

# A SAN DIEGO PEOPLE'S BUDGET



**A People's Budget provides housing for all, protects tenants, workers and small businesses in our low-income communities, no exceptions.**

The COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the existing inequities in the economy and the ripple effects on housing, healthcare and government.

Although our current economic crisis is sparked by the coronavirus, it will be fueled and deepened if policymakers continue to enact policies that favor the wealthy and well-connected leaving the vast majority of workers and families behind.

## Housing for All

- **Help prevent homelessness by funding tenant counseling and legal services for renters.** These services would help people access rental assistance and avoid unlawful evictions.
- **Fund a nexus study to assess the impact of a rent registry fee.** A rent registry would allow landlords to advertise their vacancies while the city gathers valuable data on vacancies, evictions and rental prices.
- **Any proposed rent relief for landlords must include protections for renters** including waiving of late fees, foregoing attorney fees and providing habitable living conditions. The City must ensure it is not providing money to individuals who will exacerbate the public health crisis.
- **Pass a resolution urging the State of California to cancel rent and mortgages.**

### Why do we need a nexus study?

State law [AB 1600 (1987)] requires any local agency proposing an impact fee to conduct a "nexus" study.



**1 in 3 people couldn't pay rent in May.**

## Economic Relief for Working Families

- **Provide cash assistance fund for undocumented families** left out of federal and state relief efforts. No relief package should exclude our undocumented neighbors.
- **Increase funding for City positions that enforce workers' rights & fight theft.** The Mayor is proposing a budget that cuts positions that enforce workers' rights and fair contracting standards, wasting taxpayer dollars and leaving workers vulnerable to exploitation.
- **Prioritize funding to small businesses in the San Diego Promise Zone.**

## Protect our Values, Safety and Voices

- **The City must ensure equitable language access** by providing all information and City communication in the languages of our communities so all San Diegans are informed.
- **No-cost broadband internet access for low-income families.**
- **The City must protect funding for parks and libraries instead of prioritizing policing.**

**The Mayor is proposing cuts to vital services and protections while increasing General Fund spending on police by \$27.2 million.**