

From: [Brent Meyers](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: For Board: Moraga Ambulance Service Levels
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 8:09:48 AM

Please register my opposition to any Board or budget/organizational decisions that would reduce the levels or timeliness of ambulance services in Moraga.

Thank you.

Brent Meyers
Moraga

From: [Janet Brandrud](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 8:27:06 AM

Do not cut back ambulance service to Moraga. It will cost lives.
J. Brandrud

From: [Helen Rosenberg](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Please save 24 hour service
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 9:45:21 AM

May 17, 2025

I strongly oppose a reduction in Moraga ambulance service levels and hours. As an octogenarian knowing I have 24 hour support is a tremendous comfort to me as I stay in our home. Unfortunately, we can't plan our emergency needs within your proposed 10 hour schedule.

Helen Rosenberg
 Corliss Dr

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Denise Coane](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 9:58:32 AM

Dear MOFD Board,

As a community that's is difficult at best to get in and out of how can you even consider reducing Moraga ambulance services.

Enough said!

Denise and Charlie Coane



Moraga

Sent from my iPad

From: [Moraga-Orinda Fire District](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Feedback for Moraga-Orinda Fire District, CA
Date: Friday, May 16, 2025 5:35:26 PM

You have received this feedback from Virginia Falconer <[REDACTED]> for the following page:

<https://www.mofd.org/our-district/district-overview/board-of-directors>

I am appalled that you would even consider limiting Moraga's ambulance service. As a senior and Moraga resident for 31 years, who knows when I might need emergency care? Who knows when a wildfire might break out and paramedics be needed immediately? Minutes could mean the difference between life or death. Any proposal requiring an ambulance to drive 15+ minutes from Orinda to Moraga on a one lane road is irresponsible and any board member who votes for such a measure should be recalled and held responsible if a delay in emergency care results in further injury or death.

From: [Patricia Wong.](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Reduction of ambulance coverage to Moraga
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 1:21:11 PM

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that you are contemplating reducing the hours of ambulance coverage from 24 hours to 10! This is absurd and unacceptable in my opinion. Prompt and immediate critical care response is necessary to save lives! I can see potential lawsuits if someone does not receive immediate life saving care and dies or becomes disabled if this reduction is approved.

Cost cutting should not come at the expense of the well being of the residents of Moraga. As a resident who may need life saving care one day, I want to know that help is nearby and within minutes of my home. In an emergency, everyone should be entitled to prompt attention and care that may save their lives.

Please find other cost cutting measures in the budget. Do not reduce the superior care Moraga currently receives.

Sincerely,
Patricia Wong

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Steven Weinzimmer](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 11:57:12 AM

I recently had to call an ambulance when my wife fell. Reducing ambulance services could cause loss of life. I am very opposed to this reduction.

Steven Weinzimmer



Moraga

Sent from iPhone

From: [Debbie Fournier](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Potential reduction in emt/ambulance access
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 3:47:26 PM

I have recently read about potential reductions in service hours for our EMT/ambulance capabilities here in Moraga, and want to voice my objection.

Health emergencies do not occur during business hours, and the emt function was originally funded in Moraga due to inadequate service from the county. There are often lengthy traffic delays along St Mary's and Moraga roads as well along Moraga way, which are alleviated when the emt services are initiated closer to the center of the town.

I am unable to attend the meeting on Wednesday but wish to voice my strong objections to reductions for this vital service, for which we have been taxed for years.

Debra Fournier

From: [Jessica Hornberger](#)
To: [Info](#)
Cc: [Brandon Hornberger](#)
Subject: Public Comment Opposing Reduction in Ambulance Service Hours
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 3:49:18 PM

Dear Moraga-Orinda Fire District Board,

I'm writing to express strong concern regarding the proposal to reduce ambulance service in Moraga from 24 hours to 10 hours. Our community relies on consistent, around-the-clock emergency medical services, and this change would significantly jeopardize the safety and well-being of residents.

Emergencies don't follow a schedule, and reducing coverage creates unacceptable delays. Moraga deserves full 24/7 ambulance support. I urge you to reconsider this proposal in favor of maintaining continuous emergency medical coverage.

Thank you for your time and service to the community.

Sincerely,
Jessica and Brandon Hornberger

. Moraga

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Larry S. Tessler](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 4:28:18 PM

This is a wonderful service. I have used the ambulance service following heart failure five years ago. My wife recently required help due to a slip and fall from balance issues which turned out to be pneumonia.

We have financially contributed to your organization for many years, through donations contributed through my home owners' association at the Moraga Country Club. We would like to continue to do so.

Please don't reduce ambulance service hours.

Sincerely,

Larry Tessler



Moraga

From: [Jay Grover](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 6:53:12 PM

To MOFD Board members:

I, along with my wife, have lived in Moraga for 39 years. We are extremely concerned to learn that MOFD is considering a reduction in ambulance services and levels which would substantially and adversely impact the response time for ambulance services to our neighborhood. Not only are there multiple care facilities for the elderly in Moraga, there is a growing population of aging residents like us who are well into our senior years but still living independently. Being able to depend on timely ambulance response times - at ALL hours of day and night - is an essential component of living with peace of mind in ALL of Lamorinda - including Moraga. Indeed, it could make all the difference between life and death. By their very nature, health crises cannot be "scheduled," and to limit timely ambulance services only to certain restricted hours of the day would not only be illogical and poor policy, but it would show a cavalier disregard for the health and safety of residents of Moraga by the MOFD Board. I don't wish to minimize the fiscal challenges MOFD faces ... but this is not the answer. I urge you to REJECT any reduction in ambulance services.

Sincerely,

Jay Grover

[REDACTED]

Moraga

From: [Jacqueline Bronson](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Proposed ambulance cuts
Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025 9:05:32 PM

Thank you for all of your hard work and service. I am writing to urge you to please not reduce any ambulance service to Moraga. Seconds literally matter when saving someone's life. I live in Moraga with 7 kids. Last April, it was the Moraga ambulance that saved my 13-year-old son's life, literally. It was the middle of the night, and out of nowhere, sick went to severe within a very short time frame. I called an ambulance, which arrived within minutes. They tried to stabilize him and, in the process, rushed him to Oakland Children's Hospital. It turned out, he was in severe septic shock. He was within MINUTES of dying. That was confirmed by every doctor in the ICU. My son spent one month in the hospital and continues to struggle, but without the ambulance arriving within minutes, any further delay, he would not be with me anymore. I will forever be grateful to the MOFD. You saved my son's life. And I know you have saved the lives of so many more. Please do not make cuts that will inevitably result in the loss of life, because minutes do matter.

Thank you,

Jackie Bronson [REDACTED] Campolindo Drive

From: [George Barron](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 11:05:20 AM

Please do not reduce ambulance service to Moraga. If your proposal goes through, Moraga citizens would have catastrophic delays in service. Moraga Way and Moraga Road are already subject to massive traffic slowdowns for school (Miramonte, Del Ray, OIS, JM, Campolindo, etc.) drop offs and pick ups, road and utilities maintenance, and car and bicycle accidents. Commuter traffic from Oakland and beyond to Walnut Creek and beyond, both ways, has increased significantly. Even an ambulance with full sirens and flashing lights will be fatally delayed.

Ambulances are an emergency life saving service. If monetary cuts are needed surely there are better, non-life threatening ways to achieve this.

My wife and I are 40 year residents of Moraga.

George Barron

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Moraga, CA 94556

From: [Linda Hudak](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Cuts
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 12:05:42 PM

This is insane. Having to use an ambulance a few times in the past couple of years this is scary business. For seniors living alone I guess we just lie there on the floor until some magic hour when the ambulance can come.

Sent from my iPhone

Linda Hudak



From: [Lisa Brown](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmijex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.iorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Proposed Radical Changes to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:06:29 PM

Dear MOFD Board Members and Chief Isaccs,

I'm writing as a Moraga resident who is quite concerned about the proposed cuts to the Moraga ambulance and firefighter services. I'm also surprised and dismayed about the lack of notice and lack of public participation with regard to this matter, which could lead to the loss of lives. This is simply unacceptable.

Please vote no on any and all proposed cuts to Moraga's ambulance service. Implementing any changes to these services would significantly reduce the quality and timeliness of emergency medical services to residents in the Town of Moraga, including to those who live in South Orinda. MOFD and its predecessor have shared these emergency responsibilities for our two communities for five decades. This hastily implemented proposal with a complete lack of transparency is shocking and cannot stand.

I urge you to vote no. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lisa

Lisa Maglio
Moraga Resident



From: [Craig Jorgens](#)
To: [Lisa Brown](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: Proposed Radical Changes to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:59:01 PM

Lisa, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

I hope this helps.

Sincerely,

Craig Jorgens

Director MOFD

From: Lisa Brown <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:06 PM

To: Ghasler@mofd.org; mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; mroemer@mofd.org; craig gmail <craig.jorgens@gmail.com>; jisaacs@mofd.org; info@mofd.org

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I urge you to vote no. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa

Lisa Maglio

Moraga Resident

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Katy Shields](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmijex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.iorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Emergency access
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:31:10 PM

Hi,

I'm concerned about Moraga cutting it's ambulance services. That short assistance time is critical for our community.

Katy Shields
[REDACTED] Moraga

From: [Craig Jorgens](#)
To: [Katy Shields](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: Emergency access
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:58:48 PM

Kathy, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

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Sincerely,

Craig Jorgens

Director MOFD

From: Katy Shields [REDACTED] >

Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:31 PM

To: Ghasler@mofd.org; mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; mroemer@mofd.org; craig gmail <craig.jorgens@gmail.com>; jisaacs@mofd.org; info@mofd.org

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Katy Shields

[REDACTED] Moraga

From: lukewestparsons@gmail.com
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance service cuts
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:45:20 PM

To whom it may concern,

Please do not cut Moraga's ambulance services to 10 hours instead of 24 hours. Response time to injuries and/or medical issues is critical. It is absolutely absurd that this is even on the docket for budget cuts in a town where the average home price is \$1.7 million. Whoever proposed this should be ashamed of themselves and must not have had a family member or friend in a critical accident or have a severe medical issue.

Thank you,
Luke Parsons, homeowner in Moraga

From: [Holly Hartz](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmijex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.iorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Please deliver ASAP to MOFD Board and Fire Chief
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:53:14 PM

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

-Holly Hartz



From: [Craig Jorgens](#)
To: [Holly Hartz](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: Please deliver ASAP to MOFD Board and Fire Chief
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:57:40 PM

Holly, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

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Sincerely,

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From: Holly Hartz <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:52 PM

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holly@hollyhartz.com



From: [Alex Smith](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Please Do Not Cut Moraga's 24-Hour Ambulance Service
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:06:17 PM

Dear MOFD Board Members and Fire Chief,

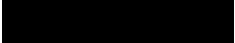
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It is deeply troubling that Moraga would face this kind of cut while Orinda's 24-hour service remains intact. All residents in our fire district deserve equal access to timely emergency care.

I strongly urge you to reconsider this proposal and maintain full 24-hour ambulance coverage in Moraga. Our community's safety—and our children's lives—depend on it.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Wilson

Moraga, CA

From: [Craig Jorgens](#)
To: arsmith9@gmail.com; [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: Please Do Not Cut Moraga's 24-Hour Ambulance Service
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:57:21 PM

Alex. Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

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Craig Jorgens

Director MOFD

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Sent: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:06 PM

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Moraga, CA

From: [Kendall Langan](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:47:52 PM

The board should not be changing any of the services as we are overpaying the Moraga Orinda fire department now with our taxes for services taking services. Ahue is a theft of service from the Publix.
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Margie Goldstein](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Cut backs to ambulance service in Moraga
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 2:47:55 PM

I strongly object to this hidden proposal in the proposed budget. If you thought it was a good idea, I would assume you not have to bury the information nor avoid publicizing this information. We pay our fair share of taxes and expect to have our needs, I.e. our community's needs attended to at the SAME LEVEL as that of Orinda. It's simply not true that having diminished service (dropping from 24 hr to 10hr/day) provides that level of coverage.

I object to the secretive manner in which this proposal has been handled thus far; thankfully the information was finally available so that we can have our concerns registered.

Margie Goldstein, Moraga Resident

From: [Janet Rubin](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Proposal for Ambulance Reduction of Service Levels & Hours in Moraga, CA
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 4:58:44 PM

Please do not consider reducing Moraga, CA ambulance service levels and hours. Having a Moraga ambulance staffed only 10 hours out of 24 per day would put Moragans' health and accident concerns in jeopardy.

A concerned citizen of Moraga
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ellen Beans](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Moraga's Ambulance Service
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 10:20:51 PM


I am writing to you because I have learned that the MOFD board seems to be seeking to balance its budget by drastically reducing its ambulance service to Moraga residents, but doing nothing to reduce Orinda's hours.

Reasons to drop this proposal -

- 1- Emergence response times are critically important to be as quick as possible. The proposal to cover the remaining 14 hours will not provide this.
- 2 - The demand for ambulance time in the course of a week vs. fire protection service is far greater as your figures show.
- 3 - This town has 2 residences for senior citizens which often must call for an ambulance.
- 4 - This town also has a large senior population as well as lots of families - both requiring ambulances services from time to time - and the quicker the better for a good outcome!

Seek to balance the budget, but not by cutting back on Moraga's vital ambulance service which was created decades ago to provide quick, life-saving service that was not possible any other way.

Sincerely,
Ellen

Ellen Beans


If time is my measure, then let me fill it to the brim, pouring out my best, sharing my heart, loving all I can, giving all I have. Let no day be wasted, no chance taken for granted, no moment passed by unseen for the blessing it reveals.

From: [Marian Tang](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance service coverage
Date: Sunday, May 18, 2025 10:38:24 PM

Reduction of ambulance service to anything other than 24 hrs a day is not serving the community. Medical (and other) emergencies occur at all sort of hours, any response coverage less than 24-7 is not adequate. We urge MOFD to continue full coverage for our towns.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Carol Steinberg](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance Service to Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 6:41:37 AM

I have been a resident of Moraga since 1972. Recently, I have had to do major work in my garden to comply with the MOFD requirements regarding fire mitigation. I have also made several changes to my property in order to maintain my Homeowners Insurance. For the MOFD to consider not budgeting for twenty-four hour ambulance service is another example of the lack of consideration for Moraga residents. The expense I have incurred, while I do understand the necessity of much of it, has been huge. To live now in a place where I know, in case of an emergency, services are curtailed is troubling. Please reconsider this decision and continue to protect the citizens of the Town of Moraga.

Carol Steinberg

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To: [Carol Steinberg](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Re: Ambulance Service to Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 8:28:30 AM

Carol, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

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Director MOFD

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Carol Steinberg

From: [Thomas M Devine](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance Service by MOFD for Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 8:34:35 AM

MOFD Board,

I strongly object to the proposed reduction in ambulance service to Moraga that is implied by your current proposed budget. Community engagement demands that (1) everyone, especially senior citizens, support the local schools, which largely benefits young families, and (2) the community provides ambulance service, which mostly benefits seniors.

Respectfully,
Tom Devine
Mirage Resident since 1985

From: rickewebb@comcast.net
To: Hasler, Greg; mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; Roemer, Mike; craig.jorgens@gmail.com; Isaacs, Jeff; Info
Subject: Ambulance Service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:11:07 AM

Please don't cut Moraga's ambulance service. Emergency response time is critical.

Joan & Richard Webb



Moraga, CA 94556

From: [Craig Jorgens](mailto:Craig.Jorgens@mozd.com)
To: rickewebb@comcast.net; [Hasler, Greg](mailto:Hasler.Greg@mozd.com); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](mailto:Roemer.Mike@mozd.com); craig@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](mailto:Isaacs.Jeff@mozd.com); [Info](mailto:Info@mozd.com)
Subject: RE: Ambulance Service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:36:50 AM

Joan and Richard, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

I hope this helps.

Sincerely,

Craig Jorgens

Director MOFD

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Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:11 AM

To: Ghasler@mofd.org; mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; mroemer@mofd.org; craig@gmail.com <craig.jorgens@gmail.com>; jisaacs@mofd.org; info@mofd.org

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To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: MOFD PROPOSED AMBULANCE CUTS TO MORAGA
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:24:52 AM

MOFD Board & Fire Chief,

We are extremely concerned and upset to hear you are considering cutting the paramedic hours in Moraga to 10 from 24! How can you possibly be thinking of doing something so drastic to Moraga? Moragans were the ones who started Rescue One to help support the paramedics - raising money towards a Rescue vehicle and for so much equipment.

We subscribe to PulsePoint and can see that the majority of MOFD's calls are for medical reasons (other than the on-going false alarm calls at St. Mary's). Fires and accidents don't fill their days. We have lived in Moraga since 1971 and are now in our 80's. The paramedic service is one of the reasons we have felt comfortable staying in our home, rather than moving to a senior facility. We have always been encouraged by the fire department to call them for help - like when a person falls and is not able to get back up. The firepersons/paramedics have been wonderful in supplying that service. Will that stop, too?

We live in the Bluffs. I can't imagine how long it would take an emergency vehicle to get from Orinda to here in a medical emergency. It would be too long to save one's life.

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Frank & Nancy Comprelli


Moraga

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To: [FRANK COMPRELLI](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); [mmjjex@gmail.com](#); [stevedformofd@gmail.com](#); [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: MOFD PROPOSED AMBULANCE CUTS TO MORAGA
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:37:21 AM

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Director MOFD

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Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:25 AM

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Frank & Nancy Comprelli

[REDACTED]

Moraga

From: [nancy_sones](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Opposition to Service Cuts
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 9:47:40 AM

Dear MOFD-

Information is circulating on social media that the MOFD is planning to cut ambulance service to 10 hours per day. If this is true, I am writing to express my concerns. In the past, my family has relied on MOFD to deal with aging parents health crises and response for anaphylactic reactions requiring hospital ER services. Waiting for ambulance service from another part of the county or from the other side of Orinda would have resulted in very different, most likely bad outcomes.

Nancy Sones
Moraga, CA

From: [Salerno Dragonetti, M^a Amelia](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Concern regarding the news of ambulance staff and hours reduction
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 11:52:53 AM

Sirs,

I have read with concern and sadness of the proposal to reduce the staff and hours of ambulance service in our area.

My husband and I live in Sanders Ranch and have used the ambulance service in the past.

My husband is 76 years old and due to immunotherapy treatment for melanoma, has adrenal dysfunction which is life threatening.

The adrenal dysfunction causes a sudden and very abnormal fall of his body temperature and blood pressure. He cannot move and his energy falls to a very scary degree.

Depending on where he is I cannot manage/move him or get him up if he falls. The lack or reduction of the ambulance service may cause him harm and even death. We love living here and would really worry to have to leave this area due to this policy.

Reducing the ambulance staffing and service hours, would also be a serious threat to all Sanders Ranch Residents safety, given our distance from Hwy-24 and I-680.

Further, I am almost sure that the vast majority of MOFD service calls are medical and non-fire related.

I would kindly ask that MOFD reconsiders this policy.

Respectfully,

Maria Salerno
Roberto Alvarez del Blanco



Moraga

From: [Kathy Frenklach](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 12:02:25 PM

Dear Fire Chief Jeff Isaacs,

I hope this message finds you well. We are writing as deeply concerned residents of Orinda regarding the proposed reductions to ambulance services within the Moraga-Orinda Fire District (MOFD) as part of recent budget considerations.

While we understand the financial pressures that public safety departments are facing, we urge you in the strongest possible terms to reconsider any cuts that would reduce the availability or response capability of our local emergency medical services.

This issue is not theoretical for my family—it is profoundly personal. On the evening of March 31, 2025, an ambulance and fire truck from MOFD Fire Station 41 responded to a 911 call from us in south Orinda (near the Moraga border) because I (Kathy) was experiencing chest pain. Your team responded quickly, assessed my condition, provided immediate treatment, and transported me to John Muir Medical Center. There, I was diagnosed with a non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI) with a 98% blockage in my left anterior descending (“widowmaker”) coronary artery.

Because of the swift and skilled care provided by the MOFD ambulance staff, the progression of my heart attack was slowed, and I was stabilized in time to undergo life-saving stent placement. I am now back home and doing well overall. We are acutely aware that my prognosis could have been far worse had I not received such prompt and critical help from our local ambulance team. We are forever grateful.

Compounding our concerns is the rapid population growth in our area, driven in part by state-mandated affordable housing development. As more families move into our community, the need for reliable, fast, and fully staffed emergency medical services only becomes more urgent. Fewer available ambulances in a more densely populated area will almost certainly result in longer response times, delayed care, reduced capacity to handle multiple emergencies simultaneously, and potentially tragic outcomes, particularly for vulnerable members of our community such as seniors, children, and those with chronic health conditions. Ambulance services are not just a convenience—they are a critical lifeline.

Please, do not let budgetary constraints come at the cost of community safety and survival. I strongly urge you and local decision-makers to explore alternatives that preserve and strengthen, rather than reduce, the emergency medical services our residents depend on.

Thank you for your continued dedication and service. You make a life-saving difference, as my family can personally attest.

Sincerely,

Kathy Frenklach [REDACTED]
Dr. Michael Frenklach [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Orinda, CA 94563

From: [Anna F. Rief](#)
To: [Info](#)
Cc: swoehleke@moraga.ca.us; khillis@moraga.ca.us; bdolan@moraga.ca.us; lmaglio@moraga.ca.us
Subject: No Reductions to Moraga Ambulance Services
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 12:27:20 PM

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Sincerely,

Dr. Anna F. Rief, MD

 Moraga CA 94556

From: [Mardi Potts](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Cutting of Moraga"s ambulance service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 1:31:35 PM

Attention MOFD Board and our Fire Chief,

Along with thousands of Moraga residents we would please ask that **you DO NOT CUT ambulance service hours in Moraga**. We have lived in Moraga for 51 years and have counted on the ambulance service while raising our sons and now looking to our future as we are in our 70's! We live in Sanders Ranch and we know that every minute is critical in an emergency situation. We are unable to attend the meeting in Orinda so we want this to serve as our response to this pending decision. Thank you, JB and Mardi Potts, 29 Brandt Dr. Moraga, Ca. 94556

From: [Cindy Cattell](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: Reducing MOFD ambulance hours in Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 1:52:29 PM

To whom it may concern,

Reducing MOFD ambulance hours in Moraga might save money in the short term, but it puts lives at serious risk. In medical emergencies like cardiac arrests, strokes, or traumatic injuries, every minute matters. Delays can mean the difference between survival and tragedy.

Moraga residents deserve reliable, local emergency care, not a risky reliance on help from Orinda, which may not be available or quick enough when seconds count. This is especially dangerous for our most vulnerable neighbors: seniors, families with young children, and those with chronic health conditions.

Many of these residents live deep within Moraga, where long drive times make rapid response even more critical. Cutting ambulance availability isn't just a budget decision—it's a public safety gamble. And it's one we can't afford to make.

Cindy & Aubrey Cattell (Moraga Residents)

From: [Laura Hansen](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance service to Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 2:30:28 PM

Dear MOFD,

We are 30+ year Moraga residents. Please don't cut our ambulance service. It is needed and only fair that our taxes support the services we need. Your department provided wonderful service 25 years ago when our 15 year old was hit by a car in the JM crosswalk. He may not have survived without the prompt response by MOFD and MPD. We have always supported any asks for MOFD funds in elections because we get good and prompt service.

Sincerely,
L Hansen
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Farzad Moazed](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Re: ambulance coverage
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 2:56:04 PM

Dear MOFD board,

I am emailing in response to news that MOFD is looking into decreasing ambulance coverage for Moraga.

I am a resident of Moraga and a critical care physician who previously worked at UCSF Medical Center and now works at Highland Hospital, a level 1 trauma center in Oakland.

I am intimately familiar with how important a timely ambulance response is to patient safety, particularly in instances of cardiac arrest, heart attack or stroke. Just a few minutes delay in response time can prove to be the difference in survival, survival with significant disability or death.

I strongly oppose any changes that would decrease local ambulance coverage, as it will ultimately lead to increased mortality and morbidity for citizens of Moraga.

Thank you,
Farzad Moazed, MD

From: [Wendy Clark](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Reduction of ambulance services in Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:03:03 PM

I strongly oppose reducing the hours of the Moraga ambulance services from 24 to 12 hrs/day. In 2019, my husband had an intracranial aneurysm burst while at 24 Hr gym. This is fatal in about 50% of cases. We were fortunate that the witnesses and employees called 911, quickly resulting in a response from the Orinda Moraga EMTs, then a trip to Walnut Creek Kaiser emergency for immediate care and a great outcome. We are truly blessed and lucky he has been able to resume an active athletic life and his career. Many who survive are not as lucky.

With the two senior care facilities in Moraga, an aging population here, St. Mary's students, and distracted drivers, a quick response is vital to not only save lives, but improve outcomes of catastrophic health issues or accidents.

I urge you NOT to reduce hours of Moraga's ambulance service. Time is SO IMPORTANT in so many cases.

Respectfully,

Wendy Clark
34 year Moraga resident

From: [Suzan Bateson](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Please, please
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:15:00 PM

Dear MOFD Board of Directors,

Thank you for all MOFD does for our community.

We request that ambulance services be maintained at current hours of service. It would be a terrible loss for our community to have Moraga's ambulance services restricted to only 10 hours a day. I can only imagine what will happen if hours are restricted: lives lost, accidents caused by rattled drivers transporting loved ones, injuries and conditions complicated by lapses in time, etc. Many residents have benefited from Moraga's access to ambulance services, and we remain grateful, and hopeful you'll provide continuity of services.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Suzan Bateson



Moraga, CA

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Navreen Dhillon](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Moraga Ambulance Coverage
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:27:24 PM

Hi, I am emailing in response to news that MOFD is looking into decreasing ambulance coverage for Moraga. Timely ambulance response is critical to patient safety, particularly in instances of cardiac arrest, heart attack or stroke. Just a few minutes delay in response time can prove to be the difference in survival, survival with significant disability or death.

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Thanks,
Navreen Kaur Dhillon (Moraga Resident)

From: [PETER SNELL](#)
To: [Info](#)
Cc: lyndas@lyndasnell.com
Subject: Ambulance Service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:28:33 PM

Please do not cancel 24 hour Ambulance Service in Moraga. It must remain as is.

Peter & Lynda Snell
[REDACTED] Joseph Drive

From: [Lisa Lalli Wyckhouse](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Please do not reduce our ambulance service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:29:57 PM

The additional time it takes an ambulance to arrive from Orinda or Lafayette could be the difference between life and death for residents of Moraga. Please be aware that our family strongly opposes this proposed change.

From: [Sophie Westbrook](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Decreasing ambulance coverage in Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:32:34 PM

To whom it may concern - I recently became aware of the Moraga-Orinda fire board looking to decrease ambulance coverage from 24 hrs to 10hrs. As the mother of an asthmatic child who has gone to the ER 6x for breathing problems (all in the middle of the night), I strongly oppose any changes that would decrease ambulance coverage as it could mean life or death for my son as well as other citizens of Moraga.

[Sophie R.L. Aull](#)



From: [Lauren Stone](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Opposition to Reduced Ambulance Service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:32:57 PM

Hello,

My name is Lauren Stone and I have been a Moraga resident since 2017. I am writing because I oppose a reduction in ambulance service to the town of Moraga. I do not believe this is in the best interests of the community. Emergencies occur when you least expect them, and it is why fire and police are paid to be available 24 hours a day. This community should be able to sleep easy at night knowing help is available and not far away should it be needed.

Saint Mary's College and several assisted living facilities are two Moraga populations that may not have access to a vehicle in times of an emergency. Waiting for an ambulance from Orinda or another agency is not a viable option. This also saddles local police and fire with the burden of handling medical calls when regular ambulance service is not available. Please find a way to continue service 24 hours a day.

Thank you
Lauren Stone

From: [Seeta Nangia](#)
To: [Info](#); [Sanjay Nangia](#)
Subject: Ambulance coverage
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:38:20 PM

Hello,

I am emailing in response to news that MOFD is looking into decreasing ambulance coverage for Moraga.

I am a Moraga resident at 189 Willowbrook Lane. I moved to this community in 2017 for the natural beauty and safety it provides for raising my family. I also moved my 65 year old mother from Georgia so that she could be closer to us and so we could care for her as she ages.

Timely ambulance response is critical to patient safety, particularly in instances of cardiac arrest, heart attack or stroke.

Just a few minutes delay in response time can prove to be the difference in survival, survival with significant disability or death.

I strongly oppose any changes that would decrease local ambulance coverage, as it will ultimately lead to increased mortality and morbidity for citizens of Moraga. I am particularly concerned for my aging mother.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and reconsideration of this policy change.

Best,
Seeta and Sanjay Nangia

From: [Christina DaRodda](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Don't reduce Moraga Emergency Response
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 3:48:56 PM

This is one of those issues that will go viral in this town. A core component of our community values is to ensure a prompt response time for Medical emergencies. This culture can be seen

- With Moraga's original decision not to become incorporated with Confire and create their own fire district. We felt we were too remote to be properly served.
- Moraga was one of the first cities to add Paramedics to our emergency services

As a town we know we are vulnerable so expect this to be a hot button issue. Find another way

Christina Cella DaRodda

From: [Sandra Knoblach](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance coverage for Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:02:17 PM

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From: [Susan Spitz](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Ambulance Reduction Proposal
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:04:56 PM

Dear MOFD Board Members

I am requesting that you do not decrease availability of ambulance services in Moraga as proposed. You were voted into office by residents of Moraga and Orinda to provide protection to us in emergencies, whether fire or medical emergencies. While fire prevention and response is critical in times of fire danger, medical crises demand immediate response which I am sure you will agree do not fall into a 10 hour only schedule! What is your rationale for penalizing the residents of Moraga?

Regards,

Susan Spitz
Moraga Homeowner

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Allison Pollock](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Decreasing ambulance coverage
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:26:32 PM

I am emailing in response to news that MOFD is looking into decreasing ambulance coverage for Moraga. I am writing as a mother with three young children, a daughter of elderly parents who chose to move to Moraga last year, and as a physician who takes care of patients with functional disabilities from strokes, brain injuries, and other co morbidities.

I am deeply troubled by the news that MOFD is decreasing ambulance coverage to moraga.

As we all know, ambulance response is critical to patient safety, particularly in instances of cardiac arrest, heart attack or stroke.

Just a few minutes delay in response time can prove to be the difference in survival, survival with significant disability or death.

I strongly oppose any changes that would decrease local ambulance coverage, as it will ultimately lead to increased mortality and morbidity for citizens of Moraga.

Please take this into consideration.

Allison Pollock MD

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Cristina Herskowitz](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Proposed cut concerns
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:26:53 PM

I am emailing to convey my concern with the proposal of decreasing ambulance coverage for Moraga. As a parent to a high needs disabled child I rely on urgent ambulance coverage to ensure the safety of my daughter (and 4 other children).

When I lived in Oakland, we required urgent care on more than one occasion and our close proximity made their arrival within 2-3 minutes. I was concerned about a number of things when we decided to move to Moraga: would the community accept her? Would the special ed department offer her the right services? But safety was never a concern since I knew help would be almost instant.

Part of what makes Moraga special is that it's fairly isolated. But this isolation requires our services to be kept intact to ensure the safety of our citizens. Orinda and Lafayette are far too distant to provide sufficient care to our community.

Thank you,
Cristina Herskowitz

From: [A Schmidt](#)
To: [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); craig.jorgens@gmail.com; [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: No cuts to Moraga ambulance service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:29:08 PM

Please don't cut Moraga's ambulance service. Emergency response time is critical.

We are located deep in Moraga in the CP neighborhood. The distance an ambulance would have to travel to get to our area is very concerning.

Anne Schmidt

 Moraga

From: [Craig Jorgens](#)
To: [A Schmidt](#); [Hasler, Greg](#); mmjjex@gmail.com; stevedformofd@gmail.com; [Roemer, Mike](#); [craig gmail](#); [Isaacs, Jeff](#); [Info](#)
Subject: RE: No cuts to Moraga ambulance service
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:30:32 PM

Anne, Thank you for your letter. The budget being proposed and discussed on Wednesday night actually includes staffing both a Moraga and Orinda ambulance on full 24 hr shifts 365 days per year. The earlier staffing proposal for Moraga was based on inaccurate Call data for the Moraga ambulance. Orinda has never had a 24 dedicated ambulance only Moraga did. Moraga and Orinda will also have a 3rd back up ambulance staffed in the other Moraga fire station near the Moraga Post office. The actual need for this 3rd ambulance is very remote and happens a very limited number of times per year. The new staffing model will double the full time ambulance service in MOFD and keep Moraga's the same as it is today. Of note, many of the ambulance calls happen on Highway 24 so those calls have historically pulled the single Moraga ambulance out of position for significant amounts of time. Having a second full time ambulance in Orinda will mean the Moraga ambulance will actually spend more time in Moraga than it has historically.

I hope this helps.

Sincerely,

Craig Jorgens

Director MOFD

From: A Schmidt <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:29 PM

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Anne Schmidt

[REDACTED], Moraga

From: [Lori Smudsky](#)
To: [Info](#)
Subject: Please do not reduce emergency services in Moraga
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025 4:51:38 PM

Dear MOFD leadership team -

If the proposal is correct that MOFD is considering reducing ambulance service in Moraga from 24 hours to 10 hours, please consider this a request to keep 24 hours service. Waiting an extra 15-20 minutes (without traffic) for an ambulance to arrive from Orinda or Lafayette could quite literally mean the difference between life and death to people in this town. Moraga deserves the same accessibility to care that Orinda gets.

Best,
Lori Smudsky

Moraga