Hello Supervisors,

I urge you to increase the funding for the Mendocino Fire Safe Council beyond the FY 21-22 budget amount of \$25,000 to at least \$100,000, the FY 20-21 level. With the growing threat to our communities of wild fires, continuing to fund the only entity that is working closely with neighborhoods to support fire mitigation and education is a critical need. The MFSC does not have easy ways to fund their day to day operating costs. Without the county's support their services will be drastically impacted.

Thank you,

Diann Simmons,

Member, Steering Committee, Lower Deerwood Fire Safe Council