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To: BOSComments
Subject: Budget Hearings

Hello Supervisors,

My name is Yenifer Gallegos-Mejia and I am a concerned community member who is disappointed in this board and it's lack of community investment. All of you have the power in your hands to make change happen, but you're just sitting there doing nothing. Your community voted you in to make decisions on their best interest.

I am pleading with you to allocate \$1.5 million for a climate resilience plan which should include collaborating with organizations that are already doing the on the ground work to fight this climate crisis which includes Fresno Sunrise.

I am also begging you to allocate \$1.5 million in rural cooling centers. Fresno County doesn't only include the City of Fresno and the cities along the 99. We are also talking about communities like Tranquility, Huron, Biola, Orange Cove, and so many other neglected rural communities.

Affordable housing is also an issue that is on the rise here in the County of Fresno. There are insufficient homes that are affordable for your already existing community members who have roots in our county. Allocating funds for affordable housing is the least that you could do after the mishandling of your response to COVID-19, which left a lot of people in the streets.

Please act now and listen to the people and create a people's budget.

I will see you all tomorrow and thank you for your time.

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Respectfully,

Yenifer Gallegos-Mejia