

# REFUND · RESTORE · REIMAGINE

## DEFUND POLICE COALITION PRIORITY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE REIMAGINING PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE

The Defund Oakland Police Coalition urges City Council to implement the recommendations of the Reimagining Public Safety Task Force and reallocate funding from policing to community programs and services that support Oakland's working families. Of the final recommendations approved by the Task Force, we **STRONGLY SUPPORT** the following:

### **CITY COUNCIL SHOULD IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS IMMEDIATELY (BY JUNE 30)**

- Adopt "verified response" standard for dispatch of patrol officers to burglary alarms (#53)
- Immediately make long-term investment in MACRO (#57)
- Fund/create community hotlines and transfer 911 call center out of OPD (#58)
- Move most traffic enforcement to OakDOT (#59)
- Dissolve the OPD homeless outreach unit and reinvest in mobile street outreach (#61)
- Repeal laws criminalizing homelessness and poverty (#64)
- Stop enforcement of laws that criminalize sex trade between consenting adults (#66)
- Establish a restorative justice web of support (#67)
- Expand and fund existing harm reduction services (#71)
- Invest in gender-based violence prevention:
  - Increase funding for gender-based violence prevention (#74) & response services (#72)
  - Expand flexible funding for survivors of gender-based violence (#73)
- Cap OPD overtime (#89)
- Establish public works street team/custodial stewards (#95)
- Create school-site based violence prevention and crisis intervention teams (#109)
- Invest in community workers and violence interrupters (#144)



- Eliminate the BearCat armored vehicle ASAP (#38)
- Eliminate the OPD mounted horses unit (#152)

## **CITY COUNCIL SHOULD IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

- Create an Oakland specific crowd control ordinance (#1)
- Demilitarize police department (#43)
- Renegotiate OPOA MOU in 2021 instead of 2024 (#44)
- Implementing a second phase of Reimagining Public Safety (#47)
- Reallocate and reinvest funds from the OPD budget into other areas that increase public safety (#50)
- Build on the Task Force's guiding principle #2 (#52)
- Create civilian community response teams to respond to nonviolent, non-mental health incidents (#60)
- Provide a public health response to addiction/substance abuse (#65)
- Provide more comprehensive reentry support (#68)
- Expand restorative justice diversion for youth and young adults (#69)
- Transform unused vacant lots (#79)
- Make all Oakland community colleges free for local residents (#81)
- Engage community to amend Measure Z (#91)
- Reimagine community safety hub in Oakland under Department of Community Safety (#s 36 and 97)
- Create a civilian Department of Cannabis, invest in equitable development of the cannabis industry, and lower the cannabis business tax (#s 111-113)
- Accountability #1 (qualified immunity) (#137)
- Accountability #4 (review misconduct for lateral transfers) (#140)
- Eliminate country court and jail fees & provide stipend for re-entry (#145)
- Address food insecurity (#147)

“The Defund Oakland Police Coalition is excited about the many recommendations presented by the Task Force that offer real opportunities to shift, reimagine, and evolve the way Oakland thinks about and implements public safety. After five years, the voices of Oaklanders are finally being heard. This matters not just for Oakland, but for the country. For well over a decade, Oakland has been America's vanguard for criminal justice reform. As we go, so does the nation.”

– Cat Brooks,  
co-founder of the  
Anti Police-Terror  
Project and  
Executive Director  
of the Justice  
Teams Network