



Yes on Proposition 4

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The California State Firefighters' Association endorses Yes on Proposition 4

Sacramento, Calif. (September 11, 2018) – The Yes 4 Children's Hospitals, Yes on Proposition 4 campaign reports an endorsement from the California State Firefighters' Association. The bond would authorize \$1.5 billion for the construction and expansion of children's hospitals.

Additional facts about California's children's hospitals:

- California is home to 13 regional children's hospitals, which provide specialized care for children and young adults up to age 21 who are suffering from serious and life-threatening diseases such as leukemia, sickle cell disease, cancer and cystic fibrosis. The hospitals handle more than 2 million visits each year and provide care regardless of a family's income or ability to pay.
- California's children's hospitals perform 97 percent of all pediatric organ transplants and 96 percent of all pediatric heart surgeries, and they conduct 76 percent of all pediatric cancer treatments.
- Children's hospitals are premier pediatric research centers, making leading-edge biomedical discoveries that benefit all kids.
- These advances in medical research and technology are producing dramatic results. Today, 85 percent of children diagnosed with leukemia are cured.

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About the California Children's Hospital Association

For more than 20 years, the California Children's Hospital Association (CCHA) has been advocating on behalf of California's eight free-standing, not-for-profit hospitals to advance the well-being of children, promote access to high quality pediatric health care, and ensure the long-term viability of children's hospitals. The Association works with state and national leaders to address issues impacting the hospitals' ability to provide the best care possible to the children of California, especially those with special and complex medical conditions. For more information, visit CCHA.org.

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