



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 Blue Lake

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2017-18: \$75,317.00

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

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

The City of Blue Lake is requesting funding in the amount of \$75,000.00 to support the services of a ½ Humboldt County Sheriff Deputy to provide day-time patrol and citizen engagement activities in the City of Blue Lake. Currently, the City contracts with the Humboldt County Sheriff for the services of two full-time deputies who provide coverage seven days a week between the hours of 4:00p.m. and 4:00a.m. Coverage is not provided during the deputies scheduled vacations, trainings or sick day.

Due to scheduling needs, the City has no law enforcement coverage during the daytime hours. Daytime coverage would allow for greater interaction with the residents, businesses, school children, Neighborhood Watch and community preparedness groups and would allow greater control over issues surrounding traffic issues, including speeding and reckless driving. The City's elementary school is fronted by the City's designated "truck/business route," this area receives a high volume of traffic, much of which exceeds posted speed limits and ignores safety concerns. Without a daytime law enforcement presence there are no consequences for those that choose to ignore the health and safety of our school children and our residents.

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?

The City is working with the Sheriff Citizen on Patrol Program, our local civic groups and our local elementary school to develop alternative solutions to law enforcement. Through our Public Safety Commission, we have met with the SCOP Program to talk about ways to better engage our residents and resources in this program. We are very heartened to have several community members express interest in becoming involved with this worthwhile program; we are also working with our local civic groups and community preparedness groups to start walking patrol groups and are currently working with the Safe Routes to School Program to identify and implement a walking and biking program that includes volunteer crossing guards, signage and the identification of routes that are more safe for children to travel.

These efforts do not require large sums of money to implement or sustain; they do require active citizens and enthusiasm for the project and the outcomes...all of which Blue Lake has. The short term infusion of funding from the *Measure Z* Program will allow the City additional time to develop these additional programs and will give us the time necessary to properly plan for implementation and to train volunteers.

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?

Currently, the City of Blue Lake contracts with the Sheriff Department for two full time deputies; the source of funding for the deputies is derived from the City's General Fund Revenue.

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

Funding from the *Measure Z* Program will afford the City the time it needs to implement community based patrol programs that meet the needs of our residents and visitors. The City is committed to the implementation of community based citizen patrols and is actively working with the Safe Routes to School Program and our local elementary school to implement a crossing guard program throughout the community. The City is also working to develop traffic calming solutions for our high traffic areas and just recently installed four speed tables to slow down traffic near our park facilities. Although these projects are all moving forward, the time it will take to implement them exceeds the immediate need for daytime law enforcement. The funding of a ½ time deputy will meet an essential and immediate need as the City moves forward to establish a long term and sustainable solution.

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.

The City has been notified by the Humboldt County Sheriff that resources will be available to meet this request if the City is funded.

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)


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

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: 2.17.17

SIGNATURE: _____


AMANDA MAGER -
City Manager

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.



City of Blue Lake-2017 Measure Z Request

The City of Blue Lake is requesting funding from the Measure Z Program in the amount of \$75,000.00 to support the services of a half-time Humboldt County Sheriff Deputy for the City of Blue Lake. If funded, the deputy will conduct day-time patrols and provide community engagement opportunities, including report taking, interviews, traffic control, Neighborhood Watch check-ins and regular engagement activities with the local school district. Currently, the City of Blue Lake contracts with the Humboldt County Sheriff for the services of two full-time deputies; the deputies each work four (4) ten hour shifts, Monday through Sunday during the hours of 4:00 p.m.-4:00 a.m.

In order to combat increased criminal and transient activity in the City, the deputy's schedules were modified to provide late night and early morning patrols. This change in scheduling has reduced criminal and transient activity within the City but has created a large void for service during the day time hours. In the past, our day-time sheriff deputies regularly interacted with our local school children and provided more opportunities to engage with the public. The deputies also conducted regular traffic patrols to control traffic in the high traffic areas of the City. These patrols served to slow down traffic and brought greater awareness to vehicle operators of pedestrians and bicyclists. The deputies checked-in with our Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and met with business operators to hear concerns, etc...

Our local elementary school is located on the designated business/truck route, and as such receives a high volume of pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle intersection. During the morning hours, when children are being dropped off, or walking and biking to school, the level of traffic traveling in front of the school is at its highest levels. The traffic includes a high volume of semi-truck traffic and individuals traveling to work. Many individuals travel at rates of speed that are unsafe for the school zone knowing that the City has limited law enforcement coverage. The City Council has taken up this issue with the local business operators and has sent a letter to those operating in the City of the need to slow down in our school and residential areas. Without a law enforcement presence though, letters do little to combat lawlessness.

The level of service currently provided by the Sheriff Department has stretched the City's budget to the maximum extent possible and comprises over 31% of the City's general fund. The City's contract with the Sheriff increased by 6% in 2016 and is projected to increase again by 2% for the upcoming contract cycle. The City lacks the financial resources to add additional services without the support of the Measure Z Program.

Prior Year Results

Although the City of Blue Lake was awarded funding last year, the Sheriff was unable to provide the staff necessary to support the award.

Program Budget

Sheriff Deputy @ .50 FTE + Benefits-\$75,317.00

(The City will provide office space and other amenities as identified in our current contract with the Sheriff.)

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PURCHASING

The Humboldt County Citizens' Advisory Committee on *Measure Z* Expenditures is now accepting applications for funding.

Measure Z, Humboldt County's Public Safety/Essential Services Measure, was passed by the voters of Humboldt County in the November 2014 general election.

Measure Z will provide funds to maintain and improve public safety and essential services, such as:

- Investigating violent crimes, including rape and domestic violence;
- Maintaining 911 emergency response times;
- Ensuring on-duty Sheriff's deputies;
- Providing drug treatment programs;
- Providing services for the victims of child abuse;
- Maintaining rural fire protection and ambulance services; and
- Cleaning up environmentally-damaging marijuana farms and illegal dumping.

If you believe you provide public safety or essential services for Humboldt County, and would like to apply for *Measure Z* funding, an application for funding may be obtained on the County's website at

www.humboldt.gov.org, or by contacting Elishia Hayes, in the Humboldt County Administrative Office at (707) 445-7266.

APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING MUST BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M. ON February 17, 2017. POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR MEETING THIS DEADLINE.

Jonathan Flyer
Committee Chair

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