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Service inquiry: Submit Comments in writing
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Comments in writing: How do you build community? How do you reduce youth crime rates? How do you How do you help foster healthy children and youth? Simple, by investing in community organizations.

The fact that this municipal government wants to decrease funding community grants by more than half is despicable. Children and youth rely on organizations for community and there is a clear coloration between youth programming and reduced crime rate and community safety. Increased police intervention and incarceration cost not just the tax payer but the community more money than these grants. Why take away a safe space for youth (especially those in the inner city and those below the poverty line) when you can foster them?

I believe you should not cut community grants and instead increase them. The only way forward is together and by taking away supports for youth via community grants there will be more negative consequences than positive ones. So let's move forward as a united city together by supporting youth and community organizations.
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