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Subject: Defund the Hamilton Police

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To: <nrinder.nann@hamilton.ca>

Good afternoon Nrinder,

I hope you and your family are doing well, and that you're taking the time to care for yourself during this particularly trying time. I am inspired by your voice, and your action. I feel so grateful to live in Ward 3 and have you as my councillor. Truly — thank you. Thank you for standing up for what is right, for supporting *everyone* in our city, and representing our ward with intention.

I am emailing today to express my support for defunding the Hamilton police. I feel strongly that our funds are better spent supporting the vulnerable people throughout our city, and an ever-increasing police budget at the expense of our most vulnerable is completely unacceptable. I would like to see a review of the police budget to reduce its funding, reallocating those dollars to action on food security, affordable housing, mental health services, and education. I would like to see greater support for Black people, Indigenous people, and POC. I would like to see greater support for our city's homeless, and those who go hungry.

Thank you for all that you do to make our city better, and to amplify the voices of those who need to be heard. I am so lucky to live in Ward 3.

Take care,

Marin