

Join us at our Annual Meeting – 1pm Sunday, February 8 – Barra Event Center, Redwood Valley

# Mendocino Public Safety Foundation

P.O. Box 123, Ukiah CA 95482

Annual Report  
January 2015



## Foundation Helps Local Men Become Police Officers and Deputies

The first two candidates receiving scholarships from the Mendocino Public Safety Foundation have started work as peace officers.

Cody Mason was sworn in as a Willits police officer in July, and Alex Johnston went to work as a sheriff's deputy in December, stationed in Fort Bragg.

Both men had their tuition and expenses at police academy paid by a scholarship-loan from the Foundation. No repayment is required provided that they serve for at least 3 years as local peace officers. The scholarship-loan program helps recruitment and retention of local residents as peace officers.

Sheriff Allman commented, "We are starting to see some wonderful results by recruiting local residents who possess a strong desire to make Mendocino County a safer place for everyone. The contributions which we have received are the number one reason we are able to send local people to school."



Cody Mason being sworn in as a Willits police officer on July 7, 2014 by Deputy City Clerk Cathy Sanders with Police Chief Gerry Gonzalez looking on. The Public Safety Foundation paid for Cody's expenses and tuition to attend police academy in Santa Rosa.

## Our goal for 2015

Fund six more scholarships for local residents to attend police academy and go to work as officers in Mendocino County.

## Annual Meeting of the Mendocino Public Safety Foundation

Sunday, February 8 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Barra Event Center, 7051 N. State Street, Redwood Valley

Please join us and Sheriff Tom Allman for lunch and meet the sheriff's K-9 and bloodhound crew. We will discuss our program of recruiting and financially supporting local candidates for police and deputy positions.

Tickets are available at the door. A donation of \$15 per person or \$35 per family is requested.



Redwood Valley resident Alex Johnston became a sheriff's deputy based in Fort Bragg in 2014, following police academy funded by the Mendocino Public Safety Foundation.

### Foundation Website Update

Our web presence has received a makeover for better ease of use for both foundation volunteers and our members. Vice President Janet Orth worked with Finn Alden of Alden Tech & Design Integration / Redwood Cloud Services on the re-do. More news is coming...stay tuned and visit [www.protectmendocino.org](http://www.protectmendocino.org).

### The Mendocino Public Safety Foundation

was formed in 2011. So far we have raised \$94,000 and provided the following support for local law enforcement:

- Purchased a bloodhound for the Sheriff's Department.
- Purchased a tactical robot for Ukiah police department, for use in bomb detection and hostage situations.
- Funded a seminar on helping peace officers and their families cope with the emotional stress of police work.
- Awarded three scholarships for local men to attend police academy so they can accept positions as peace officers in Mendocino County.

### Financial Report: Jan. 1– Dec. 31, 2014

#### INCOME

Donations Received: \$7,526

Refund on police academy tuition: \$1,688

#### EXPENDITURES

Web site, postage, fees: \$1,158\*

Grants for police academy candidates: \$9,490

CASH ON HAND: \$46,021

\*All Foundation administrative costs are covered by special donations made for this purpose. All regular donations go 100% to grants to law enforcement. The Foundation has no paid staff or consultants. All work is done by volunteers.

**The Mendocino Public Safety Foundation** is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable corporation founded in May 2011 to collect voluntary tax-deductible donations to support local law enforcement in Mendocino County.

**Board of Directors:** Jim Eddie (chairman), Ross Liberty, Janet Orth, Mike Sweeney, Roger Foote, Scott Yandell, Dick Selzer, Sherry Glavich, Jerry Cardoza

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