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**Subject:** Defund the Police, Reinvest in Housing

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Good evening,

We are in a housing crisis. We all know this.

I believe in human rights. I believe in caring for our community. I believe in keeping our communities safe.

The police have made it evident over the last several days (and years before that), their goal is not to keep our communities safe. They have targeted peaceful protesters, intimidating and criminalizing them.

I am emailing, as a resident in this city, to say that I believe the police need to be defunded so money can be re-allocated to find free housing.

As a resident in this city, I support an immediate 50% reduction in the police budget.

As a resident in this city, I call on you to demand police stop criminalizing peaceful protestors on the ground.

Best,  
Bec