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46.		<b>Favor</b>	Cassandra F Bolden	
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			Marcello Robinson	
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Dear Sheriff Luna and Supervisor Mitchell,

I am writing to commend Sheriff Luna for the thorough and strategic work put into the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26. The detailed planning and prioritization of critical needs reflect a commitment to both the safety of our community and the welfare of the department's personnel.

However, in light of the current fiscal constraints facing our county, I would like to propose several recommendations aimed at achieving cost savings while maintaining the high standards of service and operational efficiency:

**1. Shared Wellness Center:**

- The proposed Wellness Center for LASD staff is a commendable initiative. I suggest exploring the possibility of integrating this facility with community wellness programs. This not only could reduce costs but also build stronger community relations, akin to what we see with LAPD community centers. This dual-use approach would promote a positive community-law enforcement relationship, potentially enhancing public support and cooperation.

## **2. Vehicle and Equipment Lifecycle Management:**

- The request for vehicle and equipment replacements is understandable given the wear and tear on current assets. However, a more strategic lifecycle management approach might be beneficial. Could we consider extending the life of some vehicles through cost-effective repairs or explore leasing options for certain types of vehicles? This could potentially lower the immediate financial burden while still ensuring operational readiness.

## **3. Technology Investment Prioritization:**

- I appreciate the need for technology upgrades, especially the CAD system. However, could a phased approach be considered for this project, focusing first on the most critical areas? An audit of current tech systems might reveal opportunities for savings in software or maintenance costs.

## **4. Training and Staffing:**

- The initiative to train more deputies is vital, but I recommend a review to optimize current staffing before expanding further. Could part-time or reserve officers fill certain roles, thereby reducing the need for full-time positions and associated costs?

## **5. Review Unavoidable Costs:**

- For items like fuel, food, and utilities, could there be negotiations for bulk purchasing or partnerships with cost-effective suppliers?

## **6. Public-Private Partnerships:**

- For significant investments like the CAD system, might there be opportunities for public-private partnerships where private companies could share some financial burden in exchange for operational advantages?

These suggestions are made with the utmost respect for the department's work and in the spirit of fostering a sustainable approach to budget management. I believe these measures could help in balancing the need for public safety with the fiscal health of our county.

Thank you for considering these recommendations. I look forward to seeing how they might contribute to both the department's and our community's well-being.

Sincerely,

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