

**LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL
THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2016**

LOUISVILLE'S \$10 MILLION SURPLUS

Again, West Louisville is being ignored. I would like to see a portion of this \$10 million surplus spent on the following projects:

\$1 million of these funds should be spent to rehab boarded up housing for affordable rentals. There are over 10,000 students in the Jefferson County Public Schools who are living in shelters and are in need of a home. We also have ex-felons who are being released from our prisons that have a major need for affordable housing.

\$300,000 of these monies could be use to repair streets and roads from 26th and Main to Algonquin Parkway, and from 28th and Main to Algonquin Parkway that are in major need of repair.

\$250,000 could be allocated for small business expansion and repairs for individuals in West Louisville and Portland.

\$1 million of these funds could be used to rehab and update homes in the California area. For too long this has been a neglected area.

\$200,000 could be used for TARC Bus expansion that would enable people who are in need of employment to Amazon in Indiana, Bullitt County to Zappos, and other businesses in Riverport.

\$1 million could be allocated for an ex-Felons Work Program. A program to put ex-felons to work rehabbing homes, cutting grass on vacant lots and doing other jobs to make our neighborhoods look their best.

\$300,000 should be allocated to The Parks and Recreation Programs for youth activities.

\$200,000 should be allocated to The Boys and Girls Clubs and Community Centers this would keep youth from out of the shopping malls.

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