From: Kastoori Barua

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 2:04 AM

To: Budget Committee < BudgetCommittee@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] London budget

Dear London Budget Committee,

My name is Kastoori. I am a citizen of London, Ontario, residing in Ward 13. I am emailing to encourage City Council to vote NO on the recent budget ask by London Police Services (LPS).

I demand that City Council:

- 1. Conduct further research on call times, both mental health calls and homelessness calls
- 2. Defer the vote on the LPS budget and consult with all community members before making a decision.
- 3. Fund more grassroots organizations and nonprofits that do essential work in our London community, including: SafeSpace London, Atlohsa, Youth Opportunities Unlimited, and LondonCares
- 4. Send back the proposed police budget and tell LPS to find ways to reduce it

I ask you to respond to the above demands and consider the voices of all your constituents. At a minimum, we deserve a response and a detailed explanation of how the decision benefits our city.

Kind regards,

Kastoori