



# 2026 Board of Supervisors Member Priorities



# Questions

1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?
2. What are your top 3 priorities for Mendocino County?



# District 1

## 1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?

- Long term water supply reliability and storage infrastructure (4)
- Improve road maintenance (4)
- Proactive emergency preparedness and response (4)



# District 2

## 1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?

- **Completing a smooth and transparent annexation and service coordination process (1)**

My priority is to continue moving annexation discussions forward in a way that is clear, collaborative, and fiscally responsible. This includes clear data on the tax-sharing and service agreements, improving public understanding of annexation impacts, and ensuring that surrounding communities such as Potter Valley and Redwood Valley are supported as city boundaries and service areas evolve.

- **Housing production tied to economic stability (3)**

Housing remains a top district priority, with an emphasis on moving approved projects into construction. This includes market-rate housing, affordable and senior housing, tribal housing, and supportive and sober living. Projects such as Bella Vista, Vineyard Crossings, the Pinoleville housing project, the Intertribal Village on Cooper Lane, and the now-completed Ukiah Recovery Center sober living are critical to stabilizing our workforce and community.

- **Community wellness and public safety through prevention and care (2)**

Community wellness continues to be a district priority, with a focus on behavioral health, substance misuse recovery, homelessness response, and safety. This includes maintaining effective crisis co-response, expanding access to treatment and recovery services, improving trash and encampment cleanup coordination, and reducing recidivism through better behavioral health and reentry support.



# District 3

1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?

- Economic Development (3)
- Cuts to the Safety Net (4)
- Emergency Preparedness (4)



# District 4

## 1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?

- Continued support of public health, developing a structurally sound budget (2,3)
- Support social services and behavioral health with improving outreach to those suffering from street level homelessness (2)
- Assessing the barriers between planning & building, and environmental health. Creating an easier and less costly path for the public (1)



# District 5

## 1. What are the top 3 Priorities for your Supervisorial District?

- Roads (requires more money or a different approach) (4)
- Staff time for in-district maintenance/projects (1)
- Fair share of meetings in district (especially the coast) based on population/revenue (1)



# Commonalities

Across all districts, the strongest shared priorities are infrastructure (especially roads), emergency preparedness and public safety, health and social services, and long-term economic and fiscal stability, with additional emphasis on improving government efficiency and access.

- a) Infrastructure & Maintenance (especially roads and systems)
- b) Emergency Preparedness & Public Safety
- c) Health, Social Services & Community Wellness
- d) Economic Stability & Development
- e) Efficiency, Coordination & Government Processes





# Discussion



# Countywide Priorities

## 2. What are your top 3 priorities for Mendocino County?

### **District 1**

- Improve government operations, fiscal strength, and transparency (1)
- Invest in economic development and empower local businesses through efficient permitting (3)
- Increase coordination of both enforcement and services for those experiencing homelessness (2)

### **District 2 \***

- Housing and economic development across the county (3)
- Strengthening the continuum of care for mental health, homelessness, and substance misuse (2)
- Sustainable infrastructure and public safety funding (4)

*\* Additional information in Attachment A*

### **District 3**

- Economic Development (3)
- Budget and Transparency (1)
- Cuts to the Safety Net (1)



# Countywide Priorities

## 2. What are your top 3 priorities for Mendocino County?

### **District 4**

- Continued support of public health, developing a structurally sound budget (1, 3)
- Support social services and behavioral health with improving outreach to those suffering from street level homelessness (2)
- Assessing the barriers between planning & building, and environmental health. Creating an easier and less costly path for the public (3)

### **District 5**

- Fix the accounting software/system/architecture to end the excuses (1)
- Accurate, complete, transparent, and timely tax collection (3)
- Modernization of internal processes, tools (paperless)(1)



# Commonalities

Across all districts, the common countywide priorities are strengthening government operations and fiscal transparency, supporting economic development, and addressing homelessness and behavioral health. Additional shared themes include modernizing systems, improving permitting processes, and maintaining sustainable infrastructure and public safety.

- Government Operations, Fiscal Strength & Transparency
- Economic Development
- Housing & Homelessness
- Modernization / Process Improvements
- Infrastructure / Public Safety Funding



# Discussion

**Supervisor Mulheren, Second District, Mendocino County 2026:**

**A. What are the top three priorities for your Supervisorial District?**

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**B. What are your top three priorities for Mendocino County?**

**1. Housing and economic development across the county**

## Attachment A

Countywide, my top priority is increasing housing supply while supporting economic development. This includes reducing barriers in the permitting process, supporting ADUs, mobile home parks, apartment developments, and tribal housing, and advancing projects from entitlement to construction. Economic development efforts should continue to focus on agriculture, cannabis, recreation tourism, broadband expansion, and remote work opportunities, particularly in rural areas.

### 2. Strengthening the continuum of care for mental health, homelessness, and substance misuse.

Mendocino County has made meaningful progress in behavioral health infrastructure, homelessness response, and substance misuse prevention. The next step is improving outcomes. Priorities include updating the Homeless Strategic Plan, strengthening coordination through HMIS, expanding recovery and post-treatment supports, addressing jail recidivism, and ensuring consistent trash and encampment cleanup strategies that balance public health, dignity, and accountability.

### 3. Sustainable infrastructure and public safety funding

The County must pursue long-term, sustainable funding solutions for public safety, roads and fire services. Temporary measures are not sufficient. In addition, continued investment in outdoor recreation infrastructure such as Lake Mendocino access, the Russian River, and the Great Redwood Trail supports public health, tourism, and quality of life. Improving active transportation safety and maintaining critical infrastructure remain essential countywide priorities.