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CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MEASURE Z EXPENDITURES

The Advisory Committee meets on each Wednesday in March to review applications and will make recommendations to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors in April.

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Agency Name: City of Fortuna

Mailing Address: 621 11th Street, Fortuna, CA 95540

Contact Person: Casey J. Day

Title: Chief of Police

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2022-2023: \$60,000.00

2. ENTITY TYPE -- Please check appropriate box.

- a. Humboldt County Department ☐
- b. Contract Service Provider to Humboldt County ☐
- c. Local Government Entity ☒
- d. Private Service Provider ☐
- e. Non-Profit Service Provider ☐
- f. Other, Describe: _____ ☐

3. Is this application a renewal or related to a project that has been funded by *Measure Z* in the past?
(check one) ☐ Yes ☒ No

4. Describe how the scope of your proposal fits the intent of *Measure Z*. Specifically, how will it maintain and improve public safety and essential services, as described on the previous page?

The Fortuna Police Department's Detective Bureau is charged with the duty of investigating major crimes which include but are not limited to: violent crimes to persons, sex crimes, homicide, aggravated assault, child abuse, domestic abuse, elder abuse, financial crimes and missing persons. These investigations and the many hours of follow-up investigation regularly take Detectives to remote and rural locations throughout Humboldt County. The Detectives also work collaboratively with allied agencies throughout the Humboldt County Region on more significant matters which require a regional approach. Specifically, Detectives are part of the County's Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) and assist with shootings and other critical incidents.



The Detective Bureau is currently in need of one new unmarked police vehicle with 4-wheel drive capability, a caged prisoner compartment and code 3 emergency lighting. The vehicle currently being utilized is not rated for pursuit driving or code 3 response, is old and outdated, and overburdened with high mileage. The problems associated with the current 2010 Ford Escape being used have caused the vehicle to continue to break down while in the course of duty. The last episode caused a 5 hour disruption in operations as the vehicle broke down out of town during a trip to recover forensic evidence in Napa, California. A new vehicle will ensure investigative services continue within the City of Fortuna and throughout the Humboldt County Region.

5. Please provide a brief description of the proposal for which you are seeking funding.

The City of Fortuna is seeking funding for one new unmarked police vehicle to be utilized by the department's Detective Bureau. The funding will provide for one unmarked emergency response vehicle with 4-wheel drive and Detective capabilities.

6. How have you developed a plan for sustainability, including diversification of funding sources, for your proposal to carry on without reliance on future *Measure Z* funds?

The City of Fortuna has at least one additional and local grant submission being reviewed for the unmarked Detective vehicle but to date we have not yet been successful. The City of Fortuna has been successful in managing the overall fleet of emergency vehicles for the police department utilizing matching USDA grants over the past few years. The City only receives matching grants from USDA which has forced the City to utilize Asset Seizure funds which have been leveraged to the max.

7. If this request is for the continuation or expansion of an existing program/service, what is the current source of funding for that program/service?

N/A – This is a onetime equipment request.

8. If you are awarded *Measure Z* funds, how do you plan to leverage these funds to secure additional grants, contributions or community support?

The City will seek to use this funding to leverage additional grants and community support to replace and renew other vehicles and equipment directly associated with the Fortuna Police Department's Detective Bureau.

9. Will this proposal require new or expanded activity on the part of another entity to be fully functional and effective? If so, name that entity and describe what that participation would look like.

No.



10. Are there recurring expenses associated with this application, such as personnel cost? Please check yes or no: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you checked yes, detail those expenses here:

Vehicle Procurement (Ford Explorer)	\$ 42,919.71
Emergency Equipment Installed	\$ 15,080.00
Estimated Inflation Cost	\$ 2,000.29
Total	\$ 60,000.00



REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Following with your application, making sure to **limit your responses to one page**, per section. Responses longer than the maximum, may not be read by committee members or considered as part of your application.

Proposal Narrative: Brief description of your request for Measure Z funds – Please explain how it is an essential service or improves public safety. (one page maximum)

Prior Year Results: If your request is a continuation of a program funded with Measure Z in prior fiscal years, please provide the results of implementation. (one page maximum)

Program Budget: Please utilize the template provided on the following pages. This will need to be updated if your agency is approved for funding.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above statements and all attachments are true and correct

DATE: 02/04/22

SIGNATURE: 

SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETE APPLICATION TO:

Humboldt County Citizens' Advisory Committee on Measure Z Expenditures
c/o County Administrative Office
825 Fifth Street, Suite 112
Eureka, CA 95501-1153

CITY OF FORTUNA POLICE: SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER
CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON *MEASURE Z* EXPENDITURES
Attachment 1 – Proposal Narrative

The Fortuna Police Department is very proud of the working relationships we have fostered with our allied County agencies. The Fortuna Police Department works very closely with the Humboldt County Sheriffs' Department, Humboldt County District Attorney's Office, Mental Health, County Probation and many other county agencies.

Upon inception of Measure Z, the City Finance Department estimated that Measure Z would generate roughly \$1,000,000 per year within the City Limits of Fortuna. The City of Fortuna is the fastest growing incorporated city in Humboldt County and the police department has seen the total number of calls for service (CFS) almost double in the past sixteen years, from roughly 11,000 CFS in 2005 to nearly 24,000 CFS in 2019, 21,617 CFS in 2020, and 20,064 CFS in 2021. With a city population of nearly 13,000, the City of Fortuna serves as the "hub" of the Eel River Valley as the major shopping and business center for the area.

The City of Fortuna is currently seeking funding for one new, unmarked police vehicle to be utilized by the department's Detective Bureau. The funding will provide for the procurement of one unmarked emergency response vehicle with 4-wheel drive and special services capabilities.

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The Fortuna Police Department has been utilizing matching grants from the USDA to help manage the fleet of marked police vehicles. However, the City's Asset Seizure funds have been leveraged to the max to provide the department's portion of the USDA match. Measure Z funding will provide needed vehicle support for the Fortuna Detectives in the upcoming budget cycle. The Fortuna PD Detectives are vital to the overarching law enforcement mission which provides professional services and attention to major crimes and major investigations throughout the Eel River Valley and the Humboldt region.

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Attachment 2 – Prior Year Results

Does Not Apply: This is a standalone one time equipment request with no previous year(s) results to report.



ATTACHMENT 3 - EXHIBIT A

Fortuna Police Department

2022/2023 Budget

2/11/22

Descriptions Amounts Approved B Remaining Balance

E. Fixed Assets

Title: Vehicle			
Description: Detective fully equipped vehicle	60,000		60,000.00
Title:			
Description:	0		

Total Other Costs: 60,000 0 60,000.00

Budget Total: 60,000 0 \$60,000.00