

## Josephine (JO) County (CO) Justice System (JS) & Public Safety Services (PSS)

### JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services<sup>1-4</sup>

The 2012 expiration of federal funding for services resulted in two JO CO proposed levies as a solution. They both failed. **“Is JO CO providing a minimally adequate level of public safety services?”**

**SECURING OUR SAFETY (SOS)**<sup>5</sup> Securing Our Safety (SOS) is a non-profit that formed in 2012. <http://securingoursafety.org/> What standards will SOS use for determining the accomplishment of SOS’s mission?

- To Provide A Citizen-Voiced Plan For JO CO
- To Provide For A Secure JO CO
- To Provide For A Stable JO CO
- To Provide For A Sustainable JO CO

**SOS’s Mission Standard: Provide A Citizen-Voiced Plan for Josephine County**

### PROVIDE A CITIZEN-VOICED PLAN FOR JO CO

**Surveys**<sup>6</sup> SOS has to date surveyed nearly 1,200 JO CO residents, almost all of whom desire solutions to restoring our local Public Safety and Criminal Justice Services. There may be some differences of opinion on the best solutions, but we desire to be a voice of the citizens and are currently working hard to collect as much input as possible and educate the public on the dangers of not having an adequately funded criminal justice system.

1. Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (HNA&HS). July 9, 2013. *Justice System Exploratory Committee*. Hugo, OR.

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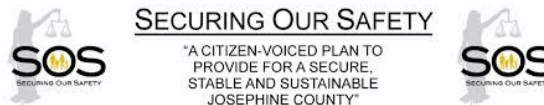
## SOS’s Mission Standard: To Provide A Citizen-Voiced Plan For JO CO

**March 2013 Questions & Answers**<sup>7</sup> SOS and its volunteer members are trying to collect answers to any questions that come our way regarding funding proposals or questions about how to make our county a secure, stable, and sustainable place to live. This included a number of questions about the levy placed on the May 2013 ballot by the Josephine County Commissioners.

### Survey Results

<http://securingoursafety.org/survey-results/>

The interim survey results are available now that SOS has gathered significant input from JO CO residents. The January 10, 2013 survey collection is ongoing!



### COMBINED SOS SURVEY SUMMARY: 01/10/13

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## Securing Our Safety (SOS)

### “HOT” SURVEY QUESTIONS: 01/10/13

<http://securingoursafety.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/sos-survey-stats-hot-topics-1-10-13.pdf>

### SOS - Selected Survey Stats - Grand Total

Sales Tax		Property Tax		Consolidation	
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
534	463	671	313	522	469
54%	46%	68%	32%	53%	47%

### County Voters

Sales Tax		Property Tax		Consolidation	
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
304	270	349	211	341	227
53%	47%	62%	38%	60%	40%

### City Voters

Sales Tax		Property Tax		Consolidation	
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
225	192	317	101	178	239
54%	46%	76%	24%	43%	57%

### Provide A Citizen-Voiced Plan For JO CO

**Need to contact SOS**

**Want more information?** Contact a member of the *Exploratory Committee*.

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4. HNA&HS. July 24, 2013. *Government Needs Support*. Hugo, OR.

5. Securing Our Safety. Downloaded July 29, 2013. *Home Page of SOS*, <http://securingoursafety.org/>. Grants Pass, OR.

6. SOS. Downloaded July 29, 2013. *Questions & Answers, SOS*, <http://securingoursafety.org/qa/>. JO CO, OR.

7. SOS. Downloaded July 29, 2013. *SOS Teams*.

<http://securingoursafety.org/the-can-do-list/>. JO CO, OR.

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## Exploratory Committee's Mission

**Mission** An independent Justice System and Public Safety Services Exploratory Committee (*Exploratory Committee*) to investigate the JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services (JS&PSS) issue was formed under the leadership of the Hugo Neighborhood Association and Historical Society (HNA&HS).

Big picture ideas for the exploratory effort include the following.

1. Identifying the JS&PSS issue.
2. Identifying the JS&PSS sub-issues for research and analysis.
3. Identifying a range in level of services
4. Identifying a range of cost for services.
5. Identifying revenues for services.

The ultimate goal is an adequate justice system and public safety services. Is it possible to have a higher level of service for a lower cost? The purpose of the *Exploratory Committee* is to gather information adequate enough to understand the JS&PSS issues. This includes educational outreach efforts.

The *Exploratory Committee's* purpose is limited to investigating and researching the JS&PSS issues. It will not make evaluations of right or wrong, nor make recommendations on how to vote.

The contents of this brochure are expressions of the opinions and beliefs of those that contribute based on their thoughts and experiences. Hopefully, their efforts will assist the public toward informed decision-making.

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### *Justice System Exploratory Committee*

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### Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society

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