

## Rebuttal Form

**Election Date: March 03, 2020**

**Select Type of Rebuttal**

Rebuttal to Argument in Opposition of Measure G

**Measure Title**

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

**Reason for Rebuttal (Max 250 Words)**

Measure G is about investing in Sacramento's youth by funding afterschool and summer programs, job training, and mental health supports so that our kids will have a better chance of succeeding in school, career, and beyond. Measure G will reach thousands of youth annually.

Too many Sacramento kids are not getting the opportunities they deserve, and our City must do better. The funding the City currently spends on youth doesn't mean much if kids are still failing in school, homeless, or contemplating suicide, particularly when young people account for more than 25% of Sacramento's population

Opponents are trying to scare you by distorting the facts. The City's general fund has grown by 44% or \$189 million since 2014. Just as we have found money for a basketball arena and a soccer stadium, the City can set aside a modest 2.5% of its general fund to invest in our kids.

Measure G increases accountability. The Mayor and Council appoint the Oversight Commission and have the ultimate say on the spending plan. The Commission drafts the plan and an annual evaluation that will be posted online.

Without raising taxes, it's time to invest in our own future by supporting young people through prevention programs that will clearly save us money in the long run. It's not only the right thing to do, it's the smart thing to do - both for the present and our City's future.

Please vote for our City's future by voting Yes on G.

**Signed:**

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