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Meet the candidates, week 21: “Tell us your thoughts on the city’s budget.”

San Francisco's city budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 is approximately \$14.6 billion, facing a \$728 million deficit over the next two years. While we allocate significant resources to homelessness, public safety, and transportation, **the outcomes are not commensurate with the investment.**

Now, more than ever, we need to scrutinize where and how we're allocating our funds. Budget cuts, while challenging, can be incredibly beneficial. They compel us to eliminate waste, prioritize essential services, and ultimately build a more efficient and resilient city. Ensuring that our residents feel safe, have access to affordable housing, and benefit from a robust public transportation system is critical.