

CANDIDATE PLATFORM, JOHN SAKOWICZ, FIRST DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

MY CAMPAIGN PLATFORM

There are many pressing issues that need to be addressed. My platform will bring attention and action to the following issues:

HIRING FREEZE

The labor contracts signed by the county this year lock in long-deserved raises for rank-and-file workers. Costs will only be contained by a hiring freeze.

CLOSE THE WEALTH GAP

Mendocino County needs to eliminate some highly paid executive and manager positions. For example, the County CEO has a total compensation package of over \$350,000 which includes generous benefits. Meanwhile, our home health aides make only minimum wage, \$12 per hour, and no benefits.

PENSION HYBRID PLAN

The county need to save on pension costs by shifting to a benefits-defined contributions hybrid plan for new employees. The annual savings to the county would be in the millions.

LOCAL EQUITY PROGRAM

A source of funding is the Local Equity Program (LEP) which is aimed at assisting individuals who were negatively or disproportionately impacted by the criminalization of cannabis.

CANNABIS PERMITS

Cannabis needs to be zoned as agriculture, not zoned commercial. Also, cannabis needs to be a CODE enforcement issue and not a LAW ENFORCEMENT issue.

MICRO-GRANTS AND LOANS

The Humboldt County Cannabis Micro-Grant & Loan Advisory Committee, aka the Project Trellis Committee is accepting applications for micro-business grants now through December 16, 2019

GUN CLUB

The BOS must conduct an advisability study for continuing to locate the current Ukiah Gun Club in the upscale residential neighborhoods of Vichy Springs. The BOS should explore leasing BLM land on Cow Mountain and formally operating a second gun club.

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