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

JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services

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?”**¹⁻²

Josephine County Assessor

<http://www.co.josephine.or.us/SectionIndex.asp?SectionID=103>

The JO CO Assessor’s Office is composed of four sections: Administration, Appraisal, Manufactured Dwelling Transfers, and Personal Property & Cartography. Services and duties provided:

- Locate & identify all taxable property.
- Inventory all property including quality, quantity, & important characteristics.
- Estimate the market value of each taxable property.
- Answer appeals and explain the assessment process used.
- Administer all Special Assessment Statutes that pertain to certain classes of property.
- Calculate the tax rate and compute each tax bill.
- Prepare the assessment roll.
- Prepare & maintain all county maps including subdivision, partitioning and code identification.
- Perform Manufactured Dwelling title transfers.

Constance L. Roach has been the JO CO Assessor since 2009.

Justice System Exploratory Committee

Josephine County Assessor Advice: 2008³

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

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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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