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

JO CO Justice System & Public Safety Services¹⁻² The 2012 expiration of federal funding for services resulted in two JO CO proposed levies as a solution. The two measures failed, and we believe an informed public will consider the question behind the 2013 Measure 17 - 49, the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Three Year Local Option Tax.

"Is JO CO providing a minimally adequate level of public safety services?"

The Grants Pass Daily Courier had comprehensive coverage of the JS&PSS issue in August 2013.

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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.
- 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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