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To: <u>Finance Committee</u>

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Dear Finance Committee,

The MPD doesn't need more than \$200K from the Capitol budget. Please defund the police and redirect that money to projects that actually help our communities and reduce crime. The police are already grossly overfunded and are generally reactive to crime as opposed to preventing crime.

Instead, those funds could be directed to job training, feeding the food insecure, housing the homeless and implementing strategies to fight climate change.

Thank you for your consideration, Erin Wilichowski