

PRESERVING AND PROTECTING ACCESSIBLE HEALTHCARE ON THE COAST

Mendocino Coast Health Care District (MCHCD) supports thriving, healthy communities on the Coast by ensuring continuous, accessible, high-quality, sustainable healthcare. In 2020, due to the uncertainty surrounding the hospital's finances and future, MCHCD contracted with Adventist Health, a large healthcare network with stable financial and professional resources. Adventist Health Mendocino Coast is a key component of healthcare services along the Coast, is the largest employer in the region and provides a broad range of services to our community.



LOCAL FUNDING FOR HOSPITAL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

Some of the hospital facilities are 52 years old and need major repairs and upgrades. While no decisions have been made at this time, to stay compliant with the law and keep the hospital open here on the Coast, the MCHCD Board of Directors is exploring placing a bond measure on the November 2024 ballot that could generate up to \$20 million to repair and update the hospital facilities. A potential measure could cost approximately \$27 per \$100,000 of a property's assessed value (not market value) per year while bonds are outstanding. If approved by local voters, the funds from this measure would:



Provide seismic retrofitting to all hospital facilities so they meet current safety standards



Repair or replace leaky roofs, deteriorating electrical and plumbing systems in the hospital and other hospital facilities



Keep local emergency room open



Prevent ambulance operations on the Coast from closing



Continue essential healthcare at our local hospital and clinic

MANDATORY FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

A potential measure would be subject to strict fiscal accountability provisions, including:

- A detailed project list would identify the projects to be funded by the potential measure
- All funds would be locally controlled and could not be taken by the State or used for other purposes
- Independent citizens oversight, annual audits and public financial disclosures would ensure proper use of funds

WE VALUE YOUR INPUT

As we plan for the future of our local hospital and other healthcare needs on the Coast, we want to hear from you. To share your opinions or to ask questions, contact MCHCD Administrator, Kathy Wylie, at kwylie@mcdh.org. Learn more at www.mchcd.org/facilities-update.