

Bear Valley Community Healthcare District – 2024 Parcel Tax Renewal Measure
Election Day: November 5, 2024

Ballot Argument In Favor of Measure U

WITHOUT raising your tax rate – VOTE YES on U to PROTECT local access to life-saving medical emergency and healthcare services at Bear Valley Community Hospital.

For over 50 years, victims of accidents, heart attacks, strokes and other medical emergencies on the mountain have relied on **Bear Valley Community Hospital** for life-saving emergency medical care and other healthcare services. This hospital is YOUR hospital – the local residents of Big Bear Valley own it.

Three previous times (in 1994, 2003 and 2014) Bear Valley voters have overwhelmingly approved this vital funding to keep our local hospital **OPEN**, especially since **Bear Valley Community Hospital operates the ONLY Emergency Room (ER) open 24/7 on the mountain.** You know, as we do, that every second counts in a medical emergency and quick access to medical help when you need it most, **SAVES LIVES.**

Measure U WON'T raise your tax rates. It simply extends, **without increasing**, existing funding already approved by voters three times before.

Measure U continues hospital funding to:

- Maintain local access to life-saving emergency medical care
- Keep the hospital's medical technology and equipment up-to-date
- Attract quality doctors, nurses and medical specialists to serve our community
- Increase access to advanced medical care and treatments

ALL Measure U funds (100%) stay local, dedicated to Bear Valley Community Hospital. The State CANNOT take this funding away.

STRICT TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS ARE MANDATORY – including a clear system of accountability and annual financial audits to ensure the money is spent properly.

No one knows when a life-threatening medical emergency or natural disaster will strike our mountain community. Measure U helps ensure that emergency medical care close to home is accessible when you need it most.

Join us and local doctors, nurses, EMTs, firefighters, former patients, and residents across Bear Valley **VOTING YES on U** for BearValleyCommunityHospital.

Keep our ER open – VOTE YES on U !

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ballot measure U at the General Election 2024 election for the
Measure Letter Title of Election

Bear Valley Community Healthcare to be held on November 5, 2024 hereby state that this
Jurisdiction District Date of Election

argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.
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Proponents/Authors:

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