

**NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON  
AUGUST 4, 2026 ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS: OF THESE ALLEGAN COUNTY CITIES: ALLEGAN, DOUGLAS, FENNVILLE, OTSEGO, PLAINWELL, SAUGATUCK, SOUTH HAVEN AND WAYLAND; OF THESE ALLEGAN COUNTY TOWNSHIPS: ALLEGAN, CASCO, CHESHIRE, CLYDE, DORR, FILLMORE, GANGES, GUN PLAIN, HEATH, HOPKINS, LAKETOWN, LEE, LEIGHTON, MANLIUS, MARTIN, MONTEREY, OTSEGO, OVERISEL, SALEM, SAUGATUCK, TROWBRIDGE, VALLEY, WATSON AND WAYLAND; OF THESE ALLEGAN COUNTY VILLAGES: HOPKINS AND MARTIN.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2026. THE POLLS OF SAID ELECTION WILL BE OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK A.M. AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 8 O'CLOCK P.M. OF SAID DAY OF ELECTION.**

**AT THE PLACES HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID MUNICIPALITIES AS INDICATED BELOW:**

ALLEGAN CITY, 231 Trowbridge St.	HEATH TOWNSHIP, Pct 1 & 2, 3440 M-40
DOUGLAS CITY, 415 West Wiley Rd. Suite 103	HOPKINS TOWNSHIP, 128 S. Franklin St.
FENNVILLE CITY, 125 S. Maple St.	LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP, Pct. 1&3, 4338 Beeline Rd.
OTSEGO CITY, 117 E. Orleans	LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP Pct. 2, GFD Station, 4534 60 <sup>th</sup> St.
PLAINWELL CITY, 211 N. Main St.	LEE TOWNSHIP, 877 56 <sup>th</sup> St.
SAUGATUCK CITY, 303 Butler St. (Saugatuck Woman's Club)	LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP, Pct 1, 2 & 3, 4451 12 <sup>th</sup> St., Wayland
SOUTH HAVEN CITY, 539 Phoenix St.	MANLIUS TOWNSHIP, 3134 57 <sup>th</sup> St.
WAYLAND CITY, Safety Complex, 160 W. Superior St.	MARTIN TOWNSHIP, 998 Templeton St.
ALLEGAN TOWNSHIP, 3037 118 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	MONTEREY TOWNSHIP, Community Center, 2999 30 <sup>th</sup> St.
CASCO TOWNSHIP, 7104 107 <sup>th</sup> Ave – Corner of 107 <sup>th</sup> Ave. and 71 <sup>st</sup> St.	OTSEGO TOWNSHIP, 400 N. 16 <sup>th</sup> St.
CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP, 471 41 <sup>st</sup> St – Corner of 104 <sup>th</sup> Ave. & 41 <sup>st</sup> St.	OVERISEL TOWNSHIP, A-4307 144 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Holland 49423
CLYDE TOWNSHIP, 1679 56 <sup>th</sup> St.	SALEM TOWNSHIP, 3003 142 <sup>nd</sup> Ave.
DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 1, 4196 18 <sup>th</sup> St. Dorr Twp Fire Building	SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP, 3461 Blue Star Hwy.
DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 2 & 3, 1683 142 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. Dorr Twp Hall	TROWBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, 913 M-40 South
FILLMORE TOWNSHIP, 4219 52 <sup>nd</sup> St.	VALLEY TOWNSHIP, 2054 N. M-40
GANGES TOWNSHIP, 1904 64 <sup>th</sup> St.	WATSON TOWNSHIP, 1895 118 <sup>th</sup> Ave.
GUN PLAIN TOWNSHIP, 381 8 <sup>th</sup> St.	WAYLAND TOWNSHIP, 1060 129 <sup>th</sup> Ave.

**POLLING LOCATIONS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE – AUDIO AND BRAILLE INSTRUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE.**

PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AS DEFINED BY THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT SHOULD CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE CLERK'S OFFICE

<b>CONGRESSIONAL</b>	U.S. Congress
<b>LEGISLATIVE</b>	State Senate, State Representatives
<b>STATE</b>	Governor
<b>CITY/TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE</b>	Township Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustee and Parks Commission
<b>PRECINCT DELEGATES</b>	Delegates to the County Convention of the Republican and Democratic Parties

**ALSO TO VOTE ON State, County, School and Township Proposals.**

**County Proposals**

**ALLEGAN COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL** - For the purpose of providing funds for services to senior citizens in Allegan County, shall Allegan County be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed 0.4753 mill (\$0.4753 per each \$1,000 of taxable value), which is a renewal of the previously authorized millage rate that expired in 2025, against all taxable property within Allegan County, for a period of four (4) years, 2026 through 2029, inclusive? The estimate of the revenue the County will collect in the first year (2026) if the millage is approved and levied by the County is approximately \$3,766,422.

**Township Proposals**

**CASCO TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION** (1) - Shall the previously increased limitation of 1.464 mills, reduced by required rollback to 1.14277 mills, on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Casco Township, Allegan County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, be increased and renewed at 1.464 mills (\$1.464 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for five years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, to pave, repair, construct, or reconstruct roads, bridges, or drainage structures; and shall the Township be authorized to levy this tax? (ESTIMATE OF REVENUE INCREASE: If approved by the voters, the Township estimates that it will receive \$525,916.00 of additional revenues from this millage renewal in 2026.); **ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION** (2) - Shall the previously increased limitation of 1.0 mill, reduced by required rollback to .9966 mill, on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Casco Township, Allegan County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, expiring after 2026, be increased and renewed at 1.0 mill (\$1.0 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for five years, 2027 through 2031, inclusive, to pave, repair, construct, or reconstruct roads, bridges, or drainage structures; and shall the Township be authorized to levy this tax? (ESTIMATE OF REVENUE INCREASE: If approved by the voters, the Township estimates that it will receive \$359,232.00 of additional revenues from this millage renewal in 2027); **SENIOR SERVICES MILLAGE PROPOSITION** - Shall an increase of .50 mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value), in the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Casco Township, Allegan County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, be approved for four years, 2026 through 2029, inclusive, to provide funds for senior citizen services, specifically to pay to Senior Services of Van Buren County, Inc., per a contract for services, based on Public Act 39 of 1976; and shall the Township be authorized to levy this tax? (ESTIMATE OF REVENUE INCREASE: If approved by the voters, the Township estimates that it will receive \$179,616.00 of additional revenues from this millage in 2026); **PARKS AND RECREATION MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION** - Shall the previously increased limitation of .25 mill, reduced by required rollback to .2437 mill, on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Casco Township, Allegan County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, be increased and renewed for five years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, in the amount of .25 mills (\$.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value), for the purpose of providing funds to plan, construct, maintain, and police parks and recreation facilities; and shall the Township be authorized to levy this tax? (ESTIMATE OF REVENUE INCREASE: If approved by the voters, the Township estimates that it will receive \$89,808.00 of additional revenues from this millage renewal in 2026). **DORR TOWNSHIP FIRE SERVICES MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - Shall the constitutional total tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes in Dorr Township, Allegan County, Michigan be increased by 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five (5) years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, and shall Dorr Township levy such new additional millage annually on all taxable property within Dorr Township for the purpose of providing fire protection services including funding of the Dorr Township fire department, raising estimated revenue of approximately \$379,796 in the first year of the levy? As required by law, a portion of the revenue from this millage will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the Dorr Township Downtown Development Authority. **GANGES TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL TO RENEW ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE** - This proposal reestablishes the 1.5 mill road millage previously approved by the electors that expires after the December 2026 levy. Specifically, the proposal renews the previously authorized 1.4434 mills and restores the 0.0566 mills rolled back by the Headlee Amendment. "Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Ganges Township of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.4434 mills (\$1.4434 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four (4) years, 2027 through 2030 inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for road improvement, which 1.5 mills will raise an estimated \$485,380.36 in the first year the millage is levied?" **LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - Shall the total tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Leighton Township under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by 1.00 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), and shall the Township levy this new additional millage annually for five (5) years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for the construction, improvement, repair, and maintenance of public roads within the Township? If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$448,999 in the first year of the levy. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Allegan County Road Commission or other governmental agency for the construction, improvement, repair, and maintenance of public roads within the Township. **FIRE DEPARTMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - Shall the total tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Leighton Township under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by 0.50 mills (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), and shall the Township levy this new additional millage annually for five (5) years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for general operating and capital expenses of the Leighton Township Fire Department thereby raising an estimated \$224,500 in the first year of the levy? **MARTIN TOWNSHIP FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES EQUIPMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL** - Shall the previously voted increase in the tax rate limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes in Martin Township of 0.75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value), as reduced to 0.7312 mill (\$0.7312 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at the rolled-back rate of 0.7312 mill (\$0.7312 per \$1,000 of taxable value), and shall Martin Township levy such millage annually for four (4) years, 2027 through 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for the acquisition and maintenance of fire and emergency services equipment within Martin Township, thereby raising an estimated \$103,337 in the first year of the levy. **OVERISEL TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL TO RENEW ROAD MILLAGE** - "Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Overisel Township of up to 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be renewed at up to 2.0 mills (\$2.0 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four years, 2027 through 2030 inclusive, for the reconstruction of Township roads, raising up to an estimated \$558,858 in the first year that the millage is levied? **SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP CEMETERY MILLAGE RENEWAL AND RESTORATION PROPOSAL** - It is proposed that Saugatuck Township levy a tax of 0.224 mills for cemetery purposes. The proposed millage includes (1) a renewal of 0.2155 mills that were previously approved by voters and (2) an increase of 0.0085 mills as a new additional millage. This renewal and increase would restore the Township's authority—which was reduced by law—to levy a total of 0.224 mills. The money raised could be used for the operation, maintenance, repair, construction, improvement, and renovation of the Township cemeteries. This would cost taxpayers about \$0.22 (22 cents) for each \$1,000 of taxable real and personal property. The charge would apply each year from 2026 through 2030, beginning with the 2026 winter tax bill. About \$126,815 would be raised in the first year. Should the proposed renewal and increase be approved? **WATSON TOWNSHIP RENEWAL OF ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE** - Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Watson Township of 2.00 mill (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.6081 mills (\$1.6081 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks be renewed at up to 1.6081 mills (\$1.6081 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for 4 years (2026 through 2030 inclusive) for the purpose of road improvements, and maintenance of local public roads within Watson Township; and shall the Township levy such millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$163,720. **WAYLAND TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - Shall Wayland Township impose an increase of up to 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes and levy it for 5 years (2026 through 2030 inclusive) for the purpose of funding road maintenance and improvements, which 2 mill increase will raise an estimated \$346,800 in the first year that the millage is levied?

**School Proposals**

**ALLEGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Allegan Public Schools, Allegan County, Michigan, be renewed by 17.6118 mills (\$17.6118 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 2 years, 2027 and 2028,

and also be increased by .5 mill (\$.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 2 years, 2027 and 2028, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately \$4,678,635 (this millage is to renew millage that will expire with the 2026 levy and to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)? **GLENN PUBLIC SCHOOL OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining 2 mills are only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction. Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Glenn Public School, Allegan County, Michigan, be increased by 20 mills (\$20.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2027, 2028 and 2029 to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately \$953,350 (this will restore and replace millage that will expire with the 2027 tax levy)? **HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 19.2345 mills (\$19.2345 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Hopkins Public Schools, Allegan County, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 6 years, 2027 to 2032, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately \$1,283,900.00 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)? **MARTIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Martin Public Schools, Allegan and Barry Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 17.8708 mills (\$17.8708 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, inclusive, and also be increased by .5 mill (\$.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately \$925,958 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 levy and a restoration of millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)? **PLAINWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining 1.6352 mills are only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction. Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Plainwell Community Schools, Allegan, Kalamazoo and Barry Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 19.6352 mills (\$19.6352 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2027 to 2036, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately \$3,070,242 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)? **BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16 OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The total operating millage levied by the school district will not exceed 18 mills in any year. Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Bloomingdale Public School District No. 16, Van Buren and Allegan Counties, Michigan, be increased by 3 mills (\$3.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2026 to 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 0.5489 mill of the 3 mills is levied in 2026 is approximately \$69,864 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)?

#### Library Proposals

**SAUGATUCK-DOUGLAS DISTRICT LIBRARY – LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL**, Shall the Saugatuck-Douglas District Library, County of Allegan, be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed .30 mill (\$.30 per each \$1,000 of taxable value), of which .2352 mill is a renewal of the previously authorized millage rate that expired in 2025 and .0648 mill is new additional millage, against all taxable property within the Saugatuck-Douglas District Library district for a period of ten (10) years, 2026 through 2035, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the Saugatuck-Douglas District Library will collect in the first year of levy (2026) if the millage is approved and levied by the Library is approximately \$332,000. **OTSEGO DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY – LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL**, Shall the Otsego District Public Library, Counties of Allegan and Kalamazoo, Michigan, be authorized to levy annually a new additional millage in an amount not to exceed 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per each \$1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable property within the Otsego District Public Library district in perpetuity beginning with the 2026 levy, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the Otsego District Public Library will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the Library in the first year (2026) is approximately \$587,000.

#### Other

**INTERURBAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MILLAGE PROPOSAL** - It is proposed that the Interurban Transit Authority levy a tax of 1.0 mill on all taxable property within the Authority's boundaries for the provision of public transportation services for a period of 10 years. Voters in the City of Saugatuck, the City of the Village of Douglas, and the Township of Saugatuck previously approved a levy of 0.5 mill for this purpose, which expires with the 2026 tax levy. The proposed millage is intended to replace that expiring levy and would apply throughout the Authority's newly expanded boundaries, including the City of Fennville. It would cost taxpayers \$1.00 for each \$1,000 of taxable real and personal property and would apply each year from 2027 through 2036. Approximately \$1,078,000 would be raised across the Authority in the first year. All revenue will be disbursed to the Interurban Transit Authority. Should the proposed new millage be approved?

For a full list of all candidates, please visit our website at [www.allegancounty.org](http://www.allegancounty.org) or [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos)

Bob Genetski, Allegan County Clerk/Register