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Subject: Written testimony for FY2021 State Budget

Here is a copy of my verbal testimony from Thursday evening's meeting:

- Fully fund the \$5 million Immigrant Families Relief Fund for our essential migrant workers.
- Increase education & access to mental health & suicide prevention by investing as much into mental health as we do physical health.
- Reparations for our Indigenous Abenaki community members whose land we are on, as well as investing in economic & housing opportunities for our Black and non-white community members.
- Higher fuel tax IF we are funneling that money into alternative energy projects such as solar & weatherization.
- Support Outright Vermont & Rural Vermont.
- Lessen the amount given to the military & police budgets by funneling money into the points listed above.

Thank you for your time & dedication!

-Mackenzie Budd