

Argument in Favor of Measure N

No one knows when a life-threatening emergency will strike, but when it does, seconds matter. Passage of Measure N will ensure that our local hospital is here when you need it.

Following the Northridge earthquake, many California hospitals suffered significant damage and were forced to suspend some or all services. In response, the state legislature approved Senate Bill 1953 requiring every California hospital to meet stringent seismic safety standards, or risk closure. Our hospital does not meet those standards.

John C. Fremont Hospital is the only hospital in Mariposa County. It provides 24-hour access to emergency care where highly qualified doctors, nurses and specialists provide life-saving medical care for victims of accidents, heart attacks, rattlesnake bites and other emergencies.

Built almost 70 years ago, the hospital is outdated and nearing the end of its useful life. Measure N will provide the funds needed to upgrade the facilities by building a new, seismically safe hospital for our community.

In addition, Measure N will:

- Ensure that our hospital and its Emergency Room stays open and fully operational to provide essential medical care when you need it;
- Expand and modernize the Emergency Room to reduce wait times, create space for large diagnostic equipment and otherwise improve patient care;
- Replace outdated medical equipment with modern, state-of-the-art technology, including both diagnostic and support equipment to meet the operating needs of the hospital;
- Build facilities essential to attract and retain the highly qualified medical professionals needed to serve our community.

With a new, modern hospital, made possible with the passage of Measure N, we can continue to expand and enhance the life-saving emergency services and other medical care provided locally for generations to come.

Our local hospital needs your support. Please vote YES on Measure N.

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