



SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Kelly A. Martinez, Sheriff

Rich Williams, Undersheriff

January 27, 2026

Meeting Date: January 27, 2026
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TO: Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer, Chair
Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe, Vice Chair
Supervisor Paloma Aguirre, Chair Pro Tem
Supervisor Joel Anderson
Supervisor Jim Desmond

FROM: Kelly A. Martinez, Sheriff

SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING SAN DIEGO SHERIFF'S OFFICE FUNDING

As the County of San Diego begins its Budget Workshop to discuss the process and receive community input on budget priorities, I am pleased to share with you nearly 70 signatures from San Diego County residents who would like to see the San Diego Sheriff's Office funding be maintained at current levels to continue providing public safety services to everyone throughout the region.

These signatures underscore the importance of continued investment in Sheriff's Office services. I kindly request that this community input be acknowledged and reflected during today's community workshop as part of the ongoing discussion and decision-making process.

Thank you for your attention and commitment to ensuring that community voices are heard.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kelly A. Martinez", written in a cursive style.

Kelly A. Martinez, Sheriff

cc: Ebony Shelton, Chief Administrative Officer
Andrew Strong, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Attachment

SDSO Petition - Advocating to Maintain Public Safety Funding

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| 21 | 1/25/2026 11:49 | 1/25/2026 11:51 Monica Stanton-Torres | El Cajon | Maintain the Sheriff's budget to keep our communities safe and continue to lower the crime rate. |
| 22 | 1/25/2026 12:45 | 1/25/2026 12:49 JEFFREY GARRETT | RIVER ESTATES | SAFETY FIRST |
| 23 | 1/25/2026 17:28 | 1/25/2026 17:29 Mike Rand | Alpine | |
| 24 | 1/25/2026 20:08 | 1/25/2026 20:11 Daniel Psomas | El Cajon | Public Safety is the most important aspect of maintaining law & order. The chaos in MN is a clear ex |
| 25 | 1/25/2026 20:47 | 1/25/2026 20:51 Seun Opaleye | San Diego | I want to live in a community that is safe for my family |
| 26 | 1/25/2026 23:31 | 1/25/2026 23:32 Erik Plocki | Carlsbad | |
| 27 | 1/26/2026 6:18 | 1/26/2026 6:21 Martha Hernandez | Escondido, CA | Without law enforcement, who will protect us from those who choose not to follow the laws. |
| 28 | 1/26/2026 6:47 | 1/26/2026 6:48 MELISSA RUIZ | RAMONA | |
| 29 | 1/26/2026 8:05 | 1/26/2026 8:08 Sally Ramirez | El Cajon | I support full funding for the San Diego County Sheriff's Office! |
| 30 | 1/26/2026 8:09 | 1/26/2026 8:11 Joan Gastones | San Marcos | Provides me with the feeling of security and peace and order is present |
| 31 | 1/26/2026 8:14 | 1/26/2026 8:15 Jeremy Collis | Oceanside | |
| 32 | 1/26/2026 8:20 | 1/26/2026 8:21 christine fullenwider | 4S | |
| 33 | 1/26/2026 8:28 | 1/26/2026 8:30 Fatima Pia | Paradise Hills | |
| 34 | 1/26/2026 8:30 | 1/26/2026 8:32 Calvin Iona | Oceanside | |
| 35 | 1/26/2026 8:34 | 1/26/2026 8:35 Jena Hallmark | vista | |
| 36 | 1/26/2026 8:43 | 1/26/2026 8:44 Bridget Wright | Pacific Beach | It's important to provide rehabilitation while holding individuals accountable. |
| 37 | 1/26/2026 8:48 | 1/26/2026 8:53 Philip Ellsworth | Bonita | It protects lives, property and well being by preventing crime, responding to emergencies. Trust |
| 38 | 1/26/2026 9:03 | 1/26/2026 9:06 Madonna Paraan | San Diego | To have a better, safer and thriving community. |
| 39 | 1/26/2026 9:36 | 1/26/2026 9:38 Francis Pia | San Diego | |
| 40 | 1/26/2026 9:45 | 1/26/2026 9:46 Brenda Rodriguera | San Diego | |
| 41 | 1/26/2026 9:45 | 1/26/2026 9:46 Victoria Lacampagne | San Diego | |
| 42 | 1/26/2026 9:48 | 1/26/2026 9:51 Jasmine Diaz | Rancho Bernardo | DUIs are all to prevalent in the county. Without staffing they will become even more common. |
| 43 | 1/26/2026 10:04 | 1/26/2026 10:05 Gabriella Ibarra | National City | |
| 44 | 1/26/2026 10:24 | 1/26/2026 10:25 Megan Ng | Rancho Penasquitos (San Diego) | |
| 45 | 1/26/2026 10:32 | 1/26/2026 10:33 Sydney Rogo | 4S Ranch | |

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| 46 | 1/26/2026 10:58 | 1/26/2026 11:01 Lourdes | 1944 Reo Dr SD 92139 | |
| 47 | 1/26/2026 11:13 | 1/26/2026 11:14 David Flores | Serra Mesa | |
| 48 | 1/26/2026 11:28 | 1/26/2026 11:35 Alessandra Horcasitas | San Ysidro | I would like children to be able to play outside without fear of crime happening near them. |
| 49 | 1/26/2026 12:11 | 1/26/2026 12:12 Rachael Read | 45 Ranch | |
| 50 | 1/26/2026 12:40 | 1/26/2026 12:44 Lauren Sautkulis | Allied Gradens | Safety matters and our community deserve to feel safe and protected. Law enforcement needs funding |
| 51 | 1/26/2026 12:33 | 1/26/2026 12:49 Marichris Mercado | Poway, CA | Public safety funding protects families, schools, and the values that make our communities strong. |
| 52 | 1/26/2026 12:47 | 1/26/2026 12:50 Ryan Arago | East Village | There are so many homeless on the streets and we don't feel safe. |
| 53 | 1/26/2026 12:50 | 1/26/2026 12:51 Ann Caruana | San Diego | We own an affordable housing property in East Village and it is being destroyed by homeless issues. |
| 54 | 1/26/2026 13:59 | 1/26/2026 14:02 Ben Pia Jr | 92139 | It's an important concern. |
| 55 | 1/26/2026 14:02 | 1/26/2026 14:04 Amanda Brooking | Tierrasanta | Public safety ensures people want to live and continue investing in their community. |
| 56 | 1/26/2026 14:48 | 1/26/2026 14:51 Charles Eglin | San Diego | It is primary role of government. |
| 57 | 1/26/2026 15:45 | 1/26/2026 15:46 Angelina Creel | San Diego | |
| 58 | 1/26/2026 18:43 | 1/26/2026 18:46 TJ Menvielle | Grant Hill | |
| 59 | 1/26/2026 20:17 | 1/26/2026 20:18 Lisa Stewart | Spring Valley | |
| 60 | 1/27/2026 0:12 | 1/27/2026 0:22 Alisha Morrison | Lincoln Acres | Having an adequate number of deputies to serve ALL of the unincorporated communities equally |
| 61 | 1/27/2026 6:36 | 1/27/2026 6:37 Matt Moran | Fallbrook | |
| 62 | 1/27/2026 7:05 | 1/27/2026 7:06 Lisa Quinto | El Cajon | |
| 63 | 1/27/2026 7:12 | 1/27/2026 7:14 | Mira Mesa | I support full funding for the San Diego County Sheriff's Office |
| 64 | 1/27/2026 7:27 | 1/27/2026 7:32 Steve Litwin | Oceanside | Please provide a full budget for the Sheriff's Office to keep everyone safe. |
| 65 | 1/27/2026 7:57 | 1/27/2026 7:58 Miqueas Gomez | Chula Vista | "I support full funding for the San Diego County Sheriff's Office" |
| 66 | 1/27/2026 8:52 | 1/27/2026 8:55 Jay Bananal | Poway/45 Ranch | safety, law, and order. |
| 67 | 1/27/2026 8:59 | 1/27/2026 9:03 Omri Goren | San Diego | Law Enforcement needs to remain funded in order to keep crime down. |

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| 68 | 1/27/2026 11:03 | 1/27/2026 11:06 Sharon Bruno | El Cajon | This matters to me because law enforcement officers keep my community safe. |
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