

People's Budget Coalition Demands

City Public Meeting #1

Wed, Dec 15, 2021

11:30am - 1:00pm

In Person

City Public Meeting #2

Tues, Dec 21, 2021

5:30pm - 7:00pm

Zoom Webinar

[ZOOM Link](#)

- <https://tinyurl.com/yacwsv4b>
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Part 1: General Fund & Operating Budget

1. Defund DMPD

➤ Demilitarize

- Eliminate All Military Style Weapons & Vehicles
- Ban Tear Gas, Rubber Bullets, "Less Lethal" Weapons
- Accept No New Funds, Grants, Military Hand-Me-Downs

➤ No New Cops

- Freeze Police Hiring, Staff Fire
- Don't Fill Vacancies

➤ No More Salary Increases

- Reduce Starting Salaries (~\$68,000)
- No Extra Dollars for Cops Under Investigation
 - *Bonuses, Promotions, Special Appointments, Off-Duty, Overtime*
- Transfer More Responsibilities to Civilian Forces
 - *Ex: Traffic Enforcement, 24/7 Crisis Team, Violence Interrupters*

➤ Cap the Budget

- No Budget Increase from FY21
- Any Increase Matched by Equivalent Decrease

➤ Cut the Budget

- Eliminate Departments
 - Vice & Narcotics
 - Special Enforcement Team
 - Neighborhood Based Service Delivery
- End Patrolling & Reduce Fleet
- Stop Marketing the Police
- **One-to-One Reallocation**
 - Shift Cost of Police Response into Resources & Prevention
 - *Ex: reallocate police resources used to bulldoze houseless camps into camp survival resources, housing-first programs, etc.*

2. Reimagine Public Safety

- **Non-Carceral Emergency Response**
 - Civilian Crisis & Emergency Response Teams
 - *ex: mental health, violence interruption, de-escalators, mediators*
 - Emergency Survival Resources & Relocation Services
 - *ex: narcan distribution, dv victim resources, rapid-rehousing*
 - Transformative and Restorative Justice Programs
 - *i.e. victim centered, humane, trauma-informed*
- **Prevention**
 - Invest in Basic Needs & Housing
 - Invest in Mental Health Services
 - Invest In Harm Reduction Services
 - *Ex: safe injection sites, sharps containers, etc.*
- **Decriminalization**
 - Decriminalize or Lower Enforcement of Victimless Crime
 - *i.e. drug possession, drug use, sex work, etc.*
 - Lessen Police Interactions With Marginalized Communities

3. Invest in Housing-First Initiatives

4. End Houseless Camp Evictions, Invest in Survival Resources

5. Invest in Food Security, Eliminate Food Deserts

- **Allocate Resources Toward Community Food Security**
 - Community Gardens, Fridges, Tool Libraries
 - Rezone for Community Resource Distribution
- **Commit To A Grocery Store Within 10 Minutes**
 - Staple Foods & Fresh Produce
 - Accessibility at All Mobility Levels
 - *i.e. complete sidewalks, transit lines, accessible buildings*

- Dedicate a % of TIF to Developments with Grocery Stores

6. Invest in Sustainability & Climate Resiliency

7. Accountability in Public Budgeting Process

- **Follow Up On Public Input**
 - Publish Public Comment & Document Resulting Budget Decisions
 - Adopt 75% of Public Budget Demands
 - Explain Any Changes in Budget From Previous Year
- **Participatory Budgeting**
 - Improve Outreach and Accessibility
 - Commit to Future Meetings in January

Part 2: American Rescue Plan Funds

The eligible uses are:

- (A) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- (B) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the State, territory, or Tribal / local government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- (C) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such State, territory, or Tribal / local government due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the State, territory, or Tribal government prior to the emergency; *
- (D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

*** limited to overall \$ amount of lost revenue by city since July 1, 2019, currently calculated at ~\$12 million**

How Should The City Spend ARPA Funds?

- **Stimulus/Survival Grants**
 - Caretakers
 - Educators & School Staff
 - Healthcare Workers
 - Service Industry Workers
- **Excluded Worker Fund**
- **Housing Support**
 - Homeless & Houseless Support
 - Rent Relief
 - Public Housing

- Repairs & Upkeep
- **Publicly Owned Utilities**
 - Broadband
 - Energy
- **Public Transit**
- **Temporary Food Stamps**
- **Fund Schools**
 - School Closures & Staffing Issues
- **Water Quality**