From: Mira Saito

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To: Budget Committee < BudgetCommittee@london.ca >

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Police Budget

## To whom it may concern,

My name is Mira and I am a resident of London. I am asking for the LPS budget to be reconsidered. London Police Services received more money than anything else on the city's budget. Meanwhile there are countless people who remain unhoused and living on the streets. I am asking that the Police budget be reduced and that money invested into community supports, such as a trained mental health counsellor at the library. As well, the money should be used to address the housing crisis and invested into things like the homeless hubs. There is evidence that reinvesting into the community can actually decrease crime. Please seriously consider these suggestions. LPS should be funded but this budget would be overfunding them. Please take care of this community by investing in it directly.

Sincerely Mira Saito

Sent from my iPhone