



# COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

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Re: **Support for Emergency Operations Center and Community Resilience Center at the Fort Bragg Veteran's Memorial Hall**

To Whom It May Concern:

As chair and on behalf of the Mendocino County Supervisors, I am writing to support the grant application to prepare the Veteran's Memorial Hall in Fort Bragg as an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Community Resilience Center (CRC), as well as a planning process to expand community resilience through additional satellite resilience centers.

Services in the County of Mendocino are often isolated – separated by multiple mountain ranges and spread over a countryside with nearly the same square miles as the states of Delaware and Rhode Island, combined. Establishing EOCs and CRCs in locations like the Fort Bragg Veteran's Memorial Hall is essential. Fort Bragg is a community isolated from services in the County seat in Ukiah. This project prepares residents of Fort Bragg and the Northern Mendocino Coast to be more resilient in the face of major events, including events prompted by climate change. Likewise, the community of Fort Bragg often serves as a host community when inland residents flee fire and smoke caused by inland wildfires.

This proposal also offers the opportunity to identify funding to ensure that the Veteran's Memorial Hall remains open and active as a community resource for veterans for many years to come.

This proposal will be a sound investment for the State of California. If you would like to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glenn McGourty".

Glenn McGourty, Chair  
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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