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To: <u>Clerk General</u>

Subject: Fall BMP: Expand BHU, restore police levels, SW Trails

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Dear Mayor Wheeler and City Commissioners,

I'm writing to urge you to support the expansion of the Behavioral Health Unit. Unfortunately, many of the houseless have addiction or mental illness issues that are beyond what the Street Response group can handle. Some are violent. Please use BMP monies to fully fund BHU.

We need experience police officers on the beat, and we need to fully staff the police force. Please support the Mayor's Retire/Rehire proposal.

Finally, SW Portland has, by far, the least sidewalk coverage of any area in the city. Please support the SWTrails request to direct \$4 million to PBOT to support street crossing projects in the southwest.

Sincerely, Lisa Caballero