



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: Eureka City Schools

Mailing Address: 2100 J Street - Eureka, CA 95501

Contact Person: Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D. Title: Superintendent

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2023-2024: \$ 14 2,000

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: School District

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?

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

Eureka City Schools (ECS) is seeking funding for a full time School Resource Officer (SRO) to work with students in the greater Eureka area to assist in building positive law enforcement relationships, image and enhancing student safety.



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?

ECS has worked in partnership with Eureka Police Department for well over a decade. ECS and EPD are committed to the SRO program model and would like to expand it. As state funded agencies, student and school safety remains a priority.

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?

This would be an expansion over Eureka City School's current partnership with the Eureka Police Department. The source of this funding is the General Fund of the City of Eureka, Eureka City Schools, and previous funding through Measure Z. Last year, the 50% ECS funding was provided by Measure Z for the EPD SRO, since the Sheriff's Office was unable to staff the requested SRO position. At the beginning of this year, in January 2023, EPD hired a 2nd SRO. The 2nd SRO position would be funded through 2023-2024 Measure Z allocations, if awarded.

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

As public school Districts, we are eligible for many grants that other agencies are not. Unfortunately, we have not been successful in identifying a grant for a SRO, but there are many grants available for safe school training. We will also be able to have this officer join a team of other SRO's in Humboldt County on a safe school taskforce. Safe schools resonates with our community and will build tremendous community support.

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. This is continuing effort between ECS and EPD.

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:

The full cost for a School Resource Officer through Eureka Police Department, including salary and health/welfare benefits, is \$142,000 per year. In the 2023-2024 fiscal year, we are requesting \$142,000 to staff an officer for one full year.



REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Include the 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

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: 02/14/23

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

Exhibit E

PROPOSED BUDGET

Agency Name: Eureka City Schools
Coordinator/Contact: Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D.
Address: 2100 J Street - Eureka, CA 95501
Phone: 707-441-2414

Descriptions	Costs	Requested Budget	Remaining Balance
A. Personnel Costs			
Title: School Resource Officer through Eureka Police Department Salary and Benefits The full cost for a school resource officer, including health Calculation: and welfare benefits. Additional Info: Office supplies, computer, and space, to be Duties Description: provided by ECS.	142,000.00		-142000
Title: Salary and Benefits Duties Description:			0
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Total Personnel:	142,000.00	0.00	(142,000.00)
B. Operational Costs (Rent, Utilities, Phones, etc.)			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Total Operating Costs:	0	0	0
C. Consumables/Supplies (Supplies and Consumables should be separate)			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Total Consumable/Supplies:	0	0	0
D. Transportation/Travel (Local and Out-of-County should be separate)			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Total Transportation/Travel Costs:	0	0	0
E. Fixed Assets			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Title: Description:			
Total Other Costs:	0	0	0

Primary Narrative and Proposal

(Primary Narrative and Proposal Contingent on the Position Being Filled through the Eureka Police Department)

School Resource Officer Partnership with Eureka Police Department

(Allocation of \$142,000)

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Humboldt County Schools have the highest population of students (by percentage) in California who have experienced Adverse Childhood Experiences. This in combination with the highest percentage of students with disabilities in Humboldt County creates a need to better serve our youth. An effective SRO will have a positive impact on the future of students and our community.

Researchers at Canada's Carleton University conducted a two-year study of an SRO program in the Regional Municipality of Peel. In their 2018 report, they concluded that for every dollar invested in a school resource officer program, a minimum of \$11.13 of social and economic value was created. The report lists numerous benefits of the program, including:

- Prevention or minimization of property damage in the school and surrounding areas.
- Prevention of student injuries and even death due to violence, drug overdoses, etc.
- Reduction of the need for schools to call 911.
- Reduction of the likelihood that a student will get a criminal record.
- Increase of the likelihood that students (particularly those with mental health issues) will get the help they need from the social service and health care systems.
- Increase in feelings of safety among students and staff.

Prior Year Results | 2022-2023 Funding

Eureka City Schools received \$79,000 in funding in 2022-2023.

Due to staffing and retention issues, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office has been unable to fill the School Resource Officer Position pursuant to the original 2022-2023 proposal.

School Resource Officer Partnership

(Allocation of \$79,000)

Q1 Report – Submitted 10/20/22: No Allocation Requested

Q2 Report – Submitted 01/23/23: No Allocation Requested

Note: The \$79,000 2022-2024 Measure Z funding will be allocated to the Eureka Police Department SRO who started in January 2023.