

VOTE YES

TAX LEVY TO SUPPORT & MAINTAIN UNDERWOOD PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT AND UNDERWOOD PARK



SO, WHY DO WE NEED A LEVY FOR THE UNDERWOOD CENTER, POST OFFICE & PARK?

The UPRD was created by the voters of Underwood in November 2016 to support and maintain the Underwood Park, Community Center and Post Office. Ownership of the Underwood Park property and buildings was deeded to the residents of Underwood this year. With ownership came responsibility for all the expenses formerly paid by the County. Insurance, utilities and repairs must be paid by the UPRD, as well as any future improvements. The UPRD has made a budget, available on the website underwoodcommunity.org, which shows that the rental income and usage fees generated by the buildings and property will not cover those expenses. Donations and grants will only add an irregular amount of income to the UPRD bank account.

DO YOU LIKE HAVING A COMMUNITY FACILITY OPEN TO THE PEOPLE OF UNDERWOOD IN UNDERWOOD RUN BY THE PEOPLE OF UNDERWOOD?



The need for regular, reliable income to fund the operation of Underwood Park is now more clear than ever before.

Why is it important to you?

- It is the only Emergency Shelter in Underwood – and with a generator. Do you know that we are geographically isolated in the event of a major emergency?
- Historically significant property and buildings Family Friendly Park and Playground
- Central location for community picnics, public meetings, rummage sales, cultural events – you name it!
- Event space available for rent by Underwood and Gorge residents at a reasonable cost - family reunions, birthday parties, weddings, meetings, athletic events and more.

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What is included in Underwood Park?

- Public park
- Children's Playground
- Tennis courts
- Horse shoe court
- Inside and Outside Basketball Courts
- Community Garden
- Baseball and Soccer Field
- Horse Arena
- Covered Picnic Area with BBQ
- Community Center Building with gym, stage, kitchen, meeting room
- Rental Cottage
- Post office



WHAT WILL THE TAX LEVY MEAN TO ME AS A TAX PAYER?

The proposed tax levy is for \$0.20 per \$1000 of assessed property value. For the average Underwood property, ranging from \$300,000 to \$400,000, that would mean an increase in annual tax of \$60-\$80 per year, or \$5-\$6.67 per month. This levy will provide about \$30,000 per year. That, along with donations, grants, usage fees and rental income, will allow Underwood Park to remain a public asset for our community.

DO YOU BELIEVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS BETTER THAN BIGGER (COUNTY) GOVERNMENT?

Your 5 UPRD Commissioners are your neighbors and fellow Underwoodians. They want to hear from you about the future of our Underwood Park. Do you have ideas about events you would like to see happen at the Underwood Community Center or Park? The UPRD has regular monthly meetings, a website, and the commissioners have e mails and phone numbers and are waiting for you to be in touch.

UPRD AS AN EMERGENCY FACILITY FOR UNDERWOOD.

Underwood is 20+/- miles from Stevenson, the county seat. When an emergency occurs, we will be mostly on our own for some time. The UPRD plans to make the Underwood Community Center an official emergency facility, complete with generator and other essentials.

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