

**MEASURE B ADVISORY BOARD
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**2026 One-Time Measure B Funding
Process for Submitting Funding Proposals**

Background

Measure B is a special property assessment that was passed by the voters of Los Angeles County on November 5, 2002. This assessment is imposed upon all improvements (buildings) located in Los Angeles County and is added to Los Angeles County property taxes to provide funding for the Countywide System of Trauma Centers, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and Bioterrorism Response.

The use of Measure B funds is restricted to four areas and authorized expenditures must fall within one of these areas:

Trauma Centers	• Maintain all aspects of countywide system of trauma centers. • Expand system of trauma centers to cover all areas of the county. • Provide financial incentives to keep existing trauma centers within the system • Pay for the costs of trauma centers, including physician and other personnel costs
Emergency Medical Services	• Coordinate and maintain a countywide system of emergency medical services • Pay for the costs of emergency medical services, including physician and other personnel costs
Bioterrorism Response	• Enable stockpiling of safe and appropriate medicines to treat persons affected by a bioterrorism or chemical attack • Train health care workers and other emergency personnel to deal with the medical needs of those exposed to a bioterrorism or chemical attack • Provide medical screenings and treatment for exposure to biological or chemical agents in the event of a bioterrorism or chemical attack • Ensure the availability of mental health services in the event of a terrorist attack
Administration	• Defray administrative expenses, including payment of salaries and benefits for personnel in the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services and other incidental expenses • Recover the costs of the special election in 2002 • Recover the reasonable costs incurred by the county in spreading, billing and collecting the special tax

Submitting a Proposal

Proposals for One-Time Measure B funding must be submitted to The EMS Agency between **October 13 through December 17, 2026**. All proposals will be reviewed by the Chief Executive Office, County

Counsel and the EMS Agency to ensure the proposed expenditures qualify for Measure B funding. Any proposal that does not qualify for Measure B funding will be removed from MBAB consideration and the proposer will be notified of this action.

All qualified proposals for One-Time Measure B funding will be forwarded to the MBAB members for review and ranking at the MBAB proposal review meeting(s), typically scheduled in January and February of the following year.

Below are the steps to submit a proposal:

1. Complete the Measure B Proposal form and submit it, along with any supporting documents, via mail or email to the Los Angeles County EMS Agency **no later than 5:00 pm on December 17, 2026**. Supporting documents **must** include price quotations for equipment purchases, budget, and pertinent financial statements. Financial statements are required for proposals to offset the operational loss for providing a specific service (e.g. Trauma Services). The financial statements must clearly show direct expenses incurred and revenue received and expected to be received from all sources (including subsidy and donations) for providing the service. For proposed new services or activities, a detailed budget must accompany the proposal, that includes a list of personnel, equipment, supplies and services costs, and an explanation of how these costs are determined. Additionally, when a proposal requires the hiring of personnel or incurring other long-term financial obligations (e.g. lease) for future years, the proposer must provide supporting documentation demonstrating how they will cover the personnel cost and these obligations if Measure B funding is not available in future years. If the proposer is a County Department, the proposer must provide a letter from the Department Head/Director or Chief Executive Officer approving the proposal submission.
2. Proposers are encouraged to attend the MBAB proposal review meeting(s) to provide a brief overview of their proposal, limited to two minutes, and be available to answer any questions that the members of the MBAB may have related to their proposal.
3. After reviewing all qualified proposals, the MBAB members will score the proposals during the proposal review meeting(s). The ranking score given by the MBAB members does not guarantee funding recommendations by MBAB nor approval by the Board of Supervisors to fund the proposal.

Evaluating and Rank Ordering of the Proposals

The MBAB members will review and score each qualified proposal using a five-level scoring system: high priority (Score of 5), medium high priority (Score of 4), medium priority (Score of 3), medium low priority (Score of 2), or low priority (Score of 1). MBAB members will score proposals being considered, even if they are affiliated with the proposing entity, or have an interest in or will benefit from a proposal(s), unless it is deemed inappropriate by the MBAB Co-Chairs.

The proposals will be ranked based on the total score provided by each voting MBAB member. MBAB members will be determining its funding recommendations to the Board of Supervisors based on the ranking of each proposal and the funding amount available for one-time funding.

MBAB members will take into consideration the following when evaluating and scoring each proposal:

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- Consistency with the original intent of Measure B
 - Regional or system-wide application and impact
 - Improves overall services of trauma, EMS or bioterrorism
 - Addresses any major gap in the system to ensure access and health equity
 - Feasibility of proposed project, given the available time and resources
 - Completeness of proposal

Board Consideration

A memo to the Board of Supervisors providing information on all the qualified proposals that were submitted and reviewed will be written by the Co-Chairs. The Board memo will highlight the available One-Time Measure B funding, the rank order score of each proposal and the proposals recommended for funding. It shall be the Board's sole discretion and decision on what proposals are to be funded, as well as the amount awarded.

Once a proposal is approved by the Board, additional processes may need to be implemented prior to disbursement of the funds. This includes entering into a written agreement with the County outlining the use of the funding and the timeframe for incurring expenses. Typically, One-Time Measure B funds that are awarded should be expended within 12 months of award on a reimbursement basis. Funding awardees (proposers) incur the expense and then submit a claim or invoice to Los Angeles County Health Services Finance Division for reimbursement.

If you have any questions regarding submitting a proposal, please contact Jacqui Rifenburg, EMS Agency Assistant Director at jrifenburg@dhs.lacounty.gov or 562-378-1640.