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 *The San Juan Public Schools Foundation is calling on the community to help address both our immediate school funding crisis and to build a long-term solution.*


 *Unless the State Legislature fully funds basic education, our school district will require \$600,000+ annually to sustain the quality schools we have.*


 *We want to embrace the commitment and generosity shown at the May 1st community meeting to sustain quality schools.*

 *We are asking for your help. Please make donations to address the current crisis, or to build a long-term solution through the San Juan Public Schools Foundation . **WE ARE TRYING TO AVOID THE POTENTIAL CUTS LISTED BELOW:***


 **ELIMINATE Athletic Program: Up to \$200,000.** Elimination of all sports programs saves \$200,000.


 **CANCEL Elementary school art or music program: \$40,000.** This would eliminate either the art or music program.

 **ELIMINATE Transportation Services (busing): \$100,000.** Elimination of all bus transportation to and from school, which currently carries 240 students daily would require parents to carpool to school.


 **CANCEL Food Services: \$20,000 – \$30,000.** Elimination of food services, except sack lunch program for students eligible for free and reduced lunch program.


 **ELIMINATE Friday Harbor Labs Science Outreach Program: \$10,500.** This would eliminate the district's participation in the K-12 Marine Sciences program.

 **LAY OFF Special Education assessment intern (half-time): \$35,000.** This money pays for additional psychologist time to determine eligibility for special education.


 **ELIMINATE Primary Intervention Program (PIP): \$23,578.** This would eliminate the elementary school counseling program for at-risk students.

 **REDUCE Title 1 Program: \$21,000.** Remedial reading program. Federally funded; the district subsidizes with a local levy. Cutting this would reduce the program by 5 hours per day by eliminating paraprofessional support.

 **LAY OFF K-4 teacher: \$75,000.** One full-time position would be eliminated at Friday Harbor Elementary School, requiring an additional multi-grade classroom for next year.

 **REDUCE Special Education teacher: \$38,000.** Elimination of half-time position at Friday Harbor Middle School.

 **ELIMINATE Principal: \$112,000.** Elimination of one of the three principals in the district.

 **LAY OFF High school teacher(s): \$75,000 – \$225,000 (1-3 positions).** This would increase class size in many sections, reduce core program offerings and eliminate several elective options.

 **REDUCE Librarian at Friday Harbor High School and Middle School: \$38,000.** Reduction of the librarian's position to half-time.

 **CUT Custodial/Secretarial/Paraprofessional/Business office operations: Up to \$250,000.** This would be a reduction of 50 hours per day (6-10 positions) of operational support

We will be calling on Thursday, May 8th between 4:00 and 8:00pm to ask for your help.

**Your pledge will be matched dollar for dollar by a Challenge Grant, doubling your contribution.**

**Call 370-7925 to make your pledge today!**

