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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Police budget

No. Stop. Do not approve the proposed budget. It is insane. I don't object to the purposed increase to my taxes - but use those funds to pay for social services. Cops aren't social workers. We need more social workers not more people with guns.

Societies have tried police states - they don't work. Look at happy societies - what they all have are robust social support systems.

Voting in favour of increasing the police budget in this way is bigoted. Full stop. Voting in favour says you hate minorities and the poor.

I remain, Hillary Coggins