# 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.
Both levies failed. "Is JO CO providing a minimally
adequate level of public safety services?"<sup>1-4</sup>

MISSION, VISION, GOALS, BUDGET JO CO "Your Sheriff's Office"

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**Mission** The mission of the JO CO Sheriff's Office is to strive to provide superior public safety services in a professional, ethical, and fiscally responsible manner.

## Sheriff's Office: Proactive Policing

**PROACTIVE POLICING**<sup>5</sup> Proactive policing involves using statistics and mapping to maximize our patrol efforts and keep your communities safer. Due to budget and staffing cuts, the majority of our proactive programs have been terminated. We currently have one grant-funded analyst position that will expire in November 2012.

**Crime Trends** The Sheriff's Office wants to keep you informed on any developing crime trends. This site will be updated regularly as patterns and sprees are identified, so you can help us be vigilant and prepared to prevent crime.

**ScamWatch** If you are aware of a scam, and you believe it is unique to Josephine County, please call 541-474-5123 and leave a voicemail message.

If it is a scam that is more likely state- or even nation-wide, contact the Attorney General's Hotline at 1-877-877-9392.

If you have been scammed on the internet, you can file a complaint through the Internet Crime Complaint Center.

**Crime Prevention** This page provides tips on what you can do to help prevent crime.

#### JO CO Sheriff's Office

**Sex Offender Sweeps** The Sex Offender Sweep program is currently suspended due to budget and staffing cuts. Patrol deputies are currently only able to respond to in progress, life threatening emergencies.

From December 2010 through May 2012, deputies used a list provided by Oregon State Police to search for out-of-compliance sex offenders and force them into compliance.

Since the "Sex Offender Sweeps" started in December 2010, the Sheriff's Office has 26 out-of-compliance offenders. Many offenders have been identified as having moved out of state, in which cases we refer their information to the U.S. Marshal to pursue them if they haven't registered elsewhere. Five offenders registered shortly after the sweeps were publicized, likely as a result.

Other offenders whom we pursued were either unable to be located or out of compliance due to extenuating circumstances, such as being imprisoned elsewhere.

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

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

<sup>2.</sup> HNA&HS. July 24, 2013. *Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission*. Hugo, OR.

<sup>3.</sup> HNA&HS. July 9, 2013. All Voters & Votes Are Legitimate. Hugo, OR.

<sup>4.</sup> HNA&HS. July 24, 2013. Government Needs Support. Hugo, OR.

<sup>5.</sup> Transcribed by the Hugo Justice System (HJS) Exploratory Committee, HNA&HS Downloaded August 26, 2013. *Josephine County Sheriff's Office Overview*. http://jocosheriff.us/component/content/. Hugo, OR.

### 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.
- Identifying the JS&PSS sub-issues for research and analysis.
- 3. Identifying a range in level of services
- 4. Identifying a range of costs 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 pubic 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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