

# Measure H

## Voter Information

Dear Neighbors:

Thank you to the hundreds of residents who participated in the “Join the Conversation” community survey! We are grateful the community values the services our City provides.

In response to this community input, the Los Banos City Council unanimously placed Measure H on the November 6, 2018 ballot. If approved, Measure H would provide additional local funds for essential Los Banos city services.

With much of the violent crime in Los Banos being gang-related, maintaining our police force and the prevention programs that keep kids, neighborhoods, schools and parks safe is a community and City priority.

As you may already know, Los Banos Police and Fire Departments serve one of the fastest growing areas in California, but we’ve been down nine police officers, firefighters and 911 dispatchers since the recession. The Los Banos Police and Fire Chiefs have recommended including as many as 10 additional police officers, firefighters and dispatchers to assist the City’s public safety efforts.

If approved, Measure H will also support community priorities such as:

- Answering 911 calls
- Preventing theft, residential property, and auto-related crimes like burglary and robbery
- Protecting and maintaining 911 response times for police officers and firefighters
- Protecting and maintaining anti-gang and youth violence protection programs
- Maintaining fiscal stability and keeping taxpayer dollars local

Measure H requires all funds to be used in Los Banos and also requires independent oversight and annual reports to ensure funds are spent properly. Measure H funds are protected by law from the state. No funds can be taken by Sacramento.

### **Other Documents:**

Measure H Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

City Council Resolution Placing Measure H on the ballot

Ordinance

Measure H Presentation