



CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON *MEASURE Z* EXPENDITURES

(Advisory Committee will make recommendations to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors as to expenditure of funds derived from *Measure Z*.)

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Agency Name: City of Arcata/Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2015-16: \$223,257

2. ENTITY TYPE -- Please check appropriate box.

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| a. Humboldt County Department | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Humboldt County Sheriff's Office |
| b. Contract Service Provider to Humboldt County | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| c. Local Government Entity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | City of Arcata |
| d. Private Service Provider | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| e. Non-Profit Service Provider | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| f. Other | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

3. Please provide brief description of proposal for which you are seeking funding.

The City of Arcata (the City) and the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) in partnership with the Northern Humboldt Union High School District, Arcata, Blue Lake, Field Brook, Jacoby Creek, McKinleyville and Pacific Union Elementary Districts and the Humboldt County Teen Court seek funding for a two full time Student Resource Officers (SROs) and two Juvenile Probation Diversion positions (JPD) to directly serve K-12th students and families in the 3rd Supervisorial District and the western portion of the 5th Supervisorial District (west of Berry Summit).

One SRO and JPD will be based at Arcata High and the other pair at McKinleyville High. They will work collaboratively with the schools, APD, HCSO and Probation to identify and serve at-risk students and families starting as early as grades four and five. The purpose is threefold:

- (1) to focus on crimes and other antisocial behaviors committed by juveniles in the north county and through that focus deter additional behaviors.
- (2) to use the Juvenile Diversion staffers (supported by the SROs) to keep juveniles out of the Probation and Juvenile Justice system.
- (3) to work with the schools to support struggling families and students so their children remain in school (truancy prevention) and out of the Juvenile Justice system.

The project's goals are to:

- (a) reduce by 50% the amount of Juvenile Crime in the service area,
- (b) reduce by 50% the number of high school students who dropout and/or go to continuation high schools for this autumn's incoming 9th graders (the Class of 2019).

4. Measure Z funding is scheduled to "sunset" in 2020. How are you developing a plan for sustainability, including diversification of funding sources, in order for your proposal to carry on without reliance on future Measure Z funds?

These positions can sustained by 2020 using the following sources of revenue:

1. Reallocation of HCSO and APD funds to pay for SROs non-school based days.
2. Support for the JPDs from Humboldt County Probation (similar to past funding of diversion activities).
3. Future grant funding through the US Dept. of Justice's SRO and School Safety grant programs.
4. Schools pay a portion of the cost through revenues from increased daily attendance: for instance, a 1% overall increase in the districts attendance will cover over 20% of the cost of positions. Successfully intervening with students will result in better attendance in middle and high school.

5. 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?

These are new positions though in the past HCSO and APD have stationed SROs at the two high schools and the area was served by an APD Diversion staffer. However, these positions were not closely coordinated.

6. If you are awarded Measure Z funds, how will you use them to leverage additional grants, contributions, or community support?

This combination of an SRO and JPD will serve as a pilot for the other local schools. The benefit of keeping students in schools on track for graduation and out of the alternative education or the juvenile justice system is potentially enormous. Student who graduate from the comprehensive high schools are far less likely to commit crimes and become involved with the juvenile justice system. Students in the comprehensive high schools also are at school all day (and thus not out in the community during the day time).

This new model will make the consortium more likely to receive funding through the US Dept. of Justice's SRO and School Safety grant programs.

7. Will this proposal require new or expanded activity on the part of another entity to be fully functional and effective? If so, please describe.

No.

ATTACHMENTS—Please include the following with your application

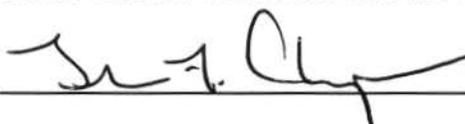
Proposal Narrative: Brief description of your request for Measure Z funds – Please explain how it is an essential service or for public safety. (one page maximum)

Program Budget

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: 2/17/2016

SIGNATURE: _____



DATE: 2/16/16

SIGNATURE: _____



SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO:

Humboldt County Citizens' Advisory Committee on Measure Z Expenditures
c/o County Administrative Office
825 Fifth Street, Suite 111
Eureka, CA 95501-1153.

North Bay Juvenile Safety Measure Z Grant Application Narrative

HCSO and APD's request is a preventative proposal. Its goal is to keep students out of the criminal justice system, in school and on track graduate high school. The **project's overall goals** are to (a) reduce by 50% the amount of Juvenile Crime in the service area, and (b) reduce by 50% the number of students who dropout and/or go to continuation high schools for this autumn's incoming 9th graders (the Class of 2019).

Progress towards these goals will be measured as follows:

Short term, ongoing progress measure: By May 2016 show a 200% increase of juveniles in area schools being supported/ monitored by SROs or JPDs as compared to Autumn 2015 numbers.

Mid-term project goal by January 2018: (a) 25% reduction in Juvenile Crime in the service area, (b) 35% reduction of truant Gr. 5-12 students, (c) 25% reduction in service area students in Juvenile Justice system.

Five year goal: reduce by 50% the amount of Juvenile Crime in the service area.

How does this relate to public safety? The four requested positions are public safety positions. These positions will allow other deputies and police officers to focus on adult offenders. Basing these positions at the high schools ensures close collaboration with the schools. The school – law enforcement partnership provides law enforcement access to school based services to which they can refer students (including at the most basic level: a place juveniles must be during the day as well as counseling).

According to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention nearly 80% of prison inmates lack a high school diploma. Simply put, keeping kids in high school and on track to graduate greatly reduces the odds of their becoming involved with the criminal justice system and puts them on the path to be productive citizens.

What would the SROs and JPDs do? The positions will focus on *juvenile crime prevention* starting as early as elementary school when the JPDs will work with students and parents to improve attendance and in school behavior. The SROs will work at the elementary schools and host programs like DARE or lunch time/ afterschool sports and activities that allow the officers to get to know children before delinquency begins.

The SROs and JPDs will focus on *truancy prevention*. They will help lead the School Attendance Review Board and as needed make home visits. The JPDs will provide counseling services to students as young as 4th or 5th grade with the goal of preventing more serious problems in middle and high school.

Drug and alcohol use among at-risk juveniles starts as early as Gr. 5. The JPDs will provide drug and alcohol counseling for students who are caught in possession or under the influence. While the high schools provide this service now, none of the K-8 schools have trained drug and alcohol abuse counselors.

This deployment to the schools will support *referrals to Child Welfare* so struggling families receive support before their children join gangs or other antisocial groups.

Gang prevention and support: The positions will work to prevent students from joining gangs and through diversion activities help gang-affiliated students leave the gangs. Juveniles affiliated with gangs will be directly served/monitored by the SROs and JPDs daily at the schools. This focus on gang activities starting in the middle schools is of heightened importance in light of the recent emergence of the Mack Town Boys gang and the killing in Eureka of a former graduate from Tsurai High School who had ties to local gangs. The North Bay has a serious situation that needs immediate attention, otherwise we will miss an opportunity to cease current activity. In the words of Northern Humboldt Superintendent Chris Hartley, who was an administrator at Zoe Barnum Continuation High in Eureka in the early 1990s, "these are the same symptoms as nearly 20 years ago that began the influx of gang activity in Eureka."

Early detection of at-risk juveniles: Through this partnership the schools will have frequent if not daily contact with the SROs and JPDs. This contact will allow the schools to bring struggling juveniles to the attention of the SROs and JPDs. These referrals will provide early warning before minors commit crimes that require stricter sanctions and they will allow the SROs and JPDs to establish relationships with students before they commit acts that require a more formal response.

Diversion of Juveniles from the Criminal Justice System: The SROs and JPDs, working with the Humboldt County Teen Court and the schools, will prevent youth from entering the justice system through a system that delivers consequences (through the JPDs, Teen Court and schools) and support including counseling.

An effective investment: The total grant request is approximately 5% of the projected Measure Z budget. If it results in 30 additional students a year graduating high school, entering the work force/going to college instead of dropping out and becoming burdens on the community the benefit to Humboldt will be profound.