Argument in Favor of Measure T

Vote YES on Measure T to protect our quality of life and keep Redlands clean, safe and strong.

Redlands is one of the few cities in the County with its own Police and Fire Departments – Measure T is critical to maintaining this local control so our police and firefighter/paramedics are available when needed and not diverted to other cities.

Calls for 911 emergencies, crime rates and fire risks are much higher than in the past. Fast response times are critical for saving lives. However, we have fewer police officers and firefighter/paramedics in Redlands today than 10 years ago.

The City has maintained services and had a balanced budget for the past 12 years. However, State mandates have impacted Redlands and we are now experiencing shrinking revenues. The City has been fiscally responsible, laying off staff and reducing costs, but there is no more room to cut without impacting critical city services, including public safety services.

Measure T helps keep up with basic repairs and maintenance to public facilities, storm drains and sidewalks — repairs that will only get more expensive if we don’t address them now.

We need Measure T to protect public safety services and maintain the quality of life our residents deserve.

Vote YES on T:

- Maintain public areas, parks, recreation programs and our library
- Repair sidewalks, curbs, storm drains and public buildings
- Help address homelessness
- Protect public safety, neighborhood police patrols and crime prevention services
- Provide fire protection and paramedic services and replace outdated firefighting and lifesaving equipment

A Clear System of Accountability

- All funds must support Redlands services – the State can’t take a penny of Measure T
- Independent citizens’ oversight and annual reports to the community are required
- Essentials like groceries and medicine are exempt

Join local business owners, public safety officials and neighbors: vote YES on T!
STATEMENT BY PROONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS:

Elections Code section 9600 requires that all arguments concerning measures shall be accompanied by the following statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument.

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the:

Check the appropriate box below:

X Argument In Favor of (Proponents)
Rebuttal to the Argument In Favor of (Opponents)
Argument Against (Opponents)
Rebuttal to the Argument Against (Proponents)

Ballot measure __ at the __ election for the
(Measure Letter) (Title of Election)

City of Redlands __ to be held on __ hereby state that this
(Jurisdiction) (Date of Election)

argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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Proponents/Authors:

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Title Redlands Resident & Firefighter

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Title Redlands Resident & Business Owner
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