Public Comment- Group 6

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, July 16, 2020 1:07 PM

To:

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Subject:

Public comment: racial equity and criminal justice



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To the Board of Supervisors,

I am a Santa Barbara resident and am writing in support of the following items related to racial equity and criminal justice in Santa Barbara County. I am delivering these in all caps due to the seriousness and urgency of these needs. Lives have been lost and lives are at stake, including my own, my children, my neighbors, family, and friends.

- 1. END COOPERATION BETWEEN ICE AND THE SB SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
- 2. DISBAND INTERNAL SHERIFF-ONLY INVESTIGATIONS + CREATE A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD TO INVESTIGATE POLICE MISCONDUCT.
- 3. COMMIT TO INVESTING IN YOUTH AND DE-INVESTING IN POLICE.
- 4. PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, AND REHABILITATION SERVICES BEFORE ARRESTS.
- 5. STOP ISOLATING INMATES ATTENDING COURT OR WAITING TO CONTACT THEIR LAWYERS.
- 6. END ALL PLANS TO FUND AND CONSTRUCT A NEW COUNTY JAIL.
- 7. CREATE A STANDING CIVILIAN COMMITTEE THAT ELIMINATES RACIST POLICING BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPT: SYSTEMATICALLY IMPLEMENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, HOUSING, REHABILITATION, AND ASPECTS OF COMMUNITY POLICING.

In community, Candice Perez

From:

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Racial Equity and Criminal Justice Actions

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Honorable Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Regarding Racial Equity and Criminal Justice, I urge you to take the following actions:

Disband internal sheriff-only investigations + create a civilian review board to investigate police misconduct.

Include the creation of this Civilian Review Board in the contract between Goleta and S.B. County Sheriffs Dept.

Change use of force policies to prioritize de-escalation

Ban Chokeholds & Strangleholds

Require De-escalation

Require Exhaust All Alternatives Before Shooting

Duty To Intervene

Ban Shooting at moving vehicles

Require Use Of Force Continuum

Create a standing committee that eliminates racist policing by the Sheriff's Dept.

Systemically implement mental health services, housing, rehabilitation, and aspects of community policing.

Provide Mental Health, Substance abuse treatment and Rehabilitation services before arrests

Stop isolating inmates attending court or waiting to contract their lawyers

End all plans to fund and construct a new county jail

Commit to investing in Youth and de-investing in policing.

Provide resources to stop racial bias and reverse the upward trend in student suspension and expulsions, especially students of color, english learners and folks with disabilities.

Do not increase police spending in Goleta. At 7.9 million, Police spending in 2019/2020 took up 27% of the city's budget. More than any other city program.

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I gratefully acknowledge that I live in the traditional and unceded territory of the Chumash people.

From:

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Subject:

Public Comment on Racial Equity and Justice

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Dear County Board of Supervisors,

As a long time Santa Barbara Resident, I want to express my strongly held conviction that the board of supervisors should immediately cease any cooperation between ICE & the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office. ICE has long behaved in morally dubious ways that do nothing to promote the safety of Americans and residents of our county. Santa Barbara needs our immigrant community to feel safe and welcome, not threatened.

Further, if our county is committed to promoting equity and justice, we must remain committed to reallocating police funds for projects that benefit our community: mental health services, equitable housing, and community resources. If we want to reduce crime, we need to invest in our community, not our police force.

The whole county is watching to see what you do here. A one-time utterance of black lives matter is not enough and if significant action is not taken by the board of supervisors, voters will know what actions to take in the future.

Thank You,

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Supervisors Hearing on Racial Equity and Criminal Justice

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Healing Justice Demands

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(Source: Goleta Two-Year Budget Plan)

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