

**From:** [Helena Birecki](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#)  
**Cc:** [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** 1% for Climate Equity-- Thank you Commission on Environment  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 8, 2022 12:09:33 AM

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Dear Mayor Breed, Supervisor Ronen, and the entire SF COE,

As a resident of SF District 9 and member of the SF Climate Emergency Coalition, I commend and deeply thank the Commission on Environment for unanimously deciding to support General Fund money for additional staffing for the Department of Environment, and to call for a minimum of 1% of the City Budget to be allocated to additional equitable climate action. I also applaud the COE's intention to encourage other Departments to lean into meeting SF's climate goals.

I strongly urge Mayor Breed and Supervisor Ronen to support these goals as well.

As noted at the COE meeting tonight, implementing our new Climate Action Plan is being hampered by lack of dedicated staff time. It is also hampered by lack of funds, to, for instance, match available federal grants, provide incentives for decarbonizing homes and transportation, and coordinate with and support local nonprofits already engaged in needed climate work.

We all know that the climate situation is dire, and can't be solved by San Francisco alone. But the beauty of investing in equitable climate action is that-- in addition to being part of the global solution-- each decarbonized home, each trip shifted from a gas-fueled car to walking, bicycling, or public transit, and each part of nurturing healthier ecosystems has immediate, direct positive impacts on San Franciscans' physical and mental wellbeing.

We can't afford to wait, and we'll all be healthier with action. Thank you for supporting significant additional funding for climate action.

Sincerely,  
Helena Birecki  
District 9 resident

**From:** [Jake Kaplove](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
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Coordinator Diedre Tanenberg (and Sup. Preston),

Dear Commission on the Environment, Supervisor and Mayor,

I strongly support increasing staffing for the Department of the Environment. We cannot do the urgent work called for by the Climate Action Plan if we are unwilling to commit General Fund revenue to climate programs, and increasing staffing is a major first step.

I also would like to echo the call started last year for 1% for Climate Equity. The money it calls for – about \$125 million per year – is just a drop in the bucket on the down payment needed to fund a response to the climate emergency, but it will fund much-needed programs in electrification, transportation mode shift, just transition, and climate justice.

We can't avert climate disaster without immediate action. We need real and increased funding to deal with this emergency.

Thank you.

Jake Kaplove

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**From:** [David Goodman](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
**Date:** Monday, February 7, 2022 8:40:05 PM

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Coordinator Diedre Tanenberg (and Sup. Stefani),

Dear Commission on the Environment, Supervisor and Mayor,

I am a San Francisco resident in the Presidio, and I strongly support increasing staffing for the Department of the Environment. We cannot do the urgent work called for by the Climate Action Plan if we are unwilling to commit General Fund revenue to climate programs, and increasing staffing is a major first step.

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Thank you.

David Goodman

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**From:** [Sara Greenwald](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** Meeting now - I called in to comment but wasn't called  
**Date:** Monday, February 7, 2022 6:53:43 PM

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Hi Diedre,

There must have been a glitch. I was on line to say the following:  
I'm delighted to speak in support of this larger budget.

I know this is all a big change for SFE, and that makes me very hopeful. What's needed will take a LOT more money, but this is a solid first step. For next steps, 1%! And yes, coordination among all the departments will be crucial, and this is part of your job.

I'm confident you will do both of these.

Y'know Recently I saw a panel discussion about the last Great Extinction and the concern that we ourselves may become extinct rather soon. Everyone was very sad. Except for the specialist in extinction, who said, all the species whose extinction I study had one thing in common. They didn't know it was happening. They certainly did not know what to do about it. We know what's happening and we know what to do. So congratulations on these steps. I hope your bold action today is a sign that we are at the start of not the next great extinction but the Great Survival.

Thank you,  
Sara Greenwald  
San Francisco resident

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
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Thank you.

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**From:** [Michelle Lever](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [MelgarStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
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Coordinator Diedre Tanenberg (and Sup. Melgar),

Dear Commission on the Environment, Supervisor and Mayor,

I'm Michelle, a constituent in District 7.

As a parent of three children and a San Francisco homeowner for the past 20 years, I am grateful for the land we live on and for this magnificent city.

I care about combating climate change because the alternative is grim.

I strongly support increasing staffing for the Department of the Environment. In order to do the urgent work called for by the Climate Action Plan, we must be willing to commit General Fund revenue to climate programs. Increasing staffing is a major first step.

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We have a unique opportunity to restore the reputation of San Francisco by leading efforts to combat climate change. More importantly, let's do this because it's the right thing to do.

Thank you for supporting these requests.

Michelle

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**From:** [Linda Allan](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
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Thank you.

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**From:** [Mishwa Lee](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
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Coordinator Diedre Tanenberg (and Sup. Walton),

Dear Commission on the Environment, Supervisor and Mayor,

I am a constituent of District 10 and appreciate your representation Supervisor Walton. As a 32 yr resident of Bayview HuntersPoint, I have seen the neglect towards our community, and currently I am deeply concerned about the impacts of climate change in our district due to sea level rise, improper clean up of radioactive and toxic debris. As an urban farmer I am already noticing the effects of drought on our 50 tree orchard with fruit and nut production down and many pests.

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Thank you.

Mishwa Lee

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**From:** [Matthew Matasci](#)  
**To:** [Tanenberg, Diedre \(ENV\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Raphael, Deborah \(ENV\)](#)  
**Subject:** You need to fund SFE!  
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Matthew Matasci

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