

ATTACHMENT 1
QUARTERLY AND FINAL SUMMARY REPORT
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT – MEASURE Z
Report Form



Organization Name: Fortuna Police Department _____ Report Date: 10/31/2019

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Please attach a narrative report addressing the items outlined in section I below. Feel free to attach any other relevant materials or reports.

I. QUARTERLY NARRATIVE

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A. Results/Outcomes

1. Please describe the Measure Z activities completed.

During 1st quarter of the Measure Z funding from July 1, 2019 to Sept 30, 2019 the following Measure Z activities were completed.

In this quarter, the FPD School Resource Officer (SRO) assigned to the Eel River Valley (ERV) introduced herself to all schools in the ERV. She worked with Mental Health crisis intervention on two occasions at Ferndale Elementary School and Eel River Community School. Our SRO has taken on the responsibility of working with the Ferndale Police Department to acquire free gun locks and has registered with the "Project Childsafe" and ordered 100 gun locks and training materials. Our SRO has provided resources and school supplies to homeless youth in the Eel River Valley, often paying for these supplies out of her own pocket.

Our SRO assisted HSU and the FBI in a threats case that occurred at HSU but the suspect resided in Fortuna.

2. How many people have been served and how.

- 1. The Fortuna Police Officer assigned, as the ERV SRO has been Measure Z funded since July 2017. Since the inception of the SRO position, our community has seen a direct and effectual impact on dialog between law enforcement and school administrators and faculty from Scotia to Loleta. Our SRO has impacted the 5,000 + students in the ERV, has spoken at school assemblies many times and has brought much needed school safety training to our school system. Our SRO has taken the lead on coordinating training within the school system with law enforcement.**

3. Who has benefited from the enhanced services.

The Fortuna Community and Eel River Valley schools, continues to see great benefits with the addition of this position of the School Resource Officer.

4. What difference did Measure Z funding make in our community and for the population you are serving? Please quantify the short-term impact of your project for the current year. *If you have evaluation materials that document outcomes and impacts of your work, feel free to attach them in lieu of answering this or other questions.*

Our SRO has helped coordinate and participated in programs such as “Movie in the Park” (Fortuna), Conducted threat assessments (threats of gun violence) and home assessments of firearms access and gun locks provided to families as an extra precaution. Our SRO handles daily traffic enforcement in school zones and regularly conducts school bus stop sign violations. Our SRO is currently in the planning process of Pedestrian Education for South School students and planning a “walk to school” event with Fortuna South School.

5. Please quantify the long-term impacts of your project. This would be for the entire time period that Measure Z has funded your project.

Measure Z funding of the School Resource Officer has provided a uniformed police presence in our schools and greatly increased the safety of the ERV school system. Our SRO is very accessible to students and staff and is a positive role model for our youth. Our SRO has brought the “Parent Project” to ERV schools, which is aimed at giving parents of elementary age children parenting skills which they may lack. Our SRO reports that she is seeing more students in need of mental health outreach and had focused much effort in this area.

6. Describe any unanticipated impacts of receiving Measure Z funding, positive or negative, not already described above.

The Measure Z funding of the School Resource Officer agent has been nothing but overwhelmingly positive and has had a positive impact on the safety of our schools. The addition of this position has resulted in positive community relations and positively changing the ERV schools making all ERV schools safer place and providing students a safe environment and bringing much needed positive role modeling and programs to ERV schools.

II. FINAL SUMMARY REPORT (please attach a maximum of 2 pages, exclusive of attachments)

A. Lessons Learned

1. Describe what you learned based on the results/outcomes you reported in Section A above and what, if any, changes you will make based on your results/outcomes.

We have learned that our Measure Z funded SRO has made our schools and community much safer. Juvenile arrests are down thanks to the relationships our SRO has built with the youth community.

2. What overall public safety improvements has your organization seen as a result of receiving Measure Z funding?

Having a uniformed SRO in the school system in the ERV has greatly improved public safety. Just recently (Oct 19) the Fortuna High School had a very real and dangerous active shooter threat that our SRO took on as the lead investigator. (More on this in Q2 report).