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Over ten years ago Josephine County Fairgrounds was one of the department's that were set to be closed by our county commissioners. Our community replied that tge community need was too high. Since then the fairgrounds is not part of county budget and has grown annually by events as income for general funds.

Within six months we had another Fire Emergency and the fairgrounds was used for people, animals and food distribution using the Red Cross and local organizations. The facility is over 70 acres with seven event buildings. We are organized and always improving the topic of emergency preparedness with our city and county government.

Where would our residents go if we didn't have the fairgrounds?? To our parks??? No that is not an idea that supports a real emergency plan.

Several years ago Jackson County had a fire emergency and their citizens and animals were sent to JoCo Fairgrounds for the overrun needed to support their community

Please support our community fairgrounds.

Thank You Linda Bradley