

Argument in Favor of Measure B

Children in Solano County need your help. Parents, teachers, nurses, faith leaders, community volunteers all agree that something must be done. Resources for children and families are very limited and the heartbreaking results can be seen everywhere, in our schools, our hospitals, our churches.

Two measures on this ballot can change that. Measure A raises \$16.8 million annually through a ¼ cent sales tax increase for ten years. Measure B dedicates 100% of these funds to meet the developmental and safety needs of all of the Children of Solano regardless of family income, race, gender, or disability.

These measures were placed on the ballot by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors at the request of a grassroots group of parents and professionals who want to improve the lives of Solano's children. We did the research, gathered the data and surveyed the public. The same critically needed services were at the top of everyone's list. Measure B will make sure that these funds are dedicated to:

- **Homeless Children**-Make sure homeless children can stay in school
- **Prevention of Child Abuse**-Keep children safe by preventing the circumstances that lead to abuse.
- **Quality Preschool and Afterschool Programs**-Assure access to high quality early learning programs that lead to success in school.
- **Preventative Child Health Care**-Reach families early to prevent child health problems.
- **Jobs for Youth**-Expand youth job opportunities to successful career pathways.

If we invest in children, we will save lives and save money and provide what children need to be self-reliant adults. These investments provide a hand up, not a hand out. **Our children need and deserve to be safe and to succeed in school and in life.**

Please join us and **Vote "Yes" on Measure B and also vote "Yes" on Measure A!**
Our children deserve it!

/s/Erin Hannigan, Chairwoman of the Solano County Board of Supervisors

/s/Erik Upson, Chief of Police, City of Benicia

/s/John Anderson, Board Chair of the Solano Children's Network

/s/Lenesha Anderson, Parent Advocate

/s/Christie Speck, Board President of Solano Family & Children's Services