

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE X

Simply stated, Measure XX has helped keep Union City residents safe for the last 16 years. It has provided the City with a dedicated source of public safety funding with proven results.

Measure XX provides critical funding to police, fire and youth violence prevention programs that help to keep our neighborhoods safe, ensure 911 emergency response and prevent our kids from getting into a life of trouble.

Since 2004 when Measure XX was first put in place, there has been a 30% reduction in property and violent crime. Other cities throughout the State have experienced an increase in violent crime; but, Measure XX has provided a critical source of funding for police to help keep Union City's violent crime rate decreasing and graduation rates at a sustained increase.

However, this critical public safety funding source will expire next year. Without Measure XX, the community will experience deep and devastating cuts to the number of on-duty police officers, firefighters, and paramedics and the elimination of violence prevention programs working to keep us safe. This would result in slower 9-1-1 emergency response, increases in youth and violent crime and leave Union City less prepared for a disaster.

Measure XX is on the ballot to extend this critical public safety funding .

. Voting Yes on XX will:

- Preserve 911 emergency response and disaster preparedness
- Maintain youth violence prevention, gang intervention and crisis response programs for greater school and community safety
- Maintain neighborhood police patrols
- Prevent additional fire station closures and reductions in on duty firefighters and paramedics

Measure XX will continue strict fiscal accountability protections that include keeping all funds local and dedicated to public safety services only; ensuring businesses pay their fair share; exemptions for eligible low income residents and independent yearly financial audits to ensure funds are being spent properly.

Please vote Yes on XX.

X Carol Dutra-Vernaci

Carol Dutra-Vernaci, Mayor

X Kashmir Singh

Kashmir Shahi Singh, Human Relations Commissioner

X Emily Duncan

Emily Duncan, Vice Mayor

X Stan Rodrigues

Stan Rodrigues, Union City Police Officers' Association

X Remy Fortier

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