

San Francisco Educators Need Your Support!



What is LWEA/Prop G (Living Wage for Educators Act)?

The passage of LWEA/Prop G by San Francisco's voters established an annual parcel tax that would be used to generate salary increases for our educators so that they can stay with the school district. This ballot measure effectively addressed the affordability crisis and resulted in SFUSD recruiting and retaining quality educators. San Francisco voters passed the ballot measure in June 2018. A few months ago a legal challenge was brought against Prop G and now this much needed funding for public education is at risk.

Why is this important to families?

Because of the way public education is funded in California, San Francisco is near the bottom when funds are allocated from the state. This, combined with the high cost of living in the Bay Area, has caused SFUSD to have a very difficult time both recruiting and retaining educators. This staffing problem creates instability in the classrooms of our SFUSD children and families. After Prop G was passed and a salary add-on went into effect, many more educators resolved to stay with SFUSD and many more came to work in our district for the first time in many years. This much needed stability for our school communities isn't something we can afford to lose.

What is the solution?

The city of San Francisco received an unexpected \$181 million dollars of tax revenue from the state. This influx of money came from excess revenue in the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF), Mayor Breed and the SF Board of Supervisors are considering how to spend this money. We are asking our elected officials to spend some of this money to uphold the will of the voters who made Prop G a top priority. We are asking that they allocate a fair share of the ERAF funding back to SFUSD to ensure that we don't have to take much needed salary increases and resources away from our educators, children, and schools. We are asking for your help to make sure our elected officials support the will of the voters.

I heard the District already received an additional \$35 million dollars from ERAF? Is that correct?

There are certain conditions attached to the ERAF money. There is a total of \$415 million coming to San Francisco with the state mandating that \$234 million be spent in certain ways. The \$35 million the Mayor reports is already going to the school district is earmarked for certain programs. While we are grateful that the state mandated these funds, we still need to fund the will of the voters with \$60 million of the remaining money going directly to funding the LWEA/Prop G.

How can Families Help?

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