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Dear City Council Members:

The Cambridge Nonprofit Coalition is pleased that Community Needs Assessment Report is now available to you and to the public. We encourage you to refer the report to the Finance Committee and hope that hearings will be scheduled very soon.

We look forward to working with you and the Community Benefits Advisory Committee to develop new and creative funding strategies to meet our community's most pressing needs. Now more than ever, with federal safety net policies in peril, we need to work swiftly together to protect our most vulnerable neighbors and create effective, meaningful change.

Sincerely,

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