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Memo- Community Survey Feedback on American Rescue Plan Spending Priorities

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 8, 2021

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR JERRY DYER
COUNCIL PRESIDENT LUIS CHAVEZ
COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: THOMAS C. ESQUEDA, City Manager
MATTHEW GRUNDY, Deputy Mayor 

SUBJECT: Community Survey Feedback on American Rescue Plan Spending Priorities











The City of Fresno will receive \$170 million from the federal government to address the impacts and recovery from COVID-19. The funding is derived from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and can be invested or used generally in four areas: Public Health/Economic Recovery, Public Sector Revenue Loss, Essential Workers, and Infrastructure.

On December 2, 2021, the city of Fresno released an online anonymous, six minute, 10-question survey in English, Hmong, Spanish and Punjabi via Survey Monkey. The survey was distributed via City of Fresno media channels, community organizations and major media outlets. The purpose of the survey was to collect input from the community on their suggested spending priorities. Questions allowed respondents the opportunity to provide feedback on general spending priorities, specific spending priorities, and allowed for open ended feedback. Additional questions allowed respondents the chance to provide demographic input including, age, income, race, council district residency, etc.

As of December 8, 2021, at 12:00pm (PST) we received 780 completed surveys. After filtering out respondents who do not reside in the City of Fresno, there were 693 completed surveys. The following is an overall summary of the results. Findings are based on top 'two box' methodology.













Survey Findings

General Spending: In Question 1 we asked for respondents to “provide us your general preferences for City investment of ARPA funding by ranking the following categories. (1 = Most Preferred, 5 = Least Preferred)” in the following categories.

-   Response to public health emergency including public health, public safety (police and fire), and housing insecurity.
-   Response to negative economic impacts including small business assistance and build healthy living environments and neighborhoods.
-   Provide premium pay for eligible workers, and eligible worker means those workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors.
-   Replace lost public sector revenue.
-   Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Question 1 finding: In terms of general preference, survey respondents desire for ARPA spending to be used in “**Response to public health emergency including public health, public safety (police and fire), and housing insecurity.**” (66% marked this as either a ‘1’ or ‘2’ spending priority).
(For full breakdown see Appendix chart 1)

Specific Spending: In Question 2 we asked that respondents “provide us your specific preferences for City investment of ARPA funding by ranking the following categories. (1 = Most Preferred, 6 = Least Preferred):” in the following areas.

-   Economic Revitalization: provide assistance to small businesses who suffered under COVID-19 restrictions and create more good-paying jobs
-   Homelessness: Services to address homelessness, such as buying motels to create more shelter beds, building supportive housing and using innovative new approaches to create much more affordable housing in Fresno
-   Public Safety: Expanding 911 Dispatch Center to reduce 911 hold times. Provide new vehicles, equipment and technology to our police officers and firefighters to keep the public safe.
-   Broadband: Invest in access to and expansion of broadband for unserved and underserved households and businesses
-   Infrastructure: Invest more funding to repair streets, curbs, gutters, provide safe routes to school and other infrastructure needs in the older parts of Fresno.
-   COVID-19 Economic Recovery: Continue and expand current city public health support activities in response COVID-19. This includes providing safer more resilient public services/ facilities that address disparities in public health exacerbated by the pandemic.

Question 2 Finding: In terms of specific preferences, survey respondents desire for ARPA spending to be used for **“Homelessness: Services to address homelessness, such as buying motels to create more shelter beds, building supportive housing and using innovative new approaches to create much more affordable housing in Fresno.”** (46% marked this as either a ‘1’ or ‘2’ spending priority).

The aforementioned spending priority is tied with a preferred use of funds for **“Public Safety: Expanding 911 Dispatch Center to reduce 911 hold times. Provide new vehicles, equipment and technology to our police officers and firefighters to keep the public safe.”** (46% marked this as either a ‘1’ or ‘2’ spending priority)
(for full breakdown see Appendix chart 2)

Open-ended Spending: In Question 3 we asked that respondents to “Please provide any other feedback or input you would like to share.”

Question 3 Finding: Open ended responses varied from focusing on public health, streets, homelessness, crime etc. (for full breakdown see Appendix chart 3)

Survey Demographics: While responding to demographic questions was optional, the following is an overview of the demographics of survey respondents by:

Location

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
▼ District 1 - Esmeralda Soria	15.15%	103
▼ District 2 - Mike Karbassi	20.44%	139
▼ District 3 - Miguel Arias	11.91%	81
▼ District 4 - Tyler Maxwell	13.24%	90
▼ District 5 - Luis Chavez	10.59%	72
▼ District 6 - Garry Bredefeld	23.68%	161
▼ District 7 - Nelson Esparza	5.00%	34
TOTAL		680

Age

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.00%	0
18-24	5.92%	41
25-34	21.82%	151
35-44	25.58%	177
45-54	15.75%	109
55-64	13.73%	95
65+	17.20%	119
TOTAL		692

Income

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under \$15,000	8.86%	60
Between \$15,000 and \$29,999	9.16%	62
Between \$30,000 and \$49,999	15.36%	104
Between \$50,000 and \$74,999	22.60%	153
Between \$75,000 and \$99,999	14.77%	100
Between \$100,000 and \$150,000	16.54%	112
Over \$150,000	12.70%	86
TOTAL		677

Impacted by COVID?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	66.04%	457
No	33.96%	235
TOTAL		692

Race

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
White or Caucasian	44.61%	306
Black or African American	7.58%	52
Hispanic or Latino	32.22%	221
Asian or Asian American	5.83%	40
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.60%	11
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0.29%	2
Another race	7.87%	54
TOTAL		686

Appendix
 Question 1: Chart 1

	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
▼ Response to public health emergency including public health, public safety (police and fire), and housing insecurity.	41.56% 288	24.39% 169	15.44% 107	8.66% 60	9.96% 69	693
▼ Response to negative economic impacts including small business assistance and build healthy living environments and neighborhoods.	19.05% 132	29.29% 203	27.71% 192	16.31% 113	7.65% 53	693
▼ Provide premium pay for eligible workers, and eligible worker means those workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors.	13.42% 93	16.16% 112	22.80% 158	25.25% 175	22.37% 155	693
▼ Replace lost public sector revenue.	4.04% 28	6.35% 44	13.56% 94	32.03% 222	44.01% 305	693
▼ Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.	21.93% 152	23.81% 165	20.49% 142	17.75% 123	16.02% 111	693

Question 2: Chart 2

	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
Economic Revitalization: provide assistance to small businesses who suffered under COVID-19 restrictions and create more good-paying jobs	16.31% 113	17.32% 120	25.54% 177	18.18% 126	15.73% 109	6.93% 48	693
Homelessness: Services to address homelessness, such as buying motels to create more shelter beds, building supportive housing and using innovative new approaches to create much more affordable housing in Fresno	26.70% 185	19.19% 133	15.01% 104	14.14% 98	10.53% 73	14.43% 100	693
Public Safety: Expanding 911 Dispatch Center to reduce 911 hold times. Provide new vehicles, equipment and technology to our police officers and firefighters to keep the public safe.	26.26% 182	19.34% 134	14.72% 102	12.12% 84	9.52% 66	18.04% 125	693

Question 2: Chart 2 continued.

▼ Broadband: Invest in access to and expansion of broadband for unserved and underserved households and businesses	4.91% 34	11.11% 77	15.01% 104	24.39% 169	26.70% 185	17.89% 124	693
▼ Infrastructure: Invest more funding to repair streets, curbs, gutters, provide safe routes to school and other infrastructure needs in the older parts of Fresno.	20.78% 144	24.24% 168	19.05% 132	15.58% 108	14.72% 102	5.63% 39	693
▼ COVID-19 Economic Recovery: Continue and expand current city public health support activities in response COVID-19. This includes providing safer more resilient public services/ facilities that address disparities in public health exacerbated by the pandemic.	5.05% 35	8.80% 61	10.68% 74	15.58% 108	22.80% 158	37.09% 257	693

Question 3: Chart 3

Open-Ended Response
Police, fire, emergency medical highest priority.
Please expand the litter clean-up of public areas, highways, parks, general areas, with frequent clean-up of highway access ramps, with beautification and weed abatement.
This can be summed up in a few words public safety public safety public safety! Police and fire safe water and sewer collection and processing infrastructure. Completely avoid feel good poor result application of monies like homelessness housing. However I do support the private homeless shelters and think some of this should go to improve their services to the needy battered women and those who are willing to take steps to help themselves.
Organized retail theft gangs are proving we need to FUND (not defund) the police. I want any and all money to go towards public safety!
n/a
Crime is rampant in our town/county and must be addressed. Roads are practically impassable in some areas and also must be addressed.
Safe and affordable housing for every unhoused person in Fresno. Provide a true living wage with health benefits for all working people. Minimum basic income for non working people to assist them while looking for work and housing.
use for only one expense
Build new housing for low income and help the homeless. Mental health is a good starting point
Helping those in need to get back on their feet
I think the city should give the money to the people. The money would be split among 100,000 lucky homeowners, each receiving \$1,700.
Majority of roads need major repairs. Mental health and addiction programs are needed for people in need. And connecting the 99 to the 168 on the north side of Fresno is way overdue.
City of Fresno needs to urgently concentrate on the current housing crisis. Since Covid-19 homes in Fresno have skyrocketed. We need a better approach in offering first time home buyer programs, most are stuck paying high rent when those funds can easily be used for a mortgage. Lets HELP our own to move ahead!
NA
na
Please clean up the trash that is everywhere in our town, specifically on Brawley Ave. It looks like we live in a dump.
Fresno
Homelessness (including mental illness), increasing ponding basins like "leaky acres" to rebuild our underground aquifer, creating more neighborhood green space (different public parks with accessible playgrounds) with displays of art by local artists and/or high school students(murals), trash removal, more green areas built into medians, electric mass public transportation, create tax incentives for hiring recent paroled etc persons who cannot otherwise obtain a job, and a more attractive city that includes supporting the arts, are some of priorities that we need to address
.
Na
Fresno

Please consider helping all Fresno families with past due electric and gas bills incurred during the quarantine. Also, hire more law enforcement personnel but create some type of ethical exam to make sure they are qualified to serve the public without bias. While I understand this is nearly impossible it should be a requirement for an officer to have outstanding employment history and offer those bonuses every year. We need to value our police, correctional and all law enforcement officers.
Public safety! Please! Water!
Police already take up most of the budget monies but would like to see fire services expanded, along with dispatch.
Please try to concentrate some of the funding for our public streets which are in very poor shape
Invest in sustainable options where possible. Leverage existing resources vs create new ones.
Provide more police help homeless provide jobs
I believe the pandemic must be addressed with more vaccination opportunities for under served areas. Homelessness and mental health services a major concern. Job creation on a large scale will alleviated many problems.
Create a plan that integrates all categories. Prioritize them to show the impacts of each category and how we can maximize the funding in a smart and strategic way to start and grow in every area of need in Fresno. W can do this!
The street light at California and Walnut have been up for several months, almost a year, and the light still is not working. The lights are there, but not on. I don't understand that. It's right by Edison High School, and in the mornings the traffic is very hectic, trying to cross streets.
Fresno
Those who went to work throughout the pandemic should be rewarded because they continued to make this city going, especially if they had children to manage on top of reporting to their jobs. People within the Fresno City need rental assistance however, it is not in connection to covid-19. This is a problem we had before covid, during covid, and continue to still have. This is a great need in the Fresno area. We have so much poverty. I work for a wellness center in Fresno and we continue to have difficulty placing families into a home and aren't able to support them in this area. This is so heartbreaking because these are homes that involve children.
We need more low income housing
Continue the rental assistance program
Even though I feel emergency services are important, the roads in Fresno, central, nw are awful, horrible to drive on
N/A
If given the opportunity, I would have chosen #1 on each of the choices.
PGE prices are too high now. What can we do about that?
We need access to funds for loans for NEW BUISNESS! 10,000 for new starter business with 0 percent interest.20,000 existing and repayment exemption if you stay in business for two years after loan.do to COVID we have slot of store fronts that need to be filled.THIS IS THE MAIN PROBLEM,there is no whistle blowers and homelessness people on drugs can run the town.
Public Health during Covid is NOT just vaccine. It is helping the community with pro active healthy lifestyle choices to prevent all the negative health effects of a pandemic. Public education should be more honest and transparent when educating the vaccinated community on their probability of spreading Covid. This education needs to include county and state data on how many vaccinated people are testing positive. With transparency, the vaccinated community can make better decisions on large gatherings as we approach Christmas and New Years Eve parties.
Homelessness is a disgrace of our country. No human should be living in a box or a tent on the sidewalk! Many are veterans. Clean up the homeless spaces. Give them shelter or take them off the street and put them in institutions as they were before. Many are sadly in need of psychiatric care. This has gone on way too long. We should be ashamed to see people in such need. Spend money for housing, and make sure they are in housing, or if mentally deranged, put them in secure, clean institutions for their care.

Homeless and abused people should always take precedent. Don't waste money like building Elkhorn CF and then stop the excellent program wasting \$\$\$\$\$. We understand that politicians scratch each other's backs. Stop.
If it were up to me most of the money would go to hiring more Police. That and assist working People so they are able to provide for their families while still being able to raise their children properly to reduce the number of kids raised with poor values which become adults who commit crime and other actions that financially burden our city.
Helping the homeless and people with housing issues.
The City should focus on its role of limiting risk for the private sector by providing the resources that fill the gap. This should include focusing resources in the areas that are in the most need and stimulating infill. Continued outward growth will cause long-term financial, resource, and environmental damages - all we need to do is look at how the City has grown and functioned over the last 60 years.
Hire more police, keep criminals in jail, eliminate zero-bail.....
Housing for Domestic Violence victims is most important.
n/a
N/A
We need to do more to "prevent" issues/problems. More funding for programs like the Resiliency Center, Marjorie Mason Center, Justice Coalition, Big Brothers Big Sisters
NONE
I would like to see more money poured into our existing parks and playground structures. During the pandemic many families spend time outside and the poor infrastructure and quality of playgrounds and parks around the valley is more apparent. I love that we have many parks in the valley. However, please consider revitalizing our existing parks. Such as the playground equipment, softball fields, more lights for safety, trees and sidewalks.
Establish shelter and wraparound services for homeless and abused seniors.
police police police
none
We need to consider building an energy resilience hub for emergencies, power shut offs, wildfire smoke, etc. that can be supported off the grid system with a separate micro-grid.
Essential workers deserve a bonus because they had to work during the pandemic
Restore & expand code enforcement; expand the number of groundskeepers & maintenance workers for parks; increase grants for women's shelters; add transitional programs for youth aging out of foster care; create cash incentives for neighborhood beautification/restoration projects; support food banks.
There are several streets in Fresno that need repaved. E & W bound Shaw Ave between Palm and West is really bad.
Stop gerrymandering and make the voting maps fairly.
this style of survey may prove difficult to navigate for many people
The crime rate and current murder rate is out of control. Violent crime may be down but is because the definition of violent crime was changed by politicians. There are many victims in our city that are not being accounted for. Spend the money on keeping those in jail who victimize our citizens so those people feel safe to shop and spend money in our community.
Happy to see that you want the resident's opinion. Thank you!
Roads need to be repaired in county islands. We pay the same taxes.
Give incentives to everyone who works full time. Help middle class America.
Prioritize housing, public transport, and bike/pedestrian infrastructure.
Public parks are also needed in Fresno

Provide funds to support community arts organizations and theaters that suffered during the pandemic.
I believe we need more affordable housing for residents of Fresno.
Get the homeless off the streets
The city must enforce zoning at the Tower Theatre and do more to protect cultural landmarks and the uniqueness of the Tower District.
Make Fresno safe again. Take care of your officers and hire more help.
Take care of city infrastructure 1st
Fresno
REPAIR OUR HORRIBLE ROADS. Drive around and see the very poor condition of the roads. It's terrible.
You have to separate police, from public health. Would love to see more pay for all front line workers either way. Love to see Fresno county jail be upgraded to somewhat safe conditions. The fact that we haven't learned how important teachers are to our children in last two years is embarrassing and the number one thing I would like to see money goto. Triple their pay now!
N/A
N/A
The state owes 20 billion in unemployment charge the mayors and politicians politicians.
Homelessness is abundant & more living spaces for the homeless would be optimal.
Please support a housing-first policy of tackling systemic homelessness. While also building more affordable and quality public housing in neighborhoods that need it the most.
Thank you for listening!
n/a
Help financially to low income people for Christmas
Help US get back on track financially .
You need to fix the residential roads on the south west side of Fresno as there way too many potholes in the street. Also when there is a heavy downpour of rain near the south west of Fresno on California street it floods and I have to go alternate route. Therefore this needs to be fixed. Also there is a lot of debris on the side of Rodeing park on golden state that needs to be cleaned up. Also Nielsen Park needs a trash can(s) so I have a place to throw my pets waste away instead of carrying it back home.
Money going towards schools and children.
There should be little to no money spent on the Fresno PD
South East fresno
Give the police more resources- more police needed in the city and at the airport
I think this city and state for that matter should work on more police and emergency personnel and harsher punishments for criminals.
Jobs for minority men who are discriminatated against...good paying jobs with benefits!
Fix the roads on the south side of Fresno!
Essentials worker who had to work throughout all this and at times exposed their own family should get bonuses many unemployed people made more than a lot of us employed people which is very sad
I would like first responders to get a bonus
I think the highest priority should be helping those who were in despair before the pandemic, and in worse condition now; such as the homeless, neglected neighborhoods, children and families in poverty, and the forgotten members of our society such as the mentally ill.
9-1-1 answer times need to be reduced. Rainwater gutters need to be upgraded and repaired to prevent street flooding.

Please fix the streets. Especially in older neighborhoods. This is something easy and immediate that all residents can see and benefit from.
Homeless encampment in neighborhood / off maple in-between shields & Dakota. Highway 168 runs behind and the fence has multiple holes where they enter as well as Dakota stairway from the freeway. Please assist in getting them some help our neighborhood would greatly appreciate it.
No more
Increase affordable housing that no human be in sheltered. Add programs where mental health workers assist police calls.
Clean up the city.
Many roads in the south west side of fresno need repairs
We just moved to Fresno from Phoenix and the street conditions here are awful. Use the funds to support the police first for more patrol then fix the roads.
More funding for public safety to keep salaries competitive to attract more officers.
Police should not be tied to housing insecurity in the first question. Expanding our housing stock, especially of affordable housing, and vouchers for eligible people needs to be number one
Don't use the money to give bonus to elected officials and use it for the city
Public safety needs to be the number 1 priority with the rising crime rates in Fresno.
Invest the funds where they are truly needed more— the wealth disparity between South Fresno (South of Shaw) and North Fresno is absolutely ridiculous.
Fix Shaw and 99
Homelessness needs to be treated as a crisis, not a crime
Offer bonus incentives for new police recruits, essential workers.
Essential employees deserved extra monies such as daycare employees, grocery employees, medical, police and firefighters employees
Infrastructure jobs/ maintaining our highways efficiently #1 Conducting audits on health care sectors so that privatized offices do not exacerbate the need of more covid tests (use requisition forms as verification) and pcr/ take home tests to account for relief funds. Pharmacy and drug rehabilitation homes/ shelter reform, assessed month to month. Public health departments and general practitioners given 0- 10% additional funds but PPE extended and Covid relief areas such as (Saroyan hall) given a bonus for availability in such hard times. Infrastructure, business relief must have more funding. We are behind the times and a conservative plan has not helped us to improve. Being the 5 th largest economy in the world, why are not spending more on rite offs to large producers like halo oranges and producers dairy. Which feed the entire world? Generate more jobs for mechanics to fix emergency vehicles and invest in offsite maintenance buildings bigger then what we already have near Community hospital and you will see a robust economy bouncing back.
Hire more cops, more 911 operators. More cops on the streets equal less racing on every single corner in Fresno, less teenagers killing each other or someone else because of speeding, less hit and runs,less chances of smash and grab robberies. Also fix our streets, too many potholes especially in west Fresno! Pay the employees more once they do their jobs, streets over here have been awful since before COVID! Homeless everywhere especially in west Fresno, the forgotten part of town..even our useless councilwoman has forgotten us. Invest money to ease traffic flow by synchronizing all major street lights, not just north of Herndon. Clean up all parks, hire designated employees assigned to certain parks..all parks! not just Woodward park. Invest money to pressure of town owners to either sell their vacant retail lots that have been empty for years and attract riff raff, and build grocery stores. Southeast Fresno and the west side (again) are food deserts..no grocery stores for miles! Fix the intersection on Marks and Valentine..it's a 4 way stop by a school, kids walking to school on the dirt because there is no sidewalk..install a street light.Drive around Fresno, grab a notebook and jot down areas of improvement, better yet have the elected council members get out there in their districts! Have a good night!

I believe compensation/bonus should be paid out to eligible workers who worked consistently through out the life threatening pandemic. They sacrificed their loves to still provide services to others so that the economy could be safe, functional and sustainable. (Essential workers pay)
Fix roads and fill the pot holes quickly. In northeast Fresno, they're fixed quickly. The city should do same for southeast Fresno.
Would like to see more investments in accessibility for mental health / rehabilitation for at-risk population. Buying motels and making shelters only does so much. Investing in mental health will greatly help our community. Regardless, thank you for all you do.
Please, use it for the people who need it to get ahead and become more invested in their communities.
Money needs to be spent on updating fresno and cleaning up fresno.
Appreciate Being Able to Voice in Spending these Funds-GET THE WORD OUT!!
Another stimulus check is most helpful at this time
Please focus on homelessness. We live along the freeway and they are everywhere. They are loud, leave trash behind and damage the fences along the freeway. It really sucks for us neighborhoods that live along the freeways. We've dealt with the brunt of the crisis and our neighborhoods deserve to be updated. We'd also like to see the freeways free from trash. As well as better landscaping. I think drought friendly would be a good route. I'd get rid of all the trees along the freeways (this would eliminate the homeless as well. As they take shelter under the trees) and install some large succulents & along the freeways. I think it would look clean & be low maintenance. I'm embarrassed for my family to visit me in Fresno, as there's trash& graffiti everywhere. Lost lake if full graffiti as well as Woodward Parks. The parks in Fresno need to be better maintained. We also need better "welcome to Fresno" signs and more signage for businesses along the freeway. About 3 million people visit Yosemite per year and pass through Fresno. It's time to give Fresno a new look and modernize it! Look to LA or SF for ideas. Ex. Live billboards along the freeway, manicured landscape, modern shopping centers with local businesses.
I would say more police to defeat gangs and anytime to make better a more secure place for families. Has gotten a little out of control over the last years. Make crime rate go down.
Streets in fresno are extremely bad. The roads desperately need repairs
Fix infrastructure and homelessness in South east fresno.
Fix crime, help homeless, update run down neighborhoods
Give the money to cops, firefighters
Na
Na
Community needs to enlist more activities for kids to reduce gang and drug activity
If we don't feel safe due to lack of adequate policing, the other things are a waste. Make the city safe and the other items will fall into place.
Premium pay to social worker cps
Completely re do the side of the high ways especially in downtown Fresno so they look spotless with no homeless and make them clean. Continue to clean up blackstone and all of downtown Fresno. Keep upgrading infrastructure. Make surrounding areas of Fresno state spotless cleaning wise, way safer, and build more new fun stuff around there.
Fresno could and would greatly benefit from putting more money towards housing, services, and support for the many many people living at or below the poverty line. We are stronger together and Fresno would greatly benefit by doing much more to minimize the economic disparity here.
#1 streets streets streets many are horrible to travel on in Fresno alone
Na
More money to programs for children and adults with special needs

Invest im water park on westside
Too many streets throughout the city that needs repair. Thousands of vehicles are damage and need repair due to the lack of maintenance or improvements.
Thank you for asking our collective opinion.
Need to address violent crime and quality of life issues in Fresno.
Way too much emphasis and leeway in the questions. Fresno will choose where to spend the money I doubt these responses are going to make a difference.
Will the funds include plans for public parks and spaces for student sports activities? definite need for more youth centers.
.
N/A
I'm a disabled Senior with a dependent I was not able to get any financial help. Social security recipients didn't get any of the California payments
Provide funds to people who lost their homes, jobs, etc.
I think all of the \$ should be spent of adaptive traffic control for all of Fresno. Too much time sitting at lights in the city. Casues addl' pollution in the city.
After 15 years of not funding professionals in Public Health, please rise to the occasion and need.
Your questions are very biased.
need police and fire upgrades then street repair
Focus on underserved communities
Fresno
Homelessness and crime are the top issues that identify Fresno and prevent us from having nice things.
n/a
Employ more police officers to patrol the streets. Have designated patrols in neighborhoods at night to keep criminals astray.
Additional cleanup days the city always looks so dirty
BE COMPLETELY TRANSPARENT WITH HOW EVERY NICKEL OF THE MONEY IS SPENT.
We need a better public transportation and bike access.
street Racing, in LA we had many Drag Strips we did not have the problem Fresno has I believe a Drag Strip in the area would be worth the money to invest in ,
We desperately need more more housing, especially near businesses, we have to increase housing density. You shouldn't have to own a car to participate in society, how do we expect people to get out of poverty if they need a car to get to work?
Premium pay for the works of City of Fresno.
Quit lumping in police with fire and other essential services. I want my tax money going to services that help people.
Fix red lights that are only on a timer and not interactive with the current traffic. Time and money is wasted sitting at red lights when productive citizens could be contributing to society.
Spend wisely. There are many other programs for homelessness as well. We need to invest back into the city and business owners.
Downtown and tower revitalization
I prefer absolutely no funding go to the Fresno Police Department, as they have demonstrated to be a financial burden on the city with countless lawsuits and millions in settlements. Instead divert funding to after-school programs, services for homeless individuals, and continued support for under- and non-insured population.

<p>Pay non-management employees a better wage instead of giving raises to managers and executive management. The City of Fresno is already top-heavy and employees do not get a fair compensation because of this. Compare City of Clovis wages to City of Fresno and you will notice a large disparity.</p>
<p>Maintain current infrastructure while properly planing for new infrastructure. Dont go for the shiny big jewel. (kind of like the Measure P plans). We MUST make sure the city can handle the strains of the population boom that doesn't seem to end. The roads can not handle it, we invested millions into the fax system already and I know that serves a specific community but the everyday middle class families need to finally benefit from this stuff. Roads, water/sewer, etc. And please for the love of God...no more bike lanes ins 100° for 4 months in this city its the most wastful use of money per user we have.</p>
<p>Beautify Fresno! Please. This place needs help. Plant more trees, clean up the streets, more green spaces.</p>
<p>AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE, WE NEED TO CREATE MORE SENIOR CENTERS IN FRESNO. IT'S SHAMEFUL THAT A CITY THE SIZE OF FRESNO IS DOING SUCH A POOR JOB IN THIS AREA.</p>
<p>Helping businesses that have been shut down and still operating is still needed. Give bonuses to essential workers.</p>
<p>CC TV cameras all over Fresno. Blackstone Ave, Herndon Ave, Shopping Centers. Help Policy capture criminals, street racers, red light runners. Traffic has become treacherous.</p>
<p>The City in general needs a facelift or beautification to attract new large businesses & jobs. Parks, trees, roads, everything. Not just give money away to individuals.</p>
<p>-</p>
<p>Roads are an absolute nightmare, please fix them, some county back roads are in better shape than Shaw Ave.</p>
<p>BETTER MONITORING OF REDISENTIAL HOMES Residential homes put mentally ill on the streets during the day (8hrs) with no supervision and no meals. The mental ill panhandle and prostitutes because they are also substance abusers. These residential homes do not seem to be accountable for "their" actions. Also, when the mentally ill are housed with criminal offenders, they complain of getting attacked that they feel safer being hospitalized.</p>
<p>Businesses have been pummeled by COVID 19, especially those in downtown Fresno where workers have not returned and instead are working from home. Rent never decreased but sales dropped drastically</p>
<p>I think the county of Fresno should buy houses all over (not just in poverty areas) and let families that have housing choice vouchers able to rent out these houses so that they can live in nice areas as well, I speak from what I'm experiencing right now, I am being forced to move before the end of the year and I can not find one decent house that will accept a voucher, no homeowner wants to deal with it, I have never lived in a bad area we just hit hard times and the voucher helps but now I might be homeless for Christmas because there is so much discrimination towards voucher holders</p>
<p>fund public parks facilities to provide Job training for youth and adults, including in the evenings</p>
<p>We need money put into educating people in our community to become emergency response employees. Trained people are a scarce resource.</p>
<p>Open city offices</p>
<p>Put the money in infrastructure. Something nice that will last for years to come. Do not spend it on small business, they can adapt, do not spend it on Covid health care thats what private industry is for. Fix our roads and streets, build more Dams to store water.</p>
<p>Invest in Public Health, to be prepared for next outbreak.</p>
<p>no money for cops they have enough. please invest in services for community!</p>
<p>None</p>
<p>N/a</p>

Fix out sewer and water systems. Get the lead out of the water. Repair aging sewer system on the 2900 block of 8th street, the old Valley Childrens area. Everyone is always calling out the plumbers to have the system redone, at homeowners expense. The city should pay for repairs from the sidewalk to the main sewer system. After all this is "city property". The trees that the city owns have wrecked havoc on the sewer system yet the homeowners are forced to pay. Can you spell: CClass Action?
Give money to ANYONE BUT POLICE! They already get half our city budget!
N/A
In the first question, the category of public health, public safety, and homelessness should've been split.
DO NOT GIVE ANY MONEY TO POLICE DEPARTMENT: COMPLETE DRAIN OF MONEY
Permanent repairs to Clovis Ave from the railroad tracks just south of Butler Ave all the way north to Dakota Ave. Constant pot holes and giant fissures in road.
Use money to reduce or back fill parks sale tax
The city of Fresno needs to provide more access to the capital in black community and infrastructure. We clearly understand that the police are getting more money but what about the residents who want to start their own business and start their own schools
increase pay for city workers
We need our streets fixed. I cannot believe how many potholes we have.
No rescue money should go to police. The department is already overfunded. More money for housing, nonprofits and small businesses
Help the homeless n improve education
None
Spend money on water storage, fix our streets and clean up homelessness
Rent control and low income housing
No ARPA funds for police. They already have a majority of the budget.
We have alot of children that are in this city doing homeschooling, single parents that arent working just to take care of their kids with not enough money to pay Bill's due to inflation that's happening I would like the city and county of fresno please help us single parents by bring back unemployment or just sending us money every month just to help us with Bill's my bill for pge is \$3,000 and I'm unemployed because of the pandemic and my kids had to be homeschooled due to the shelter in place.... I tried program for pge but they only help with the city of Fresno not the county of fresno so please help us single moms out please thank u soo much for listening to us!!!
BUILD MORE SHELTERS AND ACTUALLY LET PEOPLE STAY IN THEM! STOP THIS WHOLE REFERRAL NONSENSE! WE SHOULD NOT HAVE EMPTY BEDS IN THIS WEATHER!!!
More affordable housing and more housing in general as well as a higher wage for workers to survive.
We do not need to further invest in the police department. Let's support low income households!
I would like to see economic assistance for people who OWN their home and need help with mortgage payments, utilities and SOLAR payments.
Debt cancelation and money in peoples hands is suicide prevention. Think suicide prevention first all ways.
People still need help. The government is spending a big sum of money at once but once issued to the people a \$1000.00, \$1400.00, \$600.00 is not nothing when it cost \$80.00 to fill your gas tank, \$100.00 for just 2 little bags of food. Does if help of course. The gov. Acts like the people should be good to go.
Fresno needs to address infrastructure, this includes addressing homelessness, public streets and roads.
Look into helping the people who worked through this whole pandemic. Everybody not just health care

The pandemic is far from over and funds should initially go to improve public health outcomes! Also I don't want any money going to police. They have actively made me unsafe and they do not wear masks or model good COVID safety. Don't reward them. Housing is public safety. Infrastructure is public safety. Police are not. I would prefer none of that money go to the police. They already have too much!
Provide all college students \$500 as they weren't included in stimulus checks. Help families whose income in Fresno is under \$75000
The unhoused need housing. I think it's sad that most of the city only has one real broadband option, which honestly should 100MB down of the internet. A public option is needed.
Street repair and repavemwnt is number 1 priority
Build a soccer stadium at Fashion Fair mall where the JC Penny building or Forever 21 building is and revitalize Cary park with a state of the art regional soccer complex for Fresno Youth and as a practice facility for a pro soccer team. Shops, restaurants and parking all right off the freeway right in the middle of town.
Fund our police firefighters and all public servants
Please fix the streets on the Northside of Frwsno as well. Barstow and Cedar area neighborhoods have potholes everywhere. And please work on more affordable housing for everyone. The working class suffers as well, not just the low income. We struggle just as much. We dont qualify for foodstamps yet we are struggling to keep food on the table. We work and cant get help with food?? But someone that doesnt pay taxes can get everything for free. It's very frustrating. We are struggling!!
Infrastructure south of Shaw is past due - complete streets for equitable neighborhoods. Revitalize and add parks/green space south of Shaw.
Invest more into downtown and southwest Fresno revitalisation
No funding of the public authority.
Investing in downtown and tower neighborhoods with multi family housing with various options of rent and own.
Our streets and freeways are a fucking mess with massive potholes. Fix this SHIT!!!!!!!!!!
Country properties that are under the city jurisdiction need High Speed Internet. DSL is the past, we need to live in the present.
None
None
Incentives for affordable housing developments (under \$200k) when 50% of the units are built for lower income residents. More housing grants for single family home projects like Habitat for Humanity
Help for nonprofits
We would like more assistance with toddlers sportings. There is alot of vandilism and crime going on due to lack of kids having interest in sports and staying physically and mentally bussy.
Providing tiny homes and a structured environment for the homeless would be both more cost effective and socially uplifting in the short term. Remodeling hotels takes too long and has already shown to be an ineffective system to resolve this issue.
The people like water sewer, garbage, who worked during the shut downs never got compensated for working during this pandemic. Doesn't seem right although it was said they would.
N/a
Na
Would like to see more funding toward police and more jobs.
None
This survey needs to be improved for functionality on mobile devices. Scrolling changed rankings, so results may not reflect actual choices. Bad format!!

None
Improve mental health services and homelessness
Provide opportunities for other businesses/companies to come to Fresno. City of Fresno takes too long a time to approve development projects as compared to other cities that it is embarrassing. Reduce those times. Be more business friendly.
Resource non-profits that are directly helping to alleviate the poverty issues in Fresno
I think essential workers need to finally get their hazard pay for keeping things going during the pandemic. Things were hard and more expensive, yet help was only given to those who didn't work. Doesn't seem fair.
None
Mobile Shower / bathroom trailers for homeless have proven to help a lot and provide a service that keep people in contact with other programs / coordinators. Downtown can host a pilot program and the Downtown Partnership can help maintain and operate one if equipment is provided
Better regular maintenance of existing city parks, including did parks.
Send a year end stimulus to anyone making less than 40,000 per year, and put a task force in charge of penalizing property owners for rent inflation- or we all will be homeless eventually.
Fix roads
Public safety is the most important followed by homelessness And fixing our streets.
Nothing
The cps crisis going on right now. Children not having adequate or safe placement. Something needs to be done. Removing kids from an unfit home to put them into another unfit situation isnt healthy for these children. Did everyone forget these children are our future.? I know its difficult be the position of a social worker but think of the kids.
County DSS staff need to compensated as essential workers as they were classified. The county bos made them essential when they needed them then declassified them once there were funds provided for them ... Very shameful
I think we should do a review to make sure more officers are trained to deal with mental health people and have a plan on setting up after care
The City OF Fresno better use this funding for what we the people are giving input about. Fresno needs a big homeless shelter. FUSD schools need funding so the teacher's don't have to pay out of their own pockets for masks and cleaning supplies. The roads in district 5 are harmful to our cars.
Public safety is imperative! No consequence for theft, burglary, vandalism etc.. Therefore we need more police and fire. Also additional homeless camps with portable toilets and showers. Our streets and sidewalks are TERRIBLE! In the area north of FHS some sidewalks are so bad people trip and sometimes fall over cracked and raised sidewalks. Why can't the bike lane money be used for something useful like repairs so people can walk places safely instead of bike lanes used by a select few. In talking to people it seems the lane on Palm is going to increase air pollution by cars sitting waiting to make turns drop off/pick up students at the area schools etc.. Please SAFETY SAFETY SAFETY!!!
Homelessness is continuing to grow and they are now living all along the freeways of Fresno and Clovis! We have so many vacant buildings and hospitals that should be converted into housing. The city streets are destroying our vehicles with all the pot holes. We should never have to be put on hold and wait over 5 minutes when calling 911 for an emergency! Teachers are crucial and have been essential workers since this whole covid pandemic started, but I feel are so under appreciated and paid for all their dedication (substitute teachers get paid more than a teacher!!)
Add to the police force
The pandemic has negatively effected the families living in the low socioeconomic neighborhood and seems like there is more crime now. Money spent should focus on these neighborhoods for: fixing streets, CCTVs, street lights, and more law enforcement around.

Nothing
Homeless need programs and to live in a facility that deals with drug problems and other mental issues. Buying a hotel and leaving them to their own devices doesn't help the problem.
Help those who are in need
Our streets are in bad shape. Number 1.
It would be nice to actually have a vote on this, do like this survey for all.
Fruit Ave from Dakota to Shields in need of repaving. Same with Echo from Weldon to McKinley.
With regard to the homeless population, can a mobile unit be a part of assistance offered to them which would include a mobile pharmacy so they can have access to medications regularly.
Fresno
1)GET CRIMINALS/GANG MEMBERS OFF OUR STREETS. Stop the early release of convicted criminals into our community. Stop zero bail/putting those arrested back on the street before trial (doing whatever it takes to reduce time to trial/ Speed up having judges decide who is remanded to custody/speed up setting bail in place of zero bail). 2)STOP THE MURDERS IN FRESNO/fund & aid police to do whatever is necessary to bring safety back to Fresno. 3)GET WATER INTO THIS VALLEY/Stop funding train to nowhere. 4)Get alternatives to monopoly control of PGE to get lower electricity rates & better service. 5)STOP MANDATORY Covid vaccinations. Return to individuals right to govern their own person. Stop chasing vaccination as the priority means of controlling Covid. Restore civil rights & medical decisions to the citizens & specifically study & account for prior Covid infection as a method of meeting vaccination requirements along with more & faster testing for Covid now & ongoing.
Homelessness has to be worked on and improved. It is out of control, the vandalism and the amount of garbage that is constantly accumulated and not picked up by the city, especially in Southwest Fresno is ridiculous. I would like to see beautification of that part of the neighborhood especially on Fresno St exit of 99 freeway.
How much is Fresno investing in electric cars can Fresno be first city to make the complete change and create new jobs that come with the change can we be the example for other cities so Fresno can be best city to move to I Lupe Gomez want to be part of this change now 559-614-9324 .
None
Community medical regional emergency department needs to get hazard pay. The employees are not being valued how they should.
More server penalties for small thefts.
NA
Fund more neighborhood based organizations throughout the city that already have existing relationships with residents.
Hospitals and healthcare facilities need more resources, also emergency services (police, sheriffs and Ambulances), and lastly mental health facilities and workers should also get help.
Let's catch up on the 600 plus million in deferred street maintenance !
None
None
Invest in a lite rail public transit system
New business investment
Full accounting of every dime spent or not spent accessible to the public.
Need more low income housing.
Please fix the roads, at least potholes and cracks, not necessarily total repave
City wide covid pay for those that are still expected to screen and self isolate

I think the City of Fresno needs to focus on empowering others to do better for themselves: the homeless, drug users, etc. This city is starting to resemble all these other failed cities which essentially enables people to not change their situations by creating more and more social programs that require no accountability at all. If you want to have social services or programs that assist people, make them have skin in the game. Allow them to volunteer their time to help clean up or improve the city, have them mentor high risk students, allow them to tutor students, etc. Stop giving out money, section 8, etc. without requiring people to change their circumstances. I was born and raised in southeast Fresno, and all I see is most people living off the system (welfare, food stamps, etc), as though it was a career. You need to put in time limits for these social services. Welfare, section 8, food stamps, etc isn't a career, or lifestyle. It should be temporary assistance that allows those to get their life in order so they can come off it. There's a reason Fresno County has had one of the highest poverty rates in the country for decades, because we have enabled it to happen. And just incase any of your city council, etc may try to disregard my feedback, I come from grandparents who worked in the fields and used welfare for a temporary time until they could get off it on their own. My own parents worked in the fields as well, and they also encouraged my siblings and I to do better for ourselves, which we did. their were no handouts for us, we had to make the sacrifices, and put in the work to get to where we are at now. Stop making excuses for people, I can give you a million examples of people who come from nothing and made something from themselves. As the bible says, give a man a fish and he eats for a day, but teach them to fish, and they will eat for a lifetime. You need to start teaching people to fish, and if they decided to waste their lives on drugs, gangs, etc. then let them reap the hard consequences of that. Also, don't allow the minorites on the city council to use race and all that BS to push their agendas. As a Latino, we don't care about race. their is no white boogie man, etc. It has always been our own people (minorities) that have been the most destructive to our communities if people are honest. Those who grew up in the hood, barrios, know exactly what I mean. So if those on the council want to make things better, please stop it. As for some quick suggestions to do with the money, install speed bumps to help these people speeding and doing side shows to hopefully stop, consider maybe building a solar farm that can help reduce all residents of Fresno (City/County) PGE bills. Consider building smaller satellite police offices spread throughout the city, that way they can have a faster response time to calls. Similar to how the EMTs have spots set up throughout the city to respond to calls. I think this will also help deter crime throughout the city. When i attended Roosevelt HS, they had what they called a TAC office that was able to address issues promptly while on campus. I think even placing some of these small PD offices in housing communities as well would be good. The majority of people know the police are not the enemy, it is those who are in power trying to destroy our communities with these woke views, and defund the police mantra who are the problems so please don't allow them to "re-imagine" our police. The police serve a purpose, to serve and protect the people of our community, not to be a doormat for peoples BS.

None

The money should go to low income workers who work full time

Help public financially that have loss wages because of COVID

Fix our Roads!!!

We need more information. Do the homeless people actually stay in the motels that we purchased for them or are they back on the streets within a few months? Are we talking about free Internet service for many of our residents? Public safety should be our number one concern. We get our best bang for the buck from infrastructure improvements. Helping people get their feet on the ground is good but encouraging them to live a life where they are dependent upon the government is not good. People should be required to work if they accept free money housing etc. from the government.

Fresno

Essential workers with the City of Fresno deserve a one time bonus !

Effort should be made to revitalize Fresno not build more.

Child care vouchers?

Homelessness issues (The current homeless crisis has gone past the tipping point especially in California, here in fresno, provide help and support to the local homeless community aswell as Mental health services! Lack of provision of both is disparaging to the those of us living here.

Fresno
Dont waste it use good commen scense
Police and Dispatchers need to be paid better. Dispatchers need more room.
Longevity pay for non-safety employees.
please focus on the causes of what is wrong, not the symptoms. 10 millions dollars towards the police presence won't fix anything, it will make it worse. Improving socioeconomic conditions of the poor is crucial. Fund schools, public parks, health care, and other directly beneficial programs.
Add parks and better the roads and keep the city clean and fix olive street it's horrible near olive and Cornelia area
City Transportation like buses need to be addressed. Bus drivers need a raise in pay. They are essential and they need to be treated as such. They keep people that don't have cars able to go to their job to go to hospitals to go shopping and not have to rely on expensive transportation like Uber and Lyft.
N/A
Fix the pot holes on First Street
N/a
Fix Herndon and Golden State intersection, fix Shaw and Golden State intersection. Finish Veterans Blvd.
Provide accurate information on importance of vaccine for whole community and importance of masking
Should not have included public safety with housing insecurity or I would ranked it higher. Unfortunately police take the lions share of any allocation and I would not trust that housing insecurity would be funded the way it's needed
Don't be stupid with this money.
Homelessness, homelessness, homelessness and addiction recovery.
The money should be going to essential workers, EMTs and paramedics. Those guys and gals barely get paid over minimum wage and are asked time and again to save our city. Money should be spent paying them bonuses.
Please support your hard working, legal citizens that provide all the money that this city gets to spend.
The survey was a bit confusing. The answer moved around on my iphone when I touched the screen making it difficult to answer. Please invest in public safety the most. Fresno is becoming dangerous. Stop side show racing now!
Increase more paying jobs
Our Streets and roads are in terrible shape throughout Fresno. Decades of neglect. Please fix these first!
I want to know more about these vague choices. For most these, I don't know where my money is going and I don't want it going to wasteful, useless bullshit like creating a more "safe" environment. What does "safe" even mean? More restrictions? More mandates? More policing at the doors of buildings? All I ask if that you think of someone other than yourselves while deciding how this money is spent.
None
We NEED water storage! Water and electricity improvements were not on the list... WHY?! PG&E keeps increasing our rates to compensate for their infrastructure upgrades. Make them stop raising our rates! \$500/ summer month is nearly breaking our middle class backs. Homeless problem needs help. That's the social part. Rest should go to water storage, electricity and community safety.
This TAXPAYER money should not be wasted on those who pay no taxes. Also, enough already spent on trying to convince people to get the COVID vaccine.
Roads and water should be number 1,2,3,4,5.
Invest in public safety, this city is getting out of hand with shootings and violence. There is a murder a day every time I turn on the news.

N/A
I would like if any infrastructure investment also considered climate change impacts into their planning
None
Put money into things that last and benefit the most citizens.
We need to see improvement t in out streets downtown specifically. Better cleaning protocols and procedures. Public restrooms for homelessness and maintenance of all our parks.
The funding should be spent to provide at safe Fresno for our children and to improve our response to COVID-19.
This is about \$300 per person, it's chump change and only serves to drive up inflation. Buy silver with every penny, and put it is escrow to be given to the survivors of the upcoming global civil war, if there are any people still living in this death trap of a valley.
Build desalination plants for city residence and local farmers.
I would love to see this money really go to help the people of Fresno county (Housing of homeless and health services for Homeless individuals and families/essential workers/and small businesses). We need to be a community that thinks of the people and less on the roads and sidewalks. People have been impacted so hard by this virus (loss of: Housing, jobs, loved ones, etc) lets get back to putting people first.
Please address the homeless problem.
WELL PAINTED BIKE LANES IN THE HIGH TRAFFIC AREAS: FRIANT/SHEPHERD, BLACKSTONE/NEES, FRIANT/ALLUVIAL (BAD), CHAMPLAIN/PERRIN, PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING DOWN NEES AND HERNDON, SOUTH OF HERNDON TO EXAND SAFE CYCLING SOUTH OF HERNDON.
Address the severity of homelessness using input from all community experts, agencies and individuals who have the knowledge to work together on this 21st century stain on our society.
Fix our streets! Provide wage adjustment to City workers that have been out serving the public during the whole pandemic, not those that were able to work from the safety of thier homes.
Focus on street repair, expand the county jail along with C.O.'s to staff. Hire more police officers, make it very uncomfortable for gangs in the city of Fresno to operate,
Please add par exercise courses to city parks. With covid we have not gone to the gym and need places to exercise.
Pot holes everywhere...need safe clean and maintained streets
Put most money into high speed rail. Will bring turn Fresno into economic powerhouse.
N/a
The city of Fresno has improved the homelessness situation - there are less on the streets and it is appreciated. Hoping that it will continue, and this money could help.
It's very important to give incentives to get people back to work and off of unemployment.
Fresno
Get more knowledgeable people (more and smarter) in the planning and permitting dept. Cut the time to get permits by 50%. Get fees more in line instead of causing inflation.
You really should put a link on each item to give more detail. I feel like I'm guessing at what you are talking about
Solving permanently the street lighting and basic services in areas throughout Fresno, especially in the areas with the old light poles that are currently out.
N/A
Homelessness scares people if it's not targeted before you try and rejuvenate downtown Fresno it will never work. No matter how much effort you put most people will still be too scared or uncomfortable to do anything in the area. Also as an ex LA residents you don't want to get close to what LA has why not target the issue now than when it becomes worse

Housing options and services for single mothers
Thank you
No
Buying motels and giving them out to homeless people is great at face value but it's not solving the issue. Some of these people have multiple rooms in their name across the state. A state wide program "cal psych" needs to be created to help these people and not waste resources. Joe Rogan interviewed Michael shellenberger in episode #1719 and Michael had some really good ideas on how to take action on actually solving the homeless issue
I would like to see some of this money used for interest-free loans for small businesses impacted to try to speed up their recovery, and also to restock/stock emergency supplies for any significant emergency (i.e., PPE, medical supplies, backup generators for all fire stations, emergency communications, etc.). I care deeply about the condition of roads and such in neglected neighborhoods (and parks across the city), but this wasn't caused by COVID.
Water infrastructure and police definitely should be prioritized.
I think the safety to our peapole is very important an homelessness because we have peapole out here that need to get some help whatever 5that may be drugs alcohol or mental issue is sad that we have so many in need of help an with the virus out there makes it more easy spread because these peapole are in herds so with that in mind the virus can spread easily.
I believe public transportation needs to be given hazard pay for providing services during this pandemic and any time transportation is vital for the community where the operators health is at risk beyond their regular work day. A one lump sum should be allotted for each driver that worked during the 2019 thru present from both payments.
More government programs aren't the answer, but protecting our community so private sector can thrive benefits us all.
Homelessness should be a top priority, it has been the same for years with no improvement. Also mental health access should be provided low and free to help combat both the homeless problem and crime.
Help the people.
Fresno city council is full of idiots and bigots.
N/A
Triple the number of high speed electric vehicle charging stations in SW, SE, and central Fresno.
Safety
Give it back to the people of Fresno
Streets in Southeast fresno are in serious need of repair.
I wish for sustainable trade classes i.e. vehicle repair and/or wood shops in all public high schools in the city & county of Fresno. Also, rebuild Fresno's Tourist Dept. to solicit Hollywood film makers to produce movies in Fresno city and county.
Anything that invests in children and safety
Holding a raffle to invest in small business, through out Fresno. Investing in mental health, and creating more educational parenting classes that are mandatory to all new parents. Investing in CPS and keeping track of all kids in Fresno and Fresno county. Thinking about tomorrow's future
Remove homeless camps
NA
More police. Crime is real problem. Get rid of no cash bail. Put criminals in jail and off the street
Please, the homeless should not receive relief. Fresno citizens who own a home, a business, or who are attending school should be helped. These persons pay local and state taxes and benefit our communities.
Long term more youth programs and more dealing with homelessness and helping people evade eviction will lower crime. Preventive policies will help more long term

Can we charter planes and send all gang members and illegal aliens one way to Delaware
Nothing at this time
Please consider strengthening policies to support individuals rights and liberties.
None
I would like to see the focus be on lowering crime in our city.
Fresno
Fresno really needs an overpass/underpass on West Shaw at Golden State.
Expand eligibility for police officer to include green card holders. A family members husband from England went to college at Fresno Pacific, obtained his bachelor's degree in criminology. He could not apply to Fresno PD, as he is not a US citizen. He has been an officer in Fort Collins, Colorado for 2 years.
I would like to see the city be more supportive of small businesses by no longer allowing vendors to set up on street corners. There is so much lost revenue by this action being allowed and it makes our city look just as unappealing as when you see homeless people camped out on the side of the streets.
You need to restart the Free Meals Program for the elderly. Distribution of food at Logan Park
Fix the roads!!!! The homeless don't want help I've offered.
Public safety
I really feel like Fresno needs to help the homeless and low income people that can't afford housing .
More Surface and air purifiers for schools etc. especially ones that work. Like AirROS by SAGE built here in Fresno.
Please speed up road repair projects like repaving work and purchase housing for the homeless
The streets are terrible. Wear on my new vehicle is ridiculous!!! Repair streets especially north Fresno!!! Enough is spent on homeless! Half of them are abusing the system and don't want help!
Money for policing & social services.
Need roads fixed bad. Cost me lots of money to fix my suspension
infrastructure, updated buildings , lights, City Lights , Cameras ,
Expansion of Mental Health Services due to the pandemic
None at this time.
Homelessness is a huge concern!! Those that don't choose help/housing- can they be put on a plot of land like they already seem to do but only in certain areas with trash cans, bathrooms,etc.
You need to give bonuses to your First Responders.
I am not worried about covid.
Police receive way to much of our city budget.
N/A
We need to reduce our carbon footprint. We need to be more strict on companies that don't care about the health effects of their pollutants that are being released into our communities. We need to reduce the amount of waste we produce and be a role model to CA on how we can encourage more sustainable products.
Extend services to the low income community- the rental aide and pg&e assistance programs— we need help with buying healthier foods.
Remove mask mandates and support medical freedoms.
More police and help small business more!
Need more police and fire
We need 40,000 units of new housing, including affordable housing for those coming out of homelessness

Spending funds to help small businesses and especially women who were hardest hit. Job training programs would help them.
N/A
Public safety is important - addition of officers, fire, etc.
More damaging to the citizens of Fresno is climate change, yet my city does not focus on infrastructure improvements to mitigate this problem, such as electric buses. Why?
Fresno
None
Do not spend any on the high speed rail project. Encourage work from home options - less traffic, cleaner air, happier employees.
These put enormous weight on the taxpayer
Water, streets, sidewalks and street lights
W Shaw needs to be paved
Really worried about homelessness, crime increasing in our city.
Provide incentives (like credits) for environmental issues.
Fresno
none
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Would like to thank you City of Fresno and our Government for the in need Funds availability . HAPPY HOLIDAYS 2021
Lumping police budgets in with public health services is disingenuous. Especially when the two take opposing views. Public health and public health education are paramount.
Please let us get back to normal quit controlling us you have weakened our businesses
Please help people who have a license to practice a trade or career but has no capital to break the economic barriers of entry that most careers or trades call for, (paying association fees, tools, etc)
This housing crisis is insane. It is so expensive to live here, the residents need support in housing opportunities. Even northwest fresno needs support
No one with children wants to live somewhere they don't feel safe.
If the homeless would actually take up the opportunities for housing I would rank that higher. However, many are choosing to live as homeless and are addicted to drugs and don't want to live with rules.
Clean up our streets!! Homelessness, Jay walkers, broken roads!! NW Fresno (Clinton/marks) (shields/valentine)
Small business support is key. Organizations like Valley Innovators need to start functioning again.
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Please make the homeless and crime a priority
Do NOT shut down businesses again. You've done enough damage to the economy. Focus on: (1) reducing property crime, gangs, and MURDERS; (2) get homeless out of Fresno, reduce homeless-caused fires
Clean up our City
Fix homelessness
Infrastructure and take action homeless people on our streets they are a big problem
Adequately fund historic preservation efforts; incentivize historic preservation (particularly of city-owned buildings) for adaptive use as housing, public venues, the arts, senior services

The streets in front schools need to be improved. The street Balderas school is on is filled with potholes. The area near Gaston Middle School needs to be turned into 2 lanes or have patrol cars out there when school is getting out. Its one lane and cars are going around each other, cutting each other off. There is no crosswalk so kids are just walking between traffic. Its just a really bad traffic area

Less money for cops

Need to also support residents at risk of losing their homes and preventing homelessness

Please maintain the city! Roads, homelessness.....I moved to Fresno 5 yrs ago, I'm really thinking of going back to San Diego since I don't see improvements to make Fresno look nive!

Please do not use funds to implement new programs that have a recurring cost. This is a one-time windfall, and should be used that way to benefit all of Fresno. Carving out fiefdoms using 'equity' as a calling card is disastrous and harmful to the majority of Fresnans. Let's improve public safety, infrastructure, and help those who were hurt in the pandemic and get our city back to basics and leaving residents excited about living here. Also, why are the demographic questions mandatory? Is my opinion worth more or less based upon my recorded race?