

Committee Priority List

Public Safety: Permanent Funding Solution

- Stable funding base for public safety, including rehab, and mental health
- Criminal justice issues
- Stable Funding
- Sustainable funding for Josephine County levy
- County LE and infrastructure

Workforce:

- Housing, education, willingness
- Skill training, curriculum, High Schools, and RCC
- Work with our youth to change norms, Create middle school curriculum of entrepreneurship and support trade education
- Attracting large employers (fiber, education partnerships)
- Workforce training, including work ethic
- Business incubator
- Workforce development in Grants Pass, and Josephine County
- Business sector and industrial job development
- Small business capital access
- Start targeting economic indicators as opposed to projects; 90th percentile in GDP/cap, earnings, job education, affirm life expectancy
- Private equity fund to start buying up controlling interests in key local firms

Tourism:

- Adequate lodging and conference in Cave Junction
- Integration of Tourism; wine/food/recreation/arts/music events/etc.
- Branding and promotion
- Modify visitors center in Cave Junction to a Welcome Center
- Increased cooperation on both sides of Hayes Hill. "No bashing"
- Give them hope
- Downtown beautification-vacant commercial buildings, cohesive "look"
- Grants Pass downtown development

Infrastructure:

- Industrial site development
- Assisting in urban renewal for Spalding
- Infrastructure funding
- North Valley industrial park
- Illinois Valley industrial park
- Airport (both Cave Junction and Grants Pass) needs
- North Valley industrial part infrastructure

Fiber Network:

- Jobs – small business – helping to give access to digital markets
- Broad band
- Reliable highspeed internet
- Tech infrastructure and services both urban and rural
- High speed internet

Cannabis industry:

- Cannabis policies
- Recreational marijuana industry; scale up opportunities, mitigate negative effects

Housing:

- Mixed needs/uses
- Social determinants of health; housing, education, partnerships
- Housing: Low income. High income, increased density, tiny homes
- Low cost housing
- Housing: Workforce, affordable, supportive, family

City/County services:

- Code enforcement
- Shed legacy costs: PERs, General obligation debt through a bankruptcy or similar process
- Close property tax loopholes: Timber, Ag, nonprofit, TIF
- Packet of consistent information from city and county for planning
- Get government out of the way, create an environment of pro-business
- Create a new form of county government: Administrative with executive manager