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1. Call to Order; Roll Call.
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   a. General Public Comment.
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4. Budget Priorities Presentation by SF Youth Commission (discussion and possible action).
5. Strategy Updates (discussion and possible action).
6. Request for Future Agenda Items (discussion and possible action).
7. Adjournment.
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SAFETY AND JUSTICE WORKGROUP MEETING

Tuesday January 19th, 2021
Monthly Differences in Bookings vs Releases

Count of Incarcerated Individuals

-250 -200 -150 -100 -50 0 50 100 150 200

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Average and Median Length of Stay (in days) of Individuals Released in the Month

- **Average Length of Stay**
- **Health Order**
- **$0 Bail Starts**
- **$0 Bail Ends**
- **Median Length of Stay**
Snapshot by Racial Category Last 12 Months

Count of Confined Individuals

Racial Category
- Black
- White
- Hispanic
- API
- Other
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Snapshot by Racial Percent Last 12 Months

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Jail Population Snapshot: Age Category

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  - API
  - Black
  - Hispanic
  - Other
  - White

- **45-54yrs**
  - API
  - Black
  - Hispanic
  - Other
  - White

- **35-44**
  - API
  - Black
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- **25-34yrs**
  - API
  - Black
  - Hispanic
  - Other
  - White

- **18-24yrs (TAY)**
  - API
  - Black
  - Hispanic
  - Other
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**Age at Arrest**

0 50 100 150 200 250
*San Francisco residency category does include individuals that reported an address in a San Francisco shelter*
Incarcerated individuals address by zip codes. Individuals who refused or were unable to provide zip codes are not represented. Homeless and transient that did provide a zip code are represented.
SAN FRANCISCO YOUTH COMMISSION
BUDGET PRIORITIES

Presenter: Rome Jones, D10 Commissioner, Chair of Transformative Justice Committee
Gracie Veiga, D8 Commissioner, Vice Chair of Transformative Justice Committee
Calvin Quick, Legislative Affairs Officer, D5 Youth Commissioner
What is the San Francisco Youth Commission?
The Youth Commission (YC) is charged by Charter Sec 4.124 to “report to the Board of Supervisors the activities, goals, and accomplishments of the Commission by July 1 of each calendar year [...].”

Charter Sec 4.124 also explicitly states “The purpose of the Commission is to collect all information relevant to advising the Board of Supervisors and Mayor on the effects of legislative policies, needs, assessments, priorities, programs, and budgets concerning the children and youth of San Francisco.”
Therefore, on January 4, 2021, the YC unanimously passed an Omnibus Preliminary Budget Priorities Resolution (OPBP Resolution) to tackle these issues head-on:

- It allowed for youth advocacy organizations to influence the budget process through the YC in a meaningful way right from the beginning.
- It enables the YC to advocate early on in the budget process for specific programs.
- It permits the YC to give the BOS an early sense of its focus and priorities going into the Board budget season.
The Omnibus Resolution was debated in the YC’s three policy committees, which provided input on budget-related priorities that were then incorporated into the Resolution:

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The Transformative Justice Committee of the San Francisco Youth Commission is a determined and imaginative group of young people that are striving to build cooperative and compassionate relationships with the community to eliminate youth incarceration.

We acknowledge that the current systems in place do not serve all of us and we hope to shift the conversations and dynamics to how people can live and thrive. It is part of our radical values that we can and should center humanity in the City’s budget and policy priorities.
What have we been doin about it? / Legislative History

FILE NO.  RESOLUTION NO. 1920-AL-13

1 [Urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in Community Health and Safety]
2 Resolution urging the defunding of San Francisco Police Department and investment in community health and safety.
3
4 WHEREAS, America has a long and horrendous history of using the police and all law enforcement as a force to inflict personal, psychological, communal, and physical violence on all marginalized communities but in particular on the Black, Indigenous, and LGBTQIA+ community; and
5 WHEREAS, The origins of American policing can be traced back to the preservation of the slave system such as the creation of slave patrols—forces created to identify escaped slaves and return them to chains and preventing slave revolts; and
6 WHEREAS, From slavery in the south to factories in the north, the foundation of police forces has always been to preserve the power and protect the property of the white ruling class; and
7 WHEREAS, Gesturization does not work without criminalization of Black and Brown people by the police as phone calls are not to report a crime but to report a Black and Brown person; and
8 WHEREAS, According to a New York Times article covering "How Do the Police Actually Spend Their Time?", roughly 99% of police calls for service are not in response to violence, but property crime and non-criminal matters; and
9 WHEREAS, San Francisco has approximately 8,000 people experiencing homelessness on a given night and of the 8,000, 1,200 are Transitional Age Youth ages 18 to 24; and
10 WHEREAS, The 2018 National Crime Victimization Survey shows that 58% of trans and gender nonconforming people reported mistreatment from the police including verbal harassment, physical or sexual assault, consistent misgendering or being forced to perform sexual acts in exchange for not being arrested; and
11 [Urging the San Francisco Unified School District to end its affiliation with the San Francisco Police Department by disbanning the SFPD/SFUSD Memorandum of Understanding]
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13 WHEREAS, We hold the humanity and precious life of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor,
14 Tony McDade, Alex Nieto, Mario Woods, Amikar Lopez Perez, O’Shaine Evans, and all those victims of racist violence; and
15 WHEREAS, The system of policing in America, and its systemic targeting of and use of deadly and brutal force against people of color, particularly black people, stems from the long legacy of slavery, lynching, Jim Crow laws, and the War on Drugs in the United States and has been perpetuated by violent and harmful law enforcement practices; and
16 WHEREAS, A system that enforces white supremacy, police brutality and the use of excessive force have inflicted intergenerational harm and trauma to families, and are intensifying our nation’s mental and spiritual health crisis; and
17 WHEREAS, Our city of San Francisco has a track record of police brutality,
18 environmental racism, and gentrification, among many other injustices towards queer, trans,
19 black, indigenous, people of color; and
20 WHEREAS, LGBTQIA+ community members of color experience not only racism, but also homophobia and transphobia from SFPD officers; and
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Letter: Setting the record straight on the renegotiated police union contract

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTOR / Nov. 25, 2020 0:00 p.m. / NEWSLETTER / OPINION
BUDGET CUTS


- $654 million deficit over 2 years=assumes no relief from federal funding.
  Struggling with revenues.

- Mayor's priorities: Racial equity, Housing, small business relief

- YC is concerned that vulnerable youth and TAY, who are already underserved, will be even more disadvantaged if youth- and TAY-specific programs are scaled down or cut.

- YC strongly urges therefore that youth- and TAY-specific not be scaled back or cut.
Youth Led and Informed Budget and Policy Priorities

Youth Police Roundtable March 2019

Youth Situation Town Hall November 2019
Transformative Justice Committee Priorities

- Developmentally and culturally comprehensive training for youth and justice system agents (police, SROS, probation officers) in regards to rights of Youth and TAY
- Community advisory workgroup designing curriculum
- Developing community - oriented solutions (community partners, not just organizations)
- Youth Budget TownHall
- Expanding and Assessing Culturally competent and trauma-informed learning curriculum, mental health services, art programs, and restorative justice programs, to help young people heal and grow.
Departments we address in our Budget Priorities

- Adult Probation Department
- Board of Supervisors
- City College of San Francisco
- Department of Children, Youth and their Families
- Department of Police Accountability
- Department of Elections
- Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
- District Attorney’s Office
- Juvenile Probation Department
- San Francisco Police Department
- Department of Police Accountability
- Department of Public Health
- Public Defender’s Office
- Office of Economic and Workforce Development
- San Francisco Municipal Transport Agency (SFMTA)
- San Francisco County Transportation Authority
- San Francisco Unified School District
TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- APD to increase funding for re-entry programs and services that support youths' basic physical, mental, social-emotional, and educational needs, such as the Interrupt, Predict, and Organize program for young adults, with a focus on employment resources, daycare, mental health and counseling support, housing navigation services, and educational resources;

- APD to propose funding to maintain and expand the Young Adult Court and compensate the TAY seat on the Re-entry Council;

- DPA to increase funding for programs to increase community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings for youth and youth service providers;
DCYF to create social services, health and mental health care, substance use support, or other wrap-around particularly targeting children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system
  ○ Programs also to include justice programs that support leadership skill-building and workforce development

DCYF to propose funding for socially distanced food and PPE distribution, programming and educational services for COVID-19 community pods, health and mental health care, substance use support, and other wrap-around services, particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;

DCYF to increase funding for justice programs that support leadership skill-building and workforce development, particularly targeting children, women, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system;
TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- DPH to propose funding for COVID-19 pandemic relief and programming for food insecurity and PPE distribution particularly targeting youth, caregivers, and families who have had contact with the justice system and frontline essential and agricultural workers;
- DPH to eliminate all funding for the Sheriff’s Department and reallocate all funds that are saved by such cuts to expanded nurse staffing, trauma-informed security, Behavioral Emergency Response Team expansion, patient advocates, DPH CLB projects, community-based de-escalation and trauma-informed care training, additional discharge needs, and CLB salaries, as specified in the DPH Must Divest Coalition's Alternatives to Sheriffs Proposal, along with funding for language access in respect to patient care and navigation of services;
- DPH to include funding to add a compensated seat for youth and TAY patients on the CLB and ensure that undocumented patients receiving care are included and compensated on the CLB;
- HSH to propose funding sufficient to create and maintain a minimum of 100 units of permanent supportive housing for girl shelters to avoid out of county placements after contact with the juvenile justice system;
- HSH to propose funding for permanent supportive housing options and wrap-around services for unhoused community members and youth with experiences in the criminal and juvenile justice system;
TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- **JPD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for COVID-19 testing and screening measures, gender-specific programming, employment resources, rehabilitative and educational programs, mental health and counseling, after-detention rehabilitation and healing support and services, and community-based programs for youth and families;
- **JPD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for alternatives to incarceration and the release of young people to local jurisdictions and/or community support hubs due to current COVID-19 conditions, given that California's state youth correctional system, the Division of Juvenile Justice, has failed to respond sufficiently to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on youths' safety;
- **OEWD** to collaborate with other agencies and community-based organizations to propose funding for business entrepreneurship investment funds and mentorship resources for youth previously involved in the criminal and juvenile justice system;
- **District Attorney's Office** to propose funds for alternatives to incarceration that center community health and safety, such as language capacity advocates, advanced legal support for undocumented individuals and TAY, victims' rights advocates, wrap-around services including but not limited to safety planning, relocation assistance, and restorative justice support, and decarceration and early release initiatives, especially in light of COVID-19;
TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

- DPA to increase funding for programs to increase community visibility and outreach on Know Your Rights trainings for youth and youth service providers;
- SFPD oversight for more **consistent and timely** implementation and responses with community-oriented action plans.
- SFPD to propose funds for mandatory in-depth youth and TAY rights training that incorporates youth brain development through an equity and trauma-informed lens;
- SFPD to propose funds for Know Your Rights trainings and community advisory workgroups to have in-depth community engagement and feedback, in the interest of fostering more positive and fair interactions between law enforcement and youth, in which both parties are aware of their rights and responsibilities;
- SFPD to propose funds for redistribution to youth who have experienced harm from contact with the justice system, and for community advisory workgroups to have in-depth community engagement and feedback on the reinvestment of funds;
Mayor and BOS to cut the SFPD budget by a minimum of 50% relative to the SFPD budget for FY 2020-2021 and reallocate funds to programs outside of the SFPD that provide public safety in a non-carceral, care-centered manner, including, but not limited to additional mental health first responders and unarmed de-escalation specialists;

Mayor and BOS to allocate 50% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to a “Community and People’s Budget” in which a percentage is set aside for social and community-centered services such as mental health services, community and City programs for youth employment including undocumented and previously incarcerated youth, and housing for the communities most impacted by violence and incarceration;

Mayor and BOS to allocate 20% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to hire social workers and trauma-informed counselors to aid victims of sexual misconduct; and

Mayor and BOS to allocate 30% of all funds cut from the SFPD budget to SFUSD schools and Wellness Centers to hire mental health professionals, with an equitable focus for schools with a high percentage of Black and Latinx youth in order to ensure they are equipped with the physical, mental, emotional and communal tools to thrive beyond their education.
### Community Alternatives

#### Now

**DEFUND THE SFPD**

| 36 line-item cuts | $295.2M in funds saved |

| Eliminating Police in Schools and Housing ($12.0M) |
| Eliminating Units That Target BIPOC ($29.7M) |
| Eliminating Specialized Units ($25.3M) |
| Eliminating Community Engagement Units ($4.5M) |
| Eliminating Traffic and Airport Units ($56.4M) |
| Eliminating/Reducing Patrol and Investigation ($74.2M) |
| Eliminating Personnel, Training, and Capital Increases ($84.7M) |
| Making Police Oversight Independent of SFPD ($8.4M) |

We have identified specific areas that SFPD can cut immediately to reduce its budget to free up funds for community services and reparations to our Black residents. These cuts are not all we’re asking for, but they’re a place to start.
THANK YOU!

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  - Arsema Asfaw, Mayoral Appointee, aasfaw22@bayschoolsf.org

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Questions?
Dear Chair and Staff,

Please find attached an updated and finalized summary detailing all preliminary budget-related recommendations adopted by the Youth Commission in YC File No. 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs] at the full Youth Commission meeting of January 4, 2021. This summary reflects all the information contained in the resolution itself, as recommended by the Youth Commission’s policy committees and by myself, with emphasis added for clarity.

This summary does not include costings for recommendations, although Youth Commission committees and staff continue to work on preparing those where we are able, and will include them in future communications as available.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

I remain respectfully yours.

Sincerely,

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Note: all recommendations relate to Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

Recommendations of the Civic Engagement Committee (1-3)

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2. urges the BOS to support a potential Charter Amendment to expand the voting population to citizen and/or non-citizen 16- and 17-year-olds in San Francisco Board of Education and/or municipal elections while ensuring confidentiality and their safety; and

3. urges DCYF to including funding to implement fee waivers for California ID and Driver’s License applications at the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

Recommendations of the Transformative Justice Committee (4-24)

The Transformative Justice Committee recommends the following amendments to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

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**Recommendations of the Housing and Land Use Committee (25-41)**

The Housing and Land Use Committee recommends the following amendments (relative to youth homelessness) to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

25. urges HSH to propose funding sufficient to create and maintain a minimum of 400 units of permanent supportive housing for TAY;

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36. urges HSH to include funding for hazard pay for employees of service providers during COVID-19, given current working situations.

The Housing and Land Use Committee also recommends the following amendments (relative to transportation) to the Omnibus Resolution, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

37. urges the SFMTA and SFCTA to propose funding to establish a strategy to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for San Francisco youth and students;

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39. urges the SFMTA to propose funding to work collaboratively with SFUSD and CCSF to enroll all students and youth in the Free Muni for Youth program;

40. urges the SFMTA to propose funding to implement Free Muni for All Youth by eliminating the nominal youth fare up to age 23; and

41. urges the SFMTA to increase funding for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project with the view of developing a rapid bus service along the aforementioned line.
Additional (Author) Recommendations (42-45)

The author recommends the following additional amendments to the Omnibus Resolution, which were prepared outside of the committee process, reflecting that the Youth Commission:

42. urges HSH and DPH to **apportion funding from the Our City Our Home Fund** (established by Proposition C from November 2018) **to services and housing for youth and families experiencing homelessness according to the proportions set out by the voters** in the Proposition that established the aforementioned fund, and as upheld by the Our City Our Home Oversight Committee in its Immediate Needs Initial Recommendations report from December 15, 2020;

43. urges all departments that contain Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies with one or more youth and/or TAY seat(s) to request funding to provide **compensatory stipends for all youth and TAY serving on such Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies**, within the limits of the law;

44. urges the BOS to maintain current levels of funding for **community outreach by the Youth Commission**; and

45. urges the Board of Supervisors to include funding to **raise the salary of all Youth Commission staff** over 100% AMI to enable the commission to retain long-standing staff with valuable institutional memory.

**Next Steps**

Having adopted the above recommendations at the January 4, 2021 full Youth Commission meeting, the Youth Commission, its staff, officers, and individual commissioners will advocate for the recommendations to be reflected in the final budget by intervening with stakeholders and decisions-makers at the various stages of the budget cycle.
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YOUTH COMMISSION
MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor London Breed
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

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FROM: 2020-2021 Youth Commission

DATE: Tuesday, January 5, 2021

RE: One Youth Commission Action from January 4, 2021: support Resolution 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs]

At its virtual meeting on Monday, January 4, 2021, the Youth Commission took the following action:

1. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to approve Resolution 2021-AL-02 [Omnibus Youth Commission Preliminary Budget Priorities - Priority Programs] (PDF) (attached).

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Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.
Resolution urging the allocation of funding for various youth-related programs in the
Mayor’s Proposed Budget of the City and County of San Francisco for FY 2021-2022
and FY 2022-2023, and urging the Department of Elections, the Board of Supervisors,
the Department of Children, Youth, and their Families, the Adult Probation Department,
the Department of Police Accountability, the Department of Public Health, the
Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, the Department of Juvenile
Probation, the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the San Francisco
District Attorney’s Office, the San Francisco Police Department, the San Francisco
Municipal Transportation Agency, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority,
and various other departments to request funding for such programs in the submission
of their department budgets.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco (“the City”) operates on a two-year
budget cycle, with the elaboration of department budgets beginning every year in December
with the issuance of budget directions to departments by the Mayor’s Office and the
Controller’s Office, and the final budget being signed in August; and
WHEREAS, The Youth Commission is charged by the Charter to report on its Budget
and Policy Priorities (“BPPs”) for youth to the Board of Supervisors (“BOS”) every year for
consideration during the budget process, usually at a date in the months of April or May; and
WHEREAS, The Youth Commission’s BPPs consist of recommendations for
consideration by the BOS during the budget process, detailing the policy merits of a wide
range of programs and policies and making sophisticated recommendations for action by the
BOS, both budget-related and policy-oriented; and
WHEREAS, However, in order to represent the interests of youth during the elaboration of department budgets and the Mayor’s Proposed Budget, the Youth Commission has prepared this Omnibus Preliminary Resolution enumerating the youth-related programs that the Youth Commission recommends to be funded in FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023; and

WHEREAS, This Resolution has been considered by the three policy committees of the Youth Commission which, in conjunction with the Youth Commission’s Executive Committee, have heard from community members and organizations, as well as City departments, and have ensuingly formulated recommendations for various youth-related programs that they wish to see funded in the upcoming budget season; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Civic Engagement Committee, the Youth Commission urges the Department of Elections to continue to include funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for youth voter outreach and voter pre-registration of 16- and 17-year-olds; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for a full-time youth development position to staff the SFMTA Youth Transportation Advisory Board (“YTAB”) and support youth serving on the YTAB; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to work collaboratively with SFUSD and City College of San Francisco to enroll all students and youth in the Free Muni for Youth program; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to propose funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to implement Free Muni for All Youth by eliminating the nominal youth fare up to age 23; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That, following the recommendation of its Housing and Land Use Committee, the Youth Commission urges the SFMTA to increase funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for the 29-Sunset Improvements Project with the view of developing a rapid bus service along the aforementioned line; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges HSH and DPH to apportion funding from the Our City Our Home Fund to services and housing for youth and families experiencing homelessness according to the proportions set out in Section 2810(b) of the Business and Tax Regulations Code, as approved by the voters, and as upheld by the Our City Our Home Oversight Committee in its Immediate Needs Initial Recommendations report from December 15, 2020; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges all departments that contain Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies with one or more youth and/or TAY seat(s) to request funding in their budgets for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to provide compensatory stipends for all youth and TAY serving on such Boards, Commissions, and other advisory bodies, within the limits of the law; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the BOS to maintain current levels of funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 for community outreach by the Youth Commission; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the BOS to include funding in its budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 to raise the salary of all Youth Commission staff over 100% AMI to enable the commission to retain long-standing staff with valuable institutional memory; and, be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission commits to advocating for the passage of a budget for FY 2021-2022 and FY 2022-2023 that reflects the needs of the youth population in San Francisco.

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Nora Hylton, Chair

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2020-2021 San Francisco Youth Commission
Safety and Justice Challenge
Strategies and Next Steps in 2021

On September 4, 2020, San Francisco celebrated a milestone – closing a jail and reducing the jail population by nearly 40%. Over the next year, San Francisco’s Safety and Justice Challenge (SJC) partners will implement the five strategies outlined below to reduce racial disparities, maintain reductions or make further reductions if needed amidst the ongoing pandemic.

1) **Lead with Race.** SJC partners have taken critical steps to lead with race across SJC strategies and ensure focus on reducing disparities. We recognize that we need to do much more. Priorities and next steps include:
   - Launch an SJC Fellowship to support ongoing engagement with communities of color and training for system partners to improve effectiveness in serving these communities.
   - Stay engaged with and support broader citywide conversations on justice reinvestment that support alternatives to incarceration and expand community-based supports and opportunities for communities of color.
   - Explore expansion of restorative justice options designed to address the disproportionate representation of black people in jail.

2) **Sustain Shared Focus.** Jail reductions and disparities reduction can only be accomplished through shared focus by local partners. SJC partners launched a Jail Population Review (JPR) team composed of system stakeholders and community partners who meet on a regular basis to discuss the jail population and methods to safely reduce it, with a focus on reducing racial disparities. Priorities and next steps include:
   - The JPR team will meet bimonthly and focus review on cases where black people are overrepresented, such as burglaries and robberies. The JPR team will also seek to address the needs of high utilizers with short stays.
   - Continue to monitor implementation of the Buffin settlement and changes to bail and pretrial processes to understand their impact on the jail population.

3) **Improve Case Processing.** San Francisco must improve case processing and address lengthy stays in jail to sustain reductions to the jail population. As partners adjust to the new reality of COVID-19, addressing systems and structures to reduce delay and coordinate criminal case priorities is more important than ever. Priorities and next steps include:
   - Develop a series of dashboards for judges to monitor caseloads and for the Court to track case management progress.
   - Explore concrete changes to administrative policy and decision-making tools to address case processing challenges.
   - Explore processes and practices related to when people are placed on different types of “holds” in the jail to understand how they influence the population.
4) **Increase Healthy Connections.** Addressing behavioral health needs of people in custody remains an urgent priority for San Francisco, where over 75% of people in jail are estimated to have either serious mental illness and/or a history of substance use. Priorities and next steps include:

- Address recommendations from the SIM Process; including the need for stronger planning coordination across local criminal justice, public health, and housing systems. Planning will be informed by the forthcoming analysis of high utilizers across each system conducted by the CA Policy Lab at University of CA, Berkeley.
- Determine if and how pilot bridge housing investments need to be sustained or expanded to best serve justice-involved people, and identify appropriate ongoing funding streams focused on justice-involved people.
- Develop new workflows and protocols to serve people who touch multiple systems, starting with individuals identified as “shared priority” who come in contact with the jail.
- Participate in the citywide effort to build out a coordinated crisis response system for people with behavioral health needs that does not rely primarily on law enforcement.

5) **Drive with Data.** Change is only possible when you understand what is happening. SJC partners will continue to play a central role in building a more transparent, data-driven justice system in San Francisco. Priorities and next steps include:

- Continue to convene the SJC Data Team to discuss jail trends, data-sharing needs, and collaborative analysis with a focus on reducing racial disparities.
- Finalize a cross-agency agreement to guide data-sharing through the JUSTIS hub. Reciprocal data-sharing of appropriate local criminal justice data is necessary to improve planning and coordination related to sustaining jail reductions.
- Finalize the draft key performance indicators for San Francisco’s criminal justice system developed by the JUSTIS partners; develop a plan to regularly share with City leadership and the public.