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Sent: Monday, May 26, 2025 3:34 PM

To: Town Council Group Subject: Ledyard Budget

Dear Ledyard Town Council members,

Thank you again for all your hard work on the budget and all that you do for our town, schools, and community.

Given the need for change and reduction of the budget for the next referendum, I would like to highlight that more voters expressed that the general government side of the budget is too high than the BOE side.

Please ensure that any budget reductions you make honor the will of the voters, and reduce more on the General Government side than the BOE side.

Our students do not deserve and cannot afford cuts that will lower the quality of their education or make the buildings they study in less safe and less conducive to learning. It is neither ethical nor moral to ask our children to endure education cuts due to our failure to invest in education over the last 20+ years, or for us to continue to kick the can down the road on essential programming and capital projects.

I personally feel that our police budget is too high for a community of our size and should be looked at carefully.

Thank you, Audrey Cook, Ledyard resident