



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
2.		Favor	Anita Ortiz	<p>I am submitting a public comment to express my strong support of the Department of Arts and Culture Budget Request for FY 2022-23. As a recently appointed LA County Arts Commissioner, I have witnessed in a very short time the extreme dedication of the department's staff. I have also seen and learned how very stretched this team is and how critical the need to expand the staff is.</p> <p>The arts are fundamental to Los Angeles... the arts are the backbone of our creative economy and have played a crucial role during the pandemic, and will continue to play a crucial role during our recovery. The need is tremendous and each and every one of the five positions outlined in the Department's budget priorities are absolutely essential.</p> <p>Absent these five key positions, the department cannot recover nor meet the program demand. Thank you in advance for your continued support.</p>
			Charmaine Jefferson	I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all resident of Los Angeles County.
			Genesis Hernandez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
			Gurdeep Kaur	<p>Dear Supervisors: My name is Gurdeep Kaur and I live in the 4th Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to support the arts in Los Angeles County.</p> <p>As always, thank you for your time, effort and continued support.</p> <p>-Gurdeep Kaur</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
2.		Favor	Herley Jim Bowling	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is. In historical context, the Age of Mass Incarceration shifted massive amounts of resources from social services to law enforcement. We need a massive shift back to social services to have true public safety.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

2.		Favor	Leah Perez	<p>My name is Leah Perez, and I am a resident of District 1.</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to</p>
----	--	--------------	------------	--



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
Michael Che	<p>Dear Supervisors,</p> <p>My name is Mike Che and I live and work in the 3rd Supervisorial District. I am also one of the co-chairs of the LA County Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative Advisory Committee. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all resident of Los Angeles County.</p> <p>Thank you so much for your past and continued support for the arts and cultural equity!</p> <p>Mike</p>
Olivia Gleason	<p>My name is Olivia Gleason and I am a resident of LA County (Long Beach, CA).</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration. Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
	Oppose	Adam Rollins	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
		Alex Fierro-Clarke	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Ana Ceja	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Ana Galdamez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
ana morales	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Andrea Torrez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
anthony monterrosa	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Araceli Salazar	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Bryant Rivera	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Carina Rveckner	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Cecilia Rodriguez	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Citlali C Salinas	I am a security officer Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Claudia Barrios	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
concepcion Rauda Ortega	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Cristina Oliva	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
cristina sanchez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Daha Rodriguez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Darren Archer	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Delmy Reyes	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Eladio Estrada	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Elizabeth Herrera	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Eloisa Diaz	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Elsy Rojas	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Emily T Wood	<p>I am a child and adolescent psychiatrist and developmental neuroscientist and I work full time with youth at the LA County Juvenile Hall(s). I have seen first-hand the detrimental effects on our youth of time spent in the Halls. The findings of the Youth Justice Reimagined are true - punishment and incarceration do NOT support our youth. Dismantling Probation and building up DYD is the only path forward that has a hope of fundamentally changing outcomes for these youth. Probation continues to use the same methods again and again to "rehabilitate" youth despite these methods being not only completely ineffective, but absolutely harmful. And, as Probation sees the end in sight, they are becoming increasingly aggressive and the conditions are becoming even more dire every day.</p> <p>Stop funding a system for which you have ample data that it is fundamentally flawed and harming our youth. We know how to do better and instead we are choosing to throw away the lives of the most vulnerable and most resilient children in our society.</p> <p>We must fund the DYD with at least \$152 million dollars THIS year (see attached LAYUP letter) to meet the goals that you laid out for supporting "Care First, Jails Last". These children cannot wait another day, let alone another year.</p>
Emily T Wood	<p>I am a child and adolescent psychiatrist and developmental neuroscientist and I work full time with youth at the LA County Juvenile Hall(s). I have seen first-hand the detrimental effects on our youth of time spent in the Halls. The findings of the Youth Justice Reimagined are true - punishment and incarceration do NOT support our youth. Dismantling Probation and building up DYD is the only path forward that has a hope of fundamentally changing outcomes for these youth. Probation continues to use the same methods again and again to "rehabilitate" youth despite these methods being not only completely ineffective, but absolutely harmful. And, as Probation sees the end in sight, they are becoming increasingly aggressive and the conditions are becoming even more dire every day.</p> <p>Stop funding a system for which you have ample data that it is fundamentally</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>flawed and harming our youth. We know how to do better and instead we are choosing to throw away the lives of the most vulnerable and most resilient children in our society. We must fund the DYD with at least \$152 million dollars THIS year (see attached LAYUP letter) to meet the goals that you laid out for supporting "Care First, Jails Last". These children cannot wait another day, let alone another year.</p>
Francisco Hernandez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Gladis Garcia	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Gregory L Bartlett	<p>My name is Greg, and I am a resident of District 2. Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration. Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration. In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
Guillermo Rodrigues	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
honoría nunez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Irene Lopez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Irene Oseguera	I am a housekeeper Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Jacoba Quintanilla	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Jessica Galvan	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Jessica McNeil	Please see attachment



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Jesus Estala</p> <p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
			<p>Jonathan Romero Robles</p> <p>My name is Jonathan Romero, and I am a resident of District 2.</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
Jorge Gonzales	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
jose guadarrama	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Joseph Robinson	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Juan Estrada	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Juan Rios	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Juan F Duran	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Juana Garcia	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Kelly Young	My name is Kelly Young, and I am a resident of District 3. Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access.



PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First Budget means investing in health, public assistance, housing, mental health promotoras, mental health crisis and intervention, and specifically de-prioritizing and divesting from carceral systems.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration. Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
		<p>Kelly Young</p>	<p>My name is Kelly Young, and I live in District 3. Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in health, public assistance, housing, mental health promotoras, mental health crisis and intervention, and specifically de-prioritizing and divesting from carceral systems.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Leticia Calderon	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Lexxi Almiroi	<p>I am a housekeeper EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
louie espinoza	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Lucila Espana	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Magdaleno Rivera	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
manuela rodriguez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Margarita Romero	<p>I am a housekeeper Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Maria Blanco	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Maria Ceja	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Maria Corral	<p>I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Maria Garcia	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maria Hernandez	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maria Hernandez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maria Martinez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maria Ordaz	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
MARIA SANTANA	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maria Soto	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maricela Rodriguez	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
MARISOL JARQUIN	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Martina Hernandez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Maureen Moore	My attached letter documents the request that the County fully fund Measure J through the Care First budget and shifts funding away from the LASD.
Milagro G	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Nancy Guerrero	I am a housekeeper Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Nelly Escobar	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Pamela Mosky	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Paula Solano	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Peter Knezovich	<p>My name is Peter Knezovich, and I am a resident of District 6. Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration. Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
Robert Montclair	<p>I am a security officer Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Rosario Duran	<p>I am a housekeeper Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Sabina Moncloa	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!</p>
Sherry Varon	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

		<p>homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
	Silvia Solis	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
	Tita Trujillo Rangel	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
	Yennifer Gonzalez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
	Yesenia Bruno	I am an EVS Subcontracted County worker at LAC/USC and I deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
	Yesenia Perez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!
Other	Alison Agnew	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to



PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>spend our tax dollars. I believe that a Care First budget means investing in listening to constituents and the prioritizing social services and diverting funds from the police-prison industrial complex. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration. In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>Anne Madariaga</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. I believe that a Care First budget means investing in the community and</p>
--	---



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>organizations that can benefit that community, rather than the LASD. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who have been engaging in very questionable practices.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Annedell Walker	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in the people in our community rather than continuing to invest in systems that we know fail our</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>people. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Anthony Arenas	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community-affordable housing and alternatives to incarceration, not literally dumping money in the same departments solving nothing!</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Antonia Carlos	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Ashley Glacel	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

				<p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
			Ashley Locke	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Bertha Armendariz	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Blanca Benitez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Blanca Martinez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Blanca Valencia	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Caroline Christ	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Catherine Safley	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in the wellbeing of our communities, and that includes currently and formerly incarcerated community members. We need to channel County funds toward ending cycles of harm and providing resources of care for all.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who perpetuate harm and devastation in our communities.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion go to the Sheriff's Department, while only \$218 million are for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing; yet the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Celia Raynaga	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Chelsea Boyle

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community based programs that help our neighbors thrive like permanent supportive housing, youth programs, rental assistance, healthcare, mental health, and more. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Cheyenne Washington

I am calling for the Board of Supervisors to codify a Right to Counsel for tenants facing eviction in Unincorporated LA County and for that purpose, ask



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>that the Board to allocate \$10 million in its annual budget. Ten million dollars is a small cost - a mere 0.028% of the County's annual budget - that could prevent thousands of households from entering homelessness, and according to Right to Counsel cost-saving studies from around the country, pay for itself many times over via and save the County tens of millions of dollars each year in annual savings on homelessness and other services that it would otherwise need to spend in response to increasing homelessness.</p> <p>In addition, the county must continue to fund StayHousedLA, which is providing critical services to vulnerable tenants. This is not about taking funding from countywide Stay Housed services in order to fund a codified right to counsel. This is about maintaining countywide services while going deeper in unincorporated areas. Stay Housed L.A. is the program that would make a codified right to counsel real to thousands of tenants across the county. The program must be maintained at its current funding level, which includes services for only a portion of unincorporated and incorporated LA, and expanded in future years in order to build the program's capacity.</p>
Christina Shu	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW! OTHER</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCA investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		christopher cohen	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in health care, affordable housing, and alternative to police and prisons.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Cindy Carrillo	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		Cindy Martinez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		CJ Savage	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Clarence Rivers	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
Claudia Lopez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
Crystal Flores	<p>Make sure essential workers get healthcare now!</p>
Danielle Carne	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in meeting our communities' basic needs instead of criminalizing them.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
David Mejia	Essential workers deserve healthcare now!
Dawy Rkasuam	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe a Care First budget means investing in housing, healthcare, and re-entry and diversion services so that everyone in our community has what they need to heal and to thrive. I believe every single one of us becomes safer when we choose care over cages, and our budget must reflect that.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Delia Lopez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		Dena Kelley	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in education, health care, services, and housing in cities like South and East LA. I work with youth in Watts and I am tired of waiting for the BOS to "do the right thing." How much time do you think we have? We work our asses off to pass legislation like measure J, to watch it be undercut by one person. We hear the promises and then see the opposite from you all, time and time again. Maybe you're hoping we'll go away, but most of us will be right here until we DIE! If you can't get the job done, you WILL BE REPLACED. Period!</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities?</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>\$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>	
		Efrain Barron		<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		Elise Kalfayan		<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department.</p> <p>The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities?</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>\$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into the Sheriff's Department.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments.</p> <p>This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We need full CFCL investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets.</p>
Elise Piatkowski	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW!</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in affordable housing, mental health care, child care, alternatives to incarceration and other forms of community support.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Ellen Denherder	<p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		<p>Emily Skehan</p>	<p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Ernesto Elisondo	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Evelyn Mendoza	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Fany Linares	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Gabe Diani	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

				<p>short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
			Genevieve M Clavreul	<p>There doesn't appear to be a link that can be used so that the public can have the opportunity to review the report before the meeting.</p>
			Geoffrey Golden	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in affordable housing, job placement services, treatment facilities, and programs that uplift the community as a whole. NOT mass incarceration.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		<p>Graciela Alvarez</p>	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		<p>Gregory Irwin</p>	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Isabella Lee	
Itzel Maganda Chavez	Give workers healthcare now!
Jack MacCarthy	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW!</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>How can we have a "Care First budget" without community input, so that LA County can hear directly from us where the Care is most needed? And how can we have a "Care First budget" when the most punitive and harmful systems continue to get the lion's share of our taxpayer dollars?</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does NOT reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and a mere \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates a paltry \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. It's insulting. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Jacob Sternberg	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Jael Ibarra	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		Jane Arenas	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		Jayme Kusyk	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW! Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollar. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration. In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Jenna Levin	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p>
<p>Jessica Erker</p>	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.
Jiha Choi	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Jilberto Elisondo	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Jordan Harari	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. This is very important.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Jordan Riggs	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	County puts its money where its mouth is.
Jose Paramo	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Juliana Picazo	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
julie D martinez	In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets! Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.
Karina Aguayo	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Kayla Westergard-Dobson	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>\$6.2 billion dollar allotment for “law and justice” offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD’s bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD’s budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff’s Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff’s Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County’s priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff’s Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County’s locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year’s budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Kevin King	<p>Once again, LA County’s budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community-based services because social psychology has shown us that we yield limited positive returns from punishment. We get to safety through consistency, not punishment. Instead of funding the brutality of incarceration, the County’s money would be better spent on literally anything & everything else! Healing for our community members who’ve experienced violence at the hands of our Sheriff’s department. We are not out of this pandemic & our most vulnerable neighbors are at the highest risk. Fund universal needs (such as housing, jobs & childcare), pandemic recovery, and built environment. Reinvesting in</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>our communities OVER the police and punishment isn't radical: social scientists and public health experts have proven that investment in the community decreases crime and the need for police and jails.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Kirsten Hansen	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW!</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in local communities in ways that take into account the voices of those in the communities.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel.

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Kristine A Gerolaga

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in the wellbeing of your people, especially those who are historically excluded and marginalized who you are supposed to be representing.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

KYLIE SPARKS

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access.



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in our communities, not giving more money to LASD.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Lani Engstrom	<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW!</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in alternatives to incarceration. Healthcare, housing and job opportunities.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Laura Adery	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and demand that the County uphold their word.</p>
Laura Franco	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Leslie Chavez	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Lisa Butters-Smith	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>[I believe that a Care First budget means investing in mental health services, drug programs, post incarceration programs, etc The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration. In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
	lizabeth belli		<p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW! Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. I believe that a Care First budget means investing in our communities from a</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>preventative measure, which studies have shown are more effective, beneficial and cost efficient than investing in more policing which continues a cycle of harm.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Lizeth Feliciano	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Lucas OConnor	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness - what does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Lucia Pier	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community-based programs and organizations – the people who are closest to the issues – in</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>permanent and temporary supportive housing, in trauma-informed health & mental health care, in education and job training programs. It means taking money out of the Sheriff and Probation departments, where it funds violence of so many kinds, and putting it into supporting our communities that need it the most.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Lucy Vega	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Lyndsey Q Nolan	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in social services, programs, and resources that benefit the most vulnerable in our county, that are driven by data and public health, that prevent further harm, and that uplift communities and address their needs instead of punish them.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Magan Wiles	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Margaret Starbuck

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who have a documented history of joining deputy gangs, of racial profiling, of brutality and murder.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Maria Garcia	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Maria Herrea	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Marilyn Amaya	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Mario C Batres

unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First Budget means investing in social programs to help the most downtrodden members of our society. Please, let's help our youth by strengthening their schools and ability to reach care, food, and shelter. Let's help our houseless population by giving them the chances they need to become a brighter part of our community. Let's help our formerly incarcerated population find access to employment that enriches their lives.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Megan Castillo

My name is Megan. I am writing because budget hearings remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration. Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.</p>
		<p>michael roy hames garcia</p>	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in health care, affordable housing, and education, NOT policing or corrections!</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		Michelle King	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community-based services because social psychology has shown us that we yield limited positive returns from punishment. We get to safety through consistency, not punishment. Instead of funding the brutality of incarceration, the County's money would be better spent on literally anything & everything else! Healing for our community members who've experienced violence at the hands of our Sheriff's department. We are not out of this pandemic & our most vulnerable neighbors are at the highest risk. Fund universal needs (such as housing, jobs & childcare), pandemic recovery, and built environment. Reinvesting in our communities OVER the police and punishment isn't radical: social scientists and public health experts have proven that investment in the community decreases crime and the need for police and jails.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Mike Bash	<p>This budget that's been proposed is NOT what we voted for. We voted for CareFirst and money being reallocated AWAY from law enforcement. Listen to the voters. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision, please use it or we'll find supervisors who will!</p>
Nami Melendez	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
Nannah M Nitecka	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
<p>Pearl Marshall</p>	<p>It is an outrage that you continue to have ZOOM Public Hearings when all members of the BOS attend multiple community events. What is more outrages is that you have required your workers not management to report to work everyday of the pandemic. Many lost their lives, do you know their names, their families, the trauma it caused us? Yet, you continue to use COVID as an excuse to safe guard your positions while attending public functions. Open you doors to Public Meetings.</p>
<p>Peter Enzminger</p>	<p>I am very disappointed that the County is not fulfilling the mandate given to it by voters when we passed Measure J. The County must fully fund alternatives to incarceration, affordable housing, and other systems of care—not cages, and not the racist gang-infested sheriff's dept.</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. I will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
<p>Policarpio Gutierrez</p>	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
<p>Rachel E Rosenbloom</p>	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in housing, healthcare, and everything that comes with keeping our communities healthy and housed - education, job services, mental healthcare.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Rebecca Himmelstein	<p>nce again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.]</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First</p>



PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Richard Gagliano	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
		<p>Rosa Chuck</p>	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
		<p>Ruby Condon</p>	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in systems of community care, such as public schooling, mental health care, affordable housing, jobs creation, etc.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCL investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Samantha Miller	<p>LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community services like social work, public works, mental health, job support, affordable housing, helping the unhoused, education, transportation services and programs for responders that are not law enforcement related to directly handle mental health crisis. It is a mistake that the County has invested so much into law enforcement to handle so many services that they are not equipped to handle in this County. the constituents and residents have been requesting that we pivot and find other ways to invest our money. This has been shown in the way we vote and participate. We ask that you honor that and divest from law enforcement and invest in Care First services.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
<p>Samantha Villalta</p>	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p>
<p>Sarah Bowers</p>	<p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
<p>Seidy Vega</p>	<p>Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
Selina Ho	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in affordable, dignified housing, alternatives to incarceration, community-based health care, etc. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Sierra Marcelius

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in mental health care, affordable housing, free transitional housing that encourages independence and dignity (i.e. not shelters or supervised apartments), education, public transportation, libraries, physical healthcare, food subsidies, and free pre-k childcare and preschool.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Sophia Rome</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>A Care First budget that invests in education, mental health resources, transit, public restrooms, comprehensive housing solutions, and anything but the jail system, is VITAL.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
			<p>Stephanie Cupp</p> <p>FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES NOW!</p>



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in our community with medical care, social work, mental health care and other services FIRST, policing absolute LAST! The sheriff has proven over and over that he DOES NOT CARE!! He is answerable to us, the citizens, yet won't work with the citizen oversight committee that we citizens asked for through our votes! The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is!

Stephen Brantley

I am deeply frustrated. Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in housing, healthcare, harm reduction, diversion and reentry, restorative justice, and community investment. I think members of this board also support these things - at least theoretically. And yet...

The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Susana Robles

Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Taavi Kirshenbaum</p>	<p>budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--</p> <p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a way that is not conducive to community participation. Budget hearings, which are supposed to be open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in community power, including education, healthcare, mental health resources and high quality long term housing for all.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who \$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
--	--	--	--------------------------	--



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

Theo Zucker

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

I believe that a Care First budget means investing in programs that will allow us to permanently divest from law enforcement, including substance use support programs, housing shelters, mental health support, and youth programs.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

			Tobin DeMarco	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars. The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel, meaning funding deputies who</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
			Violeta Servin	Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!--
		Item Total	199	
Grand Total			199	



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:					
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments	Attachment
2.		Favor	Alexandria M Wilson	We deserve to paid at least \$20.00 an hour. Caregiving is an emotionally and physically draining job ,yes it's rewarding to be able to do for someone who can't do for themselves,but it takes a lot of time and energy,the least you can do is compensate us fairly and the current hourly rate doesn't.	No
			Anna Magallanes		No
			Brian Fuller		No
			Claudia Cruz		No
			CRYSTAL HAN	IHSS WORKERS NEED \$20/HOUR	No
			Damon Farris		No
			Desiree Garcia	It's time for 20	No
Diana M Lee		No			



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:					
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments	Attachment
2.		Favor	Erick J Medal	<p>Board of supervisors! why are you just giving this corrupt gang member sheriff organization 3.6 billion? is decade in decade out!!! we must audit and hold this organization accountable to the fullest!!! i am tired of seeing how Bandito Villanueva harasses, intimidates, threaten and attacks mostly females!!! this is where gang member deputies get their examples from! a Bandito leader who targets, oppresses anything he needs to do unless he wants to do it! attacks anyone who opposes him and coitizes change!</p> <p>well, I am here to share that the budget should be 2.5 billion and strictly used for public safety only!! no more harassment on the job! no more targeting on the job!! no more inappropriate traffic stops with lame tactics and excuses! stick to real and do your job to the best of your ability!!! if you are going to continue to give the gang member sheriff the same amount without any improvement, changes, accountability, integrity, and responsibility then don't accuse people of doing marches, protest, and backlash if this corrupt organization continues to do what they don't need to do!!</p> <p>Invest in alternatives! and hold this organization accountable to committing to focusing on public safety without targeting or sitting in their cars while at work or just driving around like crazy or stopping transient with a presence of 9 to twelve gang member deputies! stop should be conducted no more than two plus a supervisor! stop mis spending our money because this corrupt organization will always justify it one way or another!</p> <p>You must stipulate that the gang member who are in this organization must come clean if not everyone bears responsibility for what has been going on with this corrupt organization since the 1970's!!!</p> <p>We must look towards responsible change and integrity showing that this gang member organization treats and respects human Life! and measure must be in place to get rid of any gang member sheriff who targets, covers up, lie, intimidate, kills, etc., stop being scared of crime! crime was here since the 1970's but criminality from this organization cannot exist anymore! because i rather be around real criminal than this corrupt organization that continues to take advantage of the resources that we need! in order to trust the system!</p> <p>reconsider giving this organization a blank check that will continue to be used as anything they want to use it for!!! only allow 2.5 billion and invest in alternatives by helping our communities!!!</p> <p>stop giving pay offs on behalf of this gang member organization!!!</p>	No
			Esther Marron		No



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:					
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments	Attachment
2.		Favor	Eustacia Guzman	please put us in the budget so we can get what we deserve as caretakers and healthcare providers	No
			Generia Bibbins		No
			HENRY MORAN		No
			Kathiriena Chang	It is Time for IHSS worker to get raise for \$20 per hour to keep up with the living cost	No
			Latanya D Hull	Budget for African American students being rightfully educate budget for counselors not police	No
			Leandro V Wisco		No
			Lisa Verduzco	\$20 hiurly pay. Cost of living is expensive. Prices are going up everywhere.	No
			Lydia Scott		Yes
			MARCUS W MITCHELL III		No
			Maria R Casana		No
			Mary J Bryant	Salary increase for IHSS Providers.	No
			Nilufer Essa	\$20 wage is needed	No
			Roya Pasqualone		No
			Ted Eagans		Yes
			Theresa Hutchins	We need at least \$20 for In Home Supportive Services Providers. We are in the frontline and take care of the elderly and disadvantaged people and families we deserve it. We do not have any healthcare and we need to be able to pay our rent and bills and provide for our families.	No
			Violet Whitaker		Yes
		Zov S Moukoian		No	
		Oppose	Amy woods		No



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:					
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments	Attachment
2.		Oppose	Emily T Wood	<p>I am a child and adolescent psychiatrist and and I work with youth in Los Angeles County Juvenile Halls. I have seen first-hand the detrimental effects the current Juvenile Halls have on our youth and am well aware of the breadth and depth of research that supports different methods to support our youth. The findings of the Youth Justice Reimagined are true - punishment and incarceration do NOT support our youth. Dismantling Probation and building up the Department of Youth Development is the primary path forward that has a hope of fundamentally changing outcomes for these youth. Probation continues to use the same methods again and again to "rehabilitate" youth despite these methods being not only completely ineffective, but harmful.</p> <p>We need to stop funding a system for which we have ample data that it is fundamentally flawed and harming our youth. We know how to do better and instead we are choosing to throw away the lives of our most vulnerable and potentially most resilient children in our society.</p> <p>We must fund YJR and the DYD with at least \$150 million dollars THIS year to meet the goals that you laid out for supporting "Care First, Jails Last". These children cannot wait another day, let alone another year.</p>	No
			Mindi Thelen	<p>I work in psychiatry in Los Angeles County. I understand the detrimental effects the current Juvenile Halls on our youth and am well aware of the breadth and depth of research that demonstrates that community-based supports and mental health treatment for these youth is both more efficacious and more humane. The findings of the Youth Justice Reimagined are true - punishment and incarceration do NOT support our youth. Dismantling Probation and building up the Department of Youth Development is the primary path forward that has a hope of fundamentally changing outcomes for these youth. Probation continues to use the same methods again and again to "rehabilitate" youth despite these methods being not only completely ineffective, but harmful.</p> <p>We need to stop funding a system for which we have ample data that it is fundamentally flawed and harming our youth. We know how to do better and instead we are choosing to throw away the lives of our most vulnerable and potentially most resilient children in our society.</p> <p>We must fund YJR and the DYD with at least \$150 million dollars THIS year to meet the goals that you laid out for supporting "Care First, Jails Last". These children cannot wait another day, let alone another year.</p>	No
		Other	Ashley Brim	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in affordable housing, social workers, mental health services in every community, harm reduction,</p>	No



PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

and youth programs that don't involve the police.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.

\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.

[I believe that a Care First budget means investing in...]



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

		<p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>	
	Clarissa Woo Hermosillo	please see attached letter	Yes
	Jennifer T Williams	I have attached a letter proposing revisions and set asides in the LA County budget.	Yes
	Julia S Novis	Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to	No



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

	<p>spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>	
Keiara Stephens		No
Susan Anderson	<p>Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input should be a top priority as the County works through how to spend our tax dollars.</p> <p>I believe that a Care First budget means investing in us, the citizens of Los</p>	No



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

HILDA L. SOLIS
HOLLY J. MITCHELL
SHEILA KUEHL
JANICE HAHN
KATHRYN BARGER

Correspondence Received

			<p>Angeles County. It is troubling to hear about the large number of incarcerated Angelenos waiting trial in our county jails, the number of ill Angelenos needing medical care who are not receiving adequate care because the BoS is not funding community healthcare centers as requested by the majority of voters who approved Measure J. Housing, job training, youth development centers, etc, the types of community services which create positive outcomes for our families are still not forthcoming. What is preventing our communities from receiving the funding we approved?</p> <p>The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. The proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. Over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing funding the machine of mass incarceration.</p> <p>\$3.4 billion dollars to the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department and \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? \$4.4 billion to the Sheriff and Probation departments and \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. Care First is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.</p> <p>In November 2020, LA County voters spoke loud and clear. By passing Measure J, Angelenos invested in a Care First vision. We voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's budget allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an outline for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCl investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.</p>
Item Total	36		

Grand Total			36		
--------------------	--	--	-----------	--	--

From: [Leslie Ito](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #2 - In Support
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:20:38 AM

Dear LA County Supervisors:

My name is Leslie Ito and I live in the 5th Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County. As a member of the CEII efforts of the department, we feel strongly that we have a solid plan in place to advance the cultural equity work that the County has been so deeply involved in. In order to implement this plan and advance the work, we need the infrastructure in place to make this happen. The return on investment is high and the direct results to County residents is important, especially at a time when we need the arts to nurture our souls, provide space for mental health and wellness and keep our young people healthy, well and productive.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to the arts.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ito

Leslie A. Ito
she/her
Executive Director
(626) 792-5101 x114
armoryarts.org

Now on View: [how we are in time and space: Nancy Buchanan, Marcia Hafif, Barbara T. Smith](#)

"The depth and scope of the show is a testament to the artists' enduring friendship as well as a lifelong commitment to art-making, and how that, in turn, influenced the greater artistic landscape." — Los Angeles Times



[LEARN](#) • [SUPPORT](#) • [CONNECT](#)

From: [Aurora](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#)
Subject: Public hearing on the budget: May 11, 2022
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:46:45 AM

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Aurora Anaya-Cerda and I live in the 4th Supervisorial District.

I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County.

Thank you,
Aurora Anaya-Cerda
District 4



May 9, 2022

Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles, California
c/o Executive Officer of the Board
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple St., Ste. 383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear LA County Board of Supervisors,

We are writing to you as members of the Los Angeles Youth Uprising coalition in response to the CEO's recommended budget and urge you to allocate robust funding to the Department of Youth Development (DYD). In addition to identifying ongoing funding for DYD, we implore you to leverage the final year of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for capital projects which will help realize Youth Justice Reimagined (YJR) and aid youth in recovering from the rippling effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

On March 1, 2022, the Board passed a motion titled "Care First, Jails Last: Establishing a Justice, Care, and Opportunities Department to Promote Collaboration and Transparency in a Person-Centered Justice System," affirming the launch of a DYD by July 1, 2022.¹ This development came after two years of planning and the unanimous passage of a motion in November 2020 to implement YJR and identify \$75 million to launch the effort. Last year, the CEO stated that funding YJR was "premature,"² but after months of tireless advocacy, YJR was allotted \$17.3 million to expand YDD and granted \$27.9 million for the Youth Justice Reimagined Development Fund. While these investments are crucial, we need increased and ongoing funding to successfully stand up DYD and fund *urgently* needed youth services. On July 1, 2022, we hope to see a well-funded department with leadership positions filled using a

¹ Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Revised Motion, "Care First, Jails Last: Establishing a Justice, Care and Opportunities Department to Promote Collaboration and Transparency in a Person-Centered Justice System," (March 1, 2022), <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/166845.pdf>.

² Jaclyn Cosgrove, "As L.A. County reopens, officials plan for COVID-19 economic recovery," *Los Angeles Times*, April 19, 2021. <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-04-19/l-a-county-budget-story-no-layoffs-no-furloughs>

transparent and inclusive recruitment process, and built in accordance with the Youth Justice Advisory Group's (YJAGs) recommendations for structure and accountability.

If LA County truly cares for young people, the Board must not only invest in standing up DYD, but also community-based organizations (CBOs) to provide youth development, reentry services, and innovative programs like Youth Empowerment and Support (YES) Teams and credible messengers in all facilities. Leaders have failed to meet the basic needs of *hundreds of thousands* of youth in this County. If we want to change outcomes and reduce justice system contact, we must do everything in our power to provide young people with support by building out Youth Development Networks (YDNs). In addition to thousands of youth impacted by the justice system—which has been shown to be detrimental to youths' long-term educational attainment, economic mobility and health—there are thousands more youth in need of immediate support. Investing in the potential of all LA County youth, particularly those in greatest need, will create true and lasting community safety. Available data paints a picture for why a robust DYD and YDNs are needed to build a better future for LA County.

Vulnerable Youth in LA County:

- 706,147 at-promise youth³
- 3,500-4,400 youth on active supervision⁴
- About 400-500 youth in halls and camps⁵
- 4,673 transition-aged youth experiencing homelessness⁶
- 17,280 youth experiencing homelessness in LAUSD⁷
- 153,457 disconnected youth, young people ages 16–24 who are neither working nor in school⁸

We Need to Fund Our Future

Our County budget is a moral document. Board of Supervisors, please ask yourself: Is this recommended budget aligned with the interests of the 2 million young people who live in this county? Will this budget meaningfully benefit current and future families and residents? Of its current \$43 billion budget,⁹ the County spends \$570 million on Probation's Juvenile Operations¹⁰ and only a fraction of a percentage of the county budget on youth development and youth reentry services.

³ "County of Los Angeles Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan." FY 2022-2023.

⁴ "County Of Los Angeles Comprehensive Multi-agency Juvenile Justice Plan." Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ LAHSA. "2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count Presentation", <https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4558-2020-greater-los-angeles-homeless-count-presentation>

⁷ Board Of Education of the City of Los Angeles. "Regular Meeting Stamped Order Of Business." March 19, 2019. <https://boe.lausd.net/sites/default/files/03-19-19RegBdOBSTAMPED.pdf>

⁸ <https://ssrc-static.s3.amazonaws.com/moa/PoLA%20Full%20Report.pdf> Table 7, page 108

⁹ FY 2021-22 Final Budget Schedule 1, All Funds Summary Fiscal Year 2021-22, Page 1, <https://ceo.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/LA-County-2021-22-Final-Budget-Book-upload.pdf>

¹⁰ Nicole Brown, "LA County Probation Budget Break Down," Presented to the LA County Probation Oversight Commission, March 10, 2022. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16T9DpiShYIo6lhF7dm0-cehbdWKAoiVc/view?usp=sharing>

Supervisors, you have repeatedly reaffirmed your commitment to Youth Justice Reimagined and, for years now, we have diligently worked to make this vision a reality. Today, we call on you to allocate at least **\$152.5 million** to stand up a *strong and effective* Department of Youth Development and to allocate sufficient resources to the other components that bring the vision of YJR to life. Expanding far beyond the existing role of the Division of Youth Diversion and Development (YDD), DYD will flourish when provided with the resources needed to build up a strong infrastructure.

Members of LA Youth Uprising have extensive knowledge about the needs of LA County youth and the infrastructure necessary for standing up a strong DYD. In addition to our extensive work in the YJAGs, members of the coalition also participate in LA County’s Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, Youth Commission, and Cafe First Community Investment (CFCI) Advisory Committee. We hold expertise in youth development, lived experience in the justice system, restorative and transformative justice, service delivery, juvenile and criminal law, and public budget. Through our research, we created detailed descriptions of YJR funding needs which can be found in the attached memo titled “Funding Youth Justice Reimagined and a Strong Department of Youth Development.”

We urge you to include these allocations in the FY 2022-23 budget this June:

Standing up a strong Department of Youth Development	\$28.5 million
Launching Youth Development Networks in Four SPAs	\$55 million
Credible Messengers in Facilities	\$4 million
YES Team Pilot	\$1.4 million
Community-based Reentry Support	\$13.6 million
Capital Project Funding through the American Rescue Plan	\$50 million
Total	\$152.5 million

The young people of LA County need these investments immediately. We cannot spare any more time while the lives of young people are at risk every day due to our County’s disinvestment in them. There are no more excuses. There is no more time.

Cut Probation’s Budget to fund the Department of Youth Development

The Board has recognized LA County Juvenile Probation to be “fundamentally flawed,” and that housing juvenile justice within Probation may be “counterproductive,” which is why you have repeatedly endorsed Youth Justice Reimagined and the creation of the DYD. Despite the call and need for transformation, Probation continues to cause harm and remains evermore unsuitable to provide young people in their “care” with basic safety and services—let alone the support they need for healthy development and a successful future. In just the past year LA

County Probation was accused of allowing sexual abuse to take place for years at Camp Scott, the juvenile halls were found by the BSCC to be unsuitable for the confinement of youth, and further chaos has ensued inside Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall. Meanwhile, Juvenile Probation received \$570 million in FY 2021-22, despite an 86% decrease in the population of the juvenile camps and halls from 2009 to 2022. **Last year, LA County spent roughly \$1 million per year to incarcerate just one young person.**¹¹ Despite a dramatic decrease in the number of youth incarcerated and on probation supervision in the last decade, juvenile probation's budget has only grown.

The question is: Will this Board choose to throw even more money into a system which has repeatedly proven itself to be flawed, or will you finally begin the process of reducing Probation's massively bloated budget? The Board does not have to wait for legislative changes to begin to wind down juvenile Probation and allocate ongoing funding to DYD. We urge you to take two simple steps:

- **Cut vacant positions and redirect those dollars to DYD:** From FY 2019-20 to FY 2021-22, there were between 355 and 462 vacant positions in juvenile probation.¹² This fiscal year, there were 414 vacant positions.¹³ Based on average salaries and benefits for each budget unit, these vacant positions represent \$65-78 million.¹⁴ Those unused resources should be immediately diverted as ongoing funding to DYD.
- **Fund a Just Transition Plan:** Allocate \$1.1 million to a community-centered, well-resourced Just Transition planning process¹⁵ so the County can set tangible goals and begin to wind down juvenile probation and other carceral systems while protecting workers.

For generations, the County has chosen to invest in youth incarceration while leaving a huge gap in care and resources for low income communities of color, making young people vulnerable to violence and abuse both in their communities and facilities. **Youth Justice Reimagined is a vision to invest in youths' potential through care, respect, leadership, and support.** It envisions accountability through care for all parties rather than a punishment model which can harm people for a lifetime and never brings healing. The first step is to invest at least **\$152.5 million** next fiscal year to realize DYD and fund urgently needed community-based services.

This is the moment to keep your promise to LA County youth, and back the symbolic words of your motions with real resources. It is the moment to make courageous decisions rather than maintaining the status quo. It is the moment to protect young people by keeping them out of the

¹¹ LA County Probation Budget Break Down, presented to the LA County Probation Oversight Commission on March 10, 2022, slide 12, Retrieved at:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/16T9DpiShYlo6lhF7dm0-cehbdWKAoiVc/view?usp=sharing>

¹² Adolfo Gonzalez, Chief Probation Officer, "Youth Justice Reimagined: Fulfilling Los Angeles County's Commitment to a New Youth Justice Model," Attachment II, (August 24, 2021): <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/160036.pdf>

¹³ Ibid.

¹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁵ Reimagine LA Coalition, "Just Transition for Los Angeles County." (April 14, 2021) Accessed at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wdIF4-UdXMc2yKmFEpezBoL2ME22rqB2Sn3wJWm3yJc/edit>; cited in the "Care First Budget 2021-2022," Accessed at <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16rQNLNI9Fc2rnbz6HsRH6DlpeQI7Hdoc/view>.

system and surrounding them with the support they have told us over and over again that they need. Allocating at least **\$152.5 million** is a crucial and reasonable step to heal the harms of the past and build the infrastructure we need to truly put Care First, Jails Last for youth in Los Angeles County.

Sincerely,

Los Angeles Youth Uprising

Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC)
Arts Healing and Justice Network (AHJN)
Boyle Heights Arts Conservatory
Boys & Girls Club of Carson
CASA of Los Angeles
California Youth Connection (CYC)
Centinela Youth Services (CYS)
Children's Defense Fund-California (CDF-CA)
Collective for Liberatory Lawyering
EduCare Foundation
Girls Club of Los Angeles
Labor Community Strategy Center
La Defensa
Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
Pride in Truth
Public Counsel
Re-Imagine LA Coalition
Represent Justice
Social & Emotional Wellness Initiative
Student Deserve
The TransLatin@ Coalition
Tia Chucha's Centro Cultural
Tia Chuchas's Young Warriors Mentoring Program
Urban Peace Institute (UPI)
Venice Community Housing Corporation
Youth Justice Coalition (YJC)
Youth Passageways
Youth Justice Education Clinic, Loyola Law School



A R T S FOR
HEALING
AND
JUSTICE
N E T W O R K



BOYLE HEIGHTS
ARTS CONSERVATORY



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF CARSON



Serving Greater
South Bay

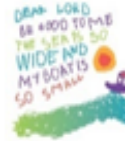


CASA
Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

CASA OF LOS ANGELES



CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION
Our Voices, Our Future



children's
defense fund
california

CALL

THE COLLECTIVE FOR
LIBERATORY
LAWYERING

LOS ANGELES



EduCare
FOUNDATION



LA DEFENSA



REPRESENT
JUSTICE



Loyola Law School
Loyola Marymount University
Youth Justice Education Clinic

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 4, 2022

TO: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Los Angeles Youth Uprising

RE: Funding Youth Justice Reimagined and a Strong Department of Youth Development

Funding Youth Justice Reimagined and a Strong Department of Youth Development

On August 13, 2019, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a motion titled “Restructuring the Juvenile Justice System: Building a Health-Focused Model,”¹⁶ thus establishing the Youth Justice Work Group and initiating a year-long collaborative process to explore transitioning youth out of Probation into a “rehabilitative, health-focused and care-first system.” This process resulted in Youth Justice Reimagined (YJR), a vision and plan to phase youth out of the Probation Department and into a new Department of Youth Development within five years.¹⁷ For over two years, the Los Angeles Youth Uprising coalition has collaborated with hundreds of county and community stakeholders to make this vision a reality, through the Youth Justice Work Group and the Youth Justice Advisory Group (YJAG), which is focused on implementing YJR and establishing the Department of Youth Development (DYD).

On March 1, 2022, the Board affirmed the launch of the DYD by July 1, 2022 in a motion titled “Care First, Jails Last: Establishing a Justice, Care, and Opportunities Department to Promote Collaboration and Transparency in a Person-Centered Justice System.”¹⁸ The County now needs to allocate robust, ongoing funding to DYD and community-based organizations (CBOs) providing urgently needed support to young people.

Members of LA Youth Uprising have extensive expertise in youth development, lived experience in the justice system, restorative and transformative, service delivery, juvenile and criminal law, and public budgets. Through our research, we have identified the following needed allocations in the FY 2022-23 budget:

¹⁶ Supervisors Mark Ridley-Thomas and Sheila Kuehl. “Restructuring the Juvenile Justice System: Building a Health-Focused Model.” August 13, 2019. <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/139730.pdf>

¹⁷ Youth Justice Reimagined, <https://lacyouthjustice.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Youth-Justice-Reimagined-1.pdf>

¹⁸ Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Revised Motion, “Care First, Jails Last: Establishing a Justice, Care and Opportunities Department to Promote Collaboration and Transparency in a Person-Centered Justice System,” (March 1, 2022), <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/166845.pdf>.

Standing up a strong Department of Youth Development	\$28.5 million
Launching Youth Development Networks in Four SPAs	\$55 million
Credible Messengers in Facilities	\$4 million
YES Team Pilot	\$1.4 million
Community-based Re-entry Support	\$13.6 million
Capital Project Funding through the American Rescue Plan	\$50 million
Total	\$152.5 million

This memo provides detailed descriptions of the funding needs for each of the categories listed above. The sections are as follows:

[Standing Up the Department of Youth Development: \\$28.5 million](#)

[Youth Development Networks: \\$55 million](#)

[Credible Messengers in Facilities: \\$4 million](#)

[YES Team Pilot: \\$1.4 million](#)

[Community-Based Re-entry Support: \\$13.6 million](#)

[Capital Projects - Fund youth centers and housing through the American Rescue Plan Act: \\$50 million](#)

[Appendices](#)

[Appendix A: Proposed FY 2022-23 DYD Staffing Structure](#)

[Appendix B: Excerpt from CBO Provider letter](#)

[Appendix C: Credible Messengers in Facilities Budget Credible Messengers](#)

[Appendix D: Yes Team Budget](#)

[Appendix E: FY 2021-22 American Rescue Plan Act Spending on Youth](#)

Standing Up the Department of Youth Development: \$28.5 million

The YJAGs have worked diligently to propose the infrastructure, capacity and oversight needs for DYD to effectively assume the functions of juvenile Probation, through the sequencing of building out DYD and the phasing out of juvenile Probation. The YJAGs produced thoroughly analyzed staff classifications, delineating specific positions based on pre-existing Service Planning Areas (SPAs) where Youth Development Networks (YDNs) will be built out.

Based on the DYD staffing structure created within the YJAGs, salaries and benefits for each position, and overhead costs, we estimate needing \$28.5 million to successfully stand up DYD in FY 2022-23. The staffing structure can be broken down by primary leadership roles and specific offices. DYD should be led by two Co-Directors, supported by two Chief Deputies. To create a culture of shared leadership and collaboration within DYD, and to allow for the breadth of expertise needed to create a strong, resilient infrastructure for youth development as well as assuming and reimagining the current duties of juvenile Probation, we strongly believe appointing two Co-Directors is necessary. To address LA County's vast geographic and cultural needs, DYD is structured through the County's SPAs that will eventually encompass eight Youth Development Networks. The following offices will work across DYD with designated staff focused on each SPA:

- **Youth Development:** Support youth development services through building up YDNs across LA County, with a particular but not exclusive focus on at-risk youth
- **Justice-System Diversion and Restorative Practices:** Integrate with the existing Office of Youth Diversion and Development and expand their diversion capacity countrywide
- **Coordination, Capacity Building and Research:** Provide resources and support for CBOs to become self-sufficient within the decentralized infrastructure of the DYD, gather the research and data needed for DYD to make equitable decisions, and CBOs to become familiar with traditional county processes and oversights.
- **Administrative Support/Contracts and Grants:** Efficient processes with necessary amount of staff capable of streamlining resources to CBOs working directly with youth in a timely manner

Across the offices, we envision four staff classifications: Manager, Supervisor, Specialist, and Ambassador, in order of highest to lowest level of coordination. Each of these classifications will translate into specific job descriptions based on the needs of an office. For instance, current YDD Program Managers, who are currently within YDD and work with particular CBOs contracted with the County to offer pre-arrest diversion programming will have the staff classification of Specialist under the Office of Justice-System Diversion and Restorative Practices, and be situated in each SPA. (See [Appendix A](#) for budget and infrastructure)

Youth Development Networks: \$55 million

Youth Development Networks (YDNs) and the CBOs that help comprise them are a foundational component of YJR and DYD. Of the \$75 million promised for YJR in November 2020, \$55 million was supposed to go to CBOs. Yet, this has not materialized other than through diversion contracts which existed before the launch of YJR, with a small number of new contracts only recently coming on board. The YJAGs) have continued to plan for launching these vital YDNs in FY 2022-23.

To begin, we propose launching YDNs in four SPAs, with an emphasis on equitable investments in SPA 1 (Antelope Valley) and SPA 6 (South LA) as they are the most impacted by youth arrest and incarceration. We propose launching YDNs in two other SPAs. Based on figures compiled in the Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan, other areas highly impacted by

juvenile justice system involvement are North Long Beach (SPA 8, Supervisorial District 4), Pacoima (SPA 2, Supervisorial District 3), and Baldwin Park (SPA 3, Supervisorial District 1). There are already dozens, if not hundreds of organizations providing youth development and supportive services throughout the county (See [Appendix B](#)), but CBOs need funding, coordination, and capacity building to fortify an ecosystem of youth development that can meet the needs of youth and their families, especially in the wake of the pandemic. These are the immediate funding needs for YDNs:

- **\$30 million** should go to YDNs in SPA 1 (Antelope Valley, zip codes 93535 and 93534) and SPA 6 (South LA, zip code 90011, 90037, 90047, 90044) given their disproportionate need (\$15 million per SPA)
- **\$20 million** to develop YDNs in two additional SPAs (\$10 million per SPA)
- **\$5 million** (5 percent) is reserved for administrative costs.
- **The vast majority of funding should go straight to CBOs** for a variety of youth services, including **peacebuilders** who can navigate neighborhood dynamics and connect the hardest to reach youth to needed services. Funding should also be provided for **community engagement and capacity building** to help smaller CBOs with things like professional development, grant writing and county contracting.
- **Funds should go through a third-party administrator (TPA)** to expedite disbursement and lessen the burden on CBO's. The TPA should also provide capacity building.
- **Flexible funding** should also be earmarked in the YJR Development Fund for urgent and emerging needs. We recommend earmarking \$10 million for emergent needs.

Credible Messengers in Facilities: \$4 million

As instructed in a July 27th motion by the Board of Supervisors, the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) Subcommittee collaborated with YJAGs to create a model for credible messengers as a transformative staffing, programming and reentry providers to supplement existing staffing and programs at the Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) chosen by the County. (See [Appendix C](#) for full budget)

- **Credible messengers are natural leaders from the communities they serve** with experience navigating the justice system. They have similar life experiences as current justice-involved youth, and are positioned to create transformative change at an individual, familial, community and systemic level.
- Credible messengers, through the trusting relationships and lines of communication they create with youth, will provide individual mentorship, facilitate restorative focused group activities, and accompany youth throughout their days and evenings.
- The goals of credible messengers are to:
 - **Promote youth development and healing** through building trust with young people and providing mentorship
 - **Support and transform facility culture** through co-training and collaboration with current staff to improve efficacy of practices, create mentorship and quality programming, and shape safety and security within a facility through a more restorative approach.

YES Team Pilot: \$1.4 million

Youth Empowerment and Support (YES) Teams are a critical addition to youth justice by establishing a mechanism of support that centers the needs of young people as they make decisions navigating the juvenile legal system. The YES Team also acts as a way to prevent youth contact with the legal system at all, preemptively responding to interpersonal conflicts, community violence, and harm while addressing the needs of young people before law enforcement is ever involved.

In a groundbreaking pilot, Augustus F. Hawkins High School in South Central Los Angeles will be the home of the first ever YES Team, composed of care coordinators, credible messengers, peacebuilders and restorative justice coordinators to build positive relationships with students, prevent conflicts, and help students achieve their goals. Based on the needs of a young person, other individuals whom they trust, such as a supportive adult relative or a teacher, with support and care will be brought onto the team on a case-by-case basis. (See [Appendix D](#) for full budget)

Community-Based Re-entry Support: \$13.6 million

Community-based re-entry services are key to ensuring young people's successful transition into community from incarceration and preventing recidivism. While Probation is mandated by state law to supervise youth, the department has provided minimal funding to community-based youth re-entry support. LA County can fund these services without legislative change and should do so immediately. Funding wrap-around re-entry services is essential to successfully supporting youth and preventing further involvement with the justice system.

- Based on existing research and provider experience in youth development, and informed by decades of experience of Brotherhood Crusade, we estimate that **CBO's need at least \$13,000 per year to support one young person** transitioning from incarceration and/or youth on active probation supervision. \$13.6 million can fund robust re-entry services for approximately 1,000 youth.
- **Funds should be distributed through a TPA**, and this proposal includes 5 percent for administrative overhead.
- The County's Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council estimates that some 4,054 youth in LA County are presently incarcerated, coming home from incarceration, and/or on probation supervision.¹⁹
- The need for a YDD-led referral system from juvenile hall to community-based services was uplifted in the plan to maintain the reduction in incarcerated youth. This plan was mandated by a motion by Hilda Solis²⁰ and drafted by YDD and Probation in August 2020.²¹ However, resources have not been allocated to fund this recommendation, and are needed more than ever as Barry J. Nidorf juvenile hall has become overcrowded and

¹⁹ "County Of Los Angeles Comprehensive Multi-agency Juvenile Justice Plan." Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/probation/1103652_FY2021-22CMJJPJJCCAdopted-JJCC12-3-20.pdf

²⁰ Supervisors Hilda L. Solis And Mark Ridley-Thomas, Revised Motion "Maintaining the Decreased Population Of Incarcerated Youth In Los Angeles County (June 9, 2020). <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/146412.pdf>.

²¹ Christina R. Ghaly, M.D. and Ray Leyva, "Status Report on Maintaining the Decreased Population Of Incarcerated Youth In Los Angeles County." (August 10, 2020). <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/146433.pdf>.

youth have been unable to access regular programming and education while there due to high rates of staff call-outs.²²

Capital Projects - Fund Youth Centers and Housing through the American Rescue Plan Act: \$50 million

LA County has the unique opportunity to help address the immediate needs of young people **only this fiscal year** through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), as it receives one more installment of \$975 million for FY 2022-23.²³ Low-income youth of color have been greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and as a result they face an increase in violence, emotional trauma, unmet mental health needs, economic instability, and severe disruption to their development and education. These impacts will last a lifetime, yet we only have *this year* to leverage resources from the federal government to invest in youth and begin to meet their needs. **We call on the County to set aside at least \$50 million of ARPA funding** in a PFU for critical capital projects that will help realize Youth Justice Reimagined. Projects can be prioritized by DYD and YJAG. Urgently needed capital projects include:

- **Youth Centers:** Designing and building 24-hour youth centers and buying and/or renovating existing property in areas of high need to fully leverage existing resources
- **Safe and Secure Healing Centers:** Create a savings account of foundational funding for the planning and implementation of Safe and Secure Healing Centers, either for new construction or acquiring and renovating existing spaces as needed
- **Youth Housing:** Acquire, build, and renovate housing that can be run by community organizations for youth experiencing housing insecurity, youth in the dependency system, CSEC youth, youth with developmental and physical disabilities, and gender-responsive housing to help realize the motion to decarcerate young cisgender woman as well as transgender and TGI youth²⁴
- **Last year, only \$25.3 million in ARPA funds went to support youth explicitly.** That's just **3 percent** of the funding, while about **20 percent** of LA County's population is under the age of 18. **Only \$1.5 million (about one tenth of one percent) of ARPA funding last year was focused on justice-impacted youth.** (See [Appendix E](#))

²² Emily Elena Dugdale, "135 Kids Were Hastily Moved From One Juvenile Hall to Another. Staff Say It's 'A Mess,'" *LAist*, April 4, 2022, <https://laist.com/news/criminal-justice/juvenile-hall-transfer-probation-nidorf>

²³ County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office, "The American Rescue Plan Act," Retrieved at: <https://ceo.lacounty.gov/recovery/arpa/#:~:text=The%20American%20Rescue%20Plan%20provides,at%20LA%20County's%20Dashboard%20below>.

²⁴ Supervisor Hilda Solis, "Decarceration of Girls and Young Women: Addressing the Incarcerated Youth Population in the Los Angeles County Camps and Halls," (November 30, 2021): <http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/163948.pdf>

Appendices

Appendix A: Proposed FY 2022-23 DYD Staffing Structure

Leadership:

Co-Directors: 2
Chief Deputy Directors: 2

Grand Total: \$28.5 Million

Total: \$1.08 million

*Grand total: all leadership and office positions plus 30% (about \$6 million) for overhead costs

DYD Offices:

Youth Development Network

Justice-System Diversion
and Restorative Practices

Coordination, Capacity-Building
and Research

Administrative
Support

Managers: 2	Managers: 1	Managers: 2	Managers: 1
SPA 1 Supervisors: 2 SPA 6 Supervisors: 2 SPA x Supervisors: 1 SPA y Supervisors: 1	SPA 1 Supervisors: 1 SPA 6 Supervisors: 1 SPA x Supervisors: 1 SPA y Supervisors: 1 Network Engagement Manager: 1	Supervisors: 12 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Collaboration, Communication & Capacity Supervisor - Research, Policy & Innovation Supervisor	Supervisors: 2 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Contracts and Grants Supervisor
SPA 1 Specialists: 8 SPA 6 Specialists: 8 SPA x Specialists: 4 SPA y Specialists: 4 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Youth Network Resource Navigators - YES Teams - 24-hour Youth Center Coordinators - Credible Messengers	SPA 1 Specialists: 2 SPA 6 Specialists: 2 SPA x Specialists: 2 SPA y Specialists: 2 RJ Manager (Specialist): 2 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Diversion Program Manager - Law Enforcement Partnership Manager	Specialists: 18 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Data Analyst - Child Welfare Advocate - Parks and Recreation Specialist - YES Team Coordinator - Youth Decarceration Coordinator - Youth Commission Coordinator - SYTF Care Coordinator	SPA 1 Specialists: 10 SPA 6 Specialists: 10 SPA x Specialists: 10 SPA y Specialists: 10 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - CBO Management Contracting Specialist - Technical Contract Process Specialist
SPA 1 Ambassadors: 8 SPA 6 Ambassadors: 8 SPA x Ambassadors: 4 SPA y Ambassadors: 4 <i>Potential specific roles:</i> - Credible Messengers - Peacebuilders			

Total:

\$6,588,000	\$2,610,000	\$4,740,000	\$7,050,000
--------------------	--------------------	--------------------	--------------------

SPA x and SPA y to be determined through community input.

Appendix B: Excerpt from CBO Provider letter

Excerpt from [CBO Provider Letter](#), Sent to the Board of Supervisors on May 17, 2021 in support of funding Youth Justice Reimagined:

Among our many accomplishments, we would like to highlight the below as evidence of the effectiveness of our programs, which focus on youth development over surveillance and punishment:

- **Homeboy Industries'** wraparound services result in a 92% graduation rate, 70% getting a job within 90 days.
- **BLOOM** has impacted the lives of nearly 800 young Black men in South L.A, 90% of them have not reoffended.
- **Centinela Youth Services** has over 45 years of experience in serving youth and crime victims with restorative justice diversion for close to 1,000 youth per year, resulting in 83% cut in recidivism and 98% victim satisfaction rate. Independently studied and nationally sighted as an Evidence Based Program, CYS has demonstrated for decades that alternatives to formal justice processing work in LA County.
- **CCEJ** has over 30 years of experience with their Building Bridges for Youth program, which has served over 14,000 young people across Southern California. The program explores issues of oppression, justice, social identity and the impact those forces have on student's daily life. Students also learn concrete strategies for advocating for justice in their schools and communities. For nearly a decade, CCEJ's Youth Diversion Program has received both misdemeanor and felony level cases from law enforcement and district attorney offices across the county. Utilizing restorative justice practices, the program supports youth, their families, victims and other impacted parties in a healing and accountability process.
- **Children's Defense Fund** Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools[®] is a six-week, K-12 summer literacy program modeled after the 1965 Mississippi Freedom Schools that taught literacy, Black history, leadership skills, and tenets of the civil rights movement. Since 1995, the CDF Freedom Schools[®] has provided families a free summer enrichment program for their children to receive daily meals, books, and a research-based, culturally empowering reading curriculum. In 2020, CDF Freedom Schools[®] sites served 514 children in California, and the demographic breakdown of participants was 49% Black, 41% Hispanic/Latino, 4% Multiracial, 2% Asian, and 1% American Indian/Alaska Native.
- **Coalition for Engaged Education** empowers society's most vulnerable youth to develop positive and self-sustaining lives by igniting their passion through engaged education, arts education and career exploration. Their C/HOPE program for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated youth has successfully redirected youth into independent schools, colleges, and/or the mainstream workforce and has significantly reduced the recidivism rates, with 1,000 youth served annually.
- Norway is globally recognized for its progressive system with no punishment for youth under 15 and older youth transferred to a division of the "social office." Police evidence is given to social workers for treatment vs prosecution and focuses on rehabilitation and restorative justice.

- **GRYD** is an award winning model with 20 contracted providers with over a decade of experience in reducing violence and intervening with high needs youth. GRYD has provided 964 case management sessions and has helped 51 young people become first-generation college students.
- **Arts for Healing and Justice** is a network of 13 high quality arts organizations with a track record of providing healing-informed arts programming to 1,500 youth annually both in community and in the camps/halls, precisely the youth that would be coming out of DJJ. Our programming has been shown to increase youth's social-emotional learning, self-confidence, and empathy.
- **Brotherhood Crusade** is a 50 year old, trusted community institution serving more than 100,000 South LA residents annually!
- **Anti-Recidivism Coalition** serves as a support and advocacy network for current and formerly incarcerated men, women, and young adults. ARC has 8 years of experience working with people who are incarcerated, helping them to have successful transitions back into their communities and into supportive services upon reentry. To date, ARC has served over 1,400 active formerly incarcerated members across California and serves over 6,000 men and women still inside prisons and facilities.
- **Social Justice Learning Institute** provides an Urban Scholars Program that provides youth with a culturally relevant curriculum and academic support through a social justice lens. The Urban Scholars Program has served 1,619 youth, has taught 250 healthy lifestyle classes, and has students enrolled in college at 32 different college campuses.
- **Alma Family Services** is a successful Probation Department partner, providing gang intervention and youth and family services in the First District.
- **Children's Institute** has been a pillar in LA for over 100 years, providing trauma-informed behavioral health services for 30,000 children and families each year.
- **Youth Justice Coalition's Free LA High School** serves as an alternative to detention and incarceration for youth who have been suspended or expelled from schools, a school for youth returning home from lock-ups, and a more respectful and smaller program for youth who have been systemically pushed out or left traditional schools.
- **Los Angeles Reentry Partnership** is a network of dozens of organizations across LA County that provide tireless reentry services, specializing in whole person care.
- **Los Angeles Conservation Corps** has 35 years experience working with youth through employment, training, wrap around services, and a supportive alternative high school program. The Clean & Green and Young Adult Corps program and Legal Support Services program have impacted the lives of tens of thousands of youth and provided job training and work experience, Americorps Education Awards and other scholarships/awards, vocational certifications, legal education, legal representation, expungements, early termination of probation, and diversion for justice-impacted youth.
- **Creative Acts** partnered with youth anti-gun violence organization, **March For Our Lives** to bring an arts-based civic engagement program into all County Camps & Halls and had a staggering 100% voter turnout from those eligible for the 2020 Presidential election.
- **Homies Unidos** is a community--based organization serving immigrant communities in Los Angeles through violence prevention and intervention initiatives that center community

restoration and peace mediation. For over 20 years, Homies Unidos has advocated for alternatives to incarceration for immigrant youth and adults subjected to double jeopardy through the incarceration to deportation pipeline.

- **Venice Community Housing Corporation** hosts Venice YouthBuild, a program with over 20 years of experience providing academic, vocational, and leadership development training to out-of-school and out-of-work youth ages 16-24. VCH also hosts a free after school program for elementary school aged children and other supportive services to low-income youth on the Westside of Los Angeles.
- **SHIELDS for Families, Inc.**, a nationally respected non-profit organization in South Central Los Angeles. SHIELDS for families is dedicated to developing, delivering, and evaluating culturally sensitive, comprehensive service models that empower and advocate for high-risk families for over 25 years. SHIELDS offers 38 programs with 360 staff and a \$30 million dollar annual budget to provide comprehensive services to over 10,000 families annually. SHIELDS for Families was incorporated in 1991 in response to the high incidence of infants born prenatally exposed to drugs at Martin Luther King Hospital in South Central Los Angeles
- **The Los Angeles Trust for Children's Health** has been supporting student health leadership for the past 10 years, working in schools with the highest student health need index. Over 160 youth leaders per year develop and manage health information and access to care campaigns for peers and family members.
- **From Gangs To Glory Opportunity Foundation**, was formed in 2015 to provide access to prevention services to youth, adults, families, Veteran's, and communities that are impacted by gangs in California. FG2G offers free services such as employment placement, volunteer services, youth boxing, peer to peer support, alcohol and substance use counseling, gang counseling, diversion intervention, crisis response, and reentry services in conjunction with San Bernardino Free Them All's Los Angeles County hub. FG2G is 100% led by a BIPOC and, gangs/systems involved staff.
- **WriteGirl / Bold Ink Writers** has been providing creative writing workshops for youth who are incarcerated and/or system-impacted since 2004, helping teens develop their creative voice through poetry, songwriting, fiction, screenwriting, journalism and more. Programming emphasizes success skills that include critical thinking/problem-solving, improved ability/confidence in written and verbal communication skills, improved collaboration skills and increased creativity. Youth are encouraged to share their writing at each workshop and teen writing is published in an anthology.
- **Street Poets** harnesses the healing power of poetry and music to build community and inspire our next generation to write, rap and dream a new world into being for us all.
- **Street Poets** breaks the cycle of violence in the lives of at-risk and incarcerated youth, awakening them to their gifts.
Street Poets builds creative community, bringing youth, adults and elders of diverse backgrounds into deep transformational relationship.
Street Poets consults and collaborates with other organizations and communities to inspire both individual and systemic change, transforming our culture from one too often driven by fear to one that celebrates healing and the creative process.

Los Angeles County based community organizations like Centinela Youth Services, Brotherhood Crusade, Urban Peace Institute, GRYD and many others have been sought after by jurisdictions **around the country** as content experts with “best practice” models that others replicate.

To say that it is “premature” to invest in alternatives for our youth is to dismiss the incredible talent and highly effective services that are home-grown to Los Angeles County communities.

Letter Sign Ons:

After-School All-Stars, Los Angeles	Los Angeles Education Partnership
Arts for Healing and Justice Network	Los Angeles LGBT Center
ArtLifeLive	Moms of Black Boys United/CA Chapter
AMAAD Institute (Arming Minorities Against Addiction & Disease)	Menformation Project
Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC)	New Earth
artworxLA	Rhythm Arts Alliance
Bend the Arc: Jewish Action SoCal	Street Poets, Inc.
Brothers Sons Selves Coalition	San Bernardino Free Them All
Breaking Through Barriers To Success	SHIELDS for Families, Inc.
California Conference for Equality and Justice	Social Justice Learning Institute
Centinela Youth Services	The Actors’ Gang Youth Project
Children’s Defense Fund-CA	The Los Angeles Trust for Children’s Health
Coalition for Engaged Education	TheLivingWellTour
Creative Acts	The TransLatin@ Coalition
Dontay Hayes at Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership (LARRP)	The Unusual Suspects Theatre Company
From Gangs To Glory Opportunity Foundation	Tía Chucha’s Centro Cultural & Bookstore
Green Arrow CoLab	Toberman Neighborhood Center
Heart of Los Angeles (HOLA)	United Parents and Students
Homies Unidos	Venice Community Housing Corporation
Jail Guitar Doors USA	Woodcraft Rangers
LA’s BEST Afterschool Enrichment	WriteGirl / Bold Ink Writers, A Project of Community Partners
Los Angeles Conservation Corps	Youth Justice Coalition L.A.
	Youth Justice Education Clinic, Loyola Law School

Appendix C: Credible Messengers in Facilities Budget Credible Messengers

Annual Program Budget

Personnel Services:

32 Credible Messengers	\$2,000,000 (\$50,000 each + 0.25% fringe)
8 Lead Credible Messengers	\$ 700,000 (\$700,000 each + 25% fringe)
Intermediary Organization(s)	\$ 500,000 (fiscal, program, management, etc.)
Admin. Support	\$ 100,000
Provider Planning Team.	\$ 100,000

\$3,400,000

Transportation	\$50,000
Supplies	\$50,000
Activities	\$100,000
Admin Fees	\$150,000

\$150,000

Total Operational Budget \$ 3,750,000

Training & Technical Assistance:

40-hour Intensive Training	\$ 35,000
80 hours per month for 12 months	\$ 190,000 (\$40,000 Reissa)

\$225,000

Total Program Budget **\$ 3,975,000**

Appendix D: Yes Team Budget

Total Budget: \$1,435,000 to Establish Proof of Concept/Prototype YES Team in a School

2 Care Coordinators (CC) on site	\$210,000
2 Restorative Justice (RJ) Coordinators on site	\$210,000
2 Credible Messengers on site	\$210,000
2 Peacebuilders on site	\$210,000
Non-system YES Team members	\$200,000
Planning Team	\$200,000
Training - (RJ, team building, prof dev)	\$120,000
Wellness fund (healing, supp services, prof dev)	\$40,000
General fund (e.g. community roundtables)	\$25,000
Food, water, clothing, to meet any immediate needs (thereafter, Youth Resource Navigator, kicks in)	\$10,000
Wellness fund (healing, supp services, prof dev)	\$40,000
General fund (e.g. community roundtables)	\$25,000
Food, water, clothing, to meet any immediate needs (thereafter, Youth Resource Navigator, kicks in)	\$10,000
Total	\$1,435,000

Appendix E: FY 2021-22 American Rescue Plan Act Spending on Youth

[LA County FY 2021-22 Spending Plan](#)

Last year, only \$25.3 million in ARPA funds went to support youth explicitly, out of \$975 million total. That's just 3%, but about 20% of LA County's population is under the age of 18 (2.2 million youth). Only \$1.5 million—0.15 percent (about one tenth of one percent)—was focused on justice-impacted youth.

Program Name	Description	Amount (in millions)
Arts for Justice-Involved Youth	Support arts community-based organizations to provide arts for justice-involved youth in LA County detention and in justice- and system-impacted communities as a prevention measure, and fund organizations whose programs are deployed through a justice lens.	\$1.5
Delete the Divide Initiative	Led by the Internal Services Department (ISD) and through an innovative public-private partnership model, Delete the Divide seeks to unify efforts to provide youth in disadvantaged communities with direct access to modern technologies, as well as, training and support services, educational programs, technical certifications, job shadowing, mentoring, corporate tours, paid work experience, academic scholarships, practical hands-on experience, and pathways to well-paying careers.	\$2.9
LA Community Impact Hubs	In partnership with the Greater LA Education Foundation, the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) , private sector partners and nonprofits, support Teen Tech Centers as after-school spaces equipped with cutting-edge technology and staffed by youth development professionals who provide a safe, supporting learning environment.	\$2.0
Grants to Support Youth Workforce Development	Grants to organizations focused on creating jobs and career pathways for youth through direct grants, with a focus on youth in communities with disparate health and educational outcomes.	\$3.5
Youth@Work	Increase capacity for the Youth@Work program, which offers youth in priority populations, including but not limited to foster, probation, and LGBTQI+ youth, paid enrichment training, and work experience in public, non-profit, and private organizations in high-growth industry sectors.	\$5.0
Creative Career Pathways for Youth	Funding for programs at LA County Parks' Innovation Labs that prepare youth for careers in arts and media, so that youth who have historically experienced barriers to accessing these careers are job-ready as the economy recovers and stabilizes.	\$1.6

Recreation and Aquatics at LA County Parks	Address the devastating impacts of COVID-19 and provide much needed healing and community connection through youth recreational and aquatics programming at LA County parks in areas most impacted by the pandemic.	\$8.8
Total		\$25.3

From: [Leslie Ito](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #2 - In Support
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:20:38 AM

Dear LA County Supervisors:

My name is Leslie Ito and I live in the 5th Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County. As a member of the CEII efforts of the department, we feel strongly that we have a solid plan in place to advance the cultural equity work that the County has been so deeply involved in. In order to implement this plan and advance the work, we need the infrastructure in place to make this happen. The return on investment is high and the direct results to County residents is important, especially at a time when we need the arts to nurture our souls, provide space for mental health and wellness and keep our young people healthy, well and productive.

Thank you for your leadership and dedication to the arts.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ito

Leslie A. Ito
she/her
Executive Director
(626) 792-5101 x114
armoryarts.org

Now on View: [how we are in time and space: Nancy Buchanan, Marcia Hafif, Barbara T. Smith](#)

"The depth and scope of the show is a testament to the artists' enduring friendship as well as a lifelong commitment to art-making, and how that, in turn, influenced the greater artistic landscape." — Los Angeles Times



[LEARN](#) • [SUPPORT](#) • [CONNECT](#)

From: [Aurora](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#)
Subject: Public hearing on the budget: May 11, 2022
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:46:45 AM

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Aurora Anaya-Cerda and I live in the 4th Supervisorial District.

I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County.

Thank you,
Aurora Anaya-Cerda
District 4

Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!

Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!

Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!

May 9, 2022

11:30 am

My name is Maureen Moore, and I am a resident of District 5.

Once again, LA County's budget was introduced in a manner that is unfriendly to community participation. Budget hearings, allegedly open to the public, were never announced to the public and remain difficult to access. Community input needs to be a top priority as the County makes decisions on how to spend our tax dollars.

The Board has stated that it is committed to realize a Care First vision for the County. However, the proposed 2022-2023 budget does not reflect a commitment to Care First. In fact, the County intends to increase the LA Sheriff Department's budget and notably the LASD's personnel budget. The County proposes a \$6.2 billion dollar allotment for "law and justice" offices, with more than half of this funding being used for LASD and the Probation Department. The County is spending so much money jailing our communities. For example, over 60% of LASD's budget is spent on patrol and custody personnel. When the County chooses to continue to pour money into LASD's bloated budget they are choosing to fund the machine of mass incarceration.

Allocating \$3.4 billion dollars toward the LA Sheriff's Department is NOT Care First. \$3.4 billion to the Sheriff's Department versus \$218 million for affordable housing and homelessness. What does this comparison say about the County's priorities? There's currently \$4.4 billion going towards the Sheriff and Probation departments and only \$1.8 billion for the Department of Public Health. A Care First budget is about investing in healthcare and affordable housing. Yet, the County seems to believe that it is still moving towards a Care First vision by continuing to underinvest in critical county departments and pour billions of dollars into county departments rife with financial irresponsibility, a Sheriff's Department filled with violent and murderous gangs, and a Probation department not suited for the approach to alternatives to incarceration.

WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE LEADERS IN THE NATION. FULLY FUND MEASURE J.

In November 2020, we voted for community investments such as youth and small business development, job training, housing services and alternatives to incarceration, with the goal to reduce the impact of racial and economic injustice. We voted to allocate at least 10% of LA County's locally generated unrestricted funding to go towards Care First investments. This year's recommended budget only allocates \$200 million to Care First Community Investment (Measure J) spending, well below the 10% Measure J mandate. We need \$900 million in community investment and full budget transparency, and we will accept nothing less. Full investment will ensure our communities receive critical funding and will honor the will of the voters. The community has provided the County with an [outline](#) for how to align the County budget with a Care First vision. Yet, once again, the County is falling short of Care First. We will continue to demand full CFCI investment and reductions in the Sheriff and Probation budgets and we will not let up until the County puts its money where its mouth is.

Additionally, I demand the County revisit its budgeting process to ensure that the community is at the center of the equitable distribution of resources to Black, Brown, and Indigenous Peoples. A true Care First vision will only be realized through transparent and accessible processes that promote community power sharing, accountability, and equity. The County can utilize Care First Budget as a framework in any funding process to ensure investment in the most highly impacted communities, trust-building and accountability with the community, and the redress of systemic and historic disinvestment. Impacted community members have long led the fight for equitable access and investment and continue to do so, and therefore should have a substantial role in the budgeting process—especially since they are the ones most impacted by the decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. I urge the County and the to take these demands into consideration when finalizing the FY 22-23 budget.

Sincerely,

Maureen Moore

Zip code: 91506

From: Brian Tillis <brian@gmcla.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 3:54 PM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Public Comment: Support for Agenda Item #2

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Brian Tillis and I live in the 5th Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda Item #2 to provide five additional staff members for the Department of Arts and Culture. This additional staffing is critical to the continued efforts to support the arts in Los Angeles County and organizations like the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles.

Thank you.
Brian

BRIAN TILLIS
(he/him/his)
Director of Development
424-453-3990



gmcla.org [FB](#) [Twitter](#) [IG](#) [YouTube](#)

Arts for LA is a network of over 70,000 advocates and a voice for the arts in Greater Los Angeles. We inform, engage, and mobilize individuals and organizations to advocate for access to the arts across all communities; arts education for every student; robust investment in the arts; and inclusion of diverse and underrepresented voices.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

1. **SKYROCKETING OPERATING COSTS.** This year, the LA's Performing Arts & Reopening Survey found that overall, reopened organizations have reported that **audience attendance & earned ticket revenue has decreased by anywhere from 50 - 70%.**
2. **JOBS & RISING UNEMPLOYMENT.** In March 2022, SMU Data published a study that found **"Unemployment in the arts was double that of overall national unemployment"** during the height of the pandemic. Black, Indigenous, Asian, multiracial and disabled individuals [within the sector] **saw higher rates of unemployment than the sector overall.**

ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

1. **Adopt and fund Countywide Cultural Policy Strategy Proposal #24 - Pilot a Creative Space Partners Subsidy Program.**
 - In partnership with LA County, **Strategy Proposal #24** would allow for a pilot space share program that provides affordable space access to artists and arts organizations. By partnering with organizations with existing facilities, **this pilot program would provide affordable access to these spaces for arts and cultural uses.** Selected partners would receive grant funding to subsidize free or low-cost rental fees for artists, arts nonprofits, and creative entrepreneurs to use their sites. At least one creative space facility would be located in each Supervisorial district, or locations may align with cultural districts or other arts and creative hubs.
 - Arts & culture organizations are reporting up to **300% increases in the cost of renting and operating venues.** Access to affordable creative space supports Los Angeles artists and arts organizations in being able to remain located in Los Angeles, rather than being forced to flee the region to survive.
2. **Increase Organizational Grant Program (OGP) budget from \$4.5M to \$9M to increase funding to chronically undercapitalized BIPOC artists and BIPOC-led organizations and cultural institutions.**
 - The **Organizational Grant Program (OGP)** is one of few grant programs that provides general operating support to the arts & culture field. Because of this, OGP is unique and critical in that it translates into job opportunities for artists and arts administrators throughout the County. **Expanding funding for OGP grantees is Recommendation #9 of the Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative (CEII) Report** and has been identified by the CEII Advisory Committee as a funding priority.
 - **A recent survey of LA area performing arts organizations found that, since reopening, earned revenue was down an average of 60%.** With audiences hesitant to return, and ticket sales nowhere close to pre-pandemic levels, robust public investment is essential to the survival of the sector - especially the small & mid size organizations that serve our most vulnerable communities.
3. **Support the passage of the Arts & Music in Schools - Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act.** This statewide ballot initiative would increase arts funding in schools by approximately \$800 million to \$1 billion annually, if passed.
 - Multiple studies show that the arts uniquely suited to address the mental health crisis amongst young people, and will help close achievement gaps that have worsened during the pandemic: **students with the arts are 5x less likely to drop out, 4x more likely to be recognized for academic achievement, and 3x more likely to earn a BA.**
 - Low-income students and students of color are far more likely to be denied arts education in our region due to massive underfunding of the arts.

From: [Jen Cheng](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [Barger, Kathryn](#)
Subject: May 11th Agenda Item #2
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:27:46 PM

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Jennifer Cheng and I live in the 3rd Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County.

Thank you.

--

./~/./~/./~/./~/./~/./~/./~/

Jen Cheng

* music * film * improv * comedy * writer * poet *

m: 310.717.9389

www.jencvoice.com

To: County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to you regarding LA County's COVID-19 Tenant Protections Resolution.

I live with my wife and my two children (2yr and 4yrs old). And we rent out our previous home to help cover our mortgage- the income was a necessity to help pay our mortgage. Our tenant has now informed us that due to COVID-19 he is no longer able to pay the rent. We are not able to receive relief from the State, because the states program ended March 31. I won't go into the details of the situation- but rather discuss things at the level of principle.

There are two principles I would like convey to you- if it could be considered:

1) Equity in supporting those in our community which have fallen into hardships

I firmly believe those that have fallen into hardship due to COVID-19 should be supported. In fact I believe everyone should have a right to food and shelter- and homelessness should be eradicated. As I'm sure the majority in LA County believe. Supporting these individuals and families has a cost. And the question is who should pay that cost. The equitable and just way is for the community to support this financial burden together, just as we do for nearly every other item, schools, streets, etc through taxes. And those that earn more pay more taxes because that is justice. The State law enacted an eviction moratorium and provided funds to landlords for those unable to pay rent. That is equity- everyone in the community is sharing in the support of these individuals by using State dollars to support them.

Instead LA County has shifted the entire financial burden of supporting these families and individuals who have fallen into hardship to a random group of families that happen to be renting to those individuals. The County is not offering relief dollars for these landlords. A fitting analogy would be if the County, in wanting to help with lack of food, created an ordinance allowing any individuals without enough food to go to a random group of grocery stores and allow them to take any food without paying, and then not reimbursing the grocery stores. This would be a significant injustice to those grocery store owners. This is that same thing that is occurring now with the Tenant Protections Act. Clearly the right thing to do would be for the County to either reimburse those grocery stores, or not create such a law and instead provide relief directly to those in need. Which is what the County should also do with regards to the Tenant Protections Resolution.

2) Protections against Fraud

In nearly every aspect of our community we always put in place some type of controls for fraud and deceit. Yet with the Tenant Protections Resolution- it doesn't seem that any has been included. Any tenant can "Self-certify" that they have had hardships due to COVID and therefore not pay any rent, and no one is to ask for any proof. I imagine if the support of funding was coming from the County- it would have been more careful in the disbursement of Funds. But since the County is not taking fiscal responsibility to support these families and instead shifting the burden to the random select group of landlords the County put in no protections.

Even in Phase II and III- when the eviction protections only apply to those below 80% AMI, again families and individuals can just "Self-certify" that they are below this income level. No safeguards or application process at all to verify. There is no other element of community life with such large financial implications that we use "the honor system".

I am honestly confused. Please let me know if I'm missing something. It's very possible I've overlooked something. The two items I've outlined above seem contrary to everything else we do as a society - so I'm perplexed.

Thanks,
Jason Parsiani

Hello,

My name is Vivian Glazier, and I am an actor, writer, and marketing professional living in Los Angeles county. I would like to urge the Board of Supervisors to support the following three proposals that are imperative to a more equitable and secure artistic community.

Covid-19 has exacerbated deep structural inequities within the creative workforce: lack of racial diversity, low and stagnant wages, and employment insecurity due to chronic undercapitalization of arts & culture organizations. In March 2022, SMU Data published a study that found. “Unemployment in the arts was **double that of overall national unemployment**” during the height of the pandemic. Black, Indigenous, Asian, multiracial and disabled individuals [within the sector] saw higher rates of unemployment than the sector overall.

Art exists to pose questions and begin a discussion. Artists exist to further clamor for an answer. Art isn't a luxury. It's a necessity. We are the mirror that holds society accountable. We are also a reminder of the miracle of the human experience. Please consider funding the following:

1. Adopt and fund Countywide Cultural Policy Strategy Proposal #24 - “Pilot a Creative Space Partners Subsidy Program”

- a. **Quick explanation:** In partnership with LA County, **Strategy Proposal #24** would allow for a pilot space share program that provides affordable space access to artists and arts organizations. By partnering with organizations with existing facilities, this pilot program would provide affordable access to these spaces for arts and cultural uses. Selected partners would receive grant funding to subsidize free or low-cost rental fees for artists, arts nonprofits, and creative entrepreneurs to use their sites. At least one creative space facility would be located in each Supervisorial district, or locations may align with cultural districts or other arts and creative hubs.
- b. **Point #1:** Arts & cultural organizations continue to be impacted by pandemic-related hardships and diminished resources. Arts & cultural organizations throughout the County are seeking ways to leverage shared resources and reduce costs in order to survive.
- c. **Point #2:** Access to affordable creative space supports Los Angeles artists and arts organizations in being able to remain located in Los Angeles, rather than being forced to flee the region due to high costs of ventual rentals and operating costs, which creative communities report as having increased by 3-4% over the past few months.

2. Increase Organizational Grant Program (OGP) budget from \$4.5M to \$9M to increase funding to chronically undercapitalized BIPOC artists and BIPOC-led organizations and cultural institutions.

- a. **Quick explanation:** The **Organizational Grant Program (OGP)** is one of few grant programs that provides general operating support to the arts & culture field. Because of this, OGP is unique and critical in that it translates into job opportunities for artists and arts administrators throughout the County. Expanding funding for OGP grantees is Recommendation #9 of the Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative (CEII) Report and has been identified by the CEII Advisory Committee as a funding priority. This month, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve a motion exploring a doubling of OGP funding from \$4.5M to \$9M for the Fiscal Year 2022-23.

From: Dan Faltz <danfaltz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:15 PM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Support of Agenda Item #5 - Five Additional Arts Staff

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Dan Faltz and I live in the 3rd Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to support the arts in Los Angeles County.

I have been fortunate to take part in programs offered by the Department of Arts and Culture, and to help facilitate my previous organization's LACDAC Arts Internships - their efforts toward strengthening creative career pathways for undergrads and community college students, spearheading cultural equity and healing arts efforts, educating and empowering communities have been vital for my work as a social emotional teaching artist and my work coordinating Arts in Corrections and as Vice Chair of the West Hollywood Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission. The Department of Arts and Culture is an important leader in cultural equity; their services, funding opportunities, and programs deserve more support staff.

Thank you for considering!

Dan Faltz

From: Brian Sonia-Wallace <bsoniawallace@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:36 PM
To: PublicComments; First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: May 11th Agenda Item #2

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Brian Sonia-Wallace and I live in the 3rd Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County.

As an artist and activist, I want to add on a personal note that County programs have allowed me to get where I am today as a working artist, and I have seen firsthand, as a teaching artist, their effects on thousands of children across the county, as well as working artists. I also know that government cultural workers are perpetually doing the job of teams 10 times their size, and are in dire need of additional support. As a voter, this is a key issue for me, and I hope you move forward on Item #2.

Thank you.

Brian

--

[Brian Sonia-Wallace](#) (he/they)

Poet Laureate of the City of West Hollywood
2021 Academy of American Poets Laureate Fellow
Author of [The Poetry of Strangers: What I Learned Traveling America with a Typewriter](#)

[RENT Poet](#) Founder - custom poems for occasions
Educator @ UCLA Writers' Extension & Get Lit - Words Ignite

310.906.8345

everyone needs a poem

Cortez, Katelyn

From: Reg Clarkinia <regclarkinia@mailbox.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 5:46 PM
To: PublicComments; First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: May 11th Agenda Item #2 - public comment

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Reg Clarkinia and I live in Hollywood at 1814 Grace Ave, in the 3rd Supervisorial District, repped by Sheila Kuehl.

I support Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture.

A vibrant and diverse Los Angeles arts scene enriches the lives of residents. It fosters cultural equity and sparks collective growth. Local, non-commercial arts programming locates us and connects us as Angelenos. As a LA resident, I notice and appreciate it when the BOS invests in the arts.

Reg Clarkinia

Cortez, Katelyn

From: KIKI GINDLER <kikigin@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 11:32 PM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Public Hearing on County Budget -- Agenda Item #2

Dear Supervisors:

I live in the Second Supervisorial District, work in the First District, and support the arts and arts organizations in all five Supervisorial districts. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff members for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all residents of Los Angeles County. As it has been said, "Don't tell me its a value, where is it in the budget?"

Thank you for considering this important proposal.

Kiki Ramos Gindler

Cortez, Katelyn

From: Steve Galindo <thestyleguyde@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 7:57 AM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: Public hearing on the Agenda item #2

Dear Supervisors:

My name is _____Steve Galindo_____ and I live in the _5_ Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all resident of Los Angeles County.

Steve Galindo

Sent from my iPhone

Cortez, Katelyn

From: Yozmit Kwon <yozbiz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:46 PM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Yozmit Kwon and I live in the Carson 90745 Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to support the arts in Los Angeles County.

--

www.yozmit.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wDX42SpDw4>

www.soundcloud.com/yozmit

<https://www.timidmag.com/features/yozmit-the-dogstar>

Cortez, Katelyn

From: Jessica Rich <jeccaree@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:59 PM
To: PublicComments
Cc: First District; Holly J. Mitchell; Sheila; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District); Barger, Kathryn
Subject: BUDGET Agenda Item #2

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Jessica Rich and I live in the 3rd Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2, to provide 5 additional staff positions for the Department of Arts and Culture. This increase in staff is critical to successfully meeting the demands placed on the organization tasked with serving the arts in a city the size of ours and to effectively support the arts in all of Los Angeles County. Please make sure they have the finances to hire the talented people they need!

Thank you!
Jessica Rich

From: [Hayk Makhmuryan](#)
To: [PublicComments](#)
Cc: [Barger, Kathryn](#); [Supervisor Janice Hahn \(Fourth District\)](#); [First District](#); [Holly J. Mitchell](#); [Sheila](#)
Subject: Public Comment in Support of Item #
Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 12:52:31 PM

Dear Supervisors:

My name is Hayk Makhmuryan and I live in the 5th Supervisorial District. I am writing in support of Agenda item #2 to provide 5 additional staff for the Department of Arts and Culture. This is critical to the continued efforts to provide cultural equity and inclusion for all resident of Los Angeles County.

Sincerely,
Hayk

--

Fundraiser: [help us continue paying Skid Row neighborhood artists' artwork storage rent](#)

Hayk Makhmuryan

(pronouns: he/they [\(what's this?\)](#))

Art Worker, Community Organizer

equitable access to arts, cultural, and social spaces is a fundamental human right and collective responsibility

love the people, decommodify life

doodleswithoutborders.com

May 17, 2022

Dear LA County Supervisor Board,

My name is Jennifer Williams and I live in district 2 in the unincorporated neighborhood of Westmont.

I noted the following in my review of the LA County proposed budget¹:

- The budget for the Regional Planning department is \$39.375 million out of the total \$38.5 billion in the budget, or about 1% of the total budget.
- There are only 5 departments with fewer budgeted positions than the Regional Planning department (Arts & Culture, Consumer & Business Affairs, Military & Veterans Affairs, Museum of Art, and Museum of Natural History).
- \$439.5 million is allocated to Measure H on top of the now fully funded Measure HHH.
- \$12.985 billion, or 34% of the total \$38.5 billion dollars is allocated for health services.
- The County submitted \$2.5 billion in unmet needs requests with nearly \$1.3 billion remaining unfunded.

I also note that according to the California Healthy Places Index, the parts of the County with the worst health outcomes include Lennox, Westmont, East Los Angeles, Huntington Park, Bell Gardens, Lynwood, Willowbrook, South Gate, Compton, Paramount, and Santa Fe Springs.²

Based on this information and additional research, I propose the following:

- The Regional Planning department needs more funding to execute the planning needs for additional housing, climate-related infrastructure, and infrastructure that supports other community needs.
- The County should set aside incremental property tax revenues and direct these funds to the communities with the greatest health disparities by forming a non-contiguous Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (EIFD) in those areas. Some of the benefits of doing so include:
 - Increasing eligibility for funding from third party programs like the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program, Infill Infrastructure Grant, and Transformative Climate Communities (TCC). This additional funding could make up for the \$1.3 billion in unmet needs.
 - EIFDs can support positive health outcomes because they fund affordable housing, including mixed use development, infrastructure for non-profits like Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs), infrastructure for broadband internet, climate change-related infrastructure, community gardens,

¹ <https://ceo.lacounty.gov/budget/>

² map.healthypplacesindex.org/?view=630696b2-1b26-4c3e-bee4-09805c12810d

child care facilities, and clean transportation³, all of which contribute to the social determinants of health, which make up 80-90% of a person's health.⁴

- Forming an EIFD can provide targeted funding to communities most in need for up to 45 years⁵, which will result in sustainable increased public health cost savings for the County.

Formation of an EIFD in this area would provide an opportunity for the County to collaborate with organizations already seeking funding from programs like TCC, including GRID Alternatives, SAJE, SCOPE, Metro, LA DOT, Trust South LA and others.⁶ I urge the County to continue seeking community direction of budgetary funds in EIFD formation and other fund allocation processes.

³ <https://caled.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/CALED-TIF-Primer-3-17.pdf>

⁴

<https://www.aafp.org/fpm/2018/0500/p3.html#:~:text=Consider%20that%2080%20percent%20to,a%20modifiable%20contributor%20to%20health.>

⁵

<https://www.aafp.org/fpm/2018/0500/p3.html#:~:text=Consider%20that%2080%20percent%20to,a%20modifiable%20contributor%20to%20health.>

⁶ https://www.instagram.com/p/CdrjqGULoDv/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link

Dear LA County Board of Supervisors,

A motion you passed on March first of this year, "Care First, Jails Last: Establishing a Justice, Care, and Opportunities Department to Promote Collaboration and Transparency in a Person-Centered Justice System," indicated a commitment to the youth of our county, and intention to work towards providing services to reduce youth contact with the justice system and improve outcomes for at-risk youth.

However, budgets are a reflection of organizational values, and this proposed budget belies that commitment and intention. There is no money for the promised Department of Youth Development, but excessive money allocated to youth incarceration. This is not creating the right kind of future for Los Angeles County.

The way we support and develop our youth, including those in trouble and acting out, affects not only their individual futures, but all of ours. Incarcerated children have significantly reduced odds of healthy, productive, fulfilling lives and that's a problem for all of us.

I urge you to reduce the bloated budget of the Probation Departments juvenile operations and use the funds to create and fully fund the Department of Youth Development as well as other programs to support youth.

Rebecca Tullman
Los Angeles, CA 90077

Subcontracted County workers deserve affordable healthcare! The county budget should not turn its back on its lowest paid African American and Latino workers. Make sure the County budget reflects the County's values!

Good morning,

My name is Leonardo Santaiti and I would like support the OGP budget being increased to 9 million.

Thank you,
Leonardo Santaiti
5/11/22

May 11, 2022

**The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012**

**Jonathan E. Sherin, M.D., PH.D.,
Director, Department of Mental Health
510 S. Vermont Ave
Los Angeles, California 90020**

RE: Stacy Dalgleish Chair, Mental Health Commission, May 5, 2022 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PUBLIC HEARING FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 ANNUAL UPDATE

Dear Supervisors and Director:

MENTAL HEALTH Commission MHSA Annual update fy 2022-23 – public hearing. Email sent by LACDMH staff on April 25, 2022, 7:15 AM.

Thank you, Commissioner Dalgleish,

First, I would like to ask if any chance can please get the last version of the motion with the amendments that were negotiated to include/modify/remove in the previous meeting on May 4, 2022. I was not able to make public comments at that meeting since LACDMH had sent out multiple versions of the agenda (one of the versions that went out to UsCC, SALTS, and other stakeholders did not have call-in, meeting link information, CART link, and additional vital information to be able to join and participate).

I want to understand better this motion and what and how the funding for ODR is set. I fully support this commission's efforts to address our systems impacted communities and support its efforts and those of the County in addressing these critical matters. However, I am very concerned with asking for such a significant set annual allotment for funding of this magnitude, given that there was no 30-day period to comment on this considerable element which was added by Supervisor Mitchell, her staff, and her appointment commissioners. The specificity of funding for particular projects in only (as is the impression) Supervisor's Mitchell district. I know how urgent this support is needed, and I am confused that the Supervisor, her staff, and her commissioners had not asked for this until after we had gone through an exhaustive and inclusive MHSA stakeholder process. It is unprecedented to me to have a sitting Supervisor attend this commission and drive the vote for what appears to be specific agencies and services

areas in what seemed a significantly influenced process where commissioners were pressed by county supervisors to keep and or remove items in exchange for her vote and support.

Second, given the fact that we were not provided with the materials for that meeting until yesterday (Tue, May 10, 6:01 PM), I am very concerned with LACDMH's compliance with the established Mental Health Services Act process that ensures compliance with Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), section 5847(b)-(e), 5848(a), 5892(g) required that a draft plan be developed through the Community Program and Planning process (CPP); as well with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, section (mainly but not limited to Sections 54954.2, 54955, 54956 Section 54954.2(a)(2), Section 54954.2(a), Section 54954.3). It has been my request, and that of the co-chairs and stakeholders of the UsCC, that this body 'cease and desist these practices as they have impeded our statutory rights set forth under the Mental Health Services Act, Ralph M. Brown Act, and other LA City, LA County, State of California, and Federal laws.

Third, the lack of Spanish materials for this item is also highly concerning, given county and state guidelines around the MHSA and the CPP. The lack of ADA disability accessible materials for this item is also troublesome given the long disparity of access for people with disabilities in the LACDMH MHSA stakeholder process. The timing of last week's meetings was also problematic, given the short notice and the fact that it took place at the same time as the American Indian/Alaska Native UsCC and its members (except for me, who was asked to attend this meeting to voice) was not able to attend and participate.

Lastly, I want to thank you and other commissioners for noting some of the areas of interest that our many stakeholders provided input, comments, suggestions, and requests. It should be noted that the stakeholder process for LACDMH this year was filled with direct discrimination, harassment, and retaliation against LACDMH consumers because of their disabilities, sexual identity, ethnicity, and gender while engaging LACDMH and the County in its MHSA required stakeholder process and county meetings (main focus of these reported incidents to LACDMH Director and staff has been ongoing in the LGBTQIA2S+ UsCC and CCC meeting by the same contract provider and his current and past paid staff.) This has created a hostile environment for LACDMH consumers, TAY, women, Native American, Transgender, Two Spirits, and Latino individuals with no support or remedies by LACDMH. It is here where we recommend that all MHSA funded stakeholder groups like UsCC and SALTs have at least one LACDMH consumer as co-chair and that individuals, contractors, and their staff that have engaged in direct harassment, intimidation, and discrimination of LACDMH consumers or any other individual because of protecting class identities, not be allowed to attend these meetings for at least one year and that they may not qualify for MHSA funding for four years, and be referred for consideration by LA County to remove from the master list to limit or terminate county funding.

The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), with a budget of approaching \$3 billion, is the largest county-operated mental health department in the United States, directly operating programs in more than 85 sites and providing services through contract programs and LACDMH staff at approximately 300 sites co-located with other County departments, schools, courts, and various organizations. Each year, the County contracts with close to 1,000 organizations and individual practitioners to provide a variety of mental health-related services. On average, more than 250,000 County residents of all ages are served every year, yet out of the 65 people that submitted feedback, only about 14 were LADCDH consumers. This is further proof of the dire impact that stigma, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation are the main reason why so many stakeholders have been prevented from adding comments or whose comments were not recognized during the LACDMH MHSA stakeholder process.

Thank you so much for what you and others do for all LACDMH and Los Angeles County stakeholders.

Sincerely,

**Hector M. Ramirez
ACCESS For ALL UsCC
LACDMH Consumer**

May 11, 2022

**The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012**

**Jonathan E. Sherin, M.D., PH.D.,
Director, Department of Mental Health
510 S. Vermont Ave
Los Angeles, California 90020**

RE: Stacy Dalgleish Chair, Mental Health Commission, May 5, 2022 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PUBLIC HEARING FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 ANNUAL UPDATE

Dear Supervisors and Director:

MENTAL HEALTH Commission MHSA Annual update fy 2022-23 – public hearing. Email sent by LACDMH staff on April 25, 2022, 7:15 AM.

Thank you, Commissioner Dalgleish,

First, I would like to ask if any chance can please get the last version of the motion with the amendments that were negotiated to include/modify/remove in the previous meeting on May 4, 2022. I was not able to make public comments at that meeting since LACDMH had sent out multiple versions of the agenda (one of the versions that went out to UsCC, SALTS, and other stakeholders did not have call-in, meeting link information, CART link, and additional vital information to be able to join and participate).

I want to understand better this motion and what and how the funding for ODR is set. I fully support this commission's efforts to address our systems impacted communities and support its efforts and those of the County in addressing these critical matters. However, I am very concerned with asking for such a significant set annual allotment for funding of this magnitude, given that there was no 30-day period to comment on this considerable element which was added by Supervisor Mitchell, her staff, and her appointment commissioners. The specificity of funding for particular projects in only (as is the impression) Supervisor's Mitchell district. I know how urgent this support is needed, and I am confused that the Supervisor, her staff, and her commissioners had not asked for this until after we had gone through an exhaustive and inclusive MHSA stakeholder process. It is unprecedented to me to have a sitting Supervisor attend this commission and drive the vote for what appears to be specific agencies and services

areas in what seemed a significantly influenced process where commissioners were pressed by county supervisors to keep and or remove items in exchange for her vote and support.

Second, given the fact that we were not provided with the materials for that meeting until yesterday (Tue, May 10, 6:01 PM), I am very concerned with LACDMH's compliance with the established Mental Health Services Act process that ensures compliance with Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), section 5847(b)-(e), 5848(a), 5892(g) required that a draft plan be developed through the Community Program and Planning process (CPP); as well with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, section (mainly but not limited to Sections 54954.2, 54955, 54956 Section 54954.2(a)(2), Section 54954.2(a), Section 54954.3). It has been my request, and that of the co-chairs and stakeholders of the UsCC, that this body 'cease and desist these practices as they have impeded our statutory rights set forth under the Mental Health Services Act, Ralph M. Brown Act, and other LA City, LA County, State of California, and Federal laws.

Third, the lack of Spanish materials for this item is also highly concerning, given county and state guidelines around the MHSA and the CPP. The lack of ADA disability accessible materials for this item is also troublesome given the long disparity of access for people with disabilities in the LACDMH MHSA stakeholder process. The timing of last week's meetings was also problematic, given the short notice and the fact that it took place at the same time as the American Indian/Alaska Native UsCC and its members (except for me, who was asked to attend this meeting to voice) was not able to attend and participate.

Lastly, I want to thank you and other commissioners for noting some of the areas of interest that our many stakeholders provided input, comments, suggestions, and requests. It should be noted that the stakeholder process for LACDMH this year was filled with direct discrimination, harassment, and retaliation against LACDMH consumers because of their disabilities, sexual identity, ethnicity, and gender while engaging LACDMH and the County in its MHSA required stakeholder process and county meetings (main focus of these reported incidents to LACDMH Director and staff has been ongoing in the LGBTQIA2S+ UsCC and CCC meeting by the same contract provider and his current and past paid staff.) This has created a hostile environment for LACDMH consumers, TAY, women, Native American, Transgender, Two Spirits, and Latino individuals with no support or remedies by LACDMH. It is here where we recommend that all MHSA funded stakeholder groups like UsCC and SALTs have at least one LACDMH consumer as co-chair and that individuals, contractors, and their staff that have engaged in direct harassment, intimidation, and discrimination of LACDMH consumers or any other individual because of protecting class identities, not be allowed to attend these meetings for at least one year and that they may not qualify for MHSA funding for four years, and be referred for consideration by LA County to remove from the master list to limit or terminate county funding.

The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), with a budget of approaching \$3 billion, is the largest county-operated mental health department in the United States, directly operating programs in more than 85 sites and providing services through contract programs and LACDMH staff at approximately 300 sites co-located with other County departments, schools, courts, and various organizations. Each year, the County contracts with close to 1,000 organizations and individual practitioners to provide a variety of mental health-related services. On average, more than 250,000 County residents of all ages are served every year, yet out of the 65 people that submitted feedback, only about 14 were LADCDH consumers. This is further proof of the dire impact that stigma, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation are the main reason why so many stakeholders have been prevented from adding comments or whose comments were not recognized during the LACDMH MHSA stakeholder process.

Thank you so much for what you and others do for all LACDMH and Los Angeles County stakeholders.

Sincerely,

**Hector M. Ramirez
ACCESS For ALL UsCC
LACDMH Consumer**

My name is Stephanie Sanchez, I take care of Sulpicio Sanchez and Rafael Flores. I have been a homecare provider for two months covering for my mom who fell and broke her arms. I graduated from college and cannot look for a job that I got a degree in because I have become the sole provider of my household. Caregivers like me provide an extremely essential service in our communities, we care for the most vulnerable. Today I want to ask that the budget you come up with reflects how essential homecare workers are for this country, we should not be forced to choose which basic need we can cover.

NOTE: The certified ordinance is not available at this time. If you have any questions, please call 213 974-1442.

Arts for LA is a network of over 70,000 advocates and a voice for the arts in Greater Los Angeles. We inform, engage, and mobilize individuals and organizations to advocate for access to the arts across all communities; arts education for every student; robust investment in the arts; and inclusion of diverse and underrepresented voices.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

1. **SKYROCKETING OPERATING COSTS.** This year, the LA's Performing Arts & Reopening Survey found that overall, reopened organizations have reported that **audience attendance & earned ticket revenue has decreased by anywhere from 50 - 70%.**
2. **JOBS & RISING UNEMPLOYMENT.** In March 2022, SMU Data published a study that found **"Unemployment in the arts was double that of overall national unemployment"** during the height of the pandemic. Black, Indigenous, Asian, multiracial and disabled individuals [within the sector] **saw higher rates of unemployment than the sector overall.**

ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

1. **Adopt and fund Countywide Cultural Policy Strategy Proposal #24 - Pilot a Creative Space Partners Subsidy Program.**
 - In partnership with LA County, **Strategy Proposal #24** would allow for a pilot space share program that provides affordable space access to artists and arts organizations. By partnering with organizations with existing facilities, **this pilot program would provide affordable access to these spaces for arts and cultural uses.** Selected partners would receive grant funding to subsidize free or low-cost rental fees for artists, arts nonprofits, and creative entrepreneurs to use their sites. At least one creative space facility would be located in each Supervisorial district, or locations may align with cultural districts or other arts and creative hubs.
 - Arts & culture organizations are reporting up to **300% increases in the cost of renting and operating venues.** Access to affordable creative space supports Los Angeles artists and arts organizations in being able to remain located in Los Angeles, rather than being forced to flee the region to survive.
2. **Increase Organizational Grant Program (OGP) budget from \$4.5M to \$9M to increase funding to chronically undercapitalized BIPOC artists and BIPOC-led organizations and cultural institutions.**
 - The **Organizational Grant Program (OGP)** is one of few grant programs that provides general operating support to the arts & culture field. Because of this, OGP is unique and critical in that it translates into job opportunities for artists and arts administrators throughout the County. **Expanding funding for OGP grantees is Recommendation #9 of the Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative (CEII) Report** and has been identified by the CEII Advisory Committee as a funding priority.
 - **A recent survey of LA area performing arts organizations found that, since reopening, earned revenue was down an average of 60%.** With audiences hesitant to return, and ticket sales nowhere close to pre-pandemic levels, robust public investment is essential to the survival of the sector - especially the small & mid size organizations that serve our most vulnerable communities.
3. **Support the passage of the Arts & Music in Schools - Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act.** This statewide ballot initiative would increase arts funding in schools by approximately \$800 million to \$1 billion annually, if passed.
 - Multiple studies show that the arts uniquely suited to address the mental health crisis amongst young people, and will help close achievement gaps that have worsened during the pandemic: **students with the arts are 5x less likely to drop out, 4x more likely to be recognized for academic achievement, and 3x more likely to earn a BA.**
 - Low-income students and students of color are far more likely to be denied arts education in our region due to massive underfunding of the arts.

Good Morning, LA County Board of Supervisors,

May 11, 2022

My name is Patrick Yoergler. I am a former LAUSD high school English teacher and currently a volunteer mediator and Volunteer Engagement Coordinator for Centinela Youth Services, a **community-based organization** committed to youth diversion and restorative justice mediation in our schools and juvenile justice system.

Measure J was passed some 18 months ago, expressing the public's support for investment in youth development — with the hope of keeping kids **in school and out of jail**. Eighteen months later, we learn that the County CEO is allocating exactly \$0 to **Youth Justice Reimagined**, the agenda developed to address the county's youth development needs, saying support would be "premature," and, instead, adding millions to the currently outmoded and arguably overfunded Probation Department.

Restorative Justice Mediation and Youth Development are **proven, evidence-based solutions and alternatives to traditional juvenile prosecution**, proven to result in youth accountability and acts of restitution, to keep kids in school and out of jail, reduce recidivism, and keep our communities safer.

I urge you, along with all my colleagues and fellow volunteers engaged in restorative justice work, to RECONSIDER the decision to postpone taking action on public investment in youth development, support that is long overdue. Speaking as a team member of a **Community Based Organization** dedicated to youth development, I'm compelled to ask, "What more do you need from us as a community ... is it a lack of evidence of the efficacy of our programs?" We appear to have provided this in abundance. Or, are our communities up against an impulse to preserve a longstanding infrastructure regardless of how ineffective it is, chosen simply for the reason that it's a known quantity?

In any case, the County CEO seems to have fallen down on the job of evaluating and of taking rational, sensible, and courageous action to fund an excellent program of solutions. Please invest IMMEDIATELY, as directed by the public, in *Youth Justice Reimagined*, the future health and well-being of our youth, families, and communities depend on you.

Sincerely,

Patrick Yoergler / pyoergler@cys-la.org
Centinela Youth Services
110 S. La Brea Avenue, Suite 450
Inglewood, CA 90301

Arts for LA is a network of over 70,000 advocates and a voice for the arts in Greater Los Angeles. We inform, engage, and mobilize individuals and organizations to advocate for access to the arts across all communities; arts education for every student; robust investment in the arts; and inclusion of diverse and underrepresented voices.

CURRENT CHALLENGES

1. **SKYROCKETING OPERATING COSTS.** This year, the LA's Performing Arts & Reopening Survey found that overall, reopened organizations have reported that **audience attendance & earned ticket revenue has decreased by anywhere from 50 - 70%.**
2. **JOBS & RISING UNEMPLOYMENT.** In March 2022, SMU Data published a study that found **"Unemployment in the arts was double that of overall national unemployment"** during the height of the pandemic. Black, Indigenous, Asian, multiracial and disabled individuals [within the sector] **saw higher rates of unemployment than the sector overall.**

ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

1. **Adopt and fund Countywide Cultural Policy Strategy Proposal #24 - Pilot a Creative Space Partners Subsidy Program.**
 - In partnership with LA County, **Strategy Proposal #24** would allow for a pilot space share program that provides affordable space access to artists and arts organizations. By partnering with organizations with existing facilities, **this pilot program would provide affordable access to these spaces for arts and cultural uses.** Selected partners would receive grant funding to subsidize free or low-cost rental fees for artists, arts nonprofits, and creative entrepreneurs to use their sites. At least one creative space facility would be located in each Supervisorial district, or locations may align with cultural districts or other arts and creative hubs.
 - Arts & culture organizations are reporting up to **300% increases in the cost of renting and operating venues.** Access to affordable creative space supports Los Angeles artists and arts organizations in being able to remain located in Los Angeles, rather than being forced to flee the region to survive.
2. **Increase Organizational Grant Program (OGP) budget from \$4.5M to \$9M to increase funding to chronically undercapitalized BIPOC artists and BIPOC-led organizations and cultural institutions.**
 - The **Organizational Grant Program (OGP)** is one of few grant programs that provides general operating support to the arts & culture field. Because of this, OGP is unique and critical in that it translates into job opportunities for artists and arts administrators throughout the County. **Expanding funding for OGP grantees is Recommendation #9 of the Cultural Equity and Inclusion Initiative (CEII) Report** and has been identified by the CEII Advisory Committee as a funding priority.
 - **A recent survey of LA area performing arts organizations found that, since reopening, earned revenue was down an average of 60%.** With audiences hesitant to return, and ticket sales nowhere close to pre-pandemic levels, robust public investment is essential to the survival of the sector - especially the small & mid size organizations that serve our most vulnerable communities.
3. **Support the passage of the Arts & Music in Schools - Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act.** This statewide ballot initiative would increase arts funding in schools by approximately \$800 million to \$1 billion annually, if passed.
 - Multiple studies show that the arts uniquely suited to address the mental health crisis amongst young people, and will help close achievement gaps that have worsened during the pandemic: **students with the arts are 5x less likely to drop out, 4x more likely to be recognized for academic achievement, and 3x more likely to earn a BA.**
 - Low-income students and students of color are far more likely to be denied arts education in our region due to massive underfunding of the arts.