

Argument Form

Election Date: March 03, 2020

Select Type of Argument

Argument in Favor of Measure G

Measure Title

A Measure Pertaining to the Sacramento Children's Fund Act of 2020.

Reason for Argument (Max 300 Words)

Measure G will improve the lives of thousands of Sacramento children without raising taxes.

Measure G funds services to help children do better in school, graduate, go to college and gain work skills. Measure G will help reduce neighborhood crime, prevent youth homelessness and decrease truancy and school dropout rates.

Measure G funds summer and afterschool programs, tutoring, mental health services, job training, and school readiness programs. Through Measure G, we will keep thousands of Sacramento's most vulnerable children from falling through the cracks.

Measure G does not raise taxes. It simply requires the City to set aside a modest amount of existing funding each year, 2.5% of its growing general budget, to support Sacramento youth.

Sacramento currently does not have a stable funding source for children and youth. Funding fluctuates based on the politics of the moment and is often in response to an out of control problem. Measure G will change that by consistently funding services to prevent kids from getting off track, which will save taxpayers millions down the road.

The measure will require the Council to appoint a volunteer Planning and Oversight Commission - with public health experts, educators, parents and youth - responsible for developing a 3-year strategic plan.

The measure requires the City to annually evaluate programs for impact and effectiveness. In 12 years, voters will have the opportunity to review the measure's success and determine whether or not they want to renew it.

Through Measure G, Sacramento will become known around the country as a community that has taken a stand for children and youth.

Vote for Sacramento's kids and our future.

Please join teachers, pediatricians, youth and community leaders and law enforcement in voting YES on Measure G.

More info at www.sackidsfirst.org

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