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## **Crime Commission President Aborn Responds to Attorney General Sessions' Threat to Strip Funding from NYC**

**New York City** - In response to United States Attorney General Jeff Sessions' threat to strip Department of Justice funding away from "sanctuary cities" like New York, **Citizens Crime Commission President Richard Aborn** released the following statement:

"If Attorney General Sessions followed through on his threat today to "claw back" money from the NYPD for not enforcing the White House's wrongheaded sanctuary cities "crackdown", it would be a wildly irresponsible double-whammy to New Yorkers' public safety.

"Taking away crucial funds from the cops who protect us would certainly make us less safe. And the escalation of the White House's attack on immigrants would certainly have an increased chilling effect on intelligence gathering from immigrant communities-- intelligence that could help prevent everything from street level crime to terrorism.

"New York has proven itself the gold standard for how to protect Americans from crime and terror. The White House should just stay out of our way, and stop trying to make New York unsafe again."

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### **About the Citizens Crime Commission**

The Citizens Crime Commission of New York City (CCC) is a leading nonpartisan nonprofit organization with multidisciplinary expertise that works to improve public safety through innovation. For more information on the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City, please visit our website: [www.nycrimecommission.org](http://www.nycrimecommission.org)