

Public Safety Sales Tax Renewal

Vote to Approve Proposition 1

Benton County Citizen-

In 2014, Benton County voters passed an initiative to fund law and justice efforts in our community with a 3/10 of 1% sales tax initiative. Since that time, Benton County and our local police departments have been able to increase staffing levels, improve officer retention, reduce backlog in the justice system, and fund gang prevention programs in our community. Additionally, therapeutic courts and trauma-informed programs have been supported such as Drug Court, Mental Health Court, Veteran's Court, victims' advocates, and mental health services during incarceration and release.

In the last 10 years, increased public safety funding have protected the quality of life in our community and ensured that Benton County remains a great place to live, work, and play. It is critical that we maintain these investments in public safety to ensure we have a compassionate system that holds offenders accountable. This investment empowers our law and justice system to deter, enforce, investigate, prosecute, and rehabilitate.

Thank you for choosing to invest in keeping our communities safe. We will work together in upcoming months to ensure that voters have the opportunity to approve the continuation of public safety funding and keep our communities safe!

With thanks,

Citizens for a Safer Benton County

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