

Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Megan Wolf and I am a resident of Willits.

I teach 5th grade in Willits, and I am appalled at the lack of services for mental health and low income families in this county. We need more preventive and proactive community services.

I am writing to demand that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors adopt a county budget that prioritizes community wellbeing, and redirects funding away from the Sheriff's Department, Juvenile Hall, Jail and Probation offices. In the proposed budget, these 4 departments make up 43% of the overall budget. Given the circumstances of the public health crisis, it is more urgent than ever that the Board of Supervisors redirect a significant portion of this budget towards proactive programs that prevent crime and improve living conditions. I demand a budget that reflects the real needs of Mendocino County residents including affordable housing programs, community based mental health services, and more.

Thank you for your time,

Megan Wolf