

MARIPOSA COUNTY

Board of Supervisors



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2025-123

MEETING:

April 1, 2025

TO:

The Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Matt Johnson, Librarian

RE:

Approve a Three-Year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mariposa

Friends of the Library, Effective April 1, 2025

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION

Approve a Three-Year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mariposa Friends of the Library, Effective April 1, 2025.

The Mariposa County Library and the Mariposa Friends of the Library have worked together for years to benefit the library. The Friends raise money for library supplies and needs. However, recently the Friends paused their operations while striving to maintain their 501(c)(3) status. During this time, the Friends are moving forward with instituting and implementing several important organizational changes, and having an MOU in place is one of those goals.

To give confidence to both the public and the County, it would be ideal to have a guiding document that outlines the expectations between both the County and the Friends. All indications are that no MOU was ever in place between the two parties previously.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS

The Board regularly approves MOU agreements between the County and outside entities.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

If not approved, the Library and the Friends of the Library will not have a codified agreement that guides the relationship between the two parties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Memorandum of Understanding for Library and FOL 2025
- 2. FOL Acord form

VOTE RESULT

RESULT:

Adopted (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER:

District V Supervisor Miles Menetrey

ID: 2136

2025-123



SECONDER: District III Supervisor Danette Toso

AYES: District V Supervisor Menetrey, District I Supervisor Smallcombe, District III

Supervisor Toso, District IV Supervisor Kiser

EXCUSED: District II Supervisor Shannon Poe

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MARIPOSA AND THE MARIPOSA FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is made and entered into on April 1, 2025, by and between the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California ("County"), andthe Mariposa Friends of the Library ("Friends").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, County by and through the Mariposa County Public Library System ("Library") desires to work with the Friends to reach the Library's goals and initiatives for the greatest benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, **Friends** is incorporated as a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization whose primary purpose and objective is to raise money and public awareness to support the services and programs of the Library;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED between the parties as follows:

A. <u>Term.</u> This MOU shall be deemed in force as of **April 1, 2025**, and shall remain in effect until **April 1, 2028**, unless sooner terminated as provided for herein.

B. **County Agreements.**

- 1. The County agrees that the Library will share with the Friends the Library's strategic initiatives throughout the year and discuss with the Friends how their resources and support help forward these initiatives.
- 2. The County agrees that the Library will provide the Friends with limited space for book storage and sorting, and book sales, as well as public space for Friends membership brochures and promotional materials, as long as such space is not deemed necessary for the Library's own needs.
- 3. The County agrees that funds received from the Friends of the Library must be used exclusively to support the Library system, and that those funds should supplement and not supplant public funding.

C. <u>Friends Agreements.</u>

- 1. The Friends agree to publicly support the Library and its policies.
- 2. The Friends agree that all funds spent beyond its own reasonable nonprofit operations expenses (including bookkeeping/accounting fees, insurance premiums, tax filing fees, meeting expenses, fundraising expenses, etc.) will be spent for library programs, services, and other Library defined needs
- 3. The Friends agree to conduct an annual financial review or audit by an independent third party. The resulting documentation will be provided to the Library within one month of completion.
- 4. The Friends agree to submit all necessary paperwork and documentation, as required, by state and federal law, to maintain their 501(c)3 status.
- 5. The Friends agree to include a member from the Library's administration as a non-voting presence at all Friends' meetings and to allow room on the agenda for a Library report.

- 6. The Friends agree that the Library administration has the right to decline any item that is donated to the Friends for the benefit of the Library. Such declined items will not remain in County facilities or on County grounds.
- 7. The Friends agree that any contract or agreement they enter into to benefit the Library will have the Friends named as the responsible party on the contract.
- 8. The Friends agree that if they cease to actively fundraise and promote the Library, they will disband allowing for a new Friends group to be established in the future.
- 9. The Friends agree to provide disbursement of funds to the Library based on an agreed upon annual budget determined by the Library needs. This does not preclude the Friends giving other funds or in-kind items, which would be made on a case-by-case basis.
- D. <u>Compliance with Law</u>. Friends shall observe and comply with all applicable County, State, and federal laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations now in effect or hereafter enacted, each of which are hereby made a part hereof and incorporated herein by reference.
- E. <u>Counterparts</u>. This MOU may be executed simultaneously in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- F. <u>Modifications of MOU</u>. This MOU may be modified in writing only, signed by the parties in interest at the time of the modification.
- G. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. Neither Friends, nor any officer, agent, employee, servant, or the Friends shall discriminate in the treatment or employment of any individual or groups of individuals on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, or any other classification protected by law, either directly, indirectly, or through contractual or other arrangements.
- H. <u>Signature Authority</u>. Each party has full power and authority to enter into and perform this MOU, and the person signing this MOU on behalf of each party has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this MOU.
- I. <u>Termination</u>. The County may at its election, without cause, terminate this MOU by written notice. A Notice of Termination will be deemed effective fifteen (15) days after personal delivery, or twenty (20) days after mailing by regular U.S. Mail, postage prepaid. In addition, either party may immediately terminate this MOU should the other party fail to substantially perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this MOU through no fault of the party initiating the termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party to this MOU has signed this MOU upon the date indicated, and agrees, for itself, its employees, officers, partners, and successors, to be fully bound by all terms and conditions of this MOU.

COUNTY OF MARIPOSA: By Rosemarie Smallcombe Chair of the Board of Supervisors Date Rosemarie Smallcombe Ros	FRIENDS: By Jon G Wurl Chair of the Board of Friends Date Date
Approved as to form: Signed by: Walter W. Wall	6B13E37098CD4D4

Walter W. Wall County Counsel

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