Hall
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From:	Bob Cappa
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:39:49 PM

#### Bob CAppa SF Resident

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From:	Andrea Morgan
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Support the Arts
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:31:14 PM

My name is Andrea Morgan, and I am the Director of Institutional Giving at The Contemporary Jewish Museum (The CJM), in San Francisco. I am emailing to express The CJM's support for the complete \$16.2 million backfill of the Hotel Tax for the arts, cultural centers, and cultural districts for Fiscal Years 2021-2023.

Since The CJM's opening in 2008, Grants for the Arts has made annual contributions to the Museum that provide vital general operating support. Thanks to Grants for the Arts' generosity, our Fiscal Year 2020-2021 programs reached a diverse population of 522,000+ online and on-site visitors, ranging from schoolchildren to seniors. The CJM's economic impact can be broadly felt throughout San Francisco and the Bay Area. As one of the world's most acclaimed Jewish museums, The CJM attracts a significant number of visitors/tourists to the Yerba Buena Cultural District. Our location allows visitors to attend multiple museums, dine, shop, and stay at hotels in San Francisco. Over 90% of visitors surveyed rated their experience of our exhibitions and anti-bias educational programs as excellent for building cultural awareness, empathy, and knowledge of history. The CJM proactively seeks out diverse, local staff and artists and pays reasonable wages. Job postings are offered on websites frequented by San Francisco/Bay Area art professionals, including Museum Hue, the leading platform for BIPOC museum professionals. The vast majority of positions are filled by people who already live in this community. During FY 2021-2022, 80+ San Francisco Bay Area artists and residents will be compensated for their work. To provide access to the most diverse audience possible, The CJM provides free admission, tours, and art-making workshops for all K-12 students and teachers. The CJM welcomes families with young children free-of-charge to three Family ArtBash Sundays each year and invites the entire community to a Community Free Day each December 25. The CJM also is free to the public on twelve Free First Fridays each year. Since our mid-April reopening, we remain resilient as visitors return to The CJM. However, significant financial hardships resulting from our temporary closure during the COVID-19 pandemic are challenging to overcome. Despite funding from the Payroll Protection Program, our staff is working at a reduced level and schedule. Our public hours also have been reduced from six to four days per week.

In 2018, a broad coalition of individuals, arts organizations and culture districts in San Francisco worked together to put Proposition E on the ballot to ensure a stable source of funding for one of the deepest and most diverse artistic communities in the nation. This community and ecosystem of arts and culture organizations make San Francisco a unique, special place to live and visit. A recent report by the Bay Area Council Economic Institute on <u>Arts and the Economy in San Francisco</u> highlights the economic impact of this sector:

- Every \$1 million spent by the City of San Francisco helps to generate \$17.5 million in economic output that supports 385 jobs in San Francisco
- Arts and culture is a significant industry that generates \$1.7 billion in economic output and creates or supports 36,828 full time equivalent jobs per year
- Nonprofit arts and culture organizations employ artists, performers, administrative and financial staff, marketing experts, production support, and employees in a wide spectrum of other occupations to support their operations.

Arts and culture activity generates a significant amount of event-related spending for dining, parking, transportation, hotel stays, and shopping at businesses in neighborhoods throughout San Francisco..

The CJM looks forward to contributing to San Francisco's economy by attracting large audiences for highly-popular special exhibitions, including *Experience Leonard Cohen* (August 5, 2021-February 13, 2022) and *Jim Henson: Imagination Unlimited* (spring/summer 2022). We look forward to working with you to support the City's the recovery effort.

Thank you again for your support to fund the supplemental for the arts earlier this year. We urge you to maintain critical funding in next year's budget to stabilize arts and culture in San Francisco through this unprecedented and unimaginable decline in Hotel Tax revenues.

With appreciation,

Andrea

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Good afternoon,

I would appreciate it if you could share my public comment with the Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriation Committee, thank you and have a great weeke!

Hello, my name is Caitlin McNamara, I am a Support Service Program Director at Support for Families or Children with Disabilities,, which is part of the Family Resource Center Alliance, a citywide network of 26 FRCs committed to furthering equity and justice for all San Francisco families. Thank you for your time and commitment today.

- On behalf of the approximately 20,000 caregivers and children our network serves each year, I am here to express my gratitude for the Mayor's commitment in the Proposed Budget to provide.
- Throughout the unprecedented challenges of the last 15 months, FRCs listened to families and communities and quickly pivoted to adjust vital services and serve as a bridge while the public system mobilized.
- Support for Families is just one piece of the interconnected FRC Alliance that collaborates to be the lifeline for families, the peer-to peer support, the constant in an every shifting environment.
  - Whether a family has basic needs food, shelter, clothing or has a child with a disability and needs a wheelchair to access their education – or needs a listening ear through a mental health crisis of their teenager... FRCs are there to meet the family where they are in their journey. We are there through the crises, through the challenges, and the successes.
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From:	Robin
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Somera, Alisa (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 12:25:00 PM

Hello, my name is Robin, and I'm calling you to please close juvenile hall. With SF's budget, "Log Cabin Ranch," a detention center for children closed down for safety issues, will be reopened. Juvenile Hall where 87% of the caged children are Black will also be funded with this proposal. After I came out as trans and was rejected by family and friends, I felt angry and violent. I had visions of shooting up my school and family. Back then, I was scared of myself and all my violent and criminal tendencies. Eventually, I learned to manage my anger, but what would have happened if I lived in a neighborhood where guns were everywhere, and all my friends and family members were involved in crime? Would I have turned to drugs or crime to ease the pain? The only difference between teens who end up in juvie and me is the environment we both grew up in. It's easy to fall down the wrong path when you're surrounded by crime and poverty, or when every adult thinks you're going to flunk out of high school or end up a druggie or shot by police. Caging teens will not address the root causes of youth crime. Please close juvenile halls and invest in community- believe in youth like me and our power to change. Thank you.

Hello,

My name is karen So. I live in San Francisco Outer Sunset/ Outer Parkside district.

I support police reforms but I also believe we need more police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in drug-related overdoses, car break-ins, shoplifting, and gun violence.

Please support the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because recently crimes are up especially to Asia community.

Please support the police budget requests for foot

# patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thanks!

Karen

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Kathryn Kalmar
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Support Police Funding
Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:59:33 AM

Please support police funding. The civility in our city is crumbling. Crime of all kinds is increasing! There seems to be little consequence. We witness theft in stores, we hear of car thefts, burglaries, home invasions, muggings, shootings, etc., to mention a few. People far away talk about the crime level in San Francisco, "a once beautiful, visitor friendly city." "Now it's scary, and so dirty!!!" This we heard from a former visitor in Idaho!!! Please let's get our City cleaned up and restored to her former glory!!! Respectfully, Kathryn Kalmar

Sent from my iPhone

From:	hklee1688@comcast.net
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
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Date:	Friday, June 25, 2021 11:45:23 AM

Please do not cut any funding for police services. We need the police to maintain law and order in San Francisco.

Thanks.

If it's possible to add this to the record for today's City Budget Public Comment Day, please do:

Hi, this is Meredith Dodson with the San Francisco parent coalition called Decreasing the Distance. I'm calling to respectfully ask you to prioritize city funds to ensure that \*afterschool care\* is fully funded this year. EVERY public school family who needs ACCESS and FINANCIAL COVERAGE for afterschool for their children MUST have it available to them. Our city has a tendency to shift the burden of education and child care costs onto our middle class working families. Let's stop that practice and prioritize ALL families who need this critical support. Not only does it benefit each of those families directly but our city overall. Let's please make San Francisco a city that works for families, that works for kids.

I also want to amplify the previous ask for learning recovery funds, particularly in support of our Black, Brown, and Pacific Islander children who experienced the greatest learning loss this year. We must do everything in our city's capacity to fully fund program and tutoring costs to recover lost academic progress for every single one of our children. Thank you.

Hello,

My name is Crystal Le, and I live in District 6. I'm writing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is. While the city has technically done some of these things, the city has not kept true to the spirit of these promises, which was always to ensure that we could refund the savings into life-affirming resources and non-police alternatives. Time after time, the city has fallen short of refunding the people after their hard-fought victories. It's time to change that.

This is about public safety: as we slowly recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we must prioritize services and programs that center the well-being of our people. This is also about public trust: our City has closed a 100+ full-time-deputy jail and has planned to remove deputies from security posts in various buildings around San Francisco. So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, so why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual?

The funds would be put to much better use toward resources like mental health services, housing, and education. As a resident of San Francisco, I want these opportunities to be abundant for myself and my fellow neighbors. Redirect funds to them, as opposed to pumping additional money into the sheriff and the SFPD--institutions that routinely harass and harm marginalized San Franciscans. I urge you to do the right thing: defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community.

Thank you,

Crystal Lê She/her/hers

From:	JAM C
To:	Somera, Alisa (BOS)
Cc:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	Fwd: Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:37:22 PM

------ Forwarded message ------From: JAM C <jchen56172@gmail.com> Date: Thu, Jun 24, 2021 at 10:34 PM Subject: Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1 To: <br/>
brent.jalipa@sfgov.org> CC: <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>

My name is Jam. I am a health worker who lives in District 4. I am a member of DPH Must Divest.

I am calling to urge you to refund our community at least \$24M, the cost of operating County Jail 4, which we closed last year. An estimated 35-40% of individuals caged in San Francisco county jails receive care from Jail Behavioral Health Services. Jails are not designed for mental health treatment and are poor vehicles for mental health care. These monies would be better spent funding community-based programs that are available to the general public.

In San Francisco we are part of the less than 1% of public hospitals that rely on law enforcement as our primary security team. Our poor and low income Black and Brown patients are disproportionately policed with Sheriffs harassing, injuring, and arresting patients on outstanding warrants. I urge the Board of Supervisors to invest in violence-prevention which includes improved staffing for frontline nurses, patient navigators, and the behavioral emergency response team. As a former Laguna Honda employee, I ask that the Board of Supervisors oppose the expanded use of non-uniform cadets at Laguna Honda -- they cannot be held accountable to the same standards as a DPH employee nor do they have the clinical skills to address the needs of our patients. We have the tools and models to address staff and patient safety without an expansion of even unarmed SFSD presence. In order to ensure the success of the Community Safety Teams being piloted in our Community Clinics, I ask that any newly-created jobs be unionized DPH jobs.

I join my community [and DPH Must Divest] in demanding that the city INVEST in the wellbeing of all San Franciscans through programs that provide alternatives to policing and create union jobs. Thank you!

Jam C. (they) Health Educator | SF AIDS Foundation <u>jchen56172@gmail.com</u> | (510) 517-1927

From:	Greg Dyer
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Cc:	Somera, Alisa (BOS)
Subject:	Re: Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:47:49 PM

Swapping out Alisa for Angela, per Angela's out of office email.

Please see public comment below - thanks!

On Thu, Jun 24, 2021 at 11:43 PM Greg Dyer <<u>greg.d.dyer@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Hi there,

My name is Greg Dyer and I've lived in District 8 for 8 years. I'm calling to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is.

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Thanks, Greg Dyer

Andrew Dai
Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Calvillo, Angela (BOS); RonenStaff (BOS)
Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Friday, June 25, 2021 10:05:13 AM

Hi, my name is Andrew Dai and I live in District 9.

I'm emailing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is.

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- Andrew Dai

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Thanks for your time, Amanda

Sent via Superhuman

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: 55 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:07:05 PM
Attachments:	55 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.pdf

From: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 5:07 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS)
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(BOS) linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: 55 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644

Hello,

Please see the attached 55 letters regarding File Nos. 210643 & 210644.

**File No. 210643** - Budget and Appropriation Ordinance appropriating all estimated receipts and all estimated expenditures for Departments of the City and County of San Francisco as of June 1, 2021, for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023.

**File No. 210644** - Annual Salary Ordinance enumerating positions in the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Years (FYs) ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, continuing, creating, or establishing these positions; enumerating and including therein all positions created by Charter or State law for which compensations are paid from City and County funds and appropriated in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance; authorizing appointments or continuation of appointments thereto; specifying and fixing the compensations and work schedules thereof; and authorizing appointments to temporary positions and fixing compensations therefore.

Regards,

Jackie Hickey Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 Phone: (415) 554-5184 | Direct: (415) 554-7701 jacqueline.hickey@sfgov.org| www.sfbos.org

#### Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a 21+ year San Francisco resident with the last 19 of those years in the Richmond district (D1). I am appalled at the brazen lawlessness that has taken over our city and the devastating damage that years of "progressive" policies have inflicted on our communities. I have two teenage children and our family no longer feels safe walking to our corner drugstore or bodega. I have installed security lights, cameras, and a securing garage lock because we don't feel safe in our own home. Despite those measures, it's not enough since repeat criminals have a revolving door in prosecution (also known at heart to be Public Defenders) and are taking over our streets and becoming increasingly bold in their disregard for the law. In order to feel safe, we need to know that the police will come quickly when we call 911 and that crimes will be thoroughly investigated and not tolerated.

Enough with the social experiments. As a long-time resident and taxpayer, I respectfully ask that you fully fund a competent and much-needed fully staffed police force. We must reclaim our streets from what has turned into an unsafe and chaotic Gotham City.

Thank you. Diane Sargent

My name is Gloria Asaro and I am a member of Stop Crime SF. I am a 3rd generation San Franciscan and a homeowner in the Little Hollywood area of San Francisco.

I ask that you do not cut police funding. With the high rise in crime in this city, burglaries, car break-ins, retail theft not to mention the shootings and homicides, this is not a time to cut police funding. We need our police now more than ever!

I do not feel safe on our streets and fear going out after dark.

I hope you will support the police so our streets will be safe again for it's residents and tourists alike.

Thank you, Gloria Asaro

Dear Board of Supervisors:

As a lifelong resident of SF, I have been a witness to the degradation of community safety over my lifetime.

But, it has never been as bad, as it is today. We are hitting new lows every week.

While I fully acknowledge and accept that *some* police officers have been abusive in their power, that is not the norm, especially in a city like San Francisco. The City has put in many safeguards over the decades. And, I am sure there will be more guard rails that will continue to be put in place to address misconduct. The overwhelming majority of residents support those types of changes and that type of accountability.

The pendulum has swung too far against police, as an over correction, to tragic events in the news.

The City has become the punch line on national TV shows, about a general sense of lawlessness that is rooted in some basic truths, such as:

- No accountability for looting at drug stores like Walgreens on Ocean Avenue and local Safeways it is "anything goes" time,
- Leading to the closing of many of these stores, especially where there are food deserts and nex, we will have pharmacy deserts
- SF has an unbelievable # of car break-ins either accomplished by:
  - high tech, using the key fob extenders or
  - low tech, smash and grabs

In front of my house, we have **17 separate incidents of car break-ins**. I live in the West Portal area, which is a nice neighborhood. But that means nothing. Nice neighborhood or rotten neighborhood, car break-ins are the norm, not the exception, in San Francisco.

Well, whose fault is this?

- Police, who show up but then say the DA's office doesn't prosecute or seek accountability
- DA's office, who say the police didn't present enough evidence

• Society at large...parents of offenders, who have no control over their kids/young adults

Who knows whose fault it is, but there is a catch 22 with both DA and police pointing the fingers, at each other.

Yes, other underserved areas need more resources to solve some core issues, but the Police Department is already completely understaffed, with low morale and no one wants to go into this profession anymore. Do you blame them? The police have to witness the worst, stand by while criminals are seldom prosecuted and end up back out to re-offend.

As a resident of SF, the state of safety is **unacceptable**. As a taxpayer, the state of safety is **unacceptable**.

Note the sentiment of the City. **ENOUGH ALREADY with the EXCUSES**. Recall petitions are now the rage:

- School Board had their underwear in a knot, about renaming schools, they failed in their core mission: the education of students.
- DA wants to reimagine criminal justice, as opposed to keeping SF safe. Boudin is in the wrong job. He should be the City's Chief Social Worker or the City's Public Defender, but not DA.

If the Board of Supervisors reduces police funding, please be prepared to be the subject of recall efforts, as residents have just had enough. Both recall efforts now have amassed databases of people who want accountability from public officials.

Responding to the "defund the police" chants is not an effective way to the deal with public safety concerns.

Thank you, Maureen Hurley

Maureen Hurley c - 415-602-9165

C - 415-602-9165 f - 415-614-4540 Mailing Address: 3053 Fillmore Street Suite #212 San Francisco, CA 94123 I think this email was meant for the BOS general inbox, but there appears to be a typo in the email address. Forwarding here to the correct BOS email address, with Mark copied.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joe Adkins Office of Supervisor Rafael Mandelman 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 284, San Francisco, CA 94102 <u>MandelmanStaff@sfgov.org</u> | (415)-554-6968

From: Mark Annis <mark.r.annis@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:22 PM
To: board.of.supervisors@sfgoc.org <board.of.supervisors@sfgoc.org>; MandelmanStaff, [BOS]
<mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org>
Subject: I support police funding

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My address is 250 28th St, San Francisco, CA 94131.

Thank you

Hello,

We would like to urge the Board of Supervisors to support the reopening the city by having the safety measures in place like continuing the retired SFPD Ambassador Program and the SFPD Academy Classes.

We have experienced an increase of theft in local stores, theft of luggage from hotels and rental cars and even recently theft of neighborhood packages. These programs are vital to help us curb these trends as they continue to affect our city.

Thank you for reading this.

Best, Nathaniel Ramos Sales Manager Chancellor Hotel on Union Square "Where the Cable Cars stop at the doorstep" 433 Powell Street San Francisco, CA 94102 Ph. 415.362.2004 Fax 415.395.9476 www.chancellorhotel.com



I'm a member of Stop Crime SF and I live in San Francisco

We still need MORE police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies. ADD more officers.

Police academies are needed to hire a new generation of diverse officers from the neighborhoods they will serve. More foot patrols will make officers a part of the community and build more trust between residents and police.

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because I no longer feel safe living in San Francisco due to the home break-ins.

My house in Miraloma Park was targeted for a hot prowl while I was at home alone, but fortunately the robbers ran.

In Conclusion: Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you.

Hatun Noguera 628-333-4600

From:	<u>Seff, James M.</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Approve the SFPD Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:21:20 PM
Attachments:	imagecc3359.PNG
	image8538a4.PNG

#### Dear Supervisors,

I am a director of the Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association and, as such, represent BCNA at the Community Police Advisory Board for Centra Station in District 3. BCNA is filing its own comments supporting SFPD's budget request, to which I fully subscribe, but I write now as an individual citizen who has lived in District 3 for the last 42 years. Bill Bratton, the former Police Commissioner of New York (twice), LA and other cities, has written *The Profession*, a useful study of US policing during the last 50 years (and an engaging memoir). An underlying theme of the book is that for policing to work at its optimum, citizens and the police must learn to see each other as individual human beings, each with their own histories and personalities. My time on the CPAB under the last three captains of Central Station, and particularly under its present leader, Captain Julian Ng, convince me that the officers of that station, and, I trust, SFPD officers generally, do an excellent job of seeing SF's citizens as individuals with differing and distinct needs, desires and ambitions. I believe SFPD also does an excellent job of protecting the city, with all its special problems and challenges (including homelessness, street drugs and auto burglaries). I would only ask for more foot beat officers who would enhance our safety, security and sense of wellbeing.

Please support SFPD's budget request.

Sincerely,

James M. Seff 550 Davis St., Unit 15 San Francisco 94111

#### James M. Seff | Retired Partner

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

We would like to urge the Board of Supervisors to:

## Retain staffing by supporting at least 2 SFPD academy classes in the upcoming fiscal year Continue the retired SFPD Ambassador Program.

We have noticed so many incidents in San Francisco union Square area. One of the example was, couple days ago the guest was unloading to check in one of the hotel

and theft just broke in to the car and took their belongings.

It is vital that City restore public safety to support businesses to keep union Square as one of the economic engine.

Sincerely,

Shyam Shrestha Revenue/Reservations Manager Chancellor Hotel on Union Square *"Where the Cable Cars stop at the doorstep"* 433 Powell Street San Francisco, CA 94102 Ph. 415.362.2004 Fax 415.395.9476 www.chancellorhotel.com



Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

As a 67 year old Grandmother that no longer can take her grandchildren, or her mother, or her friends to many places in our beloved city, I implore you to hire MORE police officers, and to protect budget and staffing levels.

I feel like we are living in a social experiment right now and have personally experienced: broken car windows, bench stolen off of front porch and purse stolen out of trunk (twice), and not feeling safe.

I am outraged that our Asian American community is experiencing violent attacks and want something immediately done about this - INCLUDING prosecution of attackers.

Respectfully yours, Kim Anderson

From:	Steven Pickrell
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	<u>Stefani, Catherine (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Full Funding for SF Police
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:38:03 PM

Honorable San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I urge you to accept and approve the budget proposal before you today for the San Francisco Police Department, including full funding commitments for two police academy classes as well as investment in criminal justice reform initiatives. This is not the time to cut funding to the SFPD, nor to be overly aggressive in diverting funds for police recruitment and training to alternative programs. I don't question the need for improvements in our approach to criminal justice including rehabilitation and reducing the causal linkage between illegal drugs and crime in San Francisco. However, the police force cannot be expected to effectively play their role in much-needed crime prevention and reduction unless they are fully staffed and have the support of the Board. Thank you.

Steve Pickrell Sacramento Street

Please support police and ADD more. We need more, well-trained, professional police.

Thank you,

Brian Veit 415-672-2485 bwveit@gmail.com

From:	Jia Fang
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
	Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of
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	(BOS); Hsieh, Frances (BOS); Bennett, Samuel (BOS); Mullan, Andrew (BOS); Temprano, Tom (BOS); Lerma,
	<u>Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides</u>
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 2:17:48 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District \_\_\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but our incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Jia Fang maggiefang2011@gmail.com 20 Sylvan dr san francisco, California 94132

Iris Biblowitz
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Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:57:53 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District \_\_9\_\_ and a nurse, and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Thank you!

Iris Biblowitz irisbiblowitz@hotmail.com 2982 26st San Francisco, California 94110

As a long time resident of San Francisco, it is unbelievable to me that a reduction in the budget of the police department is being considered. Crime has been rampant in the city, which was once a more gentle town. The population in the city has risen over the years and the territory, ie. Mission Bay, has grown; yet some rocket scientists have crazy ideas about defunding and/or cutting the police budget.

Dean Preston, Hilary Ronan and their like are totally useless. Preston is my district supervisor, but does nothing to correct problems. Yet, he wants to cut the budget.

Police are necessary!

Eileen Sullivan District 5

Sent from my iPad

From:	Jessica Levant
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:37:36 PM

Support SF's many and talented musicians, especially jazz musicians is vital to the soul of the city. Please make sure there is money in the budget to help! Life without live jazz is an unbearable scenario.

Thank you,

Jessica Levant

From:	Spencer Decker
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:46:47 PM

Our city must continually and consistently foster our culture or we may lose the essence of what makes this City great. Please support musicians and venues. Thank you.

From:	Annelise Zamula
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:48:18 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Music is essential to the city's emotional well-being. Musicians have historically been grossly underpaid. Please support SF's musicians and music venues.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours, Annelise

From:	Carl Herder
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:11:06 PM

Before Urban Renewal decimated the Fillmore District, San Francisco had a vibrant jazz scene that helped make the City a cultural center and destination. There are still many great musician here, struggling. MAVDA is a wonderful initiative that would give live music a great post-COVID boost. Please approve and support it.

Sincerely, Carl Herder

dear board of supervisors,

as a working musician that has lived in the bay area since 2003, i'm constantly shocked that i am often asked to play concerts and gigs that paid the kind of money i was earning when i first moved here. my rent, since 2003, has increased from \$600 a month for a one-room studio apartment in the tenderloin to \$3150 for a one-bedroom apartment in north beach. i have lived in this apartment for 15 years, and thanks to rent control my rent is far less than many of my working musician friends.

i have traveled throughout the world playing music on tour, and whenever i say that i live in the bay area, people always acknowledge that i come from a music scene that has produced many innovative and popular musicians and composers. they also ask how: can i afford to live here?

the point is, my monthly rent (let alone the other myriad bills i have to pay) has gone up approximately 10x the amount that i paid when i moved here, but in most cases, the price that i earn for a night's work has stayed the same. also, i am 62 years old, have no health insurance and i have enough money in my savings account to pay my rent for two months if something were to keep me from working.

for this reason, i am writing to urge you to support the musician and venue revitalization proposal (MAVDA) that you will vote on tomorrow.

thanks for your consideration,

Daniel Heffez

Nova Jazz Band

From:	Sunny the Sax
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:41:54 PM

A big part of why I live in SF and not other suburbs or cities is for the Jazz Scene. When the pandemic hit, Jazz was already on the decline and now it is rarer than ever. Please help increase awareness and enjoyment of live jazz music which brings people together and builds a real life social fabric in the city. In this age of digital music, it is harder and harder to find casual opportunities to enjoy live jazz music.

Thank you, Sunny

<u>www.sunnythesax.com</u> @sunnythesax (<u>Instagram, Facebook, SoundCloud, YouTube</u>)

From:	Pamela May
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Eric at Bird & Beckett Books
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:50:58 PM

Hello Board of Supervisors,

I am delighted to write this email in support of the budget allocation to fund MAVDA's proposal for Musicians and Venues.

Our city thrives on and derives its dynamic culture from our vibrant arts and music scene. The artists and musicians in our city (and Bay Area) deserve

all the support we can provide, especially now after such a devastating year. As purveyors of joy, these immensely talented citizens heap sweetness into our grateful lives, so please budget urgently and generously.

Thank you for your continuing dedication and service to our city, especially as we emerge from darkness back into the light.

Best and be well, Pamela May

Pamela May Design Media | CEO C. 415.298.2465 P. 415.641.4848 x139

From:	Ben Paul
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:10:46 PM

I am writing in support of the MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues. Please confirm receipt of this email.

I am a D5 resident and a jazz pianist in the group Curious Planet. Jazz in SF currently has no support from the city. This program would rectify that and allow professional jazz musicians to revitalize our neighborhoods as we recover from the pandemic.

Pay for SF jazz musicians is paltry especially compared to the high cost of living. This proposal is the absolute least we can do to keep jazz alive here.

Thanks, Ben Paul

Please vote yes for the MAVDA proposal. We need to support our local musicians

Thank you

Ulrike Delling 44 College Ave SF

From:	<u>bobbelar</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:30:02 PM
Attachments:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues.msg

Greetings,

Musicians and others involved in the arts have been financially suffering a great deal during the Pandemic.

Situations for most of us have not improved yet.

Financial assistance is extremely important at this time. Please support budget money for the MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues.

Thank you.

Larry Dunlap Professional Musician Member of Local 6, A F of M

From:	szgolf@comcast.net
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Budget and Appropriations
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:12:09 PM

To the Committee: As a 40+ year resident of San Francisco I do not want the Police Budget to be decreased, would prefer an increase. Proper police training is needed now more than ever and more well trained police are a must.

Our City is currently under assault by-two bit thief's, thugs killing citizens and/or other gangbangers. Then lets add in homeless drug addicts.

Supervisor Stefani is my Cow Hollow supervisor. We have complained to her continuously about the homeless and neighborhood break-ins. We are still overwhelmed with these problems.

Sandra Zrnic, Property owner

Union Street (Cow Hollow)

From:	Laurence Bardoff
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Re - upcoming police budget discussion
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 11:41:22 PM

I offer this opinion piece from the NY Times.

Opinion | Want to Get Trump Re-elected? Dismantle the Police. - The New York Times (nytimes.com)



The Trump G.O.P.'s voter-suppression efforts and surging murder rates leave Democrats vulnerable.

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please support musical culture in our city as it builds peace and prosperity.

Thank you,

Charles Belbin

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please Support Budget Money for Musician and Venue Development Alliance (MAVDA) Proposal for Musicians and Venues.

Sincerely, Donna Sharee Resident of District 11

From:	zeena quinn
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	YES-please support budget money for MAVDA proposal for musicians and venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:08:53 PM
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:06:55 PM

YES full support for \$900k allotted to musicians & venues

Zeena Quinn Pro jazz vocalist Marin County

Sent from my iPhone

<u>Maria"s</u>
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues".
Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:16:24 PM

The arts in SF have long been ignored and not as supported in a more vital way. Here's a chance to pump up live music in various venues and support the players with more than just a token monetary offering.

Please pass this budget money! Help renew and strengthen the arts in San Francisco!

I want to add my voice of support for musician salaries proposal..

Thank you, Walter kennedy 322 Richland SF 94110

Sent from my iPhone

From:	marty cerles
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Comment of Police Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:31:05 PM

## Hello,

I am writing today to express my strong support for increasing the SFPD budget so that they can hire enough officers to meet the needs of a City with our population.

Thank you,

Marty Cerles, Jr. 1149 Shrader St, San Francisco, CA 94117

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a SF native & resident of the Sunnyside /Glen Park District. I've enjoyed live jazz on many an evening at Bird & Beckett Books & Music on Chenery st & I urge you to support budget money for the MAVDA proposal. It's a great opportunity to help both the struggling musicians left in SF, as well as the patrons who so enjoy

hearing live music in our neighborhoods.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Janet P Archibald

Sent from my iPhone

From:	RICHARD WIGEN
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Funding and the CART Program
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:45:48 PM

Please forward this to all the members of the Board of Supervisors. I support Mayor Breed's proposal for the police budget as articulated by Chief Scott. I also support increased spending for teams of professional social workers and paramedics such as the Street Crisis Response Team to respond to the needs of homeless people when police intervention is not needed. I do not support the CART program. CART duplicates programs such as SCRT and does not rely on professionals to provide services as SCRT does. The high level of mental illness and drug addiction we see in the homeless population requires intervention by trained city staff and certified professionals. CART and the Coalition on Homelessness prioritize allowing people to remain living on the streets in misery and squalor while discounting the concerns of city residents who often face intimidation and and unsanitary conditions when they step outside. CART and COH completely fail to address the fact that a significant percentage of the homeless population, especially here in the Castro, refuse offers of shelter so they can avoid treatment options and continue to live on our sidewalks and use drugs. Sincerely,

Richard Wigen 37 Ford Street San Francisco, CA 94114

From:	Robert Larson
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:46:50 PM

Dear Supervisors, as a voting resident of District X I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I support reform, not defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform. I have been the victim of an assault by a mentally ill drug addicted individual and a home robbery in the past year. I have also noticed a complete lack of enforcement of traffic laws when I walk my dog and have to deal with drivers ignoring numerous traffic rules with complete impunity. Has the motorcycle patrol been disbanded? Robert Larson 587 Noe St.

SF CA 94114

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Robin Morales
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:49:35 PM

I do not support "Defund the Police" but rather to refocus police duties from dealing with homeless, psychotic or mentally ill individuals to actually targeting crime, arresting drug dealers, investigating serious felonies, burgleries and car break-ins and appearing in court to testify against criminals. Let's enhance our street crisis teams with mental health experts, drug counselors and open mental health and addiction services and facilities. I'd like to see more police walking our neighborhood streets and interacting positively with the community, our youth and be an inclusive part of our neighborhoods.

Robin Morales Marina District Resident M: 415-269-3993

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a resident and business owner in San Francisco, I think that we should be allocating more funds for public safety, but not in the form of police officers.

Our tax dollars would be better spent on everything from pedestrian scrambles and bike lanes (prevent death and injury from vehicles) to mental health intervention (preventing suicide and assisting drug addiction) to safe injection sites (harm reduction for people experiencing addiction).

I don't see how it would be a smart budget move to spend our hard-earned tax dollars on 100 police officers when we could be spending far less on harm reduction and prevention.

Thank you for your time. Sharon Zimmerman 94133 North Beach

## Sharon Zimmerman (She/Her)





From:	David Spero
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Reduce police budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:23:16 PM

## Dear BoS,

Thank you for your work for the people of SF. Decades of experience and research show that investing in police is the least cost effective way imaginable to keep people safe. We should reduce the police budget and replace militarized police with community workers and social workers, and with better support services and supervision for offenders. Helping people who are starting to get into trouble is far better than arresting and imprisoning them once they kill somebody. David Spero, District 7. SanFrancisco

415-987-1401

From:	BETSI Bilyck
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Pay these Artist PLEASE!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:25:02 PM

Hello - I've enjoyed hearing wonderfully gifted musicians for over 40 years in SAN FRANCISCO. JAZZ use to be such a vibrant part of this city. In almost Every neighborhood there was a small club to hear GREAT JAZZ - I heard Earnestine Anderson in a small club in soho!! There were so many great small and larger places to go hear great music. the Fillmore use to be as big as Jazz in HARLEM NYC back in the day. ALL the GREATS would come here!! and local Greats too. There still a a few places to go. BAYSHORE NEEDS PLACES TO HEAR JAZZ. This is such a WONDERFUL way to bring it back. So many people come "to the City by the Bay"— This would bring in big money and we would finally have some of Americans own Music filling our city!! PLEASE PLEASE PASS THIS. I have 2 Grandchildren that LOVE JAZZ so many of the young people do. It's a sacred ART form That needs to be reborn in SAN FRANCISCO CA.!! JAZZ WILL ROCK YOUR HEART! Also there are SO many excellent places to have yummy meals. This could be a very Great and Productive and Profitable BOAST TO OUR ECONOMY!! JUST THINK ABOUT THAT!! JAZZ IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL PLEASE SUPPORT M A V D A--- and these wonderful musicians that love their craft and deserve a nice place to share their gifts and a decent pay for sharing it with us! THIS IS SUCH A WONDERFUL IDEA! THIS CULTURE IS SO NEEDED IN THIS GREAT CITY OF OURS. DO IT FOR YOUR CHILDREN YOUR GRANDCHILDREN—- THE MANY CHILDREN TO COME. THIS IS A TREASURED ART FORM That needs to thrive in this great city of ours.!! THANK YOU FOR THINKING SERIOUSLY ABOUT THIS. PLEASE VOTE YES ON MAVDA! STAY SAFE. TAKE CARE. BETSI BILYCK 230 DOLORES STREET SAN FRANCISCO CA. 94103

From:	<u>wjaeck@gmail.com</u>
To:	Mar, Gordon (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS); Safai, Ahsha
	(BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); MandelmanStaff, [BOS]
Subject:	Please support funding for SFPD and HSOC
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:40:57 PM

Dear Supervisors Haney, Mar and Safai,

My name is William Jaeck, resident of district 8 for 28 years.

I am writing in support of increasing funding for the police department as well as HSOC.

I think there's one thing that we can all agree on, and that is that San Francisco does not feel safe and welcoming like it used to. And I think we all know it's not the police who are making us feel unsafe.

I've gotten to know several of the San Francisco police officers and some of the police captains, and so I know and you know that they are hard working, skilled, committed men and women. They're good people who are doing the best they can and they are clearly very understaffed right now.

If we want to reduce incidents of police misconduct, we need to adequately fund the police to ensure that officers are well-paid, appropriately trained and highly accountable. We need new recruits and experienced officers to receive top-notch training in communication, de-escalation and use of force.

I believe that the best way to improve community relations with the police is to fund a lot more foot beat cops who we can see on the streets everyday, and at night, in our communities.

Members of the committee need to understand that the large majority of citizens of San Francisco are not interested in cutting police staffing levels and we are not trying to save money at the expense of public safety. Public safety is what you need to focus on, and reducing spending in this area is irresponsible and dangerous for us.

So please stop focusing on cutting the budget as if that is the goal. We need you to support the police and HSOC by maintaining or increasing funding and staffing for these indispensable agencies.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

William Jaeck

From:	Alex & Emily
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Musician and Venue Development Alliance (MAVDA)
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:41:16 PM

Hello

I am urging the entire Board of Supervisors to vote yes to fund the musicians and small venues in San Francisco which help keep our city culturally diverse and interesting.

San Francisco has lost a lot of small and medium sized venues, please vote yes on this bill so that those that are still here will be here for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you

Caroline Hatch 17th Ave.

people take different roads seeking fulfillment & happiness. just because they're not on your road doesn't mean they've gotten lost. -cesare di bonesana beccaria-

until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened.--anatole france

Hi folks,

I'm a resident of San Francisco (renter in Hayes Valley, previously Potrero Hill) who has suffered from the blight of crime in this city.

I've had packages stolen, car windows broken, and most recently, a garage broken into.

On the surface, these are just property crimes—insurance pays, and no-one cares—right?

But the effect has been much more pronounced than that. I've spent dozens of hours in the past three years handling the aftermath of being a victim of crime, and many more hours than that waking up in the middle of the night, hearing a bump, and wondering if someone is only going to invade my garage again, or if I'm going to have to confront an intruder inside my home.

I recognize that crime is part of a larger socioeconomic problem in our city. If everyone were housed, fed, and engaged, we would probably still have Walgreens. But I ask, that, while we work towards fixing this greater issue, that the BoS at least help us to feel safe and secure in our homes and communities. Please fund and staff our police department appropriately (which is to say, more), and please ensure that crimes are prosecuted severely enough that there is a deterrent effect.

Sincerely,

Will Stewart

From:	Lauraine Rose
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Guarneri Mario
Subject:	Pls. support funding for musicians and venues MAVDA proposal
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:56:24 PM

To the board of supervisors,

Please help professional musicians and small venues regain their livelihoods. This well- thought out proposal will be of great value towards that end. Please support this ambitious endeavor with adequate funding.

Thanks, Lauraine Rose Jazz lover

Sent from my iPad

<u>Lorinda</u>
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I support police funding!
Thursday, June 24, 2021 2:18:14 PM

Please increase police funding!

Lorinda Clemens 415-350-2268

Resident of District 3

From:	Michael Waters Schillaci
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 2:21:50 PM

Please give your support to the MAVDA Proposal to help the people who bring live music to our city. They have been devastated by COVID and need your help. Thank you, San Francisco voter in 94131, Michael Schillaci

We desperately need more police in SF, I've been a resident for 20 years and it's downright dangerous now

Please invest in police

From:	Michelle Wing
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding in SF
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:21:41 PM

We need more qualified police officers in San Francisco to investigate and combat crime.

I have been a victim of crime and filed a police report in February 2021 when my supposedly theft-proof vehicle was stolen from my neighborhood. Thank you!

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Michelle Wing l San Francisco District 2 - Presidio Heights

From:	Adda Fleiner
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Suport Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:18:41 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I urgently ask for your support for budget money allocation as shown in the above subject line. Live music in small San Francisco venues is a wonderful, life-affirming part of what makes our City so very special.

Thank you, Adda Fleiner A music lover and supporter of the Local Arts

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upervisors, (BOS); PrestonStaff (BOS); Ronen, Hillary
poprt Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
June 24, 2021 12:50:47 PM

Dear Supervisors,

I wholeheartedly support this proposal and I urge you to show your support by voting YES to achieve the following goals:

**Support** workforce development for artist musicians through venue support **Define** and guarantee fair wages for working professional jazz musicians

**Provide** subsidies to city wide venues, with an emphasis on small businesses in underserved communities, including BIPOC-owned and operated venues, especially in African American culture zones.

**Ensure** reasonable prices for audience access. (No one turned away for lack of funds) **Guarantee** that women, and BIPOC performers are actively recruited, fully employed,

represented, and compensated.

**Oversee** curated lists of musicians created by an artistic advisory board provided by Jazz in the Neighborhood and the Independent Musicians Alliance.

**Choose** venues through a diligent review process based on the above stated equity mission standards and goals.

Sincerely,

Brian Wood

29 Cortland Ave.

San Francisco, CA 94110

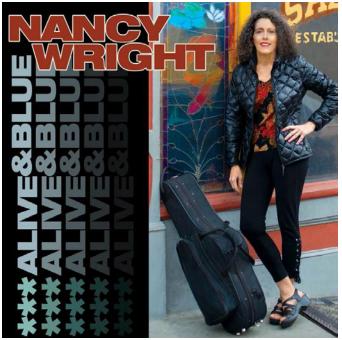
From:	nancywrightmusic@gmail.com
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:21:57 PM

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues – thank you very much!

Shelter-in-Place Discount Specials!! Get yours now! Autographed CDs available at <a href="http://www.nancywrightmusic.com/store/">www.nancywrightmusic.com/store/</a>

"... she's cooking on all burners with the gas high on this live date as you start to sweat listening to it. Killer stuff that takes that greasy sax to places you've only heard in dreams

Nancy Wright's new CD **ALIVE AND BLUE** on <u>Vizztone Records</u> was recorded live at The Saloon in San Francisco and features Nancy on sax and vocals with her Rhythm and Roots band: drummer **Paul Revelli**, **Tony Lufrano** on keys, **Jeff Tamelier** on guitar, and **Karl Sevareid** on bass.



From:	Joyce
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:25:31 PM

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues!

We are regular audience members (via Zoom) of the jazz performances hosted by Eric Whittington at Bird & Beckett Book in Glen Park.

We donate as we can to the performers but understand that it is not enough. Please support budgeting funds for the MAVDA Proposal to support musicians and venues in San Francisco.

## Keep the music – and the musicians – alive!

Joyce Romano and Walker Brents III 28<sup>th</sup> St., SF

From:	Adrienne Fong
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
	Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of
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	<u>abigail.rivamonte.mesa@sfgov.org; Imperial, Megan (BOS); Low, Jen (BOS); Beinart, Amy (BOS); Angulo, Sunny</u>
	(BOS); Hsieh, Frances (BOS); Bennett, Samuel (BOS); Mullan, Andrew (BOS); Temprano, Tom (BOS); Lerma,
	<u>Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides</u>
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:40:46 AM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District \_2\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but our incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Adrienne Fong afong@jps.net 750 Presidio Ave. #207 San Francisco, California 94115

From:	Betty Traynor
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
	Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of
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	<u>Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides</u>
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:48:55 AM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District 5 and I am writing to urge you to fund RENTAL SUBSIDIES for SENIORS and PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

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Thank you!

Betty Traynor btraynor@att.net 25 Western Shore Ln Apt. 6 San Francisco, California 94115-3722

From:	Mary Anne Casas
То:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Gallardo, Tracy (BOS); Fregosi, Ian (BOS);
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Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 2:02:48 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a nurse working in a senior, independent living apartment complex of San Francisco in District \_5\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I serve the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

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Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Mary Anne Casas mcasas@ioaging.org 1001 Franklin St. San Francisco, California 94566

## Dear Supervisors,

As a homeowner, taxpayer, and voting resident of District 2, I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I DO NOT support defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform.

Just walk down any of our streets in San Francisco and police presence is currently necessary to protect and serve our City. I recently drove down Hyde Street towards Market and it looked like our City is in a horror movie! Drug deals right in front of us! We do not need to DEFUND but to put ADDITIONAL resources towards our police!

Sincerely,

Nicole Prieto 345 Marina Blvd San Francisco, CA 94123 From: Troeh, Lea <Lea.Troeh@ucsf.edu>
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:24 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public comment submission for June 25th Budget and Appropriations Committee 10am

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

Greetings, Supervisors. I am Lea Troeh from Vouchers 4 Veggies, Eat SF, and I have 3 short points for you to consider regarding the Healthy Food Purchasing Supplement (HFPS) program budget.

1- Prices of many food items have increased. According to the Chronicle, fruits and vegetables prices in the Bay Area increased 12.2% from December 2019 to December 2020.

2- There is a critical gap between increased need and current funding of healthy food purchasing supplement programs. As of March 2021, CalFresh enrollment increased 38% and WIC enrollment increased 26%. Yet, funding for Market Match and EatSF vouchers for pregnant people on WIC has not. As for EatSF: low-income pregnant people enrollment increased 46% from FY 19-20 to FY 20-21. This is in addition to 8,000+ low-income family and senior households "waitlisted" for EatSF fruit and vegetable vouchers due to high demand.

3- In addition to offering culturally relevant healthy food support to low-income San Franciscan residents to make their own purchasing decisions, our healthy food supplement programs, including Market Match at Alemany and Heart of the City Farmers Markets, provide additional revenue to local small food businesses, many BIPOC owned. This is much needed support for small businesses and farmers who have been negatively impacted by the pandemic and climate change.

To equitably serve our food-insecure populations, **we request a \$300,700 add back allocation** from the BOS Budget Committee to fully fund our original Healthy Food Purchasing Supplement (HFPS) program budget request.

Ideally, our full budget increase would be included as a line item for two years in the City's budget. This will help address the critical gap between levels of increased need and current levels of funding for healthy food supplement programs.

## Lea Troeh, MPA

Program and Development Associate, Vouchers 4 Veggies - EatSF

(Pronouns: she/her/hers)

Food Policy, Hunger, and Health Program

**UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations at** 

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Hospital and Trauma Center

San Francisco, CA 94110

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From: Maureen Vachal <mvachal@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:35 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Fund CART & more

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Hello,

My name is Maureen Vachal and I have lived in SF for thirteen years. I'd like to voice my very strong support of funding CART. We need better solutions for responding to neighbors in crisis!! Police escalate situations with their presence alone and they are not equipped to handle mental health crises. CART is a fabulous alternative we must put our dollars behind!

I'd also like to voice support for providing permanent housing for our unsheltered neighbors. I support the community-advised OCOH funding proposals and would like to see BOS prioritize this effort.

And deeply concerning to me is the recent removal of the already sparse public bathrooms in SF. Access to clean water and hygiene is a HUMAN RIGHT. The idea that providing public facilities \*incentivizes\* homelessness is offensive and wrong. All people deserve the dignity of being able to use a restroom. And removing hygiene options during a pandemic is alarming and outright negligent.

Thank you, Maureen

## Hi Brent,

Please add this to the statements for public comment tomorrow.

El-La Para TransLatinas is the only organization led by a TransLatina for TransLatinas and Latinx LGBTQI + in the entire Bay Area. We are asking for support for Legal Services and Representation for Trans & GNC Asylum Seekers and for COVID-19 Rapid Response Program for monolingual, immigrant transgender Latinas. This funding will support a continued partnership with LGBTQI Asylum Project to provide culturally competent in language immigration legal services to TransLatinx and Latinx LGBTQI community. In addition the fund will support needed organizational operating cost to continue to provide Covid-19 related recovery to Translatinx & LGBTQI+ community that traditionally do not fit or are excluded from other community based support systems because of static eligibility requirements. This funding will ensure needed visibility for our Translatinx community and support essential services for Latinx LGBTQI community it is imperative that we fund and acknowledge our TransLatinas & Latinx LGBTQI and stop ignoring their needs. Due to the pandemic violence, virus infection and economic disparity has increased two fold in the Transgender and LGBTQI community and more than ever EL/La TransLatina is an essential haven of resources and support to an ever marginalized community due fears and hate for transgender people, women and immigrants. We respond to those who see us as shameful, disposable or less than human. We are here to reflect the style and grace of our survival, and to make new paths for ourselves and fight for justice.

Thank you, Susana

Susana Cáceres (soo-sah-nah KA-se-rez) Development Consultant & Coach She/Her

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From:	Maria Guadalupe Siordia-Ortiz
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 5:06:27 PM

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I am a resident of San Francisco District in the Mission and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Dasom Nah and I am with San Francisco Senior and Disability Action.

I am urging you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Dasom Nah dasom@sdaction.org 1360 Mission St San Francisco, California 94103

From:	Tana Bujor
To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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Subject:	Please fund rental subsidies for seniors & the disabled!
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 6:37:26 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides ,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District 7 and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Thank you!

Raya Steier sarkar.raya@gmail.com 1723 Holloway Avenue San Francisco, California 94132

From:	Mario Guarneri
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	ATTN. Budget and Appropriations committeePlease Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues".
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:18:28 PM

This email is in support of the proposal to budget for relief aid to venues for jazz musicians salaries. Thank you for your consideration Mario Guarneri 415 531 7241 mgtrumpet@aol.com

From:	Tony Corman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:40:46 PM

Dear SF Supervisors,

I am writing as a longtime member of the Bay Area jazz and music community to urge you to support this measure. The city and region has long been a shining star on the arts scene, and now more than ever people need the arts to buy their spirits and help them through some hard times. Professional music has never been a big money maker for the artists, but we need your support in order to nourish the souls of the Bay Area residents who love and cherish this music. Please vote Yes!

Sincerely,

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Tony Corman

Personal web site FivePlay Jazz Quintet FivePlay on FaceBook Morchestra jazz orchestra RPM3 jazz trio

From:	Lan Dogole
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:50:09 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a professional musician/educator who has been severely impacted by COVID-19, I urge you to vote YES on Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> for the MAVDA proposal that would free up **\$900,000** for 6000 individual gigs over 50 weeks, with the city contributing \$540,000 to the cause. We, along with venue operators, have taken a brutal hit as a result of the pandemic and, this support, while only a fraction of what is needed, would be invaluable toward assisting our collective recovery.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,

Ian Dogole

Ian Dogole Music Beyond Borders <u>ian@iandogole.com</u> 415.383.7120 www.iandogole.com

From:	Lee Waterman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:09:14 PM

Dear Board Members,

Please support the budget funding for musicians and venues via the MAVDA proposal. We can maintain San Francisco's place among the top cultural cities in the world and at the same time provide vital support for America's unique art form: Jazz.

It's a Win/Win.

Thanks & Regards, Lee Waterman

From:	Karl Evangelista
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:19:56 AM

Hello,

My name is Karl Evangelista, a longtime Bay Area resident, professional musician, and lecturer at San Francisco State University. I have worked in San Francisco for virtually all of my professional life, most frequently in association with Asian Improv aRts.

It has been brought to my attention that you will be voting today on the Jazz Musician and Venue Revitalization Proposal spearheaded by Mario Guarneri. I'd like to voice my emphatic support for this proposal.

Live jazz has long been an essential part of the Bay Area arts economy. I can speak on an intimate, personal level to the fact that this line of work has not kept pace with the Bay Area's explosive cost of living, even as jazz has continued to contribute to the city's ongoing creative and economic growth. I have reviewed the proposal and feel as if it will help to both stimulate a San Francisco arts economy that is still grappling with the fallout of COVID and support our deeply beleaguered music community.

Your consideration is deeply appreciated.

Best,

Karl Evangelista karladevangelista@gmail.com / karladevangelista@sfsu.edu https://www.karlevangelista.com 818-321-4159

From:	Beth Custer
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 4:18:51 AM

## Hello SF Supervisors,

As a professional musician I wanted to encourage you to support the MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues. It would greatly help the bleak income we face at most engagements.

Thanks,

Beth Custer

From:	Sandy Cressman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:59:29 AM

Dear S.F. Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to support money in the budget for the **Musician and Venue Development Alliance** Proposal for musicians and venues.

As a member of a family of San Francisco-based professional musicians, as well as an educator helping students become professional musicians, I have witnessed the devastation of San Francisco's notable jazz scene, before but most notably during the pandemic. Many musicians have been forced to leave the area because it was impossible to work here and afford to live here. Venues had a hard time sustaining performance opportunities due to high overhead costs even before the pandemic.

The Board has a great opportunity to revive one of San Francisco's signature cultural attractions: the jazz scene, comprised of small and medium sized venues that present our uniquely diverse stable of musicians. Jazz, Latin Jazz, Salsa and more—these genres and the musicians that play them have been a big part of the cultural attraction that has helped to attract young tech workers to live here rather than in Silicon Valley; the music attracts tourists to come and see shows, to listen, dance, and dine in the presence of live music.

I urge to you please support this important measure: the **Musician and Venue Development** Alliance and Jazz Musician and Venue Revitalization Proposal partnering with Jazz in the Neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Sandy Cressman Homenagem Brasileira www.cressmanmusic.com

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues

Dear San Francisco Supervisors,

You will be voting soon (tomorrow on Friday) on a proposal put together by the **Musician and Venue Development Alliance (MAVDA)** to catalyze neighborhood recovery through the Arts. I heard that your 'Yes' vote would mean \$900,000 would go to paying jazz musicians for 6000 individual gigs over 50 weeks.

When making your decision, please have the following three things in mind:

- 1. Jazz musicians have been an established workforce for many, many years,
- 2. Jazz musicians should be treated financially and fairly in the same way as the other so-called essential workers,
- 3. And Jazz music is the only real and original AMERICAN art form composed, performed and cultivated by jazz musicians.

By saying so, I, Sohrab Saadat Ladjevardi - President of Musicians For Musicians (MFM) - endorse and support *The Musician and Venue Development Alliance/MVDA*'s model which wants to compensate jazz musicians in the Bay Area as professionals and assists small venues in raising local living standards. MFM salutes MVDA's achievements, and looks forward to similar programs taking shape in New York.

In solidarity and music, Sohrab Saadat Ladjevardi

Sohrab Saadat Ladjevardi is a proud member of: <u>Musicians For Musicians, Inc (MFM)</u> <u>Local 802 (AFM)</u> <u>AIMP</u> BMI

The leader of the music project <u>SoSaLa</u> <u>Video</u>

Associated with: <u>Music Producers Alliance</u> Jazz In The Neighborhood Independent Musicians Alliance

From:	<u>A C Lewis</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:43:36 AM

Dear S F board of supervisors,

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues. San Francisco needs to find a way to maintain itself as a cultural center, an international hub of creative musical energy, as it has traditionally been. So many musicians are having to move out of town, we're losing our soul. Please help change this dire trend.

Thank you,

A C Lewis S F Homeowner since 1976 district 4

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From:	Patrick J Dunagan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:48:07 AM

## Hello,

The local ats situation in San Francisco in regard to jazz has been haggard at best in the last few decades... in particular when it comes to smaller groups, particularly those playing more noncommercial musical forms that aren't celebrated at SFJAZZ, etc

These groups are however vital to the artistic health of the local arts community!

San francisco as a city should support its musicians ! & Venues!

Sincerely,

Patrick James Dunagan

--Patrick Dunagan E-resources Assistant Gleeson Library / USF https://guides.usfca.edu/patrick-dunagan

From:	Daniel Liberthson
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:02:47 AM

Jazz is an important part of the American and San Franciscan musical heritage and creative cultural milieu. Please vote to support jazz musicians and venues in the SF budget. Thank you! Dan Liberthson, 333 Molimo Drive, San Francisco, CA

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	jazz@chezhanny.com
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:03:41 AM

Musical artists have suffered disproportionately in the pandemic. Anything the city can do to compensate would be appropriate.

Frank Hanny

www.chezhanny.com

From:	Don Ferguson
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:05:11 AM

I am writing in support of MAVDA. I am in a band that has been playing Jazz in the city for the last 2 years, and I think it really enhances the quality of life for people living and working here.

Lori Feldman
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:05:21 AM

Musicians and artists are an essential part of our city culture. Please fund them!

Lori Feldman, LCSW San Francisco, CA 415-285-9770 QuitSmartSanFrancisco@gmail.com

Carrie Jahde
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:22:04 AM

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to vote yes on the upcoming Jazz Musician and Venue Revitalization Proposal. Jazz is an essential part of the San Francisco culture and desperately needs our support right now.

Thanks for your consideration, Carrie Jahde

From:	morgan@simmian.com on behalf of Mark Morgan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:40:46 AM

Please vote Yes. All of the artists I know are hurting and need help.

Mark Morgan 20 Surrey St., SF morgan@simmian.com

From:	Ava Koohbor
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:48:33 AM

Hello,

The local arts situation in San Francisco in regard to music and Jazz has been haggard at best in the last few decades.

This situation gets worse in particular when it comes to smaller groups, specially, those playing more noncommercial musical forms that aren't celebrated at SFJAZZ, or bigger venues.

These groups are however vital to the artistic health of the local arts community!

San francisco as a city should support its musicians ! & Venues!

Sincerely,

Ava Koohbor

Thank you for your public service.

Please keep the tradition of jazz in the City going by voting yes on the MAVDA proposal.

Bird & Beckett is my local music venue/bookstore. It brings multiple generations and intersections of cultures together to create community, peace, love and activism.

The musicians and venues deserve this support so they can continue providing us with culture and history.

Thank you. Kim Clancy 549 Laidley Street San Francisco CA 94131

Sent from my iPhone

I'm impressed at the contribution made by bookstores (especially Bird and Beckett) and other little places

where musicians go to play and earn their bread.

Like Red Poppy. Like African-American Cultural Center. Like Community Music Center.

Like other coffee houses and bookstores.

Please give them money. Going to hear live music is keeping some San Franciscans alive and happy!

Thanks, Sydney

Sydney Gurewitz Clemens she/her/hers sydney@eceteacher.org https://url.avanan.click/v2/\_\_\_www.eceteacher.org\_\_\_.YXAzOnNmZHQyOmE6bzo4MmM4 ZWNkNmNmYzIwYzBjYzk0NTVmYmQwYmUzMDE3Zjo0OjY2Mzg6ODVjODYyNzI3Z DZmYWIzODA3YmE4ODBjODYyNjRmNzkyOWQzYjkwZDYxMGNjOTc0NTE4MmNIY 2I0ZjMwYmVhZA 73 Arbor Street -\_\_Meryl Streep

If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair —Shirley Chisholm

The test of the morality of a society is what it does for its children. —Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The most dangerous creation of any society is that man who has nothing to lose. —James Baldwin

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues.

Musicians support themselves in the gig economy which has been decimated during covid.

Music is essential to people's emotional well being and so it is important to support the music and venues that make live music possible.

Thank you, Carol Roseman (Lake Merced neighborhood)

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Bonnie Miller
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	"Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues"
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:29:41 AM

Please vote yes on the proposal put together by the Musician and Venue Development Alliance (MAVDA) to catalyze neighborhood recovery through the Arts. A 'Yes' vote would mean \$900,000 would go to paying musicians for 6000 individual gigs over 50 weeks.

Bonnie Miller 650.678.9477

Good day Board of Supervisors,

Please support budget money for the Musician and Venue Development Alliance's (MAVDA) proposal to help musicians and venues. My family, friends and neighbors respectfully encourage you to vote "Yes."

We love the arts and enjoy immensely, attending our wonderful jazz venues.

Please vote yes on this proposal.

Thank you.

With respect.

Patricia Chinn-Gambale

<u>V Oliva</u>
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Please Support Budget Money for the MAVDA Proposal to help Musicians and Venues
Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:33:40 AM

I urge you to vote YES to support the MAVDA proposal. Live music brings us together in positive ways.

Live music has positive economic and cultural benefits that reverberate throughout our neighborhood.

Veronica Oliva 94102

From:	Love 2 Run
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	SFPD Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:11:35 AM

Hello Supervisor Mandelman,

As a business owner and a resident of Castro, my husband and I have witnessed and experienced violence and breakin's in our new home on 17th. and Castro. It's imperative that we do not defund our current SFPD Budget. If we have our ways, we would rather see additional funding to our SFPD budget. Our safety and the safety of our residents are at risk and it's imperative that we stand in support of the police dept. Please vote "NO" to defund our police; and vote "NO" to cut SFPD Budget. The actions of cutting SFPD budget will have long term consequences.

Thank you for listening to two concerned Castro residents.

Sincerely,

Desmond Morgan Romwald Connolly 3987 17th. St. SF CA 94114

I love SFPD. Mostly great guys and good response when I need it, which is more and more often in this city that you've let run amok.

Andrew Vik

We have a great police department and I am concerned about crime in the neighborhood.

Ernest Duboce Triangle

<u>Nark Annis</u>
<u> Board of Supervisors, (BOS)</u>
wd: I support police funding
Vednesday, June 23, 2021 6:24:17 PM

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My address is 250 28th St, San Francisco, CA 94131.

Thank you

<u>Adrian Fox</u>
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I support police funding
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:25:05 PM

Hi there

I trust in the report suggesting more police officers not less. We have little to no visible police presence in SF while increasing numbers of violent mentally ill people on the streets. It doesn't make sense to put ideology over safety.

Adrian

Dear Board of Supervisors, I support police funding to protect the budget and staffing level of the San Francisco Police Department.

Diana Y Eng

From:	<u>a</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:38:28 PM

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dietlaw@netscape.net
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I support police funding
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:31:46 PM

San Francisco is on the road to chaos with suspects shooting, killing, knifing, beating innocent people. Violent criminals should be in jail, not roaming the streets of SF a few days or weeks after being arrested for a violent action. Add on the rampant shop lifting that the City allows by not prosecuting the suspects. It is very scary. At least give more money to the police to help manage this huge increase in crime by protecting the citizens of SF. SF City government is not protecting us.

Marjorie Goldman 40 Parker Ave. San Francisco, CA.

Please keep police funding! It is essential. Including foot patrols, community policing and police academies. Our beautiful city needs a fully funded police department for the safety and quality of life of residents, tourists and convention goers who pour so much money into our economy.

Sincerely, Dena Gardi Forest Hill Extension

From:	<u>billy h</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 3:21:51 AM

## Hi,

I am an sf resident. I vote not to cut funding to sfpd.

## William huang

Hello,

I am personally the victim of robbery in SF. I support police funding. I support the significant work Chief Bill Scott is doing to ensure San Francisco only employs police officers who serve at the highest standard.

Please do not cut funding to the police.

Thank you Hilary

Hello,

I am a 71 year old resident of San Francisco. For all my years, I have never seen the rampant crime - broken windows throughout SOMA, Marina District etc.

Now Asian Americans are being attacked. I no longer feel confident going out in the evening by myself.

Walgreen's has closed numerous stores-

Their employees feel vulnerable and they cannot operate the business profitably.

This is not what we want the City to be known for. Also this will affect City revenue - loss in travel - hits the City's pocket.

The City should be SAFE FOR ALL.

Laura Higbie

to whom,

I am a 22 year resident of San Francisco. Every day I read about more and more crimes being committed.

Our city is becoming a battle ground. We NEED the police. The budget for law enforcement needs to increase, not decrease.

Thanks you for your consideration of this issue.

Elizabeth Nager 2225 23rd St S F CA 94107

From:	Irene Kaufman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 9:05:20 AM

I not only support police funding, I would hope there are currently conversations on how to broaden the scope of their training, giving new recruits and current police officers the skills and understanding to handle situations effectively without the need of using guns or tasers. These individuals strive to serve and protect -- they deserve the best training possible.

Thank you.

Irene Kaufman

Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little. ~Edmund Burke

"The only way to survive is by taking care of one another." ~Grace Lee Boggs

From:	<u>Gary Egan</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I Support Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 9:58:17 AM

Please focus on reducing crime my local Walgreens tells me shoplifting is up over 25% I certainly would not want critical stores like this closing. Thank you

Gary Egan 175 San Rafael Way

Sent from my iPhone

From:	<u>Coleman, Lori</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support for Police Funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 9:31:07 AM
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I am a resident of San Francisco and I manage commercial property in Union Square. I strongly support the following:

- 1. Do no divert funding away from Police training and staffing
- 2. Specifically
  - a. Retain staffing by supporting at least 2 SFPD academy classes in the upcoming fiscal year
  - b. Continue the retired SFPD Ambassador Program

If the City cannot restore public safety more businesses will close. We will not be able to support the City budget and provide jobs. Union Square as the economic engine will die.

Thank you.

LORI COLEMAN | EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, PROPERTY SERVICES WEST CA REAL ESTATE LICENSE #01914301, RPA

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## Board of Supervisors,

Please do not consider this! We need the police more than ever. Crime is rampant in San Francisco everywhere, particularly in the Marina District where we have resided for over 40 years. We are native San Franciscans and love this City - as you should! We rely on you to protect its citizens and maintain the integrity of this magnificent City in the iconic manner it was years ago!

Please encourage police enrollments not attritions!!!

Sincerely,

Max and Gina DelleSedie

Sent from Gina's iPhone

From:	Cathy Lint
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Defunding Effort
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 9:20:10 AM

### Board of Supervisors:

I am a native San Franciscan and am saddened and horrified by the state of this city. We hear daily of attacks on people, robberies taking place in grocery stores, pharmacies and many small businesses (these robberies have been captured on camera), vandalism to vehicles and home burglaries also captured on camera, and daily we hear that the perpetrators face NO consequences. This city is developing a sad reputation of being a place NOT TO VISIT. Defunding the police would only add to the desire for people to not want to live in or visit San Francisco. The police are needed now more than ever before. Do not defund the police, their budget should be increased so that they are able to fill vacant positions and to quickly train new officers.

I urge you to do what is right and in the best interests of the people of San Francisco - do not defund the police, give them the funding they have requested.

Sincerely,

Cathy Brandi-Lint

As a disabled senior adult I find living in San Francisco rather frightening. We don't have enough police as it is and the ones we have seem to be occupied with the homeless sweeps. It also seems that San Francisco lacks beds for the homeless, practically no services for the mentally ill and no one seems to be doing anything about the problem but pass the buck. Please fund our police adequately and provide much needed beds for the homeless and some real services for chronically mentally ill.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Hynes, MSN

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S10e, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone Get <u>Outlook for Android</u>

From:	David K. Rodrigues
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:48:19 PM

Hello:

I understand that the Budget Committee will meet on Thursday June 24 to discuss the police budget.

I am writing to say that I support the Mayor's budget request for the police department.

We need police officers for foot patrols in all the neighborhoods. Foot patrols are a proven tool to increase public safety and improve police community relations. We also need police officers to respond to emergency calls in a timely manner. And we need police officers to investigate crimes. Crime, unfortunately, is up in San Francisco. Shootings, robberies (especially robberies against seniors), mail box breakins, residential burglaries, garage burglaries, and store thefts are up. We need to feel safe in our neighborhoods.

Thank you

David Rodrigues 2201 North Point Street San Francisco

I am a NATIVE SF I am very proud of our police Dept A lot of my friends have sons and daughters in the police Dept We need our police dept MARY LA ROCCA

From:	Lawrence M. Cushman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support SFFD Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:39:40 AM

Dear Supervisors, as a voting resident of District 6 I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I support reform not defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M Cushman 765 Market St San Francisco,CA 94103

I do not support cutting funding for the SFPD. We need more police officers not fewer.

I have lived here for 35 years and never felt as unsafe as I do now. I never leave my home after dark. I worry every night about break ins.

Denise Lynch 225 Bay Street #301 San Francisco

Sent from my iPhone

1. I support funding the Police with accountability and open accounting & information to be released to the public.

2. The City should not pay compensation for Police being sued for brutality and wrongful death- the Police Union should buy insurance just like all other professionals have to.

3. Every police officer should receive 6 monthly mental health and race sensitivity training and debriefing. One day of seminars is worth the money spent on training.

4. Every Police officer should be scrutinized for their association with extremist groups every year.

5. Police officer disciplinary records should be attached to their performance records and made available to all potential employers. This is the normal for all businesses and the police should not be exempted. Thank you Dr Nina Dhadly

From:	gailwoo
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I SUPPORT POLICE FUNDING
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:53:00 PM

> Please keep the police fund/funding! The crime in SF is so high, we need more police patrol in our neighborhoods! Don't tell me crime is down because we are feeling it more and more!!

>

> Gail Yee Woo

> Tax payer and Registered voter

Members of the Board of Supervisors,

This is no time to cut the police funding in the budget proposal in the current budget proposal.

As a resident of San Francisco and District 2, specifically, I strongly support Supervisor Stefani's view that keeping our meaning streets safe and investing in meaningful criminal justice reform are not mutually exclusive—indeed, meaningful criminal justice reform requires investing in the future.

Funding commitments for hiring additional officers, two police academy classes, equipment and new investments in criminal justice reform initiatives are essential to public safety for all San Francisco residents, those who need assistance, and visitors and businesses vital to San Francisco's economy.

Thank you for your service to our communities.

Michele Gerus District 2 Cell: 415 519 0484

From:	Linda Sabau
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	More Money for Police Staffing
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 5:21:59 PM

We need to adequately fund our police. Too many stores and people are being robbed and hurt, there is too much crime in our once safe city. An old storekeeper was stabbed in the eye in my neighborhood recently and my Walgreens has been broken into twice in two weeks. To me, this is unbelievable. I have no problem finding money to try new ways of cutting crime and funding mental illness outreach, but not at the expense of the police. Criminals see the news and use social media too, and our police need to be staffed and equipped to stay ahead of them. Thank you.

Linda Sabau

From:	Sanjay Jain
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	Funding for Public Safety
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 6:09:22 PM

I am a San Francisco District 2 resident.

The discourse centering on whether to decrease police funding or not SO misses the mark on what is happening in our city (and so many other major cities in the country). We need to be discussing from where we can pull financial resources to materially grow the police force, to train the next-generation, to enhance equipment and technology, and to improve citizen engagement. The question is how much to increase and how, not if.

Sanjay Jain +1 415 505 4750

To The San Francisco Supervisors,

Crime of every kind is pervasive in our city.

It is imperative that you support police and the enforcement of laws.

A failure to do so is irresponsible and a detriment on the law-abiding populace of the city. We are hopeful you will do the right thing and are observing your actions.

Represent the majority. Protect the citizens. Support the police. Enforce the laws.

Sincerely,

Skeptical & Frustrated Citizen

From:	Lydia Cassorla
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	In support of current or elevated funding of police
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:18:08 PM

Please do not reduce funding of the SFPD.

Crime is the most pervasive negative factor for citizens of San Francisco. We are undergoing a wave of property and violent crime that makes us wonder what are future will be. I support regular patrols, day and night - a visible police presence in every neighborhood.

Thank you, Lydia Cassorla 1801 14th Ave.

From:	MAX YOUNG
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS)
Cc:	steve urbanplaceconsulting.com; Simon Bertrang; Tracy Everwine
Subject:	Police staffing.
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:24:22 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors.

As a small business owner in the Mid Market neighborhood and a member of the SF Open Air Drug Dealing Task Force I implore you to help keep funding so the staffing levels for the SFPD can return to normal and at the very leave cover the attrition from retirements and departures from the force.

One thing is certain, tired cops working overtime isn't going to improve policing, and more police = more foot patrols in all neighborhoods which I have heard a number of you advocate for at different times in your tenures. Combine a fully staffed force with community safety organizations and maybe we can make some change. SF needs it all, a well funded and staffed police department, more community outreach and safety based orgs and more mental health care and drug addiction support. One part can't do it, we need a full court press to address the issues on our streets.

Thanks, Max Young

Max Young 415.722.6299

From: To:	Kevin Carroll Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); gordon.judd@clearwayenergy.com; Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS)
Cc:	Anand Singh (asingh@unitehere2.org); Mike Lagomarsino; sal@local16.org; Breed, Mayor London (MYR); Scott, William (POL); Elsbernd, Sean (MYR); Kelly Powers; Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Joanne Desmond
Subject:	Hotel Council, Teamsters Local 856, UNITE HERE Local 2, IATSE Local 16 Support for SFPD Staffing and Academy Budget Proposal Hearing 6/24/21 (Report File No. 210357)
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:25:57 PM
Attachments:	image006.png image003.png Hotel Council UNITE HERE, Teamsters 856, IATSE Local 16 SFPD Budget Support 6-24-25.pdf

# Dear Supervisors,

On behalf of the Hotel Council of San Francisco, Unite Here Local 2, Teamsters Local 856 and I.A.T.S.E Local 16, we are writing to ask for your support in protecting our hotel employees, residents, and visitors from violence they are experiencing on our streets when reviewing the SFPD staffing budget proposal before you. Our hotel employees, many of whom live in San Francisco, are experiencing increasing acts of violence while traveling on our streets to and from work. It is imperative for the recovery of our industry that our streets are safe, and employees, residents and visitors feel safe on them.

Your support for the San Francisco Police Department budget requests that include foot beat officers, community policing and the continuation of police academies will be necessary in ensuring the safety on our streets is improved. All these programs are critical in addressing the violence on our streets including the increase in gun violence that is occurring.

We must rebuild trust between our peace officers and the citizens they are sworn to protect. One of the best ways to do that is to increase local foot beat patrol officers in high traffic areas so they are part of the community. A greater neighborhood police presence will ensure greater mutual understanding and safety. San Francisco has long been a leader in understanding the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion in its police force. We can always do better, but we appreciate Chief Scott's vision and leadership on rooting out systemic racism and unrealized bias. Protecting the staffing levels of SFPD will also serve to keep and increase the diversity of the department.

Again, we are requesting your support for SFPD's budget requests on staffing and continuation of academies.

Sincerely,

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Secretary Hotel Council of San Francisco UNITE HERE Local 2

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Cc Mayor London Breed Chief Bill Scott



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June 23, 2021

**Board of Supervisors** 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102

City & County San Francisco

Re: Support for SFPD Staffing and Academy Budget Proposal Hearing 6/24/21 (Report File No. 210357)

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Steve Lutge **Business Agent-Secretary** I.A.T.S.E Local 16

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Mayor London Breed **Chief Bill Scott** 

Dear Supervisors,

I have been a San Francisco resident since 2000 and live in the Duboce Triangle neighborhood.

I'm writing to express support for fully funding our police department and allowing it to reach the staffing levels that will allow our neighborhoods to be protected and kept safe.

I do support necessary reforms, but along with reforms we still need police presence in our neighborhoods. Increased foot patrols and neighborhood policing will lead to better outcomes when law enforcement interactions occur, less public drug use and dealing, and generally safer sidewalks. We also need ro increase funding for traffic enforcement, a long-neglected area in SF.

Please fully fund SFPD staffing.

Thank you for considering my views,

David Troup 2224 15th St 415-861-0920

From:	<u>J B</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Concerned Constituent: Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:14:46 PM

# Board of Supervisions,

Please don't cut police funding. It is scary to go outside. Just in the past few months, the friendly proprietor at Franklin Market got stabbed in the eye and there was a fatal shooting On Fern Street (between Polk Street and Van Ness Avenue). Those are just two violent examples within walking distance of my home.

There are also rampant non-violent crimes. Neighborhood cafes, like Limoncello and A Piece of Heaven on Sutter St., are constantly robbed, and their store windows are smashed. It's infuriating how these small business owners are left to fend for themselves.

Now more than ever, we need more police to deter violent crimes from occurring in the first place. We must invest in the police department and enable them to keep the citizens of this city safe.

We need to do better. As our elected officials, I hope you fully understand what an understaffed and ill-equipped police department means for your constituents.

Concerned, Jezzica Bellitti

Please put MORE Police on the streets and on the budget.

You have attracted more crime by NOT enforcing laws that are on the books voted in my by the tax payers.

You allow healthy 20 something thugs to lounge on City Sidewalks collecting money from City service.

You do nothing to stop taggers from defacing and scarring public and private property.

You have dangerous vagrants living in Golden Gate Park defacing public land meant for everybody.

Public streets are clogged with old motor homes filled with drugged up hippies who have been on the dole since the 60's.

WHO are you pretending to help?

We need help. HIRE MORE POLICE and protect us!

Tax Payer, VOTER GaleBradley

# Dear Supervisors:

I am a long time (40 year) San Franicsco resident. San Francisco is fortunate to have an outstanding Police Chief and department that is truly committed to keeping our city safe. The chief recently appeared before the Board of Supervisors to share his concerns regarding staff attrition and requested meaningful funding commitments for two police academy classes, equipment and new investments in criminal justice reform initiatives.

The current budget proposal includes funding for these priorities. The two academy classes are necessary to sustain the police department's current staffing levels. An independent analysis of our police staffing found it to be "severely inadequate." Currently, there are only 1,780 sworn officers, and the analysis recommended an additional 396 sworn officers based on current demand for service.

I strongly urge you to support Chief Scott and his budget request. Adequate police funding is critical for reducing and preventing crime and keeping San Francisco safe. Other initiatives regarding criminal justice reform are important as well, but should not come at the expense of the police budget. Please give our chief the tools and funding to properly do his job. Thank you for your consideration.

**Michael Mueller** 

From:Karin FloodTo:Board of Supervisors, (BOS)Subject:Please support public safety!Date:Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:03:57 PM

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# **Dear members of the Board of Supervisors:**

Have you been to Union Square lately? If not, let me tell you it has become quite a scary place.

I know because I am there regularly.

The Union Square BID operations staff knows because they worked throughout COVID to try to keep the area clean and safe. Our Ambassadors were often the only ones on the street other than mostly criminals and some homeless. Our 450 security cameras that our staff kept operating have captured some very frightening incidents over the past year:

\*A tourist get his face slashed with a knife on Powell Street at 10am for not handing over money

\*2 elderly Asian women stabbed at 4th & Market at 5pm while waiting for the bus \*A shopper assaulted by a man carrying a gun who had to defend himself by taking his attacker's gun and shooting him dead in the early evening at Geary and Powell as other shoppers walked by.

\*2 separate drug related fatal shootings near Mason and Eddy near our large tourist hotels \*A man who broke a large \$7500 window at 870 Market (at Powell) was previously arrested for swinging a chain at our 10b police officer. He was arrested and released for both incidents. I know because I just saw him digging in the dumpster across from our building.

There are so many more instances of assault, retail theft, car break ins, intimidating groups of skateboarders, hate graffiti and more. How much worse does it have to get before the City decides to dedicate more SFPD officers to Union Square and to our City?

Retail shops have closed especially all along Powell Street which once had the highest foot traffic in the City. They have closed during COVID but even some before. The common denominator and the final straw were the safety issues. Merchants simply could not control the behavior outside and inside their stores: rampant theft, broken store windows, harassment of employees, even defecating inside. In the end, it was not worth it to keep a store open in San Francisco. Even when business was good (pre Covid) the safety of their employees was not worth staying open.

PLEASE at the bare minimum keep the current SFPD staffing of beat cops in Union Square, the 2 SFPD Academy classes to replenish the already very understaffed force and continued funding for the SFPD retired Ambassadors.

We need more of an SFPD safety presence in Union Square. A civilian Ambassador simply does not command the same presence and cannot arrest or take a criminal in custody. An Ambassador needs the backup and support of the SFPD to enforce the laws on the books so that people feel safe visiting Union Square.

Our economic recovery depends on it. The future of Union Square as the economic engine for the City depends on it. Otherwise our businesses will continue to close and board up. We will no longer be able to contribute to the City budget and provide essential jobs.

We will simply die.

Thank you for you consideration.

Karin Flood Executive Director Union Square BID

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Sarah Moughan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support for funding for police department
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:06:36 PM

Please support funding for the police. Please do not reduce funding for training or any other purposes. Sarah Moughan 1900 Vallejo St 405

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Greetings Supervisors,

I support police funding!!!! We need more police in SF. Crime rates has been risen sharply since the pandemic.

Li Deng Sent from my iPhone

From:	Beverly Shulman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 12:38:25 AM

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Sutro Heights home owner.

Thank you,

B. Shulman

From:	<u>Ditka</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Public comment, funding for public safety
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 2:12:14 AM

At a time when our resident are increasingly afraid to leave their homes the last thing we need is a reduction in our police force. San Francisco's in serious trouble with our crime rate and we cancelled the last police academy. We need more funding not less. Chief Scott and our police are short staffed now. I urge the committee to fully fund The police budget. I actually would hope you fully fund existing budget and add enough for an additional academy next year.

Ditka Reiner Resident D2.

From:	Marianne Bacigalupi
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please support funding for our police
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 6:27:25 AM

I am lucky enough to have been born here. I want this city to thrive and prosper for all . Without proper funding for our Police there is no safety in our City. I just traveled to Boston and it broke my heart to see the comparison between how our beautiful city presents itself compared to other great cities in the US. It's not good. Our police are taking the brunt of this drug and mental health crisis yet we don't fund them nearly enough. PLEASE I urge you to fund the police greatly and hire more officers. I do not want to be forced to leave as most of my friends who grew up here because it is not safe. I have never felt unsafe until the past few years here in SF - The police have always protected and served but they should not be spending their days shuffling drug addicts from corner to corner. They need more funding NOW - we need more police NOW !

Thank you

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From:	Judith Hurabiell
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support public police funding
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:19:57 AM

Sent from my iPad

From:	Brian Berry
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Steven Roloff; Kevin Paredes; Rene Greenwood
Subject:	10am meeting today
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:29:51 AM
Attachments:	image001.png

# Good morning-

I work for a company that provides Ambassador services, Social Service Outreach and janitorial in San Francisco, including to Mid Market CBD, Civic Center CBD, Yerba Buena CBD, Downtown (FiDi) CBD and Discover Polk CBD. This year alone, I have sent staff home with pay close to 20 times because my staff were either assaulted, terrorized/threatened with bodily harm or were within view of a shooting. One such shooting occurred down the street from my office at Mason near Market, during an evening roughly 6-8 weeks ago. The crime scene was not abated of blood/bone/organ residue until late morning the following day.

My staff are not security guards. They are acting as a hospitality and light public safety presence to escort individuals to their cars, assist with directions to tourists and improve environmental conditions. Just yesterday, our Mid Market Social Service Outreach Specialist was chased down with a metal pipe on Mission Street by a man known by SFPD to threaten people...all while two officers sat in their patrol car spectating, rather than helping our staff member.

This needs to stop. Our staff are supplementary to city services, and receive little assistance from SFPD when needed. And SFPD needs to be supported by the District Attorney in properly detaining and working to rehabilitate individuals who present danger to the community.

I hope you find this information useful. I am always available to discuss in further detail.



Brian Berry | Vice President, Operations 414 Mason Street #606 San Francisco, Ca. 94102 Office: 415-820-3577 | Mobile: 510-517-6406

As a native of San Francisco for many generations I must tell you not to reduce police spending.

I live in the Sunset and we need more help.

Please accept my observation as fact and don't reduce coverage.

Sincerely,

Kaaren Alvarado

Dear Supervisors,

As a voting resident of District 8 I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal.

I support reform NOT defunding our current SFPD Budget.

We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform.

I called the non emergency police number the other night and after waiting for 30 minutes gave up.

We need more police and police infrastructure not less.

Please support the negotiated budget proposal or an alternative that puts more money in their budget.

Sincerely Cheryl traverse 40 year resident of district 8

From:	Lawrence M. Cushman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support SFFD Budget
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:39:40 AM

Dear Supervisors, as a voting resident of District 6 I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I support reform not defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M Cushman 765 Market St San Francisco,CA 94103

From:	Brittney Beck
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support SFPD Budget Proposal
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 8:34:10 AM

Dear Supervisors,

I ask that you please support the SFPD budget proposal. We need highly trained officers on the streets while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform. The guests at my hotels are witnessing criminal acts and asking "Where are the police?" and "Why am I seeing this? I don't feel safe in San Francisco."

We need more officers and they need the proposed budget.

**Brittney Beck** 



2222 Market St., San Francisco | CA | 94114 p: 415-621-8212

From:	Harper Cullen
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	DO NOT DEFUND SFPD
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:23:35 AM

Dear Supervisors, as a voting resident of District X I implore you to support the current SFPD budget proposal. I support reform not defunding our current SFPD Budget. We need more highly trained officers on the streets to ensure public safety while we simultaneously pursue criminal justice reform.

Sincerely,

Harper 291 28th St, Sf. Ca. 94121

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Russ Kellites 3863 19<sup>th</sup> Street

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Horne

You need to dramatically INCREASE the police budget! I have lived in San Francisco for over 50 years and like many of my friends I no longer feel safe. William B. Cormack

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Greg Gurovich
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support the current SFPD budget proposal
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:27:22 AM
Attachments:	image002.png
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Best, Greg Gurovich



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Dear Supervisors,

Please do not reduce the funding or the staffing of the Police Department. Crime in San Francisco is at a frightening level. Recently the corner grocer in our neighborhood was severely injured in a knife attack. Many people are afraid to go out at night. Especially those who are aged, like myself, feel the need of more police protection, not less.

Respectfully,

Morton D. Paley 1661 Pine Street San Francisco CA 94109

From:	Melissa H
To:	Wong, Linda (BOS); Calvillo, Angela (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment for Items 1&2 - Board and Appropriations 6/17
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 5:27:54 PM

Dear Budget & Appropriations Committee,

My name is Melissa Hernandez and I live in District 7. I'm providing public comment today to urge you to prioritize real public safety by defunding the sheriff and SFPD, and refunding our community.

This committee can and should remove the \$24 million that formerly went to County Jail 4, the \$22 million paid by the Department of Public Health for clinic and hospital security, and make significant cuts to SFPD by eliminating units that target BIPOC and LGBTQ+ folks, including the plainclothes and homeless units, HSOC, the gang unit, and the sex work abatement unit. By refunding our community, the city can invest in implementing non-police responders that are trained to help people in crisis, such as the community-driven and unionrepresented community safety team proposed by DPH Must Divest for our clinics and hospitals and the CART program proposed by the community, which would connect people to services, focus on moving them off the streets permanently, and create infrastructure for addressing calls from both housed and unhoused San Franciscans. Both of these initiatives would reduce the risk of tragic or violent outcomes for BIPOC and/or unhoused folks who are most at risk of harassment by deputies and police.

Last year, members of this Board, including many of the members in this committee, talked about reimagining the role of police in our society. From today's budget hearing, it seems like that imagination has since become limited. Yet, the harms of policing-- both direct and indirect-- persist to this day. The police budget continues to eat up more money from the General Fund-- which can be used for community resources such as education, healthcare, and housing. The police continue shooting people from our community, with several in just the past year. Unhoused folks continue being harassed by police while apartments and hotel rooms sit vacant around the city. Yet, during today's questioning, we heard requests for more foot patrols, calls for increases to police staffing, and demands for more money lest we settle for SFPD's lack of diversity and failure to fully implement the recommendations made by the Department of Justice so long ago. The status quo response from City Hall simply does not stay true to the spirit of your remarks last year.

I implore you to push back against the instinct to rely on policing and incarceration to solve our social problems. Please defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community as specified by the Budget Justice Coalition and No New SF Jail Coalition. Fund CART and the various community programs instead.

Sincerely, Melissa G. Hernandez she/they

From:	Elisa Baier
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS); Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Ronen, Hillary
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:01:11 PM

My name is Elisa Baier and I live and work in District 9. I may not be able to call in for public comment on Friday so I'm emailing my comment instead.

I am firmly against the Mayor's proposed budget increases to SFPD and the Sheriff's Department.

We need to invest in well-paid professionals who can support people in mental health crises and people who are unhoused. These roles should not be fulfilled by minimally trained police officers who are unable to address root causes or offer supportive services. We absolutely should be seeking to reduce the SFPD budget by steadily reducing the size of the force and sharply reducing overtime. The two new academy classes should be slashed and the money should be reallocated to programs like CART.

The Sheriff's Dept budget likewise should be cut significantly. CJ4 is closed! This should result in a savings of more than 24 million by cutting overtime for staff and other operational savings. It's unbelievable that a budget increase has been proposed.

Funds are urgently needed to help vulnerable residents after this traumatic pandemic - we cannot throw money at ineffective carceral departments that don't actually improve public safety. Thank you for your time.

From:	<u>aeboken</u>
То:	BOS-Supervisors; BOS-Legislative Aides
Subject:	URGING AMENDMENT TO 6/17/21 Budget and Appropriations Committee Agenda Item #1 [Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Departments - FYs 2021-2022 and 2022-2023] File #210643
Date:	Monday, June 14, 2021 1:07:53 AM

## TO: Board of Supervisors members

I am strongly urging the Board to amend the Fire Department budget to reinstate the purchase of four (4) hose tenders rather than the revised number of two (2).

Eileen Boken

Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods\*

\*For identification purposes only.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Colton Coty <colton@lavamaex.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:36 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: LavaMae<sup>x</sup> Public Comment - BOS Budget & Appropriations Committee 6.25.21

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Hello Linda,

On behalf of Lava Mae (doing business as LavaMae<sup>x</sup>) we demand that the the City of San Francisco's budget FYs 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 for all Departments includes the funding for the following:

- 24-hour public toilets, showers, handwashing stations, and laundry facilities for the City's 8,000+ individuals experiencing homelessness that meet UN Standards for WASH in Camps standards based on population per district (<u>https://emergency.unhcr.org/entry/39929/wash-in-camps</u>): one toilet per 50 people, one shower per 50 people, one usable water tap per 250 people.
- The full funding and adoption for the San Francisco Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CARE)
- Full funding of permanent supportive housing for 10,000 additional units of housing in San Francisco

LavaMae<sup>x</sup> also want to officially endorse and show support of voter approved Our City Our Home initiative.

Supervisors Board of Supervisors,

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Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Jessica Lehman jessica@sdaction.org 1360 Mission Street #400 San Francisco, California 94103

From:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
То:	BOS-Supervisors; BOS-Legislative Aides; BOS-Administrative Aides
Cc:	Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Somera, Alisa (BOS); Laxamana, Junko (BOS); Ng, Wilson (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 10:13:00 AM

From: Jessica Lehman <jessica@sdaction.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 3:59 PM
To: BOS-Legislative Aides <bos-legislative\_aides@sfgov.org>
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To:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS);
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Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 5:39:25 PM

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Jamie Delman Jamiedsongs@gmail.com 1586 Folsom Street San Francisco, California 94103

From:	Susan Suval
То:	Walton, Shamann (BOS); Chan, Connie (BOS); Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Preston, Dean (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Melgar, Myrna (BOS); Mandelman, Rafael (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); Gallardo, Tracy (BOS); Fregosi, Ian (BOS); Quan, Daisy (BOS); Hepner, Lee (BOS); Kilgore, Preston (BOS); Snyder, Jen (BOS); abigail.rivamonte.mesa@sfgov.org; Imperial, Megan (BOS); Low, Jen (BOS); Beinart, Amy (BOS); sunny.angulo@gmail.com; Hsieh, Frances (BOS); Bennett, Samuel (BOS); Mullan, Andrew (BOS); Temprano, Tom (BOS); Lerma, Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Saturday, June 19, 2021 9:43:04 AM

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Susan Suval suvalsusan@gmail.com 405 Serrano. apt 2 L San Francisco, California 94132

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From:	Tana Bujor
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	<u>Santiago (BOS); Chung, Lauren (BOS); Morris, Geoffrea (BOS); BOS-Legislative Aides</u>
Subject:	Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!
Date:	Sunday, June 20, 2021 12:49:33 AM

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Subject:	Please fund rental subsidies for seniors & the disabled!
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 6:37:24 PM

Full Board of Supervisors & Legislative Aides,

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I am a resident of San Francisco District 7 and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep seniors and disabled people in their homes! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Raya Steier sarkar.raya@gmail.com 1723 Holloway Avenue San Francisco, California 94132

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

My name is Lori Harrison; and I am the Propmaster of the San Francisco Opera and a member of Local 16 of the Stage Technicians union I.A.T.S.E.

I write in strong support of the proposed Moscone Convention Recovery Fund. For over a year now, I've witnessed the devastating financial hardship that has been ravaging the workers in our Local as a result of the loss of the convention and events in the Bay Area. Many have lost their health care coverage, their homes, gone through their savings, and suffer mentally and emotionally in their efforts to survive.

The Moscone Center and the events therein are a key part of the work that Local 16 participants do. Anything that you and the Board of Supervisors can do to attract events to the Moscone Center and to bring the facility back to its world class status will benefit the entire city, as well as providing work for the members of Local 16. In turn, we can – as workers in San Francisco – get back to participating fully in the city's economy.

Crucial to the return of Conventions and events to our city is also the Downtown Ambassador program. It is important to do everything we can to make San Francisco a warm, exciting, and welcoming city to guests, convention planners, and visitors.

Both the Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador program are vital to getting all of us in San Francisco back to work and back to being the wonderful destination city that we know we can be.

Thank you for your help and consideration in this!

Best,

Lori Harrison 292 Coleridge St. San Francisco, CA 94110

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Brittney Beck
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Mar, Gordon (BOS); Walton, Shamann (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS)
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 7:36:07 AM

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the proposed Downtown Ambassador Program. We need these programs to get people back in the city, feeling safe and spending money. My small business needs this. Though things are picking up for us, we are still at record lows. We need to get the City up and running again with the assistance of these programs. In order to be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need. We know these 2 programs will address problems that have historically haunted SF.

Now is the time to act on these programs to help our small business and our beloved city.

Thank you.

Brittney Beck



2222 Market St., San Francisco | CA | 94114 p: 415-621-8212

From:	Huldi, Roger
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary;
	Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 2:57:23 PM
Attachments:	Downtown Recovery Investment W SF letter of support 2021.docx

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Sincerely,

Roger Huldi



To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

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Sincerely, Roger Huldi General Manager, W San Francisco

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Our hotels, restaurants, retail and other sectors are all suffering along with the thousands of associated workers. We need to thrive once again. Right now we are merely surviving. Our hotel has been back in business for nearly a year but with roughly half the normal workforce.

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Sincerely,

Michael Baier General Manager San Francisco Marriott Fisherman's Wharf

From:	Baier, Michael
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	Downtown Recovery
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 1:14:43 PM
Attachments:	Downtown Recovery.docx

Dear Matt, Budget Appropriations Committee and entire Board of Supervisors,

Thank you very much for your consideration as we desperately wish for a return to normal.

Thank you as well for your service to our city.

Michael

#### Michael Baier | General Manager

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From:	Dan Franco
To:	Fricus Rungus
Subject:	Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and Downtown Ambassador program
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 7:32:43 PM

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund.

Over the past 15 months, the meetings industry has been completely halted and the Moscone Convention Center pressed into various essential and critical COVID response purposes. That resulted in a nearly complete lack of work for members and other workers of my Union, IATSE Local 16. We are the theatrical stage employees that set up and operate the rigging, staging, lighting and all of the audio visual equipment for these meetings. It has also negatively affected members of the IBEW, the 510 Decorators, the Teamsters, the security team, and the facilities and catering teams. All told, thousands have come to depend on that venue over the years.

As the city begins to reopen and group meetings come back to our convention center to convene once again, the competition for this business sector has never been greater. Group business at Moscone constitutes over \$1 Billion of the overall \$10 Billion tourism industry, employing thousands of employees who work in and support Moscone Center operations.

In order to stay competitive and bring our essential group business back to San Francisco and the crucial jobs it supports, we need to think creatively and strategically. The business that is generated at Moscone Convention Center has a rippling effect on many sectors of San Francisco including small businesses, restaurants, cultural institutions, hotels, transportation and most importantly, the labor sector that depends on the business for their livelihood.

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The other item that we want to ensure stays intact is the Downtown Ambassador program. This is the proposed \$12 million two year program that would put welcoming ambassadors in key transit locations and tourism destinations. D.A. is a key recovery program to make visitors and returning office workers feel safe and welcome in the downtown core.

Please ensure the approval of these important economic recovery tools so that we can support the hard-working labor force in the meetings industry, who's work also fuels the greater economy.

Thank you for your consideration,

### -Daniel Franco

Phone number: 415 601 4842 Mailing Address: 237 Kearny St., #156, San Francisco, CA 94108

What the Events Industry is doing to overcome the Virus problem: <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cG6Jcf-</u> -3RGohBVBEqxC5ttTOJLcmYCHgvLdVqaVSBU/edit?fbclid=IwAR1Lk-

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What I'm doing to overcome the failures of late-period capitalism: teaching how we can build a more fair society. <u>https://mobilized.news/chautauquas-and-lyceums-and-ted-talks-oh-my/</u>

What you can do: "The very least you can do in your life is to figure out what you hope for. The most you can do is live inside that hope, running down its hallways, touching the walls on both sides." - Barbara Kingsolver

From:	Kimball, Jon
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary;
	Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	Our Support for Moscone Center Recovery Fund and Downtown Ambassador Program
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 6:23:13 AM

To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

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I lead the Westin St. Francis Hotel on Union Square as well as our 8 other Marriott Hotels located in downtown San Francisco. We employ hundreds of associates who make their living, working in our hotels and welcoming travelers to San Francisco. As you know, these associates have been severely impacted by the pandemic and these two initiatives are critical to our recovery and stability ahead. We must aggressively pursue new conventions and ensure a safe experience for our visitors.

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Sincerely,

JON KIMBALL Area General Manager

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From:	Kershner, Lisa	
To:	Board of Supervisors. (BOS); Haney. Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar. Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS)	
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)	
Subject:	Please Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal	
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 11:45:23 AM	
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#### To:

Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee: Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

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The return of the meeting and convention market to the Bay Area is paramount for our city's recovery. I am proud to serve on the Executive Committee of SF Travel, and I Chair the SF Travel Marketing Committee. Perception is everything, and right now we need to shine more than ever. Please help us return the tourism industry to its former glory.

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Sincerely,

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From: To:	<u>Chhavi Sahni</u> Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary;
10.	<u>Walton, Shamann (BOS)</u> , <u>Harley, Matt (BOS)</u> , <u>Salar, Ansha (BOS)</u> , <u>Mar, Sordon (BOS)</u> , <u>Kohen, Hillary</u> ,
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS); Laurie Thomas
Subject:	GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco"s Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program
Date:	Friday, June 18, 2021 2:33:08 PM
Attachments:	GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco"s Downtown Recovery.pdf

## Hi,

Please find the Golden Gate Restaurant Association's letter of support for investing in San Francisco's downtown recovery. We urge the Budget and Appropriations Committee to support both the Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program.

Thank you, Chhavi

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**Chhavi Sahni** Director of Public Policy and Partnerships Golden Gate Restaurant Association

Are you a part of the Bay Area restaurant community? Join our <u>GGRA Members Facebook Group</u> and <u>sign up to receive the</u> <u>GGRA newsletter</u>!

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June 18, 2021

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The Golden Gate Restaurant Association advocates for our local restaurant industry which has been devastated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our downtown restaurants have been impacted the most with the lack of workers and visitors in our downtown neighborhoods. The Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program are critical to bringing pre-pandemic economic activity to our industry.

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Laurie Thomas Executive Director, Golden Gate Restaurant Association

From:	Michael Katz
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 12:43:50 PM

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I'm an East Bay resident who works for a San Francisco-based company, and who looks forward to attending lots more performances and cultural destinations as the region's cultural center (a/k/a The City) reopens.

I urge you to support the proposal by the Musician and Venue Development Alliance (MAVDA) to accelerate neighborhood recovery through robust arts funding. This proposal would benefit creators and the public alike.

As America's most progressive region – and a center of nearly unprecedented wealth creation through the tech boom – our public support for artistic creation is still below the standards of European countries, or even Canada.

A unique legacy of artistic and cultural creativity is what first drew creators of innovative and elegant tech products and services to San Francisco. Let's give something back to the artists and performers who've hung in here, through the housing crisis and the pandemic, to restart the cycle of creation and innovation.

Thank you for considering this plea.

Respectfully yours, Michael Katz 2117 Rose Street, #9 Berkeley, CA 94709

From:	Cecilia Espadas
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:46:12 PM

Our musicians bring life to our communities. Please support our local hardworking and talented musicians through MAVDA.

Cecilia Espadas

From:	Martin G Gellen
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:24:15 PM

I strongly support this proposal and urge all Supervisors to vote for it. The performing arts have been crushed by the pandemic but especially small ensemble performers, and jazz musicians in particular, who tend to rely clubs, restaurants and other small venues for their gigs. This proposal leverages city money to get many of them back to work over the next year and to bring more spending into city neighborhoods and to stimulate the local economy. The program itself is backed by musicians but will be administered by Intersection for the Arts, which has a good track record for sound management.

Martin Gellen 3248 Baker Street Intermjusic SF, Board Memember

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Thank you board of supervisors!!

Warmly,

Kaylah Sterling (Sent from my iPhone)

From:	Erich Sylvester
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 1:05:48 PM

Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues. I am a singer/musician active in the SF bay area and sometimes other US places, and even Europe.

My band is Hot Steel & Cool Ukulele.

Erich Sylvester 811 Quarry Road, Unit B San Francisco CA 94129

Please support this!

Thank you. Barbara Chew 1960 Clay St. San Francisco, Ca

Sent from my iPhone

From:	<u>Mike Tekulsky</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Support Budget Money for MAVDA Proposal for Musicians and Venues".
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:53:37 PM

Dear SF board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to urge you to support this important proposal to improve arts in our neighborhood. I see jazz musicians of amazing artistry struggling every day Playing for free or almost nothing while they contribute richly to the street life of SF. It would certainly help the San Francisco arts community and the quality of life in general to be able to give them something for their efforts. Thank you for your consideration. Mike

--Mike Tekulsky | <u>415.531.1301</u>

Please help us jazz musicians who have been disproportionately affected by shelter in place and have been historically underpaid. We need your help now more than ever.

As an artist in San Francisco I have always been proud to reside in a city that supports the arts. This is your chance to prove me right with actual monetary contributions that will help save the arts in SF and support many of our self employed small business owners.

Thank you in advance for doing the right thing and promoting performing arts in San Francisco.

Sincerely

Scott Foster

San Franciscan jazz musician and music educator

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Jeanne Marie Hallacy
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Support for MAVDA arts proposal
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:32:00 PM
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Dear SF Board is Supervisors , I strongly support the MAVDA proposal. Thank you, Jeanne Hallacy

Hello,

My name is John Jenkins. I live in SOMA, where my partner and I have lived for 20 years.

I support police reforms, but I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings, gun violence, assaults, and open air drug dealing in the Tenderloin. On a personal note, my partner has been physically assaulted 3 times in the past 2 years, just simply walking home. As gay men, this is not the environment we ever imagined that we would find ourselves in, in SF.

Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

Thank you,

John

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As a family of four here in San Francisco we strongly support the police budget. Both of our children were born in San Francisco and crime has never been this bad since my husband and I moved here in the 90's.

Our adult son who is conserved and developmentally disabled was assaulted on the street a few months ago for no reason and has experienced incredible trauma and fear of going outside since then, our apartment building was burglarized a few weeks ago after several other attempts, a fire was lit just in front of our apartment building just two weeks ago. Almost everyone we know in SF has had a personal experience as a victim of crime in the last year. Not to mention the local businesses in our neighborhood (and throughout the city) that have experienced repetitive vandalism and theft - the ones I frequent have expressed that they are at a breaking point because of the theft and vandalism.

We would like our voices to be heard by the board of supervisors by expressing our strong support of the police budget. We support the increase in police recruitment to fill the current 200+ unstaffed positions within the department. The numbers of unstaffed positions will only increase with the officers that are expected to retire. We acknowledge the incredibly important work that the police provides despite significant understaffing.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Raynard

Nicole Raynard

From:	<u>R.P.</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Crime is up up up
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:59:49 PM

How can they cut the police budget??? Is the Mayor of San Francisco will protect us young and old residents??? Please don't vote to cut the Police budget. Thanks

Sent from my iPad

With the increase in the rate of crime, we definitely need more police, not less.

From:Geoff WoodTo:Board of Supervisors, (BOS)Subject:I support police fundingDate:Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:26:29 PM

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Geoff Sent from my iPhone

## I Support Police Funding

Evgeniya Belotserkovsky, San Francisco resident at 2939 20th Ave, San Francisco, CA 94132

## Hello,

Though the issue of police funding is nuanced, I'm writing to let you know that as a homeowner and voter in San Francisco, I support giving the police department adequate budget and resources. I have seen so many broken car windows on my block and nearby, and I believe that more police presence and action is a necessary component of a comprehensive and successful solution.

Thank you and regards, Kris Winquist San Francisco resident

From:	<u>Maureen</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I SUPPORT police funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:02:23 PM

#### Hello,

My name is Maureen Beckwith and I am a member of Stop Crime San Francisco. I am a native San Franciscan who has lived in the Miraloma Park neighborhood for 40 years.

Although I support police reforms, I most definitely believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence .Better training for police AND more beat cops in neighborhoods would go a long way in helping deter crime. In the past two months I have been witness to blatant shoplifting at my local Safeway. Both times, single young women with large bags were filling them with bottles of liquor and just walking right out of the store in no particular hurry with no type of intervention on the guard or employees' parts. The staff told me they are frustrated and frightened, as am I. I could start on the Tenderloin area but I think we all know how tragic that is. We citizens need your help with a common sense approach to police reform. Thank you for your time.

Sent from my iPad

From:	John Grauel
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:27:46 PM
Attachments:	I support police funding.msg

Please. Crime is at a disgustingly high rate in the City and in my neighborhood. Please fund new and replacement officers. Use funds to continue to educate the police on equitable actions, but increase the funding for the police in San Francisco.

Thank you.

John Grauel john@carbonrose.com 3700 Broderick Street San Francisco, CA 94123-1009 650-678-8040

PLEASE DO NOT DIVERT FUNDS FROM POLICE TO ACTIVIST GRIEVANCE PRESSURE GROUPS.

IT IS SAD POLICE ARRESTS OF CRIMINALS ARE NEGATED BY DA CHESA BOUDIN AND LAX JUDGES.

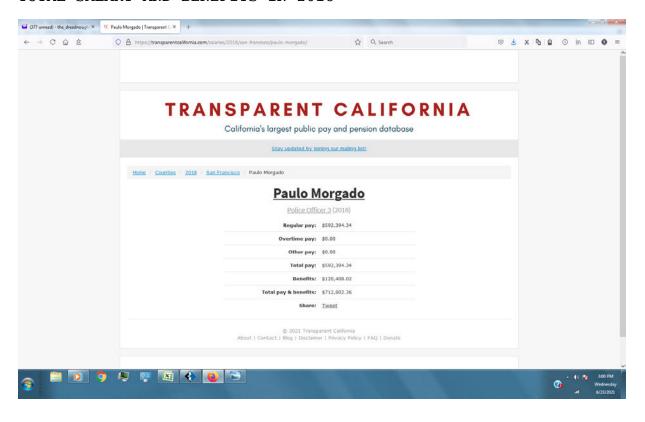
YOU MUST SUPPORT THE RECALLS OF CHESA BOUDIN.

PLEASE DO NOT WASTE TAX MONEY ON OVERPAID POLICE AND SHERIFFS!

YOU CAN SAVE \$\$ BY CUTTING POLICE PAY.

THERE ARE MANY SHERIFF DEPUTIES PAID OVER \$400K MIN TOTAL SALARY AND BENEFITS.

THIS IS ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS, A POLICE OFFICER COSTING \$712,802 IN TOTAL SALARY AND BENEFITS IN 2018:



Hello Supervisors,

My name is Calum Mackay. I live at 55 Hancock Street in San Francisco, and I am the innocent victim of a physical assault that left me with a traumatic brain injury, and from which I have not fully recovered, and probably never will.

I urge you to support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you,

Calum Mackay

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please do NOT cut the SFPD budget. San Francisco residents need a full police force, not a reduced one. Remember the

independent study that City Hall commissioned last year? Among many recommendations, it said that a city our size should have AT

LEAST 200 more police officers than there currently are. Increase the budget for SFPD.

I also strongly suggest that police officers be trained in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu to quickly deescalate tense situations that require body contact, thus decreasing the use of guns or tasers.

DEF**E**ND the POLICE! Thank you.

~Charlotte Worcester current resident of Glen Park life-long resident of San Francisco

Hello my name is Noeme Chahenian. I'm born and raised in San Francisco and live in the Sunset. Wow, what a shit hole this city has turned into. I guess most transplants wouldn't know... No wonder everyone is moving out of this drug and crime riddled expensive sewer.

I support police reforms. I also believe we still need police to keep everyone safe, especially when there is a rise in shootings and gun violence.

# Please keep the portion of the police budget that includes foot patrols, community policing, and police academies.

I have been physically assaulted by drug crazed transients not once, not twice-- but four times just this year alone. Actually punched in the face. Why call the police because you know the charges will be dropped. . I've been chased after with a broken pipe. Kicked and shoved. THIS IS NOT OK. And not while walking in the tenderloin either, in a neighborhood that used to be safe and in broad daylight. I never used to look over my shoulder when I was on a walk, now I'm afraid to walk to my car in the evenings. My car has been burglarized 3 times and I have witnessed countless people shoplift, in broad daylight, right in front of me and security guards. But I guess these safety quality of life issues aren't important. My local nail shop and pizza place has been burglarized 6 times in the last few months. What the hell is happening to SF? When will something be done? Why are we catering to criminals and drug crazed fiends? Why do I have to step over shit when I walk to my office?

The absolutely APPAULING, disgusting state our streets are in is an embarrassment and the fact I have to step over someone shooting up or human feces is mind boggling. This is just out of hand. We need officers to do their job and a DA that will do his

Protecting the police staffing budget is important to me because the amount of crime is unacceptable and our quality of life just continues to diminish every single year. It gets worse and worse and worse. It is too damn expensive to live here to put up with this bullshit.

In Conclusion: Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you

Noeme

As a native San Franciscan I have seen changes. Never anything like what is happening now.. Recently while at a Walgreens Isaw someone take things off the shelf and put them under his jacket. My daughter reported it to a couple of employees. But they cmpletely ignored her.

I know if there was more police around, criminals would not be so brazen.

Please listen to the police chief and give him what he needs help bring back San Francisco back to the wonderful city it was.

Thank you, Josephine Migala

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From:	Jeff
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support funding our police
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:41:16 PM

## Hello.

I've lived in the Lower Haight the past 25 years but have considered leaving SF due to the increase in crime around the city. I support police reform, but controlling crime is a prerequisite of a functioning society. US cities that tried reducing policing were hit with more crime, like Baltimore, Chicago, NYC, and others. Businesses do not open where crime is high, which reduces jobs and hurts communities, perpetuating the cycle of crime. I suggest keeping the portion of the police budget that includes police academies, foot patrols, and community policing, so we can have a safer city.

Thank you - Jeff Hirsch 648 Waller St (415) 902-2920

From:	Jennifer Heggie
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Budget: Support police funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:47:07 PM

### Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing as a 35-year San Francisco resident who has lived in Sunnyside, in District 7, for the last 17 of them. My community, which includes adjacent districts, has been hit hard by an unrelenting number of property crimes, including home break-ins, and more recently an increase in violent attacks. This is not the time to reduce funding for the much-needed services on which we depend. It's important we all feel we can support our local merchants and walk or bike or stand waiting for public transit in our neighborhoods. The SFPD has been implementing significant reforms and deserves the resources to ensure those reform efforts continue. Please support the police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Jennifer Heggie Sunnyside resident

From:	Jackson Wong
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I Support More Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:49:57 PM

We need more police officers and more criminals off the streets. Even if the DA and courts fail to enforce the law, the police should make arrests for crimes and book offenders to allow a record to accumulate for future reference in sentencing when the perp commits increasingly serious crimes.

SF needs to maintain funding for public safety and to staff police to acceptable levels. Sadly, there is just too much crime to ignore.

One thing--San Francisco relies on its reputation as a desired tourist destination and can ill afford to lose revenue. With crime on the rise, it will become less of a destination. Tourists will avoid SF which means no tourist dollars for hotels, transportation, restaurants, excursions, etc. This would be bad for SF.

San Francisco needs make sure tourists know the city is safe and that police are available and are well-trained to maintain order.

Fingers crossed the Board of Supervisors will consider what is best for the future of SF and make public safety and police staffing a priority.

D. Toves

Hello BOS,

Please hire at least 100 to 200 more police officers.

I have lived in SF for 45 years and I haven ever been so afraid to walk the streets before or go to parks. Crime is higher than ever.

My car has been broken into serval times while jogging at Stow Lake with nothing visible. The house next door had an attempted garage break in at 1 AM a few months ago that I stopped by banging on the window, when the robber saw me, he walked away. Now we have lots of break ins going on in Forest Knolls where I live. Criminal gangs are working the neighborhoods. Crazy homeless people are wandering around the Inner Sunset with power tools breaking into houses at 12 noon on Sundays with no fear of police. In the last year I have had to install multiple security measures at our house including motion lights, alarms, cameras, more locks on everything and garage guards. There are homeless crack addicts in the forests of Mt Sutro doing drugs and acting crazy.

I am afraid of getting car jacked and now do all my shopping in Marin. I no longer use the parks in SF for fear of being robbed or my car stolen. I am trying not to carry a purse when I leave the house so it will not make me an easy target. I live in fear of being robbed all the time.

I never go downtown anymore since that is too dangerous and you closed all the streets.

We need to end no cash bail. Get cameras on every corner. Recall the DA and get tough on crime. The Walgreens videos of shoplifters are heart breaking. Our city is dying in the grip of the worst crime wave ever and yet nothing seems to be working to fix the crime problem. I had to go to City Hall recently and almost got mugged by two different people walking one block to the parking garage.

Call the SFPD back from SFO and hire at least 100 to 200 more officers. Support our police officers and stop prosecuting them for chasing thieves.

Best, Sherri Sheridan

From:	Brett Ortiz
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police Funding
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:56:25 PM

All,

Do not reduce the police budget. Crime is out of control, I observe criminal activity every day. Do not reduce the police budget.

-Brett Ortiz

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From:	Jon Bellsey
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 3:09:17 AM

With rising crime and violence in the city the last thing we should be doing is cutting the police budget. Yes, there are a few bad cops but there are miscreants in every profession. Our officers lay their lives on the line every day to protect and serve us. Even those who are misguided in this effort either live in secure communities or at the first sign of trouble instinctively call 911.

As seniors (( with an Asian wife) and 45 year city residents we feel less safe now than we ever have, and we live in a relatively safe area. My wife is afraid to shop downtown at the 2 big centers particularly in the mission garage. The police are not the problem. It's brazen actors who now feel they can act with impunity. Please carefully consider the implications of reducing police funding. Who would want to be a cop today with all the negative press officers are receiving. We need to recruit the best men and women and treat them with the respect they deserve. Sincerely,

Jon and Cynthia Bellsey

Sent from my iPhone

Please do not reduce Police and/or Safety funding. Michael Macomber 148 Pixley SF,Ca 94123

Sent from my iPhone

I live in district seven and support a strong and accountable police force. AND enforcement of the law. It is a disgrace what you have allowed this city to become.

Sent from my iPad

Please do not cut funding for SFPD. Please consider expanding the number of officers to help reduce excessive street level crime. I support the SFPD and providing them resources for public safety.

Harlow Voorhees 2075 Sutter St. Apt 515 SF 94115

Board of Supervisors:

I have been a resident of San Francisco for 30 years and strongly support a larger budget allocation police in the current budget under negoations and especially for funding the two academy classes necessary to maintain current police staffing levels.

I am all for reforms in police practices but cutting the police budget sends a message to professional criminals out there ( and there are many) that they can do whatever they want with lesser chance of arrest. It is crucial that we increase the staffing of our police department which already below the the level required given the size and complexity of our city. I support increased funding for homelessness and other social services but those programs should be funded out of new revenue and not by cutting current funding of police and fire.

Thankyou.

Martin Gellen 3248 Baker Street

To the Supervisors:

Do NOT cut police funding. We need MORE police not less. As a senior I have never been more afraid walking in the streets of SF than now. Keep us safe. Social workers will not do that.

Hello board of supervisors,

I am a proud 63 year old San Francisco native from the Excelsior district where I grew up

in my childhood years. I currently split my time in the Marina district and in San Jose where I am employed in the school district. Till this day, I still patronized my old neighborhood way more

than I do here in Silicon Valley. I love my home town. When I speak to people and hear on the news about

car break-ins, stolen tires off cars and homicides (all recent), **in the Excelsior!!!!** You know things are bad in the city.

Defund law and order.....Seriously? You can call (408 368 4661) or email me anytime.

Sincerely,

Duane G. Bozich

Proud first generation Italian/Bosnia Serb

From:	Sarah Ferris
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Jack Gottsman
Subject:	Re: Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 11:37:17 AM
Attachments:	Screen Shot 2021-06-23 at 11.33.32 AM.png

Further to my email, I think the following deserves recognition. Please provide the SF Police with the increased funding needed.

#### About the San Francisco Police Department:

The San Francisco Police Department stands for safety with respect for all. Hailed by the New York Times as a major city department "where police reform has worked," SFPD continues to break ground with its voluntary Collaborative Reform Initiative and its work on Mayor London Breed's ambitious Roadmap for Police Reforms. Since 2018, the department has worked in partnership with the California Department of Justice to implement 272 recommendations that aspire to make SFPD a national model of 21st Century policing. Follow our progress at https://sanfranciscopolice.org/reform.

On Jun 23, 2021, at 11:11 AM, Sarah Ferris <<u>sefe2@yahoo.com</u>> wrote:

PLEASE increase the Police funding. Our police department deserves our support. San Francisco police staffing is currently "severely inadequate" based on an independent analysis. We deserve better! We are watching you.

Sarah Ferris

# I support police funding!

All the major cities I've visited have a solid police presence. San Francisco has a major shoplifter and mugger presence. I see more shoplifters on a weekly basis than I see police.

Supervisors do something!

James Hiltabidel

From:	Jack Schwartz
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please the budget for police
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 12:24:32 PM

Please are bad enough we are not, I am a father of two daughters 4 years od and 2 years old, and safe anymore, specially if the district is not going to persecute any criminals. Is up to you to protect our community, families, elderly people, our businesses.

Please help us

Jack Schwartz

From:	SAM HOM
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I support police funding" in the subject line
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 1:31:11 PM

To SF Board of Supervisors,

Please do NOT defund the SF Police Department any further! We need safe streets and we don't have them right now!

Our city economy depends on tourism and the tax revenue generated by their visits to our wonderful city. But with the homeless situation and crime unabated, tourist have not been coming to SF and we are losing revenue to support the city.

As a native San Franciscan, please keep our city SAFE by not defunding the SFPD. Samuel Hom

751-31st Avenue SF CA 94121

# Dear Board of Supervisors

My safety and the safety of those around me is extremely important to me. The post-pandemic rise in crime makes me reluctant to go out especially at night. Just last week I witness a violent incident in Huntington Park, on what should have been a beautiful, peaceful day. Fortunately, the police arrived in a timely manner and took care of the situation, taking the perpetrator into custody. As a 30-year resident of San Francisco and property tax payer, I urge you to protect the current budget and staffing levels of the San Francisco Police Department. In addition, I urge you to support police budget requests for foot patrols, community policing, and police academies to keep our streets safe from violence.

Thank you, Dan Riley 1333 Jones Street, Unit 403 San Francisco, CA 94109

From:	Bill Kedem
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please Increase Police Funding and Replace SFPD Chief William Scott
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:26:53 PM

Dear Members of the SF Board of Supervisors:

I am a registered Democrat and a member of Stop Crime SF. Please increase (not decrease) police funding and replace the current SFPD Chief William Scott.

My family members have lived in SF for approx. 50 years and we have been frequent victims of crime together with inadequate response action by SFPD as well the current SFPD Chief William Scott. This inadequate action includes:

1. Substantially delayed (approx. 45 minutes) onsite response to our 911 calls in Feb. 2021 for a violent street person that physically threatened my wife and me.

2. Lack of response to date by the SFPD Chief to my emails requesting SFPD's report no. and recorded details for the aforementioned incident.

In recent Zoom meetings, I have heard SFPD Chief William Scott describe his inadequate action plans regarding the currently increasing frequency of violent and property crimes in SF. His inadequate action plans also do not include requests for sufficient funding of SFPD. Please ensure that SFPD is properly funded and staffed despite SFPD Chief's poor management of SFPD.

We can no longer be the world's most dangerous (to residents and tourists alike), crime ridden center of globally renowned high technology. By sufficiently funding SFPD, it is incumbent upon each member of the SF Board of Supervisors to ensure SFPD's crime reduction actions effectively ensure SF's global reputation as a the world's premier high-tech center set in the world's most beautiful natural setting for a city.

Thank you, Bill Kennedy Kedem San Francisco 94115

With rising crime, defunding the police through attrition is not only obviously wrong it is dangerous. Any notion of police reform starts with better training.

Please fund the police who are so needed to reduce crime and server our community.

Scott

Sent from my iPad

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to fully fund the SFPD and not reduce their budget. Now, more than ever, we need to prioritize public safety and give our full support to the men and women who put their lives on the line every day to protect us. Across the country, Police moral is at a low and fewer people are willing to take these critical jobs while crime is rising. The defund the police movement has emboldened criminals. Please don't let San Francisco fall into this category. Fund the Police and prioritize public safety!

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Dill San Francisco Resident

From:	Vicki Roos
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Do Not Cut Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:35:33 AM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

We need police officers! I absolutely oppose cutting the police funding/budget and believe we need more funds for them. Vicki Roos

2040 broadway #103 SF, 94115

Hello.

Our city is not as safe as it was and there is a bias against protecting its citizens from what is perceived by some as "petty crime". No crime is petty. That is why it is called "crime". We have laws and they need to be enforced. We work hard, we pay our taxes, we vote, and we want our police to be fully funded.

"An independent analysis of our police staffing found it to be "<u>severely</u> <u>inadequate</u>." Currently, there are only 1,780 sworn officers, and the analysis recommended an additional 396 sworn officers based on current demand for service." We are under-protected at the moment. Crime is surging now that we are opening up. People and companies are moving out. This hurts SF tax income, SF quality of life, and the SF population.

San Francisco can afford to fully fund our police department now and for the future to help our residents who vote and pay taxes. We residents appreciate our police and need a fully staffed, well-trained group of people to help keep us safe and enforce the laws. We have enough money in this city to fund the task forces that have been deployed to take the pressure off of our police force, and to support our police force by fully funding and training them now and in the future. Quality of life is important for our residents and our police force. Vote wisely.

Thank you.

Tammy Smith-White

### Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to maintain the police funding in the budget. I have lived in San Francisco since 1993, and I have never felt so unsafe. Residential/garage break-ins have soared in my area of the city (Pacific Heights), and two women have been robbed at gunpoint early in the evening (before 9:00 p.m.) just blocks from my apartment. Retail theft is rampant. From what I have read on NextDoor, thieves like the one in the recent viral video, come into most Walgreens stores multiple times a day, load merchandise into duffle bags, and exit the store. Most of these thefts do not show up in the crime statistics because the retailers do not bother to report the crimes as they know nothing will be done. There similarly is an underreporting of auto and garage break-ins. Something must be done to reduce crime. Defunding the police is not the answer.

First, do not be fooled by the crime statistics. Not only is there an issue of underreporting, but one must consider the number of people in the city during the pandemic. The number of crimes such as assault, auto break-ins, or robbery of individuals (such as mugging) should be calculated on a per capita basis. During the pandemic, tourists did not come to the city and neither did white collar workers, and fewer people were out on the street. Of course, absent people cannot be robbed or assaulted.

Second, criminals are deliberately choosing to target San Francisco stores due to the city's lax enforcement. At least one retailer, perhaps Walgreens, has indicated that its shoplifting losses are three times higher in San Francisco than in other cities. More police in or near stores could deter crime.

Third, many criminals come from outside San Francisco. While we should invest in poor communities, this investment alone will not solve the crime problem if many of the miscreants come from other places. Further, this investment is a long term proposition. The level of policing must be maintained until this investment has time to change communities, which could take decades.

Fourth, the current number of police officers is insufficient, as detailed in an independent analysis of our police staffing. San Francisco residents have suffered as a result. Police can take hours to respond to 911 calls, including when an intruder has entered the building, if he has not yet broken into one of the apartments within the building. I have never seen police out on foot patrol, which could deter crime in our neighborhoods. Even if the mental health response groups work, because current staffing levels are so low, the formation of these groups do not warrant a reduction in the number of police officers.

Finally, one of the basic functions of city government is to protect its residents and keep them and their property safe. San Francisco is failing at this task. Despite catchy slogans, reducing the police budget is not the solution to this problem. I agree that there should be reforms with respect to policing, but additional training costs money. (A Frontline documentary on police reform broadcast within the last year makes this point.) City government should also get the Police Chief and Chesa Boudin in the same room to discuss how they can better work together to reduce crime. All I read about is the police pointing their fingers at the DA and vice versa.

Best,

Jill Neiman (1900 Jackson St., Apt. 100, San Francisco, CA)

From:	Elaine Dines
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Elaine Dines
Subject:	Police vote on 24th
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:44:40 AM

Board of Supervisors,

We need more police officers, not fewer. Our police force does not experience the same sort of mis-handling reports as those we see on National news.

CHILDREN AND THE GROWING NEED: Children are being forced to walk amongst homeless people on sidewalks, some with mental impairment and/or drug addiction issues. Our ever-growing homeless population can now be found sleeping in residential areas of the City where they never were previously. This includes walking-to-school sidewalk routes. Must our children be forced to walk between homeless persons on one side and traffic on the other? Can they be expected to judge whom it is safe to be near. Walking amongst strewn needles is threatening enough.

How about some funding for immediate sidewalk clean-up of multiple needles when reported to the police. And, as well as, for the removal of sidewalk tents in, at least, non-commercial residential areas where the sidewalks are narrower. There is a need for expanding our police force, not the diminishment of it.

Thank you, Elaine Dines

From:	Susan Horst
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment in support of SFPD Chief Scott"s Budget priorities
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 11:17:52 AM

To : Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. From: Susan Horst, Attorney at Law, San Francisco law.susanhorst@gmail.com

I have lived and worked in San Francisco since 1978, and have watched the quality of life here get worse, better and worse again over the years. In my observation, as the ranks of the SFPD shrink, so too does the quality of life in the City.

Police Chief Bill Scott recently appeared before you to share his concerns regarding staff attrition and requested meaningful funding commitments for two police academy classes, equipment and new investments in criminal justice reform initiatives.

The current budget proposal includes funding for these priorities. The two academy classes are necessary to sustain the police department's current staffing levels. As you are well aware, an independent analysis of San Francisco PD recommended an additional 396 sworn officers based on current demand for service.

Despite the need, there are some who have expressed a desire to cut this funding. This will likely reduce the sworn officer population by another 200 positions based on current attrition and retirement trends.

Keeping our streets safe and investing in meaningful criminal justice reform need not be mutually exclusive—indeed, meaningful criminal justice reform requires safe neighborhoods.

Please maintain the SFPD funding priorities in the budget.

From:	Richard Frisbie
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	Increase Police Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:56:40 AM

I strongly believe that SF Policing needs many changes, it needs to be more racially and culturally sensitive; it needs to be better trained to minimize force wherever possible; it needs more police officers on the street doing policingnot social services, not homeless management, etc. (this responsibility lies elsewhere); it needs to be better equipped...

What it does NOT need is a reduction in funding.

It needs an increase in funding and it needs to make better use of its funding.

Both the Board of Supervisors and the SFPD Administration need to frankly do a better job of addressing Public Safety in San Francisco. When there is an ongoing systemic issue look first to Leadership and how effective and Accountable it is.

Less talk more results!

Fund the new academy classes.

Frankly, academy classes should be on a permanently funded basis and not subject to the sporadic whim of the BOS. Attrition, be it retirement, resignation, etc., is a forever process so how in the world the replacement strategy is an "on again/off again" process is not only counterproductive it's somewhat self limiting.

You attract the best young talent by having a known, dependable, repeatable process for integrating young talentsmart, creative women and men committed to public service.

Imagine if Google used a random plan to recruit new talent whenever it decided to budget it?

Imagine if the SF Giants only funded its minor league teams occasionally?

Public Safety is a forever responsibility, fund it accordingly.

Respectfully,

**Richard Frisbie** 

Sent from my iPad

We need to increase police funding to keep our city safe. The police force is severely understaffed and we personally know people

who have had things stolen from their garages, mailboxes, door steps, cars, every day. We rarely see police vehicles or police on the street.

The traffic situation is also out of control as their is no punishment for running red lights, stop signs, speeding or changing across all lanes.

Not to mention the shop lifting issues. I have personally witnessed people stealing bag full of merchandise from Walgreen's and Safeway. It is brazen.

We strongly urge you to vote in favor of more police staffing.

Thank you!

Resident, Home Owner, Tax Payer

From:	Katherine Cooper
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please fund our police
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:27:36 AM

In reading that our police department is underfunded and we do not have enough police officers today, please do not vote to take money away from our police department. We need adequate staffing for the department to do its work and for our citizens to feel protected and safe. Thank you.

Connie Mansell
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Do not defund Police funding
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:31:51 AM

I am in support of keeping the police funded and there is need for more money to train and employ more police then what we have today. There is not enough police, leaving residents in harms way at home or on the street or driving. Connie Mansell 3248 Baker St. SF 94123

From:	Matt Gmail
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police budget June 24 meeting
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:34:09 AM

Please do not cut the police budget for staffing. If anything we need WAY more officers on the street and foot patrol, not fewer. Therefore as a resident I request that the budget for police staffing be increased. Our neighborhood has become unsafe and we need more of a police street presence.

Respectfully, Matthew Boente MD 2829 Laguna street 94123 612-618-7867

Sent from my iPhone

From:	tweed001 University of Minnesota
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	June 24 police budget meeting
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:39:36 AM

Hello,

I respectfully but very strongly request that the police budget not be reduced, but instead INCREASED. Our quiet cow hollow neighborhood has become increasingly scary in the past 4 years to the point where I don't feel safe walking my dog. We need more police officers, especially on foot patrol with MORE police presence in the neighborhood. Quality neighbors of ours (long time residents of the city) are moving out in an exodus because they don't feel safe with their kids in our neighborhood. It's a very sad but preventable situation. Please act before it's too late.

Thank you, Kathy Boente MD 2829 Laguna street 94123 612-819-4415

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Preston Burnes
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	<u>Stefani, Catherine (BOS)</u>
Subject:	Support Public Safety Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:43:39 AM

## Honorable Supervisors,

I am writing to **support Chief Scott's requests for funding** to enable the department to at least maintain current staffing levels. While I understand the desire to be responsive to requests by criminal justice reform and social justice advocates who are requesting funding reductions, the reality on the streets demands something different. I have only lived in San Francisco for 13 years, but I have never felt or seen the impact of crime in our communities so acutely. It is clear that people and property are not currently safe from criminals roaming our city, often from elsewhere, so further reducing our highly competent and considerate police force will only make things worse.

It would also be a truly pennywise and pound foolish exercise to continue to allow the deterioration of conditions in our city, as it will result in reduced tax revenues from tourism and small local businesses and lead to further cuts in programs many of you hold dear. The state has a tremendous budget surplus at the moment, and we already invest heavily in highly innovative social programs here in our city, if we really need to do more then it would be best to come up with creative new solutions and propose them to the state for pilot funding. There has never been a better time for this approach than now.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments and once more **please support Chief Scott's funding requests tomorrow.** 

Best Regards, Preston Burnes 1770 N Point, San Francisco

Dear Supervisors:

If funding for SFPD is cut further, you will put public safety in jeopardy.

I live in the Richmond District, and only in the last 2 years has my network been subject to repeated incidents of violent crime including one stabbing and a daylight robbery. I have lost track of how many garages have been broken into.

Your failure to preserve our police force staffing levels will pour gasoline into the fire that has already been lit.

Regards,

David Golden 370 19th Avenue San Francisco, CA 94121

From:	Annette Perry
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS); PrestonStaff (BOS)
Subject:	Support for police budget
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:03:49 AM

Despite any manipulation of data we all know crime on the street is up. I can't walk down Polk Street, Chestnut Street, or Union Street, or in and around Pacific Heights without fear that I'll be mugged -my purse snatched at the very least. I can't sit at an outdoor cafe and not have my purse clutched to me. Why? So many assaults, snatching of purses or laptops.

You may say "such is life in a city". You mean - "in THIS city". I am in Manhattan often in the last 10 years. I can walk pretty much everywhere at any time and not worry about being mugged. That's NEW YORK CITY. Ditto London or Paris. These are diverse urban cities!

We need more police. We need more beat cops. Of course we need mental health services and homeless services. Of course we need to build up neighborhoods with jobs and recreation. You have neglected the Bay view/Hunters Point for literally decades.

But we can't take that money away from cops. Honestly, how do you folks sleep at night knowing abundant cars are broken in to, garages are broken in to and someone's purse or dog is being stolen right as you sleep or as you're sitting at your desk having lunch.

I can't tell you how many people whether from Sacramento, San Jose, Dublin Ireland, Paris, Glasgow (capital of fist fights), all over England have told me they won't come to SF because of the crime. Those who do come say they didn't like it and won't come again cause of crime. Word is out.

Wake up and give the police more money for more officers. Of course train them up to be decent, kind, accepting, aiming to de-escalate. Of course. More police does not equal more oppression or more disgusting racist behavior. You supervisors truly have been ruining the city. Take a hard look in the mirror. Brigid Sent from my iPhone

Thank you for the time to read my e-mail. I will make it as brief as possible as I am sure you will receive many opinions.

1. Safety for the Citizens of San Francisco:

Please use an independent audit on how many Police Officers are needed for a City of this size. I believe politics and showboating have blurred the vision on making SF a safe place to live and visit.

The accurate amount of officers required for the city help in reducing crimes of opportunity, assist in catching criminals in the act of committing crimes, and increase the chance of catching criminals quickly after a criminal act happens.

However, arresting criminals is only one cog in a wheel. the reduction of crime is also by keeping criminals who are arrested in jail or prison.

The District Attorney has a lackadaisical approach to locking up criminals which has assisted in the image of San Francisco being a crime ridden city, an increase in victimized citizens and tourists of both violent and non violent crime.

Homelessness: Even though we all agree that homelessness is not a criminal act, it is a blight and health hazard upon the city that has been the butt of jokes across the Country. Entire blocks of homeless encampments, filth, human waste, sanitation problems and of course crime. The city created a new social service system to handle homeless calls, yet relies heavily on the Police Department to respond and handle the majority of homeless service calls.

The economy of San Francisco: Taking Covid out of the picture, the city has lost and is losing billions of revenue from reduced tourism based on word of mouth, that San Francisco is not a safe place to visit. Businesses that have decided to close and leave San Francisco because it is no longer safe to have stores in the City. (Walgreens/CVS) 17 stores? Billion of dollars from conventions that have refused to come back to San Francisco because of the homeless and crime problems.

I want to see this city become more than what it once was and more than what it is now. San Francisco can be a beacon of light for the West Coast and perhaps the jewel of the Country. A progressive and innovating approach to solve the issues is needed. Hard choices to be made and the foresight for years ahead of now.

Twenty years ago I presented a path to greatly reduce homelessness in the City, but was rejected for the immediate costs at the time. I believe that those costs would have been recovered and saved millions of dollars annually for the last 10 years of the homeless budget. You cannot fix a problem with a band aid. Innovation and seeing the long term goal is needed.

Facts do not lie. A safe city invites more business, tourism, conventions, residents and positive news. All of this equates of billions of revenue for San Francisco.

Failure to do so also does not lie. An unsafe city will keep losing money. Protect the Citizens. Protect the Tourists. Protect Businesses. Protect San Francisco from failing. Your leadership will plot the course of success or failure for the City. Thank you, Erik Whitney

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From:	Lynn Davis
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	June 24 Supervisors" Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting at 10 a.m.
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:26:17 AM

I wanted to expressed a concern regarding possible cuts to the San Francisco Police Department.

Please consider carefully Police Chief Bill Scott concerns regarding staff attrition and funding commitments for two police academy classes, equipment and new investments in criminal justice reform initiatives. I urge you not to vote to adjust or cut the police budget.

I live at Opera Plaza, am 73 years old, and have lived in San Francisco for 50 years. A fully funded police force—and commitment to excellence—is my investment in my home, family, friends and community. I hope it is yours.

Thank you.

Lynn Davis treebarque@gmail.com

From:	Job Juarez
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Funding for public safety
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:58:35 PM

To our Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in regard to the upcoming Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting. I support fully funding public safety in San Francisco. Please do not cut funding to our police and fire departments. The only suggestion I have is to recruit police and firefighters from within the City, giving preference/priority in hiring to current residents of San Francisco.

Respectfully, Job Juarez 341 Dellbrook Ave San Francisco, CA 94131

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a San Francisco resident of 20 years, I wanted to share my concerns related to public safety in the City: can you please all approve funding to re-establish the appropriate number of policemen to beat/patrol our City?

Public Safety is one of the 35 points of the <u>recovery plan</u> that you have worked on, see section 3.4 - "Support cleanliness, health, and safety in public spaces" 70\_EcomomicRecoveryTaskForceReportz\_0920.indd

• Develop a campaign in partnership with tourism, business, and arts organizations to highlight San Francisco's clean and safe streets throughout its diverse neighborhoods in order to restore feelings of safety with the goal of increasing foot traffic.

The current reality is that we are seeing and hearing from friends or reading on a daily basis of fellow citizens (some seniors) getting harassed, mugged, stabbed, punched etc etc.

Best regards, Giovanni

From:	Stanley Liang
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Funding for Public Safety
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:19:39 AM

Hi to whom this may concern,

I wanted to provide a short and concise email regarding my input on police funding. My family and I have lived in the city for over 26+ years. We have always felt a sense of fear within the location we reside in (visitation valley), however, the time it takes for police to arrive when a situation occurs is rather untimely. The fact that it took 10 minutes for police to arrive at the scene of a attempt house break in (our house) and allow the suspects to escape is unsettling. Previously the response time of the police was much quicker (around 1-2) minutes because we had a cop supervising our street a lot more frequent.

In short, we would like for the city not to cut the police budget and to increase the population of police officers within our city. Reducing their numbers only increases more crime. The fact that the criminals are coming from outside the city to commit crime is concerning. If the city reduces this even more, I'm pretty sure the crime rate would increase due to the lack of security and justice.

Thank you,

#### Stanley

From:	Peter Logan
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	StefaniStaff, (BOS); Peskin, Aaron (BOS)
Subject:	MORE funding for SFPD
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:45:00 PM

SF has grown quite a lot in the last few years, but SFPD staffing has shrunk. The difference on the street and in the neighborhoods is striking. I have lived here since the 70's, and SF safety seems like an all-time low. Reform of police practices will be easier if the dept. is well-staffed. Alternative services will also be more readily deliverable if police are available when needed. Thank you for your consideration.

Peter J. Logan, Esq. Peter Logan Law Offices 1532 Green Street San Francisco, CA 94123-5102 Phone: 415-572-6448 Fax: 415-366-1507 peter@peterloganlaw.com www.peterloganlaw.com

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#### Dear Board of Supervisors,

Cutting the police budget is suicide for our city. The crime levels in our City (despite businesses closed and the pandemic) and the brazenness of the criminals operating in SF are being widely reported in the national media. It's a point of shame for our City that so many Walgreens stores can't afford to operate here because shoplifters take whatever they want with impunity. Small businesses owners don't feel safe either.

The demands and expectations for the police have increased. If you want police officers to be able to operate safely in the community, they need manpower. A lone police officer actually has fewer options in deploying force and is more easily forced into a situation where he/she may have to use lethal force to subdue someone resisting arrest. They need to be able to back each other up if physically if you want them to minimize their use of their firearms to regain control of suspects fighting them. That's not going to happen if we keep losing officers and their budget gets cut. They need numbers to do their job safely and to minimize situations where conflict escalates. They've also been asked to solve many problems that are caused by the failures of other departments to do their jobs. Why do they end up dealing with so many homeless, mentally ill and drug addicted when other departments in the City get so much money to cure homelessness, treat the mentally ill, and support the drug addicted? If the other departments aren't doing the job with the massive budgets at their disposal, transfer their funds to the police who have to deal with the fallout from their failures.

Businesses don't want to return downtown because it's become increasingly unsafe. Tourists and conventions are avoiding our City because people don't feel safe here. Don't believe what you are hearing from the DA about crime statistics. Things are worse on the street for anyone daring to venture out there. We've been locked up in our homes during the pandemic, and limiting our activities outside, but it's obvious to everyone that safety on our streets have declined. It's ugly out there. The City's revenue stream will continue to drop drastically if crime isn't brought under control. Businesses will stay closed, people will avoid our City, and people with money will eventually say enough is enough and leave.

Strengthening our police force and restoring safety on our streets is the first step to recovering from the pandemic.

Robert

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a lifelong resident of San Francisco, I wholeheartedly support <u>full</u> funding for the San Francisco Police Department.

Funding for the police department should not be reduced. If anything, it should likely be increased based on the rampant amount of street crime, burglaries and assaults that we are seeing in the City.

Sincerely,

Henry Kuechler

Sent from my iPad

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ard of Supervisors, (BOS)
mistake to cut the police budget!!!
esday, June 22, 2021 10:04:21 PM

What exactly the Mayor's reasoning for doing so? Please don't vote to cut the Police budget!!!

Thanks, RP Sent from my iPad

From:	Max Neiman
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Save Progressivism
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:04:41 PM

Being a progressive shouldn't mean you're also blind to the increasing reaction to the rise of unchecked petty theft and street crime that is eroding the perceived quality of life, and perceptions are everything. Right now Progressives are the foremost enemy of Progressives. Be smart and show some regard for the tax paying public's desire for a sensible uptick in recruiting and training quality police and addressing the perceptions of increasing street crime and unsafe streets.

Respectfully,

Max

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Max Neiman Phone/Text/Voicemail 310-923-5770 3162 Clay St. San Francisco, CA 94115

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

San Francisco has the highest per capita rate of property crime in the United States according to the FBI.

I wish adding police officers would change that shameful distinction, but I do not think so. The police will be the first to admit the chances of catching a criminal, even with video tape, is nil.

Prosecutors are to blame for not backing police in the event of valid arrests, as it causes more damage to the neighborhood and city than is recognized.

Property crimes, breaking and entering, and theft should be considered with violent crimes for prosecution given their impact on security and safety.

But we also need to thoughtfully reconsider who is sent on a 911 call based on the circumstances, to make the most of police resources.

Mental illness must be treated by those trained to deal with such.

Drug overdoses should be dealt with by those trained to interdict and place such individuals in drug treatment.

Parking and signaling violations should be handled by parking control.

Active crime scenes need well trained police officers to prevent escalation and detain those responsible. Investigators solve open crimes.

Reallocating resources based on analytics and purpose will maximize value and keep San Francisco from being the property crime capital of America.

Best regards,

Tony S Hamer 1955 Broadway #302 San Francisco, CA 94109-2210

From:	Janet Pellegrini
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Retain Police staffing
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:31:44 PM

I have lived in San Francisco all my life and never have I witnessed so much crime and unacceptable behaviour on the street as there is now. It is unsafe! Just in the last two weeks, I witnessed and had to report a house break-in, saw a group of men bashing in a line of car Windows, homeless ripping off items from Trader Joe's and Walgreen's and a

Guy pissing in Walgreen's parking lot. I was planning to bring a friend to Ghiradelli Square and Fisherman's Wharf but was scared to park with glass all over! It has become a norm for car break-ins at tourist spots. We, the tax payers and abiding citizens need police presence, and law and order to precide. Police should be on the street and available to stop the out of hand crime. Please save our city, save our #1 industry-Tourism, make us feel safe by RETAINING AND EVEN ADDING POLICE. Thanks!

Janet Pellegrini

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Shirley Fong
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Please DO NOT CUT FUNDING
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 10:42:05 PM

For new police academy classes! We need more officers! There is too much crime in in our city! As a native San Franciscan, of 81 years, this is the worse our city has ever experienced! It is a disgrace!

Sent from my iPhone

### SF Board of Supervisors,

I strongly support increasing the funding of the SFPD to hire additional officers to replace those lost to attrition and increase the number of officers necessary to keep San Francisco's neighborhoods safe. As I write this email, gunshots are audible from my home in GG Park. I believe that the dramatic increase in crime and diminished quality of life in our city over the past five years is directly correlated to the noticeable decline in police presence on our streets. We need more police on the streets in SF.

"Defunding the police" is a misguided and reckless response to solving serious issues such as racial bias that should be addressed through increased training and revised policies. Please do not sacrifice the safety of San Franciscans by decreasing police funding when exactly the opposite is necessary. We need more police in San Francisco, not less.

Sincerely,

Peter Lukens

--Peter Lukens 1 Hill Point Ave, San Francisco, CA 94117 <u>peterlukens@gmail.com</u> tel 415.608.3540

Yours truly strongly recommends INCREASING funding of police.

The horrific unsafe conditions in San Francisco deter many of us from parking our cars for even a one hour shopping trip. Yours truly has had her home in Pacific Heights burglarized....and police did absolutely NOTHING.

Absolutely INCREASE police funding.

Thank you.

Sherry Amanpour 1940 Sacramento St. San Francisco, CA 94109

email: <a href="mailto:sherryamanpour@gmail.com">sherryamanpour@gmail.com</a>

Dear SF Supervisors:

As an SF resident since 1991 and a business owner employing more than 100 San Franciscans, I strongly urge you to fully fund SFPD to more than 2200 sworn active officers.

Last year, My 16 year old son was held up at gunpoint a half block from our Cow Hollow house in broad daylight, my garage has been broken into three times in the past 18 months causing more than \$10k in losses and my coworkers have experienced innumerable incidents of crime in the city that was not common a short time ago.

San Francisco is a great city that needs to be safe and protected from both major and minor crimes. By fully funding the police Dept, you are helping San Francisco to be a safe place to live, visit and work.

A vote against fully funding SFPD encourages lawlessness, civic anxiety, and pushes out productive businesses that otherwise would serve SF residents.

Thank you,

Eric R. Mathewson Founder and CEO WideOrbit 415 675 6751

My wife and I wrote to the BOS a couple of days ago expressing our concern for reducing the police budget. If anything, it should be increased to coincide with the rise in crime in SF.

Regards,

David & Katherine Lane 1870 Jackson St. #404 San Francisco, Ca. 94109 415 309 4536

Sent from my I-Phone

Dear Budget and Appropriations Committee Members:

It is hard to overstate the negative emotional and physical impact of the rising crime in our city. From my perspective, the only thing that should be on Thursday's agenda is how much to INCREASE funding for our police to attract good men and women to the force.

Every tax paying San Franciscan has the right to expect to be able to walk the streets of this city without fear for our family, friends, or ourselves. The state of this city is sickening!

PLEASE, DO YOUR JOBS!

Joan Sacks

From:	Jooolya
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police funding.
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:13:17 AM

This city needs more police, not less. Until the citizenry shows respect for the laws that were meant to keep us safe, someone has to enforce them... kindly, respectfully, and forcefully when needed. Speeding cars are plowing down our residential streets loudly and carelessly; parked cars are broken into regularly; wandering, weary people are accosting others on the street, thieves help themselves to product off the shelves of stores.... You can add many more instances of societal disrespect in San Francisco.

Cut the police budget? NOT!!

Julia Clark

Dear Madam or Sir,

We are opposed to ANY cuts to the SF police budget. See the recent survey data released this week from the SF Chamber of Commerce. Overwhelmingly city residents are opposed to police budget cuts and feel unsafe. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very best, Brenton & Sarah MacDonald 2912 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA, 94109 District 2.

I am a SF native I have never SF in such a mess We need a good Police Dept. A lot of my friends sons are SF police men MARY LAROCCA

From:	michael bagatelos
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Police funding and staffing
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:57:05 AM

Please increase police funding and staffing. We need law and order. Academy training with updated rules is necessary for good policing.

From:	danolley@aol.com
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	njzajac@aol.com
Subject:	Funding for San Francisco"s Finest
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:00:55 AM

Sirs and Madams - My wife and I are well into our senior years and, for the first time in our decades of living in and contributing (including with \$ after the '89 quake) to the betterment of, San Francisco, we are afraid of being out after dark downtown because of the dangers we might encounter from criminals who've been permitted to roam the streets. We urge you to please, please permit adequate funding for the brave and capable, uniformed men and women who we hope will help us to feel safe while being out and about during our final years in San Francisco. Thank you for your attention, David and Nancy out in the Outer Sunset.

From:	David Landis
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	Budget for SF Police Department - please increase the budget
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:19:32 AM
Importance:	High

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to you to voice my support for increasing – not decreasing – the budget for the police department. They are doing a great job and we need more police officers, not less. I understand you have a budget meeting on Thursday and I respectfully ask that you consider increasing the budget to make our city safer.

Thank you.

Engage,

David Landis Pronouns: He/Him david@landispr.com C: 415.517.9887

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Leslie
Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
I support police funding
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:20:32 PM

From:	James Dzur
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Cc:	Stefani, Catherine (BOS)
Subject:	Public Comment: Police Budget
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:27:23 PM

San Francisco needs more police officers and those police officers need access to better training and a therapeutic support system. The police need to be funded; not defunded. I am not claiming they need funds for tanks and machine guns, but they DO need funds for staffing, training, and mandatory monthly mental health counseling sessions.

First, we fix the police and get them where they need to be. THEN we start throwing money at diversion programs.

Thank you.

From:	aprato otr@yahoo.com
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	Do not reduce funding for the SF Police Department
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:27:58 PM

Sent from my iPad

From:	<u>P &amp; J Lim</u>
To:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	I SUPPORT POLICE FUNDING
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:28:48 PM

Please keep the police fund/funding! The crime in SF is so high, we need more police patrol in our neighborhoods! Don't tell me crime is down because we are feeling it more and more!!

Phyllis Lim Tax payer and Registered voter

Sent from my iPad

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a full time resident of San Francisco living in Pacific Heights. I am writing to ask you to maintain or increase the budget for San Francisco police training.

At a time when crime is up against Asians, assaults are reported daily on citizens simply walking the sidewalks, and looting stores and robberies are a regular occurrence, it seems incredible that the BOS would consider reducing the number of police officers in our city.

I am absolutely opposed to any reduction in training and in fact it should be increased.

George Cavage

1870 Jackson Street #101

San Francisco, CA 94109

I support police funding!!!!

I also support the recall of Chesa Boudin!!!! San Francisco needs law and order restored!!!!!! I no longer feel safe in my city!!!!!!!!!

Tami Epstein

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: CCSF is both College AND Adult School
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:33:33 AM

From: bsp fitch <bspfitch@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 7:19 PM

**To:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>;

Stefani, Catherine (BOS) <catherine.stefani@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS)

<matt.haney@sfgov.org>

Cc: bob fitch <rfitch@ccsf.edu>

**Subject:** CCSF is both College AND Adult School

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Dear Supervisors,

As the BOS Budget Committee is once again being asked about funding for City College, there is a fundamental point that can't be ignored;

CCSF has a dual function. CCSF is the Adult Education provider for San Francisco. Different than many communities, San Francisco Unified school District (SFUSD) does NOT offer classes in vocational training or classes serving adult English learners, older adults or adults w disabilities. CCSF performs that function through free, open enrollment noncredit classes. These classes are funded separately and differently than credit classes. CCSF receives funds based on attendance. Many of these classes are offered at host agency/community partners with NO facility costs to the college. Noncredit classes have actually generated income for the college.

Any discussion about CCSF, the budget, the role of the City, etc. that does not acknowledge this dual function will be an uninformed discussion!

Thank you for your work,

Robert Fitch 650 Lombard St SFD 94133

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: KIND Comment supporting Immigrant Justice Portfolio for Bd. of Sups. Budget & Approps. Meeting 6.25.21
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 11:32:48 AM
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From: Cindy Liou <CLiou@supportkind.org>Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 10:05 AMTo: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Katie Annand <kannand@supportkind.org>; Carol Bisharat <cbisharat@supportkind.org> **Subject:** KIND Comment supporting Immigrant Justice Portfolio for Bd. of Sups. Budget & Approps. Meeting 6.25.21

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Dear Ms. Wong,

Attached and below, please find KIND's public comment in support of Immigrant Justice Portfolio for the June 25, 2021 Board of Supervisors Budget & Appropriations Committee meeting. Thank you.

June 25, 2021

Sent by email to Linda.Wong@sfgov.org

Board of Supervisors Budget & Appropriations Committee 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

### Re: Public Comment from Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) in support of FY2021-2022 San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative (SFILDC) and Immigrant Justice Portfolio Funding

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) provides the following written comment for the City and County of San Francisco Budget and Appropriations Committee Hearing for June 25, 2021. KIND writes on behalf of its work, as well as a member of the San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative (SFILDC). Founded in 2008, KIND is the leading 501c3 nonprofit organization in the country providing free legal representation to children who enter the U.S. immigration system alone. KIND provides free direct legal representation, pro bono mentoring, and social services coordination for many San Francisco UCs, and has been a member of SFILDC since 2016.

In a time where San Francisco and the greater San Francisco Bay Area are bracing to receive high numbers of unaccompanied children (UCs), KIND respectfully requests continued funding of SFILDC, San Francisco Immigrant Legal Education Network (SFILEN), and the Rapid Response Network (RRC) (collectively hereinafter "Immigrant Justice Portfolio"). Specifically, we request that the Board of Supervisors approve the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development's (MOHCD) recommendation in funding for SFILDC for FY21-FY22, and restore the funding cut from the San Francisco Rapid Response Network (SFRRN) for the following reasons:

- California and the San Francisco Bay Area are top national destinations for UCs, but most UCs are not provided counsel in removal proceedings;
- SFILDC was founded in 2014 to address record numbers of UCs, and must again meet the need for the high number of UCs arriving in 2021;
- Legal services are essential to UCs, who rarely receive coordinated services, and to help them recover from the disproportionate and inequitable impact of COVID-19; and \_
- Legal services for UCs are complex, multi-venued in state and federal processes, and require developmentally appropriate, child-centered, culturally sensitive and trauma-informed advocacy.

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June 25, 2021

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#### Re: Public Comment from Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) in support of FY2021-2022 San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative (SFILDC) and Immigrant Justice Portfolio Funding

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) provides the following written comment for the City and County of San Francisco Budget and Appropriations Committee Hearing for June 25, 2021. KIND writes on behalf of its work, as well as a member of the San Francisco Immigrant Legal Defense Collaborative (SFILDC). Founded in 2008, KIND is the leading 501c3 nonprofit organization in the country providing free legal representation to children who enter the U.S. immigration system alone. KIND provides free direct legal representation, pro bono mentoring, and social services coordination for many San Francisco UCs, and has been a member of SFILDC since 2016.

In a time where San Francisco and the greater San Francisco Bay Area are bracing to receive high numbers of unaccompanied children (UCs), KIND respectfully requests continued funding of SFILDC, San Francisco Immigrant Legal Education Network (SFILEN), and the Rapid Response Network (RRC) (collectively hereinafter "Immigrant Justice Portfolio"). Specifically, we request that the Board of Supervisors approve the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development's (MOHCD) recommendation in funding for SFILDC for FY21-FY22, and restore the funding cut from the San Francisco Rapid Response Network (SFRRN) for the following reasons:

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From:	Mchugh, Eileen (BOS)
To:	BOS-Supervisors; BOS Legislation, (BOS); BOS-Administrative Aides
Cc:	Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Somera, Alisa (BOS); Laxamana, Junko (BOS); Ng, Wilson (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	FW: defunding SFPD and sheriff and investing in our communities
Date:	Thursday, June 24, 2021 9:50:30 AM

From: dee hibbert-jones <hjdee@ucsc.edu>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:04 PM
To: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: defunding SFPD and sheriff and investing in our communities

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#### Dear Angela,

Hi, my name is Wendy Hibbert-Jones and I live in the Mission District. I'm calling to urge you to prioritize real public safety by defunding the sheriff and SFPD, and refunding our community. This committee can and should remove the \$24 million that formerly went to County Jail 4, the \$22 million paid by the Department of Public Health for clinic and hospital security, and make significant cuts to SFPD by eliminating units that target BIPOC and LGBTQ+ folks, including the plainclothes and homeless units, HSOC, the gang unit, and the sex work abatement unit. By refunding our community, the city can invest in implementing non-police responders that are trained to help people in crisis, such as the community-driven and union-represented community safety team proposed by DPH Must Divest for our clinics and hospitals and the CART program proposed by the community, which would connect people to services, focus on moving them off the streets permanently, and create infrastructure for addressing calls from both housed and unhoused San Franciscans. Both of these initiatives would reduce the risk of tragic or violent outcomes for BIPOC and/or unhoused folks who are most at risk of harassment by deputies and police.

Wendy Hibbert-Jones Professor, Art Department Affiliate faculty in Film, DANM, Legal Studies Faculty Director, Arts Research Institute University of California, Santa Cruz,

From:	Elisa Baier
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS); Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Ronen, Hillary
Subject:	Public Comment: 6/25 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:01:11 PM

My name is Elisa Baier and I live and work in District 9. I may not be able to call in for public comment on Friday so I'm emailing my comment instead.

I am firmly against the Mayor's proposed budget increases to SFPD and the Sheriff's Department.

We need to invest in well-paid professionals who can support people in mental health crises and people who are unhoused. These roles should not be fulfilled by minimally trained police officers who are unable to address root causes or offer supportive services. We absolutely should be seeking to reduce the SFPD budget by steadily reducing the size of the force and sharply reducing overtime. The two new academy classes should be slashed and the money should be reallocated to programs like CART.

The Sheriff's Dept budget likewise should be cut significantly. CJ4 is closed! This should result in a savings of more than 24 million by cutting overtime for staff and other operational savings. It's unbelievable that a budget increase has been proposed.

Funds are urgently needed to help vulnerable residents after this traumatic pandemic - we cannot throw money at ineffective carceral departments that don't actually improve public safety. Thank you for your time.

Dear Supervisors Haney, Mar, Ronen, Safai and Walton:

On behalf of the San Francisco Symphony, I would like to express my thanks for your support of funding the supplemental to backfill Prop E arts funding earlier this year. I ask that you fully fund the Prop E backfill for fiscal years 21-23 for Grants for the Arts, the Arts Commission and Mayor's Office of Community Development to support arts organizations, cultural centers and cultural districts in the upcoming year. The Symphony is looking forward to our summer concerts and announcing a full season beginning in the fall, which would not have been possible without leaders like you.

Though the past 15 months have been tremendously challenging, the dedication of everyone in the SF Symphony family – from our unionized orchestra, stage crew and box office employees, to our full time and part time staff, to our board members and volunteers – allowed us to continue to fulfil myriad organizational priorities. The Symphony has remained committed to not only musical performances, both in person and digitally, but to continuing our education and community programs and to expanding our diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. Some highlights include:

- Pivoting from in-person concerts to producing digital concerts, many of which were free of charge
- Presenting 1:1 concerts on the terraces of Davies Symphony Hall and at the San Francisco Botanical Garden, free of charge, to more than 1,200 people
- Continuing to serve every SFUSD student in grades 1-5, as part of the Symphony's commitment to providing five consecutive years of music education to our all of SF's public elementary schools via the Adventures in Music (AIM) program. In the 2020-21 school year, the Symphony supported the SFUSD's distance learning goals by providing weekly video dispatches of music education content all elementary teachers, accompanied by a weekly lesson plan. The videos featured five music ensembles of diverse cultural traditions, such as Latin music, world percussion, and orchestral instruments. The AIM content was enthusiastically received by teachers, who expressed how meaningful the AIM program has been for their students and student learning during a particularly challenging time.

In 2018, the Symphony joined a broad coalition of individuals. arts organizations and culture districts, working together to put Prop E on the ballot. The passage of Prop E ensured a stable source of funding to support one of the deepest more diverse artistic communities in the nation. This stability was tested during the pandemic but the arts and culture sector is poised to not only recover ourselves, but to contribute to the recovery of many other critical businesses and industries in our city.

According to a recent report by the Bay Area Council Economic Institute on Arts and the Economy in

San Francisco, the impact of the arts is clear:

- Our industry generates \$1.7B in economic output and creates or supports 36,828 full time equivalent jobs per year
- We are employers of not only artists and performers, but also administrative and financial staff, marketing experts, production support and much more
- Arts activity generates a significant amount of event-related spending. For example, attendees may visit bars, purchase food at restaurants, pay for parking or transportation, stay at a hotel, and shop in local stores and support our neighborhood corridors

Now that the doors of Davies Symphony Hall are open to full audiences, all of us at the Symphony are committed to working with our community partners, neighbors, and the city to back the recovery effort. Thank you again for your support this year, and for your continued efforts in next year's budget to maintain critical funding for arts and culture in our City.

Sincerely,

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<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
FW: SF Police Academy to be Shut Down?
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 2:04:47 PM

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Subject: SF Police Academy to be Shut Down?

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Dear Ms. Wong,

We have a homeless problem in San Francisco and, despite generations of talk and millions of dollars spent, we do little to actually improve their plight. I do think we need to show compassion to their plight however, often the most visibly distressed and/or publicly engaged are drug dealers, masquerading as their customer base, and violent offenders, who have impulse control issues that exist beyond our society's desire to address.

As a resident of the Marina, and someone who lives near the bridge motel end of Chestnut Street, I have to strongly express that we need to expand and improve police presence in our community, not reduce our ability to address the criminal elements in our society.

As I understand it, the Budget and Appropriations Committee is considering the option to shut down San Francisco's police academy. This is a mistake and would minimize our city's ability to continue to produce a thoughtful police force, restrict our ability to protect all of our citizens (including the homeless) and ultimately harm the city's long-term welfare. Please convey that, as a citizen of San Francisco, I oppose this concept and all efforts to make it happen.

Sincerely,

Kent Redwine

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco"s Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:55:30 AM
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For file.

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To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: FW: GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco's Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program

Hi Linda,

I cant find a file for this...do you know if it is under a specific department for budget? I have about 8 emails for this matter that I will be forwarding shortly.

Thanks,

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From: Chhavi Sahni <<u>chhavi@ggra.org</u>>

**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 2:32 PM

To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <<u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <<u>matt.haney@sfgov.org</u>>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <<u>ahsha.safai@sfgov.org</u>>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <<u>gordon.mar@sfgov.org</u>>; Ronen, Hillary <<u>hillary.ronen@sfgov.org</u>>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <<u>shamann.walton@sfgov.org</u>>;

**Cc:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <<u>linda.wong@sfgov.org</u>>; Laurie Thomas <<u>laurie@ggra.org</u>>

**Subject:** GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco's Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program

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Please find the Golden Gate Restaurant Association's letter of support for investing in San Francisco's downtown recovery. We urge the Budget and Appropriations Committee to support both the Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program.

Thank you, Chhavi

#### Chhavi Sahni

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Director of Public Policy and Partnerships Golden Gate Restaurant Association

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To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

June 18, 2021

Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

Re: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

We are writing to express our strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the \$12.5 million Downtown Ambassador proposal. The combination of these efforts are key policies and investments that will bring back leisure and business visitors, welcome office workers and residents back to the downtown core, support our small businesses and bring back the workforce to support these industries.

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association advocates for our local restaurant industry which has been devastated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our downtown restaurants have been impacted the most with the lack of workers and visitors in our downtown neighborhoods. The Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program are critical to bringing pre-pandemic economic activity to our industry.

In order to be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need.

One of the most prevalent reasons that San Francisco falls short on booking business at Moscone Center is due to the high cost of rent charged for the facility. San Francisco's competing cities for group business are enticing clients to book their annual meetings with tools such as free rental costs while San Francisco continues to lose out. That's why we need the proposed \$4.6 million to offset facility rental and encourage bookings. Additionally, this proposal has a high return on the investment in both 2022 and 2023. For every dollar of the investment spent in 2022, the city's return is \$31.2 and it goes up to \$43.6 for each dollar spent 2023.

The proposed Downtown Ambassador Program will provide for a consistent and welcoming presence at the busiest transit stations as well as in tourist areas such as Chinatown and Fisherman's Wharf creating a positive experience for those returning office workers, residents and visitors. These individuals will be able to provide wayfinding information, current events, and be trained to be able connect individuals in need with help and services.

Please support these two important economic recovery tools to ensure that our small businesses, restaurants, hotels, and cultural institutions can once again thrive and bring back their workforce to support the respective industries.

Sincerely,

Jauris Thomas

Laurie Thomas Executive Director, Golden Gate Restaurant Association

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.) letter dated June 22, 2021
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 10:52:36 AM
Attachments:	QLK-6.22.21 Ltr to SF Clerk of Bd of Supervisors.pdf

For file.

From: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 9:07 AM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS)
<alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Ng, Wilson (BOS) <wilson.l.ng@sfgov.org>; Laxamana, Junko (BOS)
<junko.laxamana@sfgov.org>; Mchugh, Eileen (BOS) <eileen.e.mchugh@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda
(BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: FW: Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.) letter dated June 22, 2021

From: Thelma Tannis <legallumpia@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: quentinlkopp1@gmail.com; Thelma Tannis <legallumpia@gmail.com>
Subject: Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.) letter dated June 22, 2021

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On behalf of Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.), attached is his letter dated June 22, 2021. Thank you.

Thelma Tannis Assistant to Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.) Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.) 380 West Portal Ave., Suite F San Francisco, CA 94127 (415) 681-5555 Quentinlkopp1@gmail.com

June 22, 2021

Via Email Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton, B Goodlett PI #244 San Francisco, CA 94102 Email: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org

## Dear Madam Clerk:

Please record my objection to any amendment to the proposed Annual Budget Ordinance which removes transfer tax revenue from real estate transfers of more than \$10,000,000 and specifies in the Budget Ordinance it be spent for rent relief and affordable housing, as proposed by Supervisor Dean Preston. I am informed and believe that such transfer tax increase is estimated to generate about \$200,000,000 in the next two years. The transfer tax increase emanates from the passage of Proposition I in November 2020 by San Francisco taxpayers and other voters. Proposition I contained no specific use of revenue from Proposition I's passage. It was a general tax and, thus required only majority voter approval. Had Proposition I been written as a dedicated specific tax, a twothirds voter majority would have been required by state law for passage.

Be advised that if the Board of Supervisors and Mayor treat the additional revenue from Proposition I's passage as a special tax for any purpose other than the general fund, the San Francisco Taxpayers Association, of which I am president, will sue the City and County of San Francisco for money damages, a writ of mandamus, attorney fees, and other relevant relief.

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Kindly distribute a copy of this letter to each member of the Board of Supervisors and convey it to the Clerk of the Budget Committee.

Yours truly,

Quentin L. Kapp Judge Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.)

cc: San Francisco Taxpayers Association officers

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Budget & Finance Committee Hearing SFPD Budget
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:30:41 AM

From: F&A Alioto Properties <ffaalioto@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 7:25 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget & Finance Committee Hearing SFPD Budget

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To Whom it may concern,

I represent my family as property & business owners in San Francisco for over 80 plus years. I'm a 3rd generation San Franciscan and have seen the city change over the years but never have I seen more need for law & order then now. The city needs to be cleaned up and quickly for our economic recovery and that means helping our police department with the tools they need to do so. We need more police! We need reassurance that if we call 911 someone will come! We need our property protected and we need to feel safe when walking down any street. Fisherman's Wharf is riddled with auto burglaries and nothing is being done about it! Completely shameful and unacceptable. Please stop the current downward spiral and approve Chief Scott's budget and enlarge it if possible. Safe clean city's thrive!

Thank you Gina Alioto Biagi

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2021 8:27:56 AM

From: Kathe Burick <katheburick@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:00 PM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

Cc: ChanStaff (BOS) <chanstaff@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen,
 Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai,
 Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
 Subject: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

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#### 6/22/2021

#### re: SUPPORT for Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request

Dear Supervisor Haney,

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As a teacher at City College and a resident of Richmond District, I have encountered not only unhoused neighbors but also students in need of help - but not from the police. So many times, I've wished I had known who to call or how to help the person myself.

For too long, police have been dispatched to respond to calls involving people who are experiencing homelessness for things like trespassing or sitting and lying on the sidewalk. This response is not only ineffective — it has led to criminalization, and exacerbated homelessness — but it has consistently resulted in the violation of human rights, gratuitous use of force, and even death.

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Many of my colleagues and neighbors are deeply committed to seeing this alternative realized, and I am grateful for your resolution in support of establishing CART. I believe CART is a critical, well-

researched intervention that would build resilience in the community to respond to homelessness, while helping to move people off the streets. For these reasons and more, I ask that you please fund this vital program.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Kathe Burick, CCSF Faculty & Richmond District Resident 666 - 8th Avenue #4 San Francisco, CA 94118 mobile (415)378-9896

Cc:

Supervisor Connie Chan, District 1 via <u>ChanStaff@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Gordon Mar, District 4 via <u>Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Hillary Ronen, District 9 via <u>Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 via <u>Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Ahsha Safaí, District 11 via <u>Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org</u> Committee Clerk Linda Wong via <u>Linda.Wong@sfgov.org</u>

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It is music and dancing that make me at peace with myself - and at peace with the world. - Nelson Mandela

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: TEMPLATE - CART Budget Request Letter.docx
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:39:43 PM
Attachments:	TEMPLATE - CART Budget Request Letter.docx.pdf

**From:** Celestina Pearl <celestina.pearl@stjamesinfirmary.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 3:05 PM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

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### St James Infirmary 730 Polk St 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94109

June, 22, 2021

The Honorable Matt Haney Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 <u>Matt.Haney@sfgov.org</u>

Submitted via electronic mail

### **Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT**

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On behalf of St James Infirmary, we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

St James Infirmary is a health clinic, community support, and advocacy organization run by and for current and former sex workers. We have many different programs and we prioritize the needs of the most marginalized of our communities. Those who are affected by homelessness, poverty, mental health challenges, disability, racism, transphobia, sexism and many other forms of violence and systemic oppression are most at risk and most targeted by systems ill equipped to deal with their unique needs. I believe CART and other community support organizations should be supported in providing our unique expertise and comradery to our own communities. We need the support, resources and funding to do this and create this much needed change.

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Sincerely,

# Celestina Pearl - Outreach Director St James Infirmary

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### **Celestina Pearl LVN**

Pronouns: She/her Outreach Coordinator St. James Infirmary 730 Polk Street San Francisco, CA 94109 Mobile: <u>(415) 669-4772</u> Appointments: <u>(415) 554-9634</u> Fax: <u>(415) 554-8444</u> Learn more at <u>stjamesinfirmary.org</u> Use this link to shop on Amazon and St James gets \$\$\$!: http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-3330568 ------Forwarded message ------From: **Celestina Pearl (via Google Drive)** <<u>drive-shares-noreply@google.com</u>> Date: Tue, Jun 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM Subject: TEMPLATE - CART Budget Request Letter.docx To: <<u>celestina.pearl@stjamesinfirmary.org</u>>

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: public comment for SF budget meeting tomorrow
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 2:14:43 PM

From: Elena Rawlinson <elerawl@nuevaschool.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 11:20 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: public comment for SF budget meeting tomorrow

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Hi, my name is Elena Rawlinson and I am a high school student in the Bay Area. As a concerned resident and criminal justice activist, I want to advocate for more equalized funding across the criminal legal system. The Public Defender's Office is the *only* part of the criminal legal system in San Francisco that defends and protects the most marginalized members of our community and their impact is paramount.

Their counterparts in the criminal legal system– the district attorneys– have 2x the budget of the SF public defenders. This imbalance in resources manifests in numerous ways and stacks the odds against indigent defendants. A paper by Brennan Center for Justice illustrates some of the ways underfunding of public defenders relative to district attorneys impacts criminal proceedings: "Prosecutors have access to police departments' resources and forensic labs to conduct investigations. Public defenders typically have little of that kind of support to defend their clients... Public defenders in many places across the country are earning many thousands of dollars less a year than a prosecutor with the same experience...Public defenders in some states can provide effective legal representation to a fraction of the people in their caseload. For example, it's estimated that the Rhode Island public defender system has the capacity to handle 36 percent of its caseload, while the system in Louisiana can handle 21 percent of its caseload." Chronic underfunding of the public defender's office is another facet of the structural oppression that those in poverty face in the legal system, and it's something that urgently needs to be addressed.

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: CART Budget support
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 2:13:16 PM
Attachments:	CART BUDGET TNDC Letter of Support.pdf
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	image011.png

From: Don Falk <dfalk@TNDC.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 12:50 PM

**To:** Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Colleen Rivecca <crivecca@tndc.org> **Subject:** CART Budget -- support

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Dear Supervisors: please see below and attached for an expression of TNDC's support of the CART budget request. Thank you very much. ~Don

#### **Donald S. Falk**

Chief Executive Officer (he, him) Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation 201 Eddy Street | San Francisco, CA 94102 **p** 415-358-3923 | c 415-264-7949 dfalk@tndc.org tndc.org



At TNDC, we believe that everyone deserves to thrive. We support tenants and community members in building transformative communities through Homes, Health, and Voice. Together, we can build a future with economic and racial equity. Join us at <u>tndc.org</u>!

June 17, 2021

The Honorable Matt Haney Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244

#### San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

#### Submitted via electronic mail

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Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach me at <u>dfalk@tndc.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Donald S. Falk Chief Executive Officer



June 17, 2021

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:59:44 AM
Attachments:	ACLU SF.png
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From: ACLU San Francisco <aclusf@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 8:29 PM

**To:** Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

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Dear Supervisor Haney:

As attached.

Best regards,

Regina S Islas, Board Member on behalf of ACLU Northern California, SF Chapter





Jun 21, 2021

The Honorable Matt Haney Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 <u>Matt.Haney@sfgov.org</u>

Submitted via electronic mail

#### Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

Dear Supervisor Haney,

On behalf of the ACLU, SF Chapter we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

The ACLU SF Chapter believes that the CART SF proposal aligns with the California and national ACLU work on ending racism in policing, advancing racial justice, as well as our California work on making LE/LEO matters transparent. This work is also consistent with our chapter's efforts to encourage the city to divest from policing in favor of solutions that do not criminalize people in crisis.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Regina S Islas, Board member on behalf of ACLU, Northern California, SF Chapter

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Please support funding for SFPD and HSOC
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 4:59:55 PM

From: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 21, 2021 4:50 PM

To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS)

<alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Ng, Wilson (BOS) <wilson.l.ng@sfgov.org>; Laxamana, Junko (BOS) <junko.laxamana@sfgov.org>; Mchugh, Eileen (BOS) <eileen.e.mchugh@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

Subject: FW: Please support funding for SFPD and HSOC

From: <u>wjaeck@gmail.com</u> <<u>wjaeck@gmail.com</u>>

Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:26 PM

To: Mar, Gordon (BOS) <<u>gordon.mar@sfgov.org</u>>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <<u>matt.haney@sfgov.org</u>>; Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <<u>rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org</u>>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <<u>shamann.walton@sfgov.org</u>>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <<u>ahsha.safai@sfgov.org</u>>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <<u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>>; MandelmanStaff, [BOS] <<u>mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org</u>> Subject: Please support funding for SFPD and HSOC

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Dear Supervisors Haney, Mar and Safai,

I am a resident of District 8 and I have lived here for 28 years.

I'm writing to support the police budget to hire and train more police officers including foot beats and increased community policing. Please also increase funding for HSOC because it is the most effective agency in the city to offer outreach to unhoused people and to keep our streets and sidewalks safe for everyone.

In all the time I have lived in San Francisco, I have never felt less safe than I do now living and walking in this city.

I'm talking about assaults, breakins, vandalism, and common close calls with aggressive, disturbed people.

And a lot of it's going on because lawbreakers are confident that there will be no serious consequences for their actions. It's too easy to break the law around here and not get caught.

And I'm afraid it's only going to get worse unless we have more police presence and increased law enforcement, not less.

We all know, public safety is more important than ever. Our city can't continue to be so out of control, lawless, free-for-all.

So I ask you to please fund law enforcement, HSOC, and police academies, generously.

Sincerely, William Jaeck

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 4:59:43 PM

From: KC Ho <kc@cpasf.org>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 4:13 PM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

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### Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

Dear Supervisor Haney,

On behalf of the Chinese Progressive Association (CPA), we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

CPA's members are working class immigrant Chinese workers and their families in San Francisco. Our member leaders support CART because they believe that SF police's expertise and skills are best suited for higher level incidents and crimes, and they are supportive of SF trying a new solution such as CART to provide more long term support to people experiencing homelessness, work which can be best performed by other professionals who are community based, culturally competent, and specifically trained.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, KC Ho 何嘉程 Senior Community Organizer *pronouns: she, they* 

Chinese Progressive Association 華人進步會 (415) 391-6986 x 132

From:	<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: In Support of CART
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:58:55 PM
Attachments:	CART Budget Committee.pdf

From: Berniecrats SF <sfberniecrats@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:18 PM
To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>
Cc: Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>
Subject: In Support of CART

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Dear Chair Haney:

I'm writing on behalf of San Francisco Berniecrats with a request that you support the funding of the CART program in your role as budget chair. Our membership has voted unanimously to support this vital approach to serving our houseless neighbors with compassion and dignity. We trust that you share our philosophy.

A letter detailing our support is attached to this email. We appreciate your work and service to our community.

Sincerely, Brandee Marckmann co-chair, San Francisco Berniecrats

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cc: Supervisor Gordon Mar, District 4 via Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org Supervisor Hillary Ronen, District 9 via Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 via Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org Supervisor Ahsha Safaí, District District 11 via Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org Committee Clerk Linda Wong via Linda.Wong@sfgov.org

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To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:58:47 PM
Attachments:	CART Budget Request Letter SFOC.pdf

From: John Stiefel <stiefel.john@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:03 PM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

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Sincerely,

John

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San Francisco Outer Circle Email: <u>stiefel.john@gmail.com</u> Mobile: +1-206-550-9495 Web: <u>www.sfoutercircle.org</u>



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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:58:34 PM

-----Original Message-----From: Georgia Lee <georgia@citizenssf.com> Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:51 PM To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt haney@sfgov.org> Cc: Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org> Subject: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

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Dear Supervisor Haney,

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Our organization, Citizens Church, has been doing important community development work with neighbors experiencing homelessness for the past 6 years. Through shared meals, communication about resources, and supportive friendship, our community has meaningfully walked with many folks experiencing homelessness as they pursue their next steps in life (job searching, finding housing, family reunification, getting an ID, building community, etc).

On a weekly basis, we hear stories of how police are dispatched to respond to calls involving people who are experiencing homelessness for things like trespassing, and sitting and lying on the sidewalk. This response is not only ineffective — it has led to criminalization, and exacerbated homelessness — but it has consistently resulted in the violation of human rights, gratuitous use of force, and even death.

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Sincerely, Georgia Lee Deacon of Justice & Mercy Citizens Church of San Francisco

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request - SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:58:25 PM

From: Evy Kassirer <evy.kassirer@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 1:50 PM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

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I live and work in San Francisco, and am a resident of district 5. The CART proposal is extremely impressive and thoughtfully and carefully set up. Please fund it, please make San Francisco a more inclusive and safer city for all of us.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Evy

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public comment for Item 8 BOS Budget and Appropriations Committee on June 21, 2021 - Writing to support the SFPUC Racial Equity Plan
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:57:47 PM

From: Anietie SFPUC CAC <anietiesfpuccac@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 12:17 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public comment for Item 8 BOS Budget and Appropriations Committee on June 21, 2021 - Writing to support the SFPUC Racial Equity Plan

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Anietie SFPUC CAC <<u>anietiesfpuccac@gmail.com</u>> Subject: Writing to support the SFPUC Racial Equity Plan Date: June 21, 2021 at 12:12:12 PM EDT To: <u>Matt.Haney@sfgov.org</u>, <u>Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org</u>, <u>Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org</u>, <u>Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org</u>, <u>Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org</u>

Dear Supervisors,

I believe budgets are moral documents. Aligning resources with racial equity must happen now more than ever before.

Thank you in advance for supporting these critical positions that will help SFPUC move forward on it's commitment to racial equity.

With no current positions dedicated to this work, these new roles will help the agency realize the SFPUC CAC Racial Equity Action Plan.

The full San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Citizen Advisory Committee passed a resolution in support of this important work in 2019. <u>https://www.sfpuc.org/sites/default/files/about-us/CAC\_Resolutions-2019.pdf</u>

As a voice of San Franciscans, the SFPUC CAC put forward our resolution in support and asked that the following occur:

RESOLVED, That the CAC encourages the SFPUC to create more robust systems to monitor equity and inclusion in its workforce, and ensure workforce development and talent management staff are skilled and trained in monitoring equity and inclusion measures and implementing data-driven interventions, as well as work towards modification of job specifications for these positions to reflect these duties and consider experience in these areas as qualifying; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the CAC encourages the SFPUC to prioritize racial and gender equity by setting goals to improve equity across job types and seniority, and provide a semi-annual report for the first two years, and annually thereafter, of progress made institutionalizing equitable and inclusive workforce strategies at the SFPUC; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the CAC encourages the SFPUC to allocate at least one position within Human Resource Services to be responsible for analyzing workforce data for equity issues, develop goals and objectives for increased workforce equity, and assist all enterprises and bureaus with diversity recruitment, training, professional and career development, and retention.

With this budget, the SFPUC and City and County of San Francisco are well on it's way.

I am glad to see continued momentum in making these changes real.

Anietie Ekanem Chair, SFPUC CAC Member, Tech equity, San Francisco African-American Reparations Task Force From: Shiba Bandeeba <sbandeeba@HomeRiseSF.org>
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 11:58 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Shiba Bandeeba wants to share the file CART Support.docx with you

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Monday, June 21, 2021

Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee

San Francisco Board of Supervisors

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

City Hall, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear Committee Clerk Linda Wong,

On behalf of HomeRise, we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

Our organization is a non-profit service provider in San Francisco, California. Our primary area of work is in creating permanent supportive housing for unhoused/homeless individuals in the city of San Francisco. Our mission and goals are to advocate for the social, political, and economic needs of our residents so that they, too, can become self-sufficient individuals in the larger community of San Francisco.

Speaking from the perspectives of many Black & Brown, immigrant and local San Franciscans, our HomeRise residents are community members who have been directly traumatized by police response protocols while unhoused or homeless. Our residents have family and friends of color, who have been disproportionately impacted by Police/ Sheriff officers in response to non-criminal activity within our neighborhoods.

Therefore, we (Black and Brown) resident & community members advocate for the full funding, support, and resolution passage of the CART. CART as a compassionate alternative response team to homelessness (predominately and historically Black and Brown members) is the first step to a progressive push into the right direction for San Francisco and the rest of California.

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Sincerely,

Shiba Bandeeba, M. A, M.Ed (she/her) | Public Policy Manager HomeRise (Formerly Community Housing Partnership) P: 818.987.9121 E: sbandeeba@chp-sf.org www.HomeRise.org https://bit.ly/35V5aG9



## <u>New Name. Same Mission. -</u> <u>Community Housing</u> <u>Partnership</u>

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20 Jones Street, Suite 200 San Francisco, CA 94102

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request - SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:54:37 PM

From: Wendy Williams <emailwendyhere@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 11:17 AM

To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>

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for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year. I have lived in SF for over 10 years and started my business in September of 2020. I have watched the homelessness crisis here in the city over that time and see a HUGE need for a community based response instead of police based. While living at Franklin and McAllister in the height of the pandemic I watched people get swept from their "homes" on many occasions. After last summer's uprising I think we can all agree there is a need to change the way we fund the police and instead use that money to actually help people instead of merely protecting the property of the wealthiest in our city. Poverty is not a crime.

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Sincerely,

Wendy Williams Day Moon

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Subject: FW: Public Comment

#### Alisa Somera

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From: Jaime Aragon <jaragon@goodsamfrc.org>
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Dear President Haney and Honorable members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing requesting your support for the San Francisco Latino Parity and Equity Coalition and the Latino Task Force budget request to assure a successful recovery for Latino children, youth and families in San Francisco.

As you know, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating, disproportional impact on the Latino community as it experienced among the highest infection rates, hospitalizations and deaths. The subsequent economic fallout on our community further expanded the crisis as thousands lost their jobs and sources of income; needing food, and other essential supports to survive. Furthermore, the learning loss experienced by Latino public school students is also among the highest in the school district.

I urge you to support the requests delineated in the coalition's budget request to help us continue our collective work to bring hope and opportunity to San Francisco's Latino community.

Thank you,

Mario Paz Executive Director of Good Samaritan Family Resource Center and LTF and SFLPEC member

#### Jaime Aragon | Special Projects Manager

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Currently they do not reach all users equally - in particular those who do not ha e computer and internet access from home. A C ty study City and County of San Francisco Digital Equity Strategic Plan 2019-202 \*\*\* says that more than 100.000 San Franciscans do not ha e such access. And among those without access ulterable popula ions ha e the least.

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Thank you. Sincerely yours

# Peter Warfield Executi e Director Library Users Assoc ation 15/753-2180 libraryusers200 @ yahoo.com P.O. Box 1705 San Francisco CA. 9 117-05

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From: Samantha Lew <slew@lccrsf.org>

Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 9:39 AM

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Dear Supervisor Haney,

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Please see the attached letter further expressing our support.

Thank you, Sam



#### Sam Lew (she/her)

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area

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June 21, 2021

The Honorable Matt Haney Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 Matt.Haney@sfgov.org

Submitted via electronic mail

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Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area

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Cc:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
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Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:39:15 PM
Attachments:	Testimony to Budget and Appropriations Committee Budget Addbacks FY 21-22 and FY 22-23.pdf

Hello, Mr. Monette-Shaw,

Also, looping in Clerk Jalipa to respond to your request.

Best, Linda

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Hi again, Ms. Wong,

Please also add this final testimony to the Budget Committee's public correspondence file on the FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023 City budget.

Thanks, Patrick

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Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

According to the Budget Hearing Calendar for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023, I understand that the Chair of the Budget and Appropriations Committee — Supervisor Matt Haney — is scheduled to publicly release the Budget Chair's first Proposed Spending Plan on my 70th birthday, June 22.

Please read my attached testimony regarding the budget add-backs, and as you read it please think of Ken Zhao and other San Franciscan's in dire need of opening an in-county sub-acute SNF in the City quickly.

Opening sub-acute SNF facility in-county beds should be one of the City's highest human rights and public health priorities.

Respectfully submitted,

**Patrick Monette-Shaw** Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

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Looping in Clerk Jalipa to respond to your request. Linda

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Hi Ms. Wong,

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Thanks, Patrick

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June 20, 2021

Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

In preparation for the Budget and Appropriations Committee hearing on June 23, please read my attached testimony on SFDPH's proposed budget for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023.

Think funding sub-acute SNF facility in-county beds, and think of Ken Zhao.

Respectfully submitted,

**Patrick Monette-Shaw** Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

## **Patrick Monette-Shaw**

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June 20, 2021

Budget and Appropriations Committee, Board of Supervisors The Honorable Matt Haney, Chair The Honorable Ahsha Safai, Member The Honorable Gordon Mar. Member The Honorable Hillary Ronen, Member The Honorable Shamann Walton, Member 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Chair Haney and Budget and Appropriations Committee,

The Budget and Appropriations Committee is scheduled to publicly release Chair Matt Haney's proposed spending plan for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022–2023 on my 70th birthday, June 22.

As part of this year's budget "add-back" process, I strongly urge you to and placed on budget reserve — to fund the opening of approximately 23 sub-acute SNF beds at Chinese Hospital to rapidly open a sub-acute skilled nursing facility in-county, because San Francisco is the only Bay-area County without any sub-acute facility beds.

I believe you should reduce the Police Department budget and use those savings to fund an in-county subacute facility, or alternatively find \$3 million in savings from the budget for the Department of Public Health to fund this critically-needed hospital-based facility in our City.

# from his parents. .

As you likely know, Ken Zhao had been a patient at Laguna Honda Hospital — which does not have a sub-acute SNF license for a number of years, but had a decline in condition that required transfer, first to UCSF and then to Kentfield Hospital (which is located on the campus of St. Mary's Hospital). After being stabilized at Kentfield, he had faced being discharged out-of-county, potentially to Sacramento, but was eventually discharged from Kentfield to Seton Hospital in Daly City, the closest sub-acute SNF but unfortunately is out-of-county, making transportation for Ken's elderly parents somewhat burdensome.

As you develop budget add backs, please keep Ken Zhao in mind so that, hopefully, he can be returned to San Francisco and be closer to his parents, And hopefully also help keep many other San Franciscans who need sub-acute level of care in-county.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### Re: Budget Add-Back for Sub-Acute SNF



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**Subject:** Testimony Budget and Appropriations Committee June 23: Proposed SFDPH Budget (Think Ken Zhao)

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June 20, 2021

Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

In preparation for the Budget and Appropriations Committee hearing on June 23, please read my attached testimony on SFDPH's proposed budget for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023.

Think funding sub-acute SNF facility in-county beds, and think of Ken Zhao.

Respectfully submitted,

**Patrick Monette-Shaw** Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

## **Patrick Monette-Shaw**

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June 20, 2021

Budget and Appropriations Committee, Board of Supervisors The Honorable Matt Haney, Chair The Honorable Ahsha Safai, Member The Honorable Gordon Mar, Member The Honorable Hillary Ronen, Member The Honorable Shamann Walton, Member
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Chair Haney and Budget and Appropriations Committee,

As you consider the Annual Appropriation Ordinance (AAO) and budget for the Department of Public Health for FY's 2021–2022 and 2022–2023, I strongly urge you to require that DPH sets aside a minimum of \$3 million to fund the opening of approximately 23 sub-acute SNF beds at Chinese Hospital to rapidly open a sub-acute skilled nursing facility in-county, because San Francisco is the only Bay-area County without any sub-acute facility beds.

As the Board of Supervisors must know, in 2012 CPMC halted any new admissions from any and all non-CPMC facilities to its sub-acute skilled nursing facility (SNF) then located at St. Luke's Hospital.

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**Ken Zhao:** Exercising in bed at LHH in 2019 with assistance from his parents. .

Then in 2017, CPMC stopped admitting even its own patients from any CPMC facility to its St. Luke's sub-acute SNF, and began plans to move the sub-acute SNF from St. Luke's to CPMC's Davies Hospital campus.

This has essentially left San Francisco without any in-county sub-acute SNF beds for almost a full decade, forcing San Francisco hospitals and clinics to discharge patients needing sub-acute level of care to out-of-county facilities.

Mayor London Breed submitted her budget proposal for SFDPH at \$2.8 *billion* for FY 2021–2022, an increase of \$45.6 million over the original budget for FY 2020–2021. **Requiring SFDPH to set aside the \$3 million** in estimated funds needed to open 23 sub-acute beds at Chinese Hospital **represents just one-tenth of one percent (0.1%)** of DPH's proposed \$2.8 billion budget for FY 2021–2022. **The \$3 million for sub-acute beds should be placed on budget reserve**.

As you may also know, since voters approved funding the Dignity Fund in 2016, the Dignity Fund has been awarded a total of approximately \$229 million between FY 2016–2017 and the end of the current fiscal year, FY 2020–2021. While the Dignity Fund cannot be used to fund medical facilities, more than likely there may be Dignity Fund clients who may eventually need sub-acute facility level-of-care in the future.

As I have previously testified, the City Controller noted in the November 2020 voter guide that the Board of Supervisors is authorized to use any funds saved from reducing the minimum of 1,971 sworn police officers from SFPD for any public purpose. I have advocated that this Board reduce SFPD's number of sworn officers and direct that those savings be first used to fund opening a 23-bed sub-acute SNF at Chinese Hospital. SFDPH has estimated the City needs somewhere between 70 and 90 sub-acute SNF beds, so reserving funds to open 23 beds at Chinese Hospital would be an important first step in getting to 70 or 90 sub-acute beds.

Now is the time — as part and parcel of nationwide calls for police reform — to drastically reduce the bloated number of sworn police officer positions in SFPD based on their number of FTE hours worked.

In addition, the Board of Supervisors should eliminate police academy classes for the next two fiscal years and allow attrition due to retirements to further reduce sworn officer staffing levels at SFPD.

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Any savings from reducing the number of sworn police officers and eliminating academy classes should be re-allocated to the Department of Public Health to fund providing gap subsidies to facilitate opening a sub-acute SNF in the City to halt out-of-county patient dumping of San Franciscans — like Ken Zhao — who require sub-acute level of care.

Respectfully submitted,

#### **Patrick Monette-Shaw**

Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

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The Honorable Aaron Peskin, Supervisor, District 3
The Honorable Dean Preston, Supervisor, District 5
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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request - SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:36:01 PM

From: larry@saintrubidium.com <larry@saintrubidium.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 20, 2021 2:22 PM

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Subject: Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

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#### Dear Supervisor Haney,

On behalf of myself and my unhoused neighbors, we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

I am a retired UCSF research scientist. My husband died on a sidewalk, alone, and most of us find our lives traumatized by the police. We need the supportive response that CART would offer when we have a problem.

For too long, police have been dispatched to respond to calls involving people who are experiencing homelessness for things like trespassing, and sitting and lying on the sidewalk. This response is not only ineffective — it has led to criminalization, and exacerbated homelessness — but it has consistently resulted in the violation of human rights, gratuitous use of force, and even death.

Unlike other response teams, existing or newly proposed, CART would respond to the 65,000 C-level calls that are currently covered by police. Instead of the current response that at best leads to a "move along" order, the team would be fully equipped to mediate, address immediate needs, transport, and provide service linkage. CART teams would be community based, culturally competent, comprehensively trained, and well resourced.

We are deeply committed to seeing this alternative realized, and we are grateful for your resolution in support of establishing CART. We believe CART is a critical, well-researched intervention that would build resilience in the community to respond to homelessness, while helping to move people off the streets. For these reasons and more, we ask that you please fund this vital program.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Larry Ackerman

From: LORI HARRISON <loraha@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 19, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: A letter that was sent to the Budget and Appropriations Committee members

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Dear Ms Wong,

I sent this letter to the members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee, and am advised to send it to you, as clerk of this committee, as well. Thank you for your help!

My name is Lori Harrison; and I am the Propmaster of the San Francisco Opera and a member of Local 16 of the Stage Technicians union I.A.T.S.E.

I write in strong support of the proposed Moscone Convention Recovery Fund. For over a year now, I've witnessed the devastating financial hardship that has been ravaging the workers in our Local as a result of the loss of the convention and events in the Bay Area. Many have lost their health care coverage, their homes, gone through their savings, and suffer mentally and emotionally in their efforts to survive.

The Moscone Center and the events therein are a key part of the work that Local 16 participants do. Anything that you and the Board of Supervisors can do to attract events to the Moscone Center and to bring the facility back to its world class status will benefit the entire city, as well as providing work for the members of Local 16. In turn, we can – as workers in San Francisco – get back to participating fully in the city's economy.

Crucial to the return of Conventions and events to our city is also the Downtown Ambassador program. It is important to do everything we can to make San Francisco a warm, exciting, and welcoming city to guests, convention planners, and visitors.

Both the Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador program are vital to getting all of us in San Francisco back to work and back to being the wonderful destination city that we know we can be.

Thank you for your help and consideration in this!

Best,

Lori Harrison 292 Coleridge St. San Francisco, CA 94110

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:58 PM
Attachments:	San Francisco CART support 2021 Committee.pdf

From: Public Health Justice Collective <publichealthjusticecollective@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 19, 2021 11:15 AM

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Submitted via electronic mail

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The American Public Health Association (APHA), the nation's oldest and largest public health

association that represents over 25,000 public health professionals, recently passed a resolution on the public health harms of police violence and another resolution the public health harms of the carceral state on that details many of the links between the criminal justice system, negative public health impacts, and health inequities. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), the nation's largest public health philanthropic organization and leader in public health research, also published an extensive report echoing similar links between mass incarceration, specifically, and its threat to the health of the nation. The APHA resolution details both the systemic inequities that are built into our current policing and criminal justice system and how these inequities become embodied in the health of individuals, communities, and our broader society. Moving our tax dollars from the harmful system of policing into compassionate and effective options, like CART, are completely aligned with the recommendations from these two organizations and a wide body of public health research. Funneling more tax payers' dollars into a system that is built on the premise and profit of inequality cannot advance any of San Francisco's stated mission and goals, which are also central to a public health lens, such as measurably improving the quality of lives for people and communities and fostering vibrant and resilient communities.

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Board of Supervisors: fund the SFPD budget
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:48 PM

From: Carolyn Kenady <carolynkenady@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 9:17 PM

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Subject: Board of Supervisors: fund the SFPD budget

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To the members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I urge you not to cut staffing of our SFPD. Crime is up. Drug sales -- leading to deaths and significant medical costs - are out of control. Ensure that the department can continue to hire to replace those who've retired or resigned. Remember, if we lose our least senior officers, we are losing the future of our department. After the expense of hiring, training, and deploying these new officers, we need to keep them.

This affects EVERY DISTRICT in San Francisco. Thank you.

-Carolyn

Carolyn Kenady <u>carolynkenady@gmail.com</u> 408-218-3115 <u>http://www.linkedin.com/in/ckenady</u>

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
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Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:41 PM

From: Regina Islas <regina.islas@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 6:20 PM

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that is why the plan offered by CART SF is critical-the time to implement is now. The fact that CART SF is community based, collaborative, and centers the needs of the homeless as they themselves have described them. The recommendations made in the Full Plan Report highlights best practices across the police alternative model programs, contextualizing them for San Francisco.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:31 PM
Attachments:	Downtown Recovery Investment W SF letter of support 2021.docx

From: Huldi, Roger <roger.huldi@whotels.com>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 2:57 PM

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Subject: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

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Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

We are writing to express our strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the \$12.5 million Downtown Ambassador proposal. The combination of these efforts are key policies and investments that will bring back leisure and business visitors, welcome office workers and residents back to the downtown core, support our small businesses and bring back the workforce to support these industries.

**W** San Francisco with its proximity to the Moscone Convention Center has been host to many of its attendees, visitors and tourist alike. We strongly support all the outlined efforts to bring sustainable business back to San Francisco and contribute to the overall wellbeing of its residence. Most importantly in our hotels case, bring back our 270 employees where most have been out of work since March 2020.

In order be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need.

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Sincerely,

Roger Huldi

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Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco"s Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:20 PM
Attachments:	GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco"s Downtown Recovery.pdf

From: Chhavi Sahni <chhavi@ggra.org>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 2:32 PM

**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>

**Cc:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Laurie Thomas <laurie@ggra.org> **Subject:** GGRA Letter of Support for Investing in San Francisco's Downtown Recovery: Moscone Convention Recovery Fund + the Downtown Ambassador Program

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Hi,

Please find the Golden Gate Restaurant Association's letter of support for investing in San Francisco's downtown recovery. We urge the Budget and Appropriations Committee to support both the Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program.

Thank you, Chhavi

Chhavi Sahni

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Director of Public Policy and Partnerships Golden Gate Restaurant Association

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The Golden Gate Restaurant Association advocates for our local restaurant industry which has been devastated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our downtown restaurants have been impacted the most with the lack of workers and visitors in our downtown neighborhoods. The Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Program are critical to bringing pre-pandemic economic activity to our industry.

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Jauris Thomas

Laurie Thomas Executive Director, Golden Gate Restaurant Association

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Please Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:33:07 PM
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From: Kershner, Lisa <Lisa.Kershner@marriotthotels.com>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 11:45 AM

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Cc: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

Subject: Please Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

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The return of the meeting and convention market to the Bay Area is paramount for our city's recovery. I am proud to serve on the Executive Committee of SF Travel, and I Chair the SF Travel Marketing Committee. Perception is everything, and right now we need to shine more than ever. Please help us return the tourism industry to its former glory.

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Lisa Fong Kershner | General Manager

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To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal
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From: Brittney Beck <bbeck@becksmotorlodge.com>

Sent: Friday, June 18, 2021 7:36 AM

**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>

Cc: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>

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Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the proposed Downtown Ambassador Program. We need these programs to get people back in the city, feeling safe and spending money. My small business needs this. Though things are picking up for us, we are still at record lows. We need to get the City up and running again with the assistance of these programs. In order to be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need. We know these 2 programs will address problems that have historically haunted SF.

Now is the time to act on these programs to help our small business and our beloved city.

Thank you.

Brittney Beck

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Our Support for Moscone Center Recovery Fund and Downtown Ambassador Program
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:32:46 PM

From: Kimball, Jon <Jon.Kimball@marriott.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 6:23 AM

**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>

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I lead the Westin St. Francis Hotel on Union Square as well as our 8 other Marriott Hotels located in downtown San Francisco. We employ hundreds of associates who make their living, working in our hotels and welcoming travelers to San Francisco. As you know, these associates have been severely impacted by the pandemic and these two initiatives are critical to our recovery and stability ahead. We must aggressively pursue new conventions and ensure a safe experience for our visitors.

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JON KIMBALL Area General Manager

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting Item 1
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:32:35 PM

From: Robin <robinruan79@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 9:08 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting Item 1

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Hello, my name is Robin, and I'm calling you to please close juvenile hall. With SF's budget, "Log Cabin Ranch," a detention center for children closed down for safety issues, will be reopened. Juvenile Hall where 87% of the caged children are Black will also be funded with this proposal. After I came out as trans and was rejected by family and friends, I felt angry and violent. I had visions of shooting up my school and family. Back then, I was scared of myself and all my violent and criminal tendencies. Eventually, I learned to manage my anger, but what would have happened if I lived in a neighborhood where guns were everywhere, and all my friends and family members were involved in crime? Would I have turned to drugs or crime to ease the pain? The only difference between teens who end up in juvie and me is the environment we both grew up in. It's easy to fall down the wrong path when you're surrounded by crime and poverty, or when every adult thinks you're going to flunk out of high school or end up a druggie or shot by police. Caging teens will not address the root causes of youth crime. Please close juvenile halls and invest in the community- believe in youth like me and our power to change.

From: Melissa H <mghernandez117@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 5:27 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment for Items 1&2 - Board and Appropriations 6/17

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Dear Budget & Appropriations Committee,

My name is Melissa Hernandez and I live in District 7. I'm providing public comment today to urge you to prioritize real public safety by defunding the sheriff and SFPD, and refunding our community.

This committee can and should remove the \$24 million that formerly went to County Jail 4, the \$22 million paid by the Department of Public Health for clinic and hospital security, and make significant cuts to SFPD by eliminating units that target BIPOC and LGBTQ+ folks, including the plainclothes and homeless units, HSOC, the gang unit, and the sex work abatement unit. By refunding our community, the city can invest in implementing non-police responders that are trained to help people in crisis, such as the community-driven and union-represented community safety team proposed by DPH Must Divest for our clinics and hospitals and the CART program proposed by the community, which would connect people to services, focus on moving them off the streets permanently, and create infrastructure for addressing calls from both housed and unhoused San Franciscans. Both of these initiatives would reduce the risk of tragic or violent outcomes for BIPOC and/or unhoused folks who are most at risk of harassment by deputies and police.

Last year, members of this Board, including many of the members in this committee, talked about reimagining the role of police in our society. From today's budget hearing, it seems like that imagination has since become limited. Yet, the harms of policing-- both direct and indirect-- persist to this day. The police budget continues to eat up more money from the General Fund-- which can be used for community resources such as education, healthcare, and housing. The police continue shooting people from our community, with several in just the past year. Unhoused folks continue being harassed by police while apartments and hotel rooms sit vacant around the city. Yet, during today's questioning, we heard requests for more foot patrols, calls for increases to police staffing, and demands for more money lest we settle for SFPD's lack of diversity and failure to fully implement the recommendations made by the Department of Justice so long ago. The status quo response from City Hall simply does not stay true to the spirit of your remarks last year.

I implore you to push back against the instinct to rely on policing and incarceration to solve our social problems. Please defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community as specified by the Budget Justice Coalition and No New SF Jail Coalition. Fund CART and the various community programs instead.

Sincerely, Melissa G. Hernandez she/they

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:31:41 PM

From: Quinn Keck <keck.quinn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 5:20 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1

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Hello,

My name is Quinn Keck and I live in District 9. I'm calling to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is. While the city has technically done some of these things, the city has not kept true to the spirit of these promises, which was always to ensure that we could refund the savings into life-affirming resources and non-police alternatives. Time after time, the city has fallen short of refunding the people after their hard-fought victories. It's time to change that. This is about public safety: as we slowly recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we must prioritize services and programs that center the well-being of our people. This is also about public trust: our City has closed a 100+ full-time-deputy jail and has planned to remove deputies from security posts in various buildings around San Francisco. So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, so why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual? I urge you to do the right thing: defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community.

Thank you for your time!

Best,

Quinn

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: End Hep C SF support for CART budget request
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:27:55 PM
Attachments:	EHCSF support for CART.pdf

From: Joanne Kay <jkay@endhepcsf.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>
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Subject: End Hep C SF support for CART budget request

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On behalf of End Hep C SF, please find attached our letter of full support for the Compassionate Alternative Response Team budget request.

-best,

JOANNE KAY *Program Coordinator* End Hep C SF Direct: <u>415-463-6246</u> <u>endhepcsf.org</u>

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17 June 2021

The Honorable Matt Haney Chair, Budget and Appropriations Committee San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 Matt.Haney@sfgov.org

Submitted via electronic mail

### Re: Compassionate Alternative Response Team Budget Request — SUPPORT

Dear Supervisor Haney,

On behalf of End Hep C SF, we respectfully request that you fund the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) in the amount of \$4.6 million, along with the \$2 million in reserve, for this coming 2021-22 fiscal year, and provide full funding for the following 2022-23 fiscal year.

End Hep C SF strives to maximize the health and wellness of people who use drugs by treating them with respect, ensuring access to appropriate services, and empowering them to reduce harm and make choices to improve their health. For too long, police have been dispatched to respond to calls involving people who are experiencing homelessness for things like trespassing, and sitting and lying on the sidewalk. This response is not only ineffective — it has led to criminalization, and exacerbated homelessness — but it has consistently resulted in the violation of human rights, gratuitous use of force, and even death.

Unlike other response teams, existing or newly proposed, CART would respond to the 65,000 C-level calls that are currently covered by police. Instead of the current response that at best leads to a "move along" order, the team would be fully equipped to mediate, address immediate needs, transport, and provide service linkage. CART teams would be community based, culturally competent, comprehensively trained, and well resourced.

We are deeply committed to seeing this alternative realized, and we are grateful for your resolution in support of establishing CART. We believe CART is a critical, well-researched intervention that would build resilience in the community to respond to homelessness, while helping to move people off the streets. For these reasons and more, we ask that you please fund this vital program.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joanne Kay

Program Coordinator End Hep C SF Cc: Supervisor Gordon Mar, District 4 via <u>Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Hillary Ronen, District 9 via <u>Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Shamann Walton, District 10 via <u>Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org</u> Supervisor Ahsha Safaí, District 11 via <u>Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org</u> Committee Clerk Linda Wong via <u>Linda.Wong@sfgov.org</u>

From:	<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment for Items 1&2 - Board and Appropriations 6/17
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:27:26 PM
Attachments:	Letter 2021 re SHF-CJ4 Savings & DPH.pdf

From: Melissa H <mghernandez117@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:58 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
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Hello,

Please see the attached letter from the No New SF Jail Coalition to the Board of Supervisors, which we would like to submit as a public comment for today's hearing.

Sincerely, Melissa Hernandez On behalf of No New SF Jail Coalition June 16, 2021

The Honorable Shamann Walton President, San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 <u>Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org</u>

Submitted via electronic mail

### Re: Reinvest County Jail 4 Funds into Our Community - SUPPORT

Dear President Walton and Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

The undersigned community-based organizations urge you to immediately reallocate the costs of now-closed County Jail 4 (CJ4) from the San Francisco Sheriff's Department (SFSD) to housing, healthcare, education, and other social services. Two years ago, 90 organizations signed our Letter to Close 850 Bryant<sup>1</sup>, and we are gratified that CJ4 closed last year. Now, it is time to reinvest the resulting savings in our communities. We recommend that you revise Mayor London Breed's proposed city budget to cut the SFSD budget by at least \$23,234,392 and divert the \$22,374,723 usually paid to the Sheriff for providing security to hospitals and clinics. These adjustments would free up **\$46,609,115** to invest in life-affirming services and other programs that will help make our communities safer.

According to the Budget and Legislative Analyst's Office<sup>2</sup>, for FY20-21 the SFSD expected to spend:

- \$13,568,129 on salary for CJ4 staff;
- \$5,966,637 on fringe benefits for CJ4 staff;
- \$1,841,604 on overtime for CJ4 staff;
- \$1,108,495 for CJ4 facility maintenance;
- \$310,657 for CJ4 facility maintenance staffing;
- \$150,000 for third-party maintenance contractors and services for CJ4; and,
- \$92,865 on professional services, materials, supplies, and personnel equipment for CJ4.

The SFSD adopted FY20-21 budget included \$350,000 for academy training and \$41,665 for academy uniforms. Collectively, **these expenses total \$23,234,392**, **although the cost has been reported to be as much as \$24.7 million.**<sup>3</sup>

Additionally, the SFSD continues to budget for armed security at public buildings, including the libraries, Department of Elections, and hospitals and clinics. And while the Mayor's proposed budget reflects a significant decrease of deputies from public buildings, the Sheriff's budget does not. The presence of law

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No New SF Jail Coalition. (2019). *Organizational Letter to Close 850 Bryant*. <u>https://nonewsfjail.org/orgletter2019/</u> <sup>2</sup> Brousseau, F., Tam, K. (2019). *Costs & Operations at County Jail #4 at 850 Bryant Street*. San Francisco Budget and

Legislative Analyst's Office.

https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/BLA.Costs%26OperationsatCountyJail%234101719.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sabatini, J. (2019). *City struggles to find alternatives for inmates in seismically unsafe jail*. San Francisco Examiner. <u>https://www.sfexaminer.com/news/city-struggles-to-find-alternatives-for-inmates-in-seismically-unsafe-jail/</u>

enforcement at the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) harms those seeking care and discourages patients from accessing medical care. In the words of Health Commissioner Susan Christian, "Law enforcement and public health do not really mix well together."

We urge you to support DPH Must Divest's community-driven safety strategy by expanding the Behavioral Health Response Team and patient support services, reducing deputies at DPH by 22 FTE, and funding the creation of a union-represented community safety team in primary care clinics.<sup>4</sup> We oppose the expanded use of non-uniform Sheriff cadets at DPH, and the continued presence of Sheriff deputies at San Francisco General Hospital. We join our communities to demand investment in the wellbeing of all San Franciscans through programs that provide alternatives to policing. The SFSD's adopted FY20-21 budget included receiving \$29,859,747 from other departments' expense requests, including **\$22,374,723 from hospitals and clinics.** 

When we shut down CJ4, we envisioned a city that does not rely on incarceration and policing, but rather a city that meaningfully invests in services and robust strategies proven to keep us all safe. The Budget Justice Coalition has prepared a list of service asks that total \$232,376,390.<sup>5</sup> To cite just one example among many, the Compassionate Alternative Response Team (CART) proposal seeks to replace criminalization with care for unhoused San Franciscans: police dispatch calls would be rerouted to community-based street response teams.<sup>6</sup> CART would be funded via General Fund dollars granted by DPH to a community provider: \$4,825,000 in FY21-22 and \$6,825,000 in FY22-23.

We commend you for your visionary leadership in the closure of CJ4 and answering the calls of the community to reduce the footprint of jailing in San Francisco. The undersigned organizations now call on you to boldly embrace the next step — reinvest the attendant funds in care, not more cages. Please, revise the proposed budget to reinvest the savings from closing CJ4 in community care.

Sincerely,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> DPH Must Divest. (2021). *Re-Envisioning Safety: Proposed Alternatives to Sheriff Presence at SFGH and DPH Clinics*. <u>https://www.dphmustdivest.com/alternatives</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Budget Justice Coalition. (2021). *BJC Budget Worksheet(FY21-21\_22-23) V6 - Post-Crosswalk*. <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1zN8tLmIcWA48WNHO5M3yAbVpugz5SE3Q</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> CARTSF. (2021). *Compassionate Alternate Response Team: A Community Plan for San Francisco*. <u>https://www.cartsf.org/our-plan</u>



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<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
FW: investing in our communities
Monday, June 21, 2021 3:27:02 PM

From: dee hibbert-jones <hjdee@ucsc.edu>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:05 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: investing in our communities

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### Dear Linda,

Hi, my name is Wendy Hibbert-Jones and I live in the Mission District. I'm calling to urge you to prioritize real public safety by defunding the sheriff and SFPD, and refunding our community. This committee can and should remove the \$24 million that formerly went to County Jail 4, the \$22 million paid by the Department of Public Health for clinic and hospital security, and make significant cuts to SFPD by eliminating units that target BIPOC and LGBTQ+ folks, including the plainclothes and homeless units, HSOC, the gang unit, and the sex work abatement unit. By refunding our community, the city can invest in implementing non-police responders that are trained to help people in crisis, such as the community-driven and union-represented community safety team proposed by DPH Must Divest for our clinics and hospitals and the CART program proposed by the community, which would connect people to services, focus on moving them off the streets permanently, and create infrastructure for addressing calls from both housed and unhoused San Franciscans. Both of these initiatives would reduce the risk of tragic or violent outcomes for BIPOC and/or unhoused folks who are most at risk of harassment by deputies and police. Respectfully

#### Wendy Hibbert-Jones

Professor, Art Department Affiliate faculty in Film, DANM, Legal Studies Faculty Director, Arts Research Institute University of California, Santa Cruz,

From:	<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: JJPA's recommendations on how to right-size the JPD budget
Date:	Monday, June 21, 2021 3:25:24 PM
Attachments:	21-22 Budget Letter from JJPA.pdf

From: Dinky Manek Enty <dinky@cjcj.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 1:22 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Dawn Stueckle <Dawn@sunsetyouthservices.org>
Subject: Fwd: JJPA's recommendations on how to right-size the JPD budget

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Hello Linda,

I hope you are well. Please see attached for the email and public comment letter sent to the Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee yesterday evening. We are sending it to you to be included in the formal record please. Thank you kindly.

-Dinky and Dawn JJPA Co-Chairs

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Dinky Manek Enty** <<u>dinky@cjcj.org</u>> Date: Wed, Jun 16, 2021 at 7:11 PM Subject: JJPA's recommendations on how to right-size the JPD budget To: Walton, Shamann (BOS) <<u>shamann.walton@sfgov.org</u>>, Haney, Matt (BOS) <<u>Matt.Haney@sfgov.org</u>>, Ronen, Hillary <<u>hillary.ronen@sfgov.org</u>>, <<u>Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org</u>>, Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <<u>Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org</u>> Cc: Dawn Stueckle <<u>Dawn@sunsetyouthservices.org</u>>, RivamonteMesa, Abigail (BOS) <<u>Abigail.Rivamontemesa@sfgov.org</u>>, Gallardo, Tracy (BOS) <<u>tracy.gallardo@sfgov.org</u>>, Lerma, Santiago (BOS) <<u>santiago.lerma@sfgov.org</u>>

To the Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

As a volunteer network of juvenile justice community based organizations, the Juvenile Justice Providers Association (JJPA) would like to request the Committee to reallocate existing funds within the Juvenile Probation Department (JPD), to meet the community's immediate and current needs. Attached are the JJPA's recommendations on how to right-size the JPD budget. None of the attached recommendations require new funding, but rather the reallocation of existing dollars. Please see attached for the JJPA's budget requests. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any of these recommendations further.

In partnership,

JJPA Co-Chairs

Dawn Stueckle Co-Founder and Executive Director of Sunset Youth Services (SYS)

Dinky Manek Enty Deputy Director of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ)

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## San Francisco's Juvenile Justice Providers Association

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Young Community Developers, Inc.

Young Women's Freedom Center To the Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

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June 16, 2021

Please refer to the JJPA's recommendations listed below on how to right-size the JPD budget, while recognizing that San Francisco is putting policies in place to continue to decrease the number of young people in the juvenile justice system. None of these recommendations require new funding, but rather the reallocation of existing dollars. The JPD budget must be right-sized and this is not yet adequately reflected in the department's current proposed budget. The JJPA's recommendations will allow the city to come closer to achieving equity around justice reform. Thank you for your time and consideration of our recommendations. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any of these recommendations further.

In partnership,

JJPA Co-Chairs

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE JUVENILE JUSTICE PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT 2021-22 BUDGET

PROGRAM	AMOUNT	SOURCE OF FUNDING
Community-based intake center	\$500,000	Reallocation of JPD budget
(CARC) open 7 days		
Sustain boys group home with	\$1,500,000	JPD state unallocated funds
additional resources and develop		designated for placement
new appropriate girls group living		
facility		
4 - 8 Resource foster family homes	\$400,000 to \$800,000	JPD state unallocated funds
(both short-term and long-term)		designated for placement
Family income support for 60	\$300,000	Dream Keeper Initiative
families to sustain youth placement		
in their family @\$5000 per family		
Housing and living support for	approximately \$500,000	Prop C
youth over 18 years old (AB12) in	(actual amount to be	Housing funds
JPD system	determined)	
Stipends for vocational	\$250,000	Dream Keeper Initiative
opportunities for 50 youth (1	to \$775,000	
year/20hrs. per week)		
Mental health support embedded in	\$700,000 to \$1M	Reallocation through DPH
community-based agencies,		of funding for Special
including shared psychiatric support		Programs for Youth and
		Aim Higher
Lease and renovation of new	\$2M	Reallocation from JPD
community-based secure facility		budget
TOTAL	\$6,150M to \$7,375M	

## None of these items require new funding, rather the reallocation of existing dollars.

- JPD must continue to "right-size" the department so funds can be spent on appropriate priorities Most immediately: Community-based intake center (CARC) and laying the groundwork for a new secure facility.
- Youth in the JPD system must have dedicated resources from Proposition C and the Dream Keeper Initiative Housing for youth over age 18 and family income benefits to prevent youth placement and incarceration.
- Current mental health dollars must be reallocated to reflect the workload and needed services from the MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) and SPY (Special Programs for Youth) To provide greater flexibility in reaching and serving young people.
- JPD must spend its targeted placement dollars to ensure that youth are not unnecessarily incarcerated Resource family homes and group facilities in SF for boys and girls.

# Budget description calls for "rightsizing" the department, but this is not adequately reflected in the actual budget.

- JPD budget is \$43.7M and proposed to increase in the coming year to \$44.3M. The continually decreasing referrals and caseload do not justify this large a budget for secure detention and probation services. Furthermore, we are putting in place policies which will continue to decrease the number of young people in the JPD system.
  - JPD reports a caseload of 331. This is down by 33% from the past year. Almost 1/3 of the youth are not currently on probation (AB12) and 13% are handled by CARC (funded through DCYF) – leaving approximately 54% (178 youth) who are on probation. The cost of Probation Services (direct costs and administration) is \$24.1M.
  - This past month there was an average of 15 youth in the Juvenile Hall. Given an annual cost of the Juvenile Hall (direct costs + half of general costs) of approximately \$22.5M (direct costs and administration) – this is an annual cost of \$1.5M per bed.
- Despite dramatically decreasing referrals and caseloads, the number of staff is being reduced by less than 3%, and there is no plan for reducing staff in the coming year.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Establish a policy, a specific strategy, and a timeline for the reallocation of resources and the dedication of funding to JPD youth per the above recommendations. Require a report-back to the Budget Committee within 6 months about the status of the reallocation plans.
- Establish a process for determining the "right size" of the Juvenile Probation Department.
- Continue to work towards closing the Juvenile Hall. The country is watching.

## **QUESTION:**

• Why is Log Cabin Ranch in the budget for \$2.7M?

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
Subject:	FW: Downtown Recovery
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Subject: Downtown Recovery

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Dear Matt, Budget Appropriations Committee and entire Board of Supervisors,

Thank you very much for your consideration as we desperately wish for a return to normal.

Thank you as well for your service to our city.

Michael

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To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

Re: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

Date: June 17, 2021

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

We are writing to express our strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the \$12.5 million Downtown Ambassador proposal. The combination of these efforts are key policies and investments that will bring back leisure and business visitors, welcome office workers and residents back to the downtown core, support our small businesses and bring back the workforce to support these industries.

Our hotels, restaurants, retail and other sectors are all suffering along with the thousands of associated workers. We need to thrive once again. Right now we are merely surviving. Our hotel has been back in business for nearly a year but with roughly half the normal workforce.

In order be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need.

One of the most prevalent reasons that San Francisco falls short on booking business at Moscone Center is due to the high cost of rent charged for the facility. San Francisco's competing cities for group business are enticing clients to book their annual meetings with tools such as free rental costs while San Francisco continues to lose out. That's why we need the proposed \$4.6 million to offset facility rental and encourage bookings. Additionally, this proposal has a high return on the investment in both 2022 and 2023. For every dollar of the investment spent in 2022, the city's return is \$31.2 and it goes up to \$43.6 for each dollar spent 2023.

The proposed Downtown Ambassador Program will provide for a consistent and welcoming presence at the busiest transit stations as well as in tourist areas such as Chinatown and Fisherman's Wharf creating a positive experience for those returning office workers, residents and visitors. These individuals will be able to provide wayfinding information, current events, and be trained to be able connect individuals in need with help and services.

Please support these two important economic recovery tools to ensure that our small businesses, restaurants, hotels, and cultural institutions can once again thrive and bring back their workforce to support the respective industries.

Sincerely,

Michael Baier General Manager San Francisco Marriott Fisherman's Wharf

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
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From: Kelly Powers <kpowers@hotelcouncilsf.org>
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Subject: Downtown Recovery - Budget Hearing HCSF

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Dear Supervisor Walton,

Please see our letter (attached) in support of two budget proposals to help our Hospitality Industry recover safely and expediently.

The Ambassador program assists in creating a sense of a safe environment for employees and visitors. The Moscone Incentive plan will help the San Francisco Convention business be competitive withing our competitive convention set. The more business meetings, the more employees are needed to accommodate increased business.

Thank you for your consideration of these programs to help our industry members be successful.

Best,

Kelly Powers Director Hotel Council of San Francisco To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

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The Hotel Council of San Francisco, as the voice of the collective hospitality industry, would like to express the devastating impact of hotel closures on our employees – unemployment for over a year's time was a reality for our industry. Our members have experienced tremendous economic losses during COVID. Many of our hotel employees experienced significant hardship and personal challenges during the closure – income, job status, searching for employment as well as assuming roles such as home school educator or care givers to children, parents, and others within a family unit. Now that we are reopening our hotels, we look to bring employees back as soon as possible but understand this is directly tied to visitors and business travelers to return. We support any competitive programs incentivizing visitors and travelers to return to our city.

The combination of these proposed programs will accelerate business travel and in turn accelerate our hotels to be fully operational, including bringing back a pre-covid workforce.

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Kevin Carroll-President and CEO Hotel Council of San Francisco

Kelly Powers, Director Hotel Council of San Francisco

Wong, Linda (BOS)
<u>Jalipa, Brent (BOS)</u>
FW: Moscone Funding
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From: Joanne Desmond <jtd@local16.org>
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Subject: Moscone Funding

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Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

My name is Joanne Desmond and I am an Assistant Business Agent for IATSE Local 16, the Theatrical Stage Employees.

I am writing to express my very strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund.

Since March of 2020 our membership has seen an almost virtual shut down of all work. Our members have endured huge financial hardship, have experienced housing instability, lost health care coverage, seen their savings depleted and most heart breaking of all seen a significant number of cases of severe depression which sadly has resulted in suicide for some. I have seen firsthand how devastating this has been.

The Moscone Convention center is one of the largest and most profitable venues in which our members work. It is vital that we keep this facility operating at its peak efficiency which not only means monies to our members but to the City in the form of sales tax, business receipts etc. By offsetting rental fees the return to the City in terms of revenue cannot be overlooked. It would be huge!

In addition we are requesting that the Downtown Ambassador program stay intact. This program is an essential component in making visitors and conventioneers feel safe and welcome in downtown San Francisco.

Please approve these important recovery tools so we can support getting San Francisco back to work.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joanne Desmond

## Joanne Desmond (she/her) Assistant Business Agent I.A.T.S.E. Local 16

240 Second Street San Francisco, CA 94105 Phone: 415-441-6400 Cell: 415-640-8084 www.local16.org



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Sincerely,

Joanne Desmond

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Rob Gitin
Cc:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public comment for today"s Budget committee meeting
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:41:59 AM
Attachments:	Public Comment for the Budget & Appropriations Committee, Rob Gitin, 6-16-21.docx

Hi Mr. Gitin,

Looping in Clerk Jalipa to respond directly to you.

Thank you for your email.

Best,

## Linda Wong

San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 Phone: 415.554.7719 | Fax: (415) 554-5163 Linda.Wong@sfgov.org | www.sfbos.org

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Subject: Public comment for today's Budget committee meeting

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Dear Ms. Wong-

I've attached my public comment; if you could submit it as part of the official record, I would be most grateful.

Thank you-Rob Gitin Dear Honorable Budget Committee Members

My name is Rob Gitin. For 21 years, I ran At The Crossroads, an organization for homeless youth and young adults in San Francisco. I currently work as a consultant to homelessness nonprofits and philanthropists who are trying to address the homelessness crisis in San Francisco.

I have a simple request: follow the wisdom of the members of the OCOH Committee, and the folks with lived experience on the streets. The OCOH Committee worked tirelessly to listen to unhoused people and the nonprofits that support them, and to approve a package of solutions designed to thoughtfully and strategically address the homelessness crisis. Let's value their work and expertise, and fund their recommendations. All of them.

How we spend our money to help our unhoused neighbors should not be determined by political expediency. It should not be determined by what works best for city departments. It should not be determined by what is easiest for our current systems to maintain. It should be determined by one thing, and one thing only: what will have the greatest impact on the lives of people who currently or formerly live on the streets, and will lead to fewer people on the streets.

Our systems and services must be designed around the needs and realities of the people on the streets; we have to stop asking people to fit into what the city has deemed as worthy of support. We must support the models that the recipients of the service find most effective, not the ones that fit into existing boxes.

Please, don't let the incredible and diligent work of the OCOH Committee go to waste. Restore their recommendations that were cut in the Mayor's budget, and chart a new course for this city in its battle to create a safe, healthy, equitable city for all of its residents, be they housed or unhoused.

Thank you for fighting for folks on the streets.

In solidarity,

Rob Gitin

robgitin@gmail.com

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:34:51 AM

From: Crystal Le <crystal.le115@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:21 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1

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Hello Board of Supervisors,

My name is Crystal Le, and I live in District 6. I'm writing to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city. It's time for the city to put its money where its mouth is. While the city has technically done some of these things, the city has not kept true to the spirit of these promises, which was always to ensure that we could refund the savings into life-affirming resources and non-police alternatives. Time after time, the city has fallen short of refunding the people after their hard-fought victories. It's time to change that. This is about public safety: as we slowly recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we must prioritize services and programs that center the well-being of our people. This is also about public trust: our City has closed a 100+ full-time-deputy jail and has planned to remove deputies from security posts in various buildings around San Francisco. So why are we paying the sheriff more than ever? And we are diverting noncriminal calls away from SFPD, so why do we continue throwing General Fund money into the department as if we intend to keep doing business as usual? I urge you to do the right thing: defund the sheriff and SFPD and refund our community.

Best,

Crystal Lê She/her/hers

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:15:59 AM

From: Jason Mai <jmai1026@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:14 AM
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Hi, my name is Jason and I live in District 2.

I'm calling to urge you to make good on this city's promises to the people. The city said it would close CJ4, close juvenile hall, divert funding from SFPD for the Black community, and fundamentally change the nature of policing in our city.

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Furthermore, did you know that jailing and policing disproportionately impact LGBTQ+ transitional age youth, which make up 50% of unhoused folks in San Francisco and are routinely targeted by criminalization?

I am calling during Pride Month to urge you to refund our community at least \$24M, the cost of operating the now-closed County Jail 4, divert funding that is usually paid to the sheriff for providing security at our hospitals and clinics, and divert funding out of SFPD proportional to the diversion of noncriminal calls they will no longer have to handle. I am also urging you to fund a union-represented community safety team for clinics and hospitals, fund the CART program, and fund

community programs that will keep LGBTQ+ folks of all ages safe, such as housing, healthcare, child care, and other support systems that will help them thrive. **By refunding that money to our community, the City can show that it is willing to fight for its LGBTQ+ community not just during Pride, but all year.** 

Best, Jason

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1
Date:	Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:16:13 AM

From: Calder Lorenz <calder@thegubbioproject.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2021 11:13 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment: 6/17 Budget & Appropriations Meeting, Item 1

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Hello Supervisors,

My name is Calder Lorenz. I live in District 9 and work as the Director of Operations at the Gubbio Project. We work with the unhoused community to provide safe low barrier day time sleep for the community located at St. John's in the Mission. We also serve formerly incarcerated people and their families daily.

I am writing to urge you to refund our community at least \$24M, the cost of operating County Jail 4, which we closed last year. Jailing and imprisonment expands and exacerbates homelessness. Data from a 2017 survey showed that 59% of houseless San Franciscans reported that they had been imprisoned during their life. 44% of survey respondents were locked up multiple times. Removing police response from addressing this issue is a matter of public safety and racial justice that everyone supports, from the community to the mayor to SFPD itself.

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In Community, Calder

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Calder Lorenz (he/him), *Harm Reduction Saves Lives, I carry naloxone!* Director of Operations at the Gubbio Project (415)-571-6391 cell phone calder@thegubbioproject.org thegubbioproject.org

From: To:	Joanne Desmond Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Subject:	Moscone Funding
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 2:08:14 PM
Attachments:	JOANNE''S LETTER BOS.DOCX

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

My name is Joanne Desmond and I am an Assistant Business Agent for IATSE Local 16, the Theatrical Stage Employees.

I am writing to express my very strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund.

Since March of 2020 our membership has seen an almost virtual shut down of all work. Our members have endured huge financial hardship, have experienced housing instability, lost health care coverage, seen their savings depleted and most heart breaking of all seen a significant number of cases of severe depression which sadly has resulted in suicide for some. I have seen firsthand how devastating this has been.

The Moscone Convention center is one of the largest and most profitable venues in which our members work. It is vital that we keep this facility operating at its peak efficiency which not only means monies to our members but to the City in the form of sales tax, business receipts etc. By offsetting rental fees the return to the City in terms of revenue cannot be overlooked. It would be huge!

In addition we are requesting that the Downtown Ambassador program stay intact. This program is an essential component in making visitors and conventioneers feel safe and welcome in downtown San Francisco.

Please approve these important recovery tools so we can support getting San Francisco back to work.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

# Joanne Desmond

## Joanne Desmond (she/her) Assistant Business Agent

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From:	James Beaumonte
To:	Haney, Matt (BOS)
Cc:	Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann (BOS); Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
Subject:	RE: Moscone Convention Center Recovery Fund
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 1:20:19 PM

Dear Supervisor Haney and members of Budget and Appropriations Committee,

I am writing you in support of the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Center Recovery Fund.

Over the last 16 months, the convention business at Moscone Center has been completely stopped for COVID response purposes. The closure of the Moscone Center has resulted in over 95% work stoppage for our membership. It has led to unprecedented hardships for our members as many have been exposed to housing insecurity and loss of medical insurance. Moscone Center provides thousands of jobs throughout the year.

As the City begins to reopen and conventions return again, the competition for this business has never been greater. Other states' convention centers have been open for months. They have had a large head start on booking shows and have offered multiyear discounts to clients.

The bottom line is, to stay competitive we need the Moscone Recovery Fund, Ambassador Program and clean streets.

Thank you:

Jim Beaumonte President I.A.T.S.E. Local 16 240 Second Street San Francisco, CA 94105 Cell: 415-999-9557 Phone: 415-441-6400 www.local16.org



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From:	Heather Keenan
То:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS); Haney, Matt (BOS); Safai, Ahsha (BOS); Mar, Gordon (BOS); Ronen, Hillary;
	Walton, Shamann (BOS)
Cc:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	Downtown Ambassador Program and the Moscone Center Recovery Fund
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 1:17:26 PM
Attachments:	<u>SFTravel.docx</u>

All,

Please see the attached in support of these two programs. I am a small business owner that depends on Moscone Center's business. As all of us in the hospitality community have been hit hard with the recent pandemic, we need the extra support to ensure the we come back healthy and quickly

Thank you.

Heather Keenan CEO + Founder PH: 415.695.8000 M: 415.225.1141

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To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

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Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

Re: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

Date: June 18, 2021

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to express our strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the \$12.5 million Downtown Ambassador proposal. The combination of these efforts are key policies and investments that will bring back leisure and business visitors, welcome office workers and residents back to the downtown core, support our small businesses and bring back the workforce to support these industries.

Key Events is a 30 year old event and meeting planning company that has supported SF Travel and the San Francisco travel industry for all of those thirty years. And conversely, the business that Moscone attracts has allowed my business to flourish, grow and help bring business to San Francisco. We all know that the hospitality industry has been one of the hardest hit industries in the wake of the pandemic and we need to incentivize corporations and associations to choose our city to reignite our industry and bring much needed travel and tourism to San Francisco.

In order be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need.

One of the most prevalent reasons that San Francisco falls short on booking business at Moscone Center is due to the high cost of rent charged for the facility. San Francisco's competing cities for group business are enticing clients to book their annual meetings with tools such as free rental costs while San Francisco continues to lose out. That's why we need the proposed \$4.6 million to offset facility rental and encourage bookings. Additionally, this proposal has a high return on the investment in both 2022 and 2023. For every dollar of the investment spent in 2022, the city's return is \$31.2 and it goes up to \$43.6 for each dollar spent 2023.

The proposed Downtown Ambassador Program will provide for a consistent and welcoming presence at the busiest transit stations as well as in tourist areas such as Chinatown and Fisherman's Wharf creating a positive experience for those returning office workers, residents and visitors. These individuals will be able to provide wayfinding information, current events, and be trained to be able connect individuals in need with help and services.

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Please support these two important economic recovery tools to ensure that our small businesses, restaurants, hotels, and cultural institutions can once again thrive and bring back their workforce to support the respective industries.

Sincerely,

Heather Keenan CEO / Founder Key Events



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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Budget & Appropriations Committee Hearing: Public Comment
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 8:56:58 PM

From: Karin Adams <karin@homelessyouthalliance.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 8:51 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Budget & Appropriations Committee Hearing: Public Comment

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Thank you supervisors! My name is Karin Adams and I manage a TAY transitional housing program for Homeless Youth Alliance. Our youth are supposed to stay with us for one year, but due to covid and other system challenges, their stay ended up being several years. This shift caused something profound. The change they made when having intensive support for this length of time was extraordinary. For many, this was the first time they've ever lived in a stable environment with trusting adults. Sadly the program I am running is being shut down; this was not our decision, nor that of the youth we serve. Our disappointment in our program closure was mitigated when the OCOH committee recommended adding Bridge Housing, which is longer-term, intensive transitional housing, to the budget. This would be an opportunity to expand and improve upon this idea of longer-term transitional housing that young people have clearly identified that they want. Bridge housing must be a part of the spectrum of solutions for youth homelessness. It provides the youth time to build trusting relationships, time to shift the chaotic course of their lives and actualize their dreams, time to reflect and to heal and move forward. With this length of time in a caring environment, youth will not see their future only within the walls of an SRO in the Tenderloin, but with stability, options, and community. Bridge Housing will contribute to young people permanently exiting the homelessness response system.

Karin Adams Program Manager of Housing Homeless Youth Alliance www.homelessyouthalliance.org Cell: 415-216-5135 Mailing Address: PO BOX 170427 San Francisco, CA 94117

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From: James Beaumonte <jb@local16.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 6:14 PM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: FW: RE: Moscone Convention Center Recovery Fund

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From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
То:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Testimony Budget and Appropriations Committee June 17: Proposed SFPD Budget (Sworn Police Officers vs. Ken Zhao)
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 4:53:30 PM
Attachments:	Testimony to Budget and Appropriations Committee SFPD Proposed Budget FY 21-22 and FY 22-23 — 21-06- 16.pdf

From: pmonette-shaw <pmonette-shaw@earthlink.net>

Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 4:53 PM

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**Subject:** Testimony Budget and Appropriations Committee June 17: Proposed SFPD Budget (Sworn Police Officers vs. Ken Zhao)

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Board of Supervisors Budget and Appropriations Committee,

Please read my full testimony on SFPD's proposed budget for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023, attached.

Again, now is the time — as part and parcel of nationwide calls for police reform — to drastically reduce the bloated number of sworn police officer positions in SFPD based on their number of FTE hours worked.

In addition, the Board of Supervisors should eliminate police academy classes for the next two fiscal years and allow attrition due to retirements to further reduce sworn officer staffing levels at SFPD.

Any savings from reducing the number of sworn police officers and eliminating academy classes should be re-allocated to the Department of Public Health to fund providing gap subsidies to facilitate opening a sub-acute SNF in the City to halt out-of-county patient dumping of patients — like Ken Zhao — who require sub-acute level of care.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Monette-Shaw Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

# **Patrick Monette-Shaw**

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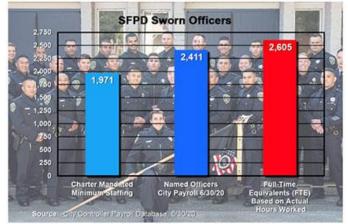
#### June 16, 2021

Budget and Appropriations Committee, Board of Supervisors The Honorable Matt Haney, Chair The Honorable Ahsha Safai, Member The Honorable Gordon Mar, Member The Honorable Hillary Ronen, Member The Honorable Shamann Walton, Member
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Chair Haney and Budget and Appropriations Committee,

As the Budget and Appropriations Committee reviews the proposed SFPD budget for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023 in Agenda Item #1 on June 17 and you deliberate on reducing SFPD's budget and reducing the number of sworn police officer positions in SFPD, please allow me to refresh your memory.

#### Re: Agenda Item 1, Police Department Proposed Budget



SFPD "Minimum" Staffing: SFPD currently has 440 to 634 more sworn officers than the 1,971 mandated in the City Charter.

Table 1 documents from previously-adopted **AAO's** for the past five years that SFPD's budget has grown by \$59.2 million since FY 2018–2019, from \$629.8 million in FY 2018–2019 to \$689 million proposed for FY 2022–2023 — representing a 9.41% change increase:

#### Table 1: AAO — Growth in SFPD Budget Past Five Years

	A	Adopted AAO		Adopted AAO	/	Adopted AAO	Ma	ayor Proposed	Ma	ayor Proposed
Board of Supervisors AAO for SFPD	F	Y 2018–2019	F	Y 2019–2020	F	Y 2020–2021	F	Y 2021–2022	F	Y 2022–2023
Date Adopted (or Proposed):	8/1/2018		7/16/2019		Adopted : 9/10/20		1/1/2021		1/1/2021	
	\$	629,838,175	\$	692,322,316	\$	667,891,102	\$	675,774,373	\$	689,077,957
Change from Prior FY:		_	\$	62,484,141	\$	(24,431,214)	\$	7,883,271	\$	13,303,584

Source: Board of Supervisors Annual Appropriations Ordinance (AAO)

**RECOMMENDATION 1:** The Budget and Appropriations Committee should recommend to the full Board of Supervisors that the overall SFPD budget must be cut significantly.

In addition, Table 2 documents from previously-adopted <u>ASO's</u> for the past five years that SFPD's total employee headcount (including non-police officers) has remained essentially flat during the past five fiscal years, and has only lost 105.38 FTE positions since FY 2018–2019 — from 3,224.28 in FY 18–19 to 3,118.90 total FTE's proposed for FY 22–23.

#### Table 2: ASO — SFPD Departmentwide FTE's (Full-Time Equivalents

Board of Supervisors ASO for SFPD	Adopted ASO FY 2018–2019	Adopted ASO FY 2019–2020	Adopted ASO FY 2020–2021	Mayor Proposed <b>FY 2021–2022</b>	Mayor Proposed <b>FY 2022–2023</b>	
Date Adopted (or Proposed):	8/1/2018	7/16/2019	Adopted : 9/10/20	1/1/2021	1/1/2021	
All SFPD Employee FTE's	3,224.28	3,469.55	3,397.45	3,063.38	3,118.90	
Change from Prior FY:	_	245.27	(72.10)	(334.07)	55.52	
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Source: Board of Supervisors Annual Salary Ordinance and Office of the Mayor

As you know, the ASO enumerates annually the number of FTE's by various job classification codes in each of SFPD's four major functional areas, including its Special Operations, Administration, Field Operations, and Airport (SFO) divisions.

Table 3 documents from previously-adopted <u>ASO's</u> for the past five years that SFPD's sworn officers only (excluding Command Staff — Police Chief, Assistant Chiefs, Deputy Chief 3, and Commander 3) have been reduced by 242.65 FTE's, from 2,629.65 sworn officer FTE's in FY 2018–2019 to 2,387 sworn officer FTE's proposed for FY 2022–2023. **Table 3:** ASO — SFPD Sworn Officer-Only FTE's

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Source: Board of Supervisors Annual Salary Ordinance (ASO)

However, Table 4 illustrates that comparing the adopted ASO's to my analysis of the City Controller's payroll database, although the number of sworn officers by name decreased by 211 officers, from 2,622 in FY 2018–2019 to 2,411 sworn officers in FY 2019–2020, adding up each of those named officer's full-time hours worked plus their overtime hours worked shows **the number of sworn officer FTE's based on their total hours worked were reduced by only eight (8) officers** — from 2,613 in FY 2018–2019 to 2,605 sworn officers in FY 2019–2020 — despite the 117.69 sworn officer FTE reduction enumerated in the adopted ASO's between FY 2018–2019 and FY 2019–2020 shown in Table 3.

#### Table 4: Computer Sworn Officer-Only FTE's From City Controller's Payroll Database

Payroll Database — Calculated FTE's (Regular Time Plus Overtime)

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		FY 2018–2019	FY 2019–2020	FY 2020–2021
Payroll Ending D	ate:	6/30/2019	6/30/2020	6/30/2021
Sworn Officer (by Distinct Name)		2,622	2,411	
Change from Prior	r FY:	_	(211)	Pending Analysis
Sworn Officer FTE's – From Total Hours Worked Change from Prior FY:		2,613	2,605 <b>(8)</b>	
Sworn Officer Total Pay	\$	366,530,763.67	\$ 380,206,259.28	Dending Anglasia
Change from Prior		—	\$ 13,675,496	Pending Analysis
Source: City Controller Annual Payroll Databas	se			

(See Appendix, Table 5 on Page 3 for breakout of sworn officer FTE's by job classification code.)

Assuming the trend in calculated sworn officer FTE's based on their total hours worked continues in FY 2020–2021 and the next two fiscal years (FY 21–2022 and FY 22–23) we may find that SFPD will continue granting overtime so that there are at least 2,600 FTE's (by total hours worked) on staff.

Table 4 also illustrates the based on the City Controller's payroll database, the "Total Pay" for sworn police officers increased by \$13.7 million, from \$366.5 million in FY 2018–2019 to \$380.2 million in FY 2018–2020.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:** The Budget and Appropriations Committee should identify and cut a significant number of sworn officer FTE's enumerated in the AAO and ASO being proposed for FY 2021–2022 and FY 2022–2023. Your Committee should also recommend to the full Board of Supervisors significant reduction of SFPD sworn officer FTE's.

Now is the time — as part and parcel of nationwide calls for police reform — to drastically reduce the bloated number of sworn police officer positions in SFPD based on their number of FTE hours worked.

In addition, the Board of Supervisors should eliminate police academy classes for the next two fiscal years and allow attrition due to retirements to further reduce sworn officer staffing levels at SFPD.

Any savings from reducing the number of sworn police officers and eliminating academy classes should be re-allocated to the Department of Public Health to fund providing gap subsidies to facilitate opening a sub-acute SNF in the City to halt out-of-county patient dumping of patients — like Ken Zhao — who require sub-acute level of care.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Monette-Shaw Columnist Westside Observer Newspaper

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cc: The Honorable Connie Chan, Supervisor, District 1 The Honorable Catherine Stefani, Supervisor, District 2 The Honorable Aaron Peskin, Supervisor, District 3 The Honorable Dean Preston, Supervisor, District 5 The Honorable Myrna Melgar, Supervisor, District 7 The Honorable Rafael Mandelman, Supervisor, District 8 Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board Linda Wong, Clerk of the Budget and Appropriations Committee Daisy Quan, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Gordon Mar Edward Wright, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Gordon Mar Li Miao Lovett, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Gordon Mar Alan Wong, Administrative Aide to Supervisor Gordon Mar Lee Hepner, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Aaron Peskin

#### Appendix

#### Table 5: Sworn Officer-Only FTE's by Job Classication Code

			FY 20	18–2019			FY	FY 2019–2020				
			Calculated FTE's				Calculated FTE's					
Job Code	Job Classification	Count of Officers by Last Name	Sum Of Regular Hours Worked	Sum Of + Overtime Hours Worked	Sum of = Total Hours Worked	Count of Officers by Last Name	Sum Of Regular Hours Worked	Sum Of + Overtime = Hours Worked	Sum of = Total Hours Worked			
Q002	Police Officer	616	921,582	89,818	1,011,400	483	856,471	99,246	955,717			
Q003	Police Officer 2	504	1,007,622	154,997	1,162,619	440	890,250	138,334	1,028,584			
Q004	Police Officer 3	840	1,531,221	222,641	1,753,862	823	1,595,701	238,341	1,834,042			
Q051	Sergeant 2	29	61,952	7,128	69,080	21	45,483	5,395	50,878			
Q052	Sergeant 3	479	1,001,801	124,286	1,126,087	498	1,087,982	136,609	1,224,591			
Q061	Lieutenant 2	4	8,479	1,185	9,664	3	6,512	1,399	7,911			
Q062	Lieutenant 3	115	227,617	13,530	241,147	110	237,094	17,646	254,740			
Q082	Captain 3	35	60,428	290	60,718	33	60,641	738	61,379			
		2,622				2,411						
	Total Ho	urs Worked	4,820,701	613,875	5,434,576		4,780,135	637,708	5,417,843			
	2,080 Hou	rs = 1.0 FTE ÷	2,080	2,080	2,080		2,080	2,080	2,080			
FTE	່ 's (based on 2,080 hou	urs worked) =	2,318	295	2,613		2,298	307	2,605			

Source: City Controller Annual Payroll Database

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Support Downtown Ambassador Program and Moscone Center Incentive Fund
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 12:10:29 PM

From: Kathy Paver <kathypaver@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 11:54 AM
To: Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
<board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>; Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS)
<ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>
Cc: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: RE: Support Downtown Ambassador Program and Moscone Center Incentive Fund

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To: Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee: Chair, Supervisor Haney Member, Supervisor Safai Member, Supervisor Mar Member, Supervisor Ronen Member, Supervisor Walton

Re: Support Moscone Center Recovery Fund and the Downtown Ambassador Proposal

Date: June 16, 2021

Dear Chair Haney and Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee: I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed \$4.6 million Moscone Convention Recovery Fund and the \$12.5 million Downtown Ambassador proposal. The combination of these efforts are key policies and investments that will bring back leisure and business visitors, welcome office workers and residents back to the downtown core, support our small businesses and bring back the workforce to support these industries.

I worked for PIER 39 as their Senior VP of Marketing for 33 years and know first-hand how important tourism is to San Francisco's economy.

In order be competitive and bring back our essential group and leisure business as well as returning office workers to San Francisco, we need to think creatively and strategically. The combination of these proposed programs will have a significant impact on our economic recovery and are precisely the tools we need.

One of the most prevalent reasons that San Francisco falls short on booking business at Moscone Center is due to the high cost of rent charged for the facility. San Francisco's competing cities for group business are enticing clients to book their annual meetings with tools such as free rental costs while San Francisco continues to lose out. That's why we need the proposed \$4.6 million to offset facility rental and encourage bookings. Additionally, this proposal has a high return on the investment in both 2022 and 2023. For every dollar of the investment spent in 2022, the city's return is \$31.2 and it goes up to \$43.6 for each dollar spent 2023.

The proposed Downtown Ambassador Program will provide for a consistent and welcoming presence at the busiest transit stations as well as in tourist areas such as Chinatown and Fisherman's Wharf creating a positive experience for those returning office workers, residents and visitors. These individuals will be able to provide wayfinding information, current events, and be trained to be able connect individuals in need with help and services.

Please support these two important economic recovery tools to ensure that our small businesses, restaurants, hotels, and cultural institutions can once again thrive and bring back their workforce to support the respective industries.

Sincerely, Kathy Paver Kathy Paver Marketing Services

Kathy Paver 415-606-3949 <u>kathypaver@gmail.com</u>

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	<u>Wong, Linda (BOS)</u>
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Funding for housing (Emergency basis) for homeless youth
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 11:14:45 AM

-----Original Message-----From: Marvis Phillips </br/>marvisjphillips@icloud.com> Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 1:31 AM To: Wong, Linda (BOS) </br/>linda.wong@sfgov.org> Cc: groberts@larkinstreetyouth.org Subject: Funding for housing (Emergency basis) for homeless youth

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Dear Board Of Supervisor's,

I am writing you today, to ask if you can find some funds to expand the Emergency Housing Program for Larkin Street Youth Network, so they can get more at risk youth into safe homes and off the street, and out of harms way! At a time when the Homeless crisis has been exacerbated by this pandemic, it is important to take the necessary steps, to house those most at risk, and I cannot think of anyone more at risk than a person in their teens living on the street, whether in a tent or on a piece of cardboard! Whatever you can do to help reduce this horrible situation, will be of a help. Thank you for helping in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marvis J. Phillips Co-Founder Larkin Street Youth Network

Board Chair District 6 Community Planners Sent from my iPad

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: URGING AMENDMENT TO $6/17/21$ Budget and Appropriations Committee Agenda Item #1 [Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Departments - FYs 2021-2022 and 2022-2023] File #210643
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 11:14:14 AM

From: aeboken <<u>aeboken@gmail.com</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 10:43 AM

**To:** BOS-Supervisors < <u>bos-supervisors@sfgov.org</u>>; BOS-Legislative Aides < <u>bos-</u>

legislative\_aides@sfgov.org>

**Subject:** URGING AMENDMENT TO 6/17/21 Budget and Appropriations Committee Agenda Item #1 [Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Departments - FYs 2021-2022 and 2022-2023] File #210643

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TO: Board of Supervisors members

Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK) is strongly urging the Board to amend the Fire Department budget to reinstate the purchase of four (4) hose tenders rather than the revised number of two (2).

SPEAK has taken this as its official position.

Eileen Boken

President

Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee (SPEAK)

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: SF Travel Support for Moscone Center Recovery Fund
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 10:54:27 AM
Attachments:	SF Travel Moscone Convetion Recovery final PDF june 2021.pdf

From: San Francisco Travel - President & CEO <president@sftravel.com> Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 9:05 AM

**To:** Haney, Matt (BOS) <matt.haney@sfgov.org>; Safai, Ahsha (BOS) <ahsha.safai@sfgov.org>; Mar, Gordon (BOS) <gordon.mar@sfgov.org>; Ronen, Hillary <hillary.ronen@sfgov.org>; walton.shamann@sfgov.org

**Cc:** Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>; DPH - cassandra <cassandra@sftravel.com> **Subject:** SF Travel Support for Moscone Center Recovery Fund

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In 2019, tourism was San Francisco's number one industry attracting over 25 million visitors, employing over 86,000 hardworking individuals, and generating over \$770 million in general fund taxes. In order to stay competitive and bring our essential group business back to San Francisco and the crucial jobs it supports, we need to think creatively and strategically. The business that is generated at Moscone Convention Center has a rippling effect to many sectors of San Francisco including small businesses, restaurants, cultural institutions, and most importantly, the labor sector that depends on the business for their livelihood.

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Please support this important economic recovery tool to ensure that our small businesses, restaurants, cultural institutions, and attractions, can once again thrive and bring back their workforce.

Sincerely, Joe D'Alessandro President and CEO

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Sincerely,

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Joe D'Alessandro, President and CEO

From:	Wong, Linda (BOS)
To:	Jalipa, Brent (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Public Comment for BOS Committee"s Hearing Today
Date:	Wednesday, June 16, 2021 10:54:05 AM
Attachments:	061621 Public comment, Bridge housing, Mary Howe (1).pdf

From: Mary Howe <mary@homelessyouthalliance.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 10:50 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: Public Comment for BOS Committee's Hearing Today

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Please find the attached comments as I am unable to attend the hearing.

Sincerely, Mary

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To support HYA's work during the COVID-19 Outbreak donate here: https://homelessyouthalliance.networkforgood.com/projects/97511-emergency-funds-for-covid-19response

Help us find a home again, consider donating to our Capital Campaign "Go Big or Stay Homeless" www.homelessyouthalliance.org

Mary Howe Executive Director, HYA Pronouns: She/Her PO Box 170427 San Francisco CA 94117 Cell: 415-630-0744 Fax: 415-386-8212

#### Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors

I submit this comment today as I am currently winding down for our last day CAMP our Safe Sleeping Village so it is paramount I support the staff and remaining residents. For the past 15 years, I have been running Homeless Youth Alliance; I myself was unhoused when I was a teenager.

I want to give my full throated support of the HESPA budget request for youth, which was carefully created by people with lived and professional experience.

I want to highlight one particular area of this request, Bridge Housing for TAY. It was approved by the OCOH committee, but was lost in the mayor's budget. It <u>must</u> be added for the next fiscal year.

This model of housing succeeds specifically with young people who have long histories of trauma, who in many cases have spent a decade or more of their young lives living on the streets. There are a few key reasons:

- It provides a longer opportunity than shelter, traditional transitional housing, and rapid rehousing to heal, to get support, to develop life skills, and to create a new path. Having several years is essential for youth who have experienced the most significant life challenges.
- However, it is not permanent, as many youth have the ability to build independent lives that don't require decades of ongoing public support.
- It is intentionally designed in a communal setting that encourages the development of healthier relationships and life skills, and allows young people to create their own communities that are essential to their ability to not just survive, but to thrive.
- The support is holistic and intensive in a way that is difficult to provide in a scattered site model.

It is this unique combination of living in a congregate setting for several years in a safe, comfortable environment that provides deep and diverse support that makes this model so essential. The young people of San Francisco deserve to have their voices heard and their needs met so please let us demonstrate that by supporting Bridge Housing.

In Solidarity, Mary Howe

HYA Executive Director

### Alisa Somera

Legislative Deputy Director San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102 415.554.7711 direct | 415.554.5163 fax alisa.somera@sfgov.org

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Sent: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 2:45 PM

To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>

Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Mchugh, Eileen (BOS)

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Subject: FW: Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!

To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <<u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>> Subject: Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!

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Supervisors Board of Supervisors,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of East Cut and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but our incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Tiffany Yu <u>tiffany@mydiversability.com</u> 50 Lansing Street San Francisco, California 94105

From:	Board of Supervisors, (BOS)
To:	BOS-Supervisors
Cc:	Calvillo, Angela (BOS); Somera, Alisa (BOS); Ng, Wilson (BOS); Laxamana, Junko (BOS); Mchugh, Eileen (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS)
Subject:	FW: Restore the Promise of the Dignity Fund - \$3 million still missing
Date:	Wednesday, June 9, 2021 3:26:18 PM

From: Marie Jobling <marie@sfcommunityliving.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 9:14 AM
To: Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Restore the Promise of the Dignity Fund - \$3 million still missing

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The Mayor's Budget does not restore this year's \$3 million to the Dignity Fund, despite a healthy budget. We look to you to help assure that services and supports for older adults and people with disabilities are in place to meet the needs, made worse by the pandemic. See below for additional signers.

This fiscal year, the \$3 million contribution to the Dignity Fund at the Department of Disability and Aging was suspended - in what was a most difficult year for older adults and adults with disabilities due to the pandemic. We could have really used these funds as service providers had to provide a higher level of services and provide them remotely keeping participants and staff safe.

Next year will be twice as challenging as we have to begin to open in person services safely AND continue to provide remote service for those who continue to feel unsafe. What is being called a hybrid model is really two tracks of services requiring significantly more staffing and support.

Now that the City's finances are much better, we urge you to restore the \$3 million promised for this year as part of the 2020-2021 budget as we struggle to serve the more than 20% of the City's residents who are older adults and adults with disabilities (most of whom are low income and living on fixed incomes.)

#### See original letter with additional signers below.

#### **Restore the Promise of the Dignity Fund**

In November 2016, the citizens of San Francisco voted on Proposition I and overwhelmingly approved it, thereby establishing the <u>Dignity Fund</u>. It guarantees funding for expansion of supportive services to assist Older Adults (60+ years old, 21% of SF's populations) and adults with disabilities (18-59 years old) age with dignity in places they call home.

Since 2017, the Dignity Fund has expanded much needed services in areas of support to older adults, adults with disabilities, including targeted services to communities of color, veterans, LGBTQ individuals, and neighborhoods that have historically been left behind. <u>Click here for a summary of the focused, high impact programming that the Dignity Fund made possible</u>.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City was anticipating a budget shortfall and with uncertainty about the future, **suspended the \$3 million annual contribution to the Dignity Fund**. When the legislation for the fund was being drafted, the Mayor and the City's Controller insisted on including language which dictated this type of suspension when the City was facing a significant shortfall.

However, the **City's fortunes greatly improved during the current fiscal year (FY 2020-2021)** with an expected **\$125.2 million General Fund balance** (Controller's Office 6-month Budget Status Report). Expected allocations from the state and federal government have added to funding streams and will likely continue to off-set losses. In the end, there is no excuse to withhold the promised contributions to the Dignity Fund this year and there certainly should not be next year!

We need your support to restore the annual contribution of \$3 million to the Dignity Fund in the upcoming budget! The pandemic has disproportionately affected older adults and people with disabilities, literally being trapped in their homes for a year, isolated, unable to access regular health care or transportation to medical appointments, increased food insecurity, and more, all of which has been exasperated by the digital divide. We ask that you hear our voice. Don't leave out in the cold some of their most vulnerable constituents and ensure continuity of programs and services that enable them to age with Dignity.

Restore this year's annual \$3 million allocation to the <u>Department of Disability and</u> <u>Aging Services (DAS)</u>, which administers the funds and ensures delivery of critical services!

Fiona Hinze and Marie Jobling, Dignity Fund Co-chairs

Addition Co-signers Dr. Marcy Adelman The Arc San Francisco Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach Duff Axsom Nonprofit Consulting Adele Bookman Amy Brokering Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services Inc Brenda Billings Kathy Cady Amber Carroll – Covia Front Porch Partner Anna Chou Coalition of Agencies Serving the Elderly (CASE) Community Living Campaign Covia **Curry Senior Center** Joan Downey Family Caregiver Alliance Felton Institute Adrian Gaino Golden Gate Senior Services Judy Goddess, Senior Beat Corinne Goodrich Margaret Graf, Senior Power ML Holmstadt HP Uniti Judith Janec Janis Kaempfe Diane Lawrence, DAS Advisory Council LeadingAge California Deni Leonard Herb Levine Elinore Lurie, DAS Advisory Council Ashley C. McCumber Therese McGlone Meals on Wheels San Francisco Michelle Minolli **Charles Minster** Sandy Mori, retired National Coalition of 100 Black Women Karen Nemsick Anne-Marie Nowak Older Women's League, SF Jeannee Parker Martin, LeadingAge California Fabian Pascal Barbara Patton Susan Poor Consulting **Richmond Senior Center** Ralph Roullard Senior and Disability Action Linda Silver Cary Sweeney Swords to Plowshares Betty Traynor Katie Wade Noah Weaker Ray Xu

Marie Jobling www.sfcommunityliving.org office 415-821-1003 ex 101 cell 415-640-8239



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From:Somera, Alisa (BOS)To:Wong, Linda (BOS)Subject:FW: Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!Date:Wednesday, June 9, 2021 12:15:34 PM

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#### Alisa Somera

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Subject: FW: Fund senior & disability rental subsidies!

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Supervisors Board of Supervisors,

Dear Supervisors,

I am a resident of San Francisco District \_\_\_\_\_ and I am writing to urge you to fund rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities in the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

I am part of the senior and disability communities and I see the great need for housing that we can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

Portable rental subsidies and Senior Operating Subsidies have made it possible for hundreds of seniors and people with disabilities to stay in their homes, but thousands more see our rents rising but our incomes staying the same.

You have the chance to expand subsidies and keep us in our homes and off the streets! Please include in the upcoming budget an additional \$3 million for portable rental subsidies for seniors and people with disabilities and an additional \$3 million for Senior Operating Subsidies.

Our communities are counting on you.

Thank you!

Sage Phoenix sagepho@gmail.com 34 Turk St apt 251 san francisco, California 94102

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Suzanne Lee osussana@gmail.com 953 Mission St 10 San Francisco , California 94103-2975

Supervisors Board of Supervisors,

Dear Supervisors,

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I see the great need for housing that low-income seniors and people with disabilities can afford. What is called "affordable" housing in the city is not affordable for those of us living on Social Security, SSI, or other extremely low incomes.

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