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Hello,

I urge you to cut the St. Paul police budget so that its cuts are at a similar rate to other city departments. With the harmful role police can play, and the reactive, after-the-fact response police have to crime, it is a shame that the city is considering only cutting police by less than 1 percent. Meanwhile, resources like libraries and public health--which can help build healthier more resilient communities, preventing crime in the first place--face higher cuts. Mayor Carter says a budget should reflect a city's values; this budget reflects a city I do not feel proud to call home.

Please shift more resources to community resources and away from SPPD so that St. Paul's budget reflects the city we all believe it can be.

Thank you,
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