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## CAC Support

**CACs** The Josephine County Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) program<sup>1</sup> was established in 1976. The function of CACs is to review and provide comments on any land use or land division applications in their areas in accordance with Oregon Statewide Goal 1 - Citizen Involvement.<sup>2</sup>

The Josephine Board County of Commissioners (BCC) is responsible for this program.

*“Adequate human and financial resources shall be allocated to accomplish the purposes of the program.”<sup>1</sup>*

**Issue** The issue is the lack of adequate human and financial resources to support the county’s CAC program, especially one-time CAC inventories.<sup>1</sup>

**Cooperation** We believe that effective citizen involvement is essential to good government. Elected officials, staff and citizens all play important roles in governing Josephine County. Cooperation between the county and citizens results in the best policy decisions.

**Leadership** Citizens look forward to working with the BCC, the Josephine County Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC), and the BCC staff to develop the needed one-time CAC inventories and handbooks.

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<sup>1</sup> Josephine County Ordinance No. 93-13.

<sup>2</sup> See web page <http://www.lcd.state.or.us/goalsrul.html> and OAR 660-015-0000(1).

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## One Time Need To Fund CAC Inventories & Handbooks

**Inventories & Handbooks** The BCC needs to demonstrate its interest and support (spend some “political capital”) for citizen involvement and apply for a one-time grant from the Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development for CAC inventories and handbooks.

- ! Updated electronic copies of Josephine County’s Rural Land Development Code (RLDC) made available to those having hard copies.
- ! Lists of names, addresses of property owners, and registered voters provided by CAC area, including access to computer program for updates.
- ! GIS maps and GIS data base information provided by CAC area.
- ! GIS program provided to CACs like it is provided to watershed councils.
- ! Assessor socio-economic data provided by CAC area.
- ! County Citizen Involvement Handbook.
- ! County CAC Organizational Functions Handbook developed to address: new or revised bylaws, bookkeeping system, assumed business name, Federal tax ID number, incorporating as 501(c)(3), mailings at “nonprofit” rates, elections, running meetings, etc.
- ! Other information which could be helpful in promoting citizen involvement.



**Grant Process** The *Hugo Neighborhood* is ready to do its part, and its representatives volunteer to act as county staff in applying for the grant.

- *Hugo Neighborhood* Would Develop Grant
  - BCC Would “Ask” DLCD for Grant
- Grant Process Would Not Cost County a Dime

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## More Information

The Josephine County Citizen Involvement Plan (CIP) was established in 1976. However, there has been no budget allocated to implement the plan, especially to fund the functions of the CACs, since the 1980 - 1981 budget year.

Has the CAC program been successfully implemented during the last 20 years? The *Hugo Neighborhood* believes the CIC is in the best position to consider the question (see brochure entitled, *Role of JO CO’s Citizen Involvement Committee: A Citizen Issue Paper*).



How do you feel? If you agree with us please make your concerns known to your neighbors, our county commissioners, members of the CIC, and/or become a co-sponsor of this issue paper.

Would you like to learn more about citizen involvement in land use planning? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.

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## Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making.

The *Hugo Neighborhood* is a nonprofit association composed of a voluntary group of citizens interested in both the land use and history of the Hugo area, which is located in Josephine County, Oregon.

### Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote the social welfare of the citizens of the area by working to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and by preserving, protecting, and enhancing the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, as requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent them-selves.

On January 1, 2003 the *Hugo Neighborhood* is initiating the concept of volunteer membership dues. The dues are \$10.00 annually and will be used strictly for paper, ink, envelopes, and stamps to publish and sometimes mail documents.

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