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Fairfield County Auditor Updates Levy Estimator Tool and Fact Sheets for November 5th Election

Lancaster, **Ohio** – The Fairfield County Auditor's Office is pleased to announce the availability of an updated tax levy estimator tools on the Auditor's Real Estate website. Tutorials on how to use the updated online tools are also found on the website.

County Auditor Carri Brown stated, "If a property owner would like to estimate the amount of tax associated with a ballot issue, the online tool for the levy estimator can be helpful."

For the Tuesday, November 5, 2024, general election, all Fairfield County residents will see a renewal levy for ADAMH. Additionally, residents of the Village of Bremen, Clearcreek Township, Greenfield Township, Hocking Township, the Village of Millersport, and Walnut Township Local School District will see proposed levy issues on their ballots. General fact sheets about the issues are on the County Auditor's website and are found below.

Estimates calculated with the online tool are based on known information.

For more information or questions regarding the website tools, please contact the County Auditor's Office at (740) 652-7020 or (740) 652-7030.

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ADAMH Renewal Levy

- ADAMH is placing a .75 mill renewal levy on the ballot November 5, 2024. This renewal
 levy is for the benefit of Fairfield County Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health (ADAMH) for the
 purpose of providing counseling and supportive services for children and adults in Fairfield
 County. The renewal levy is for a period of 10 years. Collections for the renewal levy, if
 passed, will begin in 2026.
- This ballot issue is for a renewal. ADAMH has a similar current levy, passed at .75 mills. The last collections for the current levy are in 2025.
- With the current levy, reduction factors are applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at .75 mills, the current levy is collected at approximately .436522 mills. There are adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the renewal would be \$13. There would be no change for the taxpayer.
- If voters pass the proposed renewal, an estimated \$2,860,000 will be collected annually.
- Estimates are based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the renewal levy?

Please reach out to ADAMH:

ADAMH 108 West Main Street, Suite A Lancaster, Ohio 43130 Office Phone: (740) 654-0829



Village of Bremen Operating Expenses

- The Village of Bremen is placing a 3.0 mill replacement levy on the ballot November 5, 2024. This replacement levy is for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repairs of streets, roads and bridges and is for a period of 5 years. Collections for the replacement levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- The Village of Bremen has an expired road and bridge improvements levy, passed at 3.0 mills. The last collections for the expired levy occurred in 2024.
- With the expired levy, reduction factors were applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at 3.0 mills, the expired levy was last collected at approximately 2.064 mills. There were adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the replacement levy is \$105.
- With the expired road and bridge levy, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax was \$63.
- If voters pass the proposed replacement levy, an estimated \$94,000 will be collected annually. The expired levy provided an estimated \$69,000 annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the replacement levy?

Please reach out to the Village of Bremen:

Village of Bremen 9090 Marietta Road Bremen, Ohio 43107 Office Phone: (740) 569-4788



Clearcreek Township Road and Bridge Improvements

- Clearcreek Township is placing a .5 mill replacement levy on the ballot November 5, 2024.
 This replacement levy is for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repairs of streets, roads and bridges and is for a period of 5 years. Collections for the replacement levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- Clearcreek Township has an expired road and bridge improvements levy, passed at .50 mills.
 The last collections for the expired levy occurred in 2023.
- With the expired levy, reduction factors were applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at .50 mills, the expired levy was last collected at approximately .1845 mills. There were adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the replacement levy is \$18.
- With the expired road and bridge levy, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax was \$5.65.
- If voters pass the proposed replacement levy, an estimated \$57,000 will be collected annually. The expired levy provided an estimated \$21,000 annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the replacement levy?

Please reach out to Clearcreek Township:

Clearcreek Township 11060 Main Street SW Stoutsville, Ohio 43154 Office Phone: (740) 474-4300



Greenfield Township Road and Bridge Improvements

- Greenfield Township is placing a 2.5 mill additional levy on the ballot November 5, 2024. This additional levy is for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repairs of streets, roads and bridges and is for a continuing period of time. Collections for the additional levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- Greenfield Township has a current road and bridge improvements levy, passed at 1.0 mills. The current levy is for a continuing period of time.
- With the current levy, reduction factors are applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at 1.0 mills, the current levy was last collected at approximately .4139 mills. There are adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the additional levy is \$88.
- With the current road and bridge levy, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax is \$13.
- If voters pass the proposed additional levy, an estimated \$633,000 will be collected annually. The current levy provides an estimated \$125,000 annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the additional levy?

Please reach out to Greenfield Township:

Greenfield Township 3245 Havensport Road Carroll, Ohio 43112 Office Phone: (740) 756-9221



Hocking Township Fire and Emergency Services

- Hocking Township is placing a 3.0 mill additional levy on the ballot November 5, 2024.
 This additional levy is for the purpose of fire protection and emergency medical services and is for a continuing period of time. Collections for the additional levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- Hocking Township has 3 current fire operating levies, passed at a total of 6.3 mills. The collections for the current levies are for a continuing period of time.
- With the current levies, reduction factors are applied to the millage. In other words, a
 difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills
 charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to
 account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at 6.3 mills, the current
 levies were last collected at approximately 3.8560 mills. There are adjustments and
 payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the additional levy is \$105.
- With the current fire operating levies, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax is \$118.
- If voters pass the proposed additional levy, an estimated \$470,000 will be collected annually. The current levies provide an estimated \$673,000 annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the additional levy?

Please reach out to Hocking Township:

Hocking Township 1175 Cincinnati-Zanesville Road Lancaster, Ohio 43130 Office Phone: (740) 681-9760



Village of Millersport Operating Expenses

- The Village of Millersport is placing a 2.7 mill renewal levy on the ballot November 5, **2024**. This renewal levy is for the purpose of operating expenses and is for a period of 5 years. Collections for the renewal levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- The Village of Millersport has an expired operating expenses levy, passed at 2.7 mills. The last collections for the expired levy occurred in 2024.
- With the expired levy, reduction factors were applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "effective millage rate" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at 2.7 mills, the expired levy was last collected at approximately 1.570 mills. There were adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the renewal levy is \$48.
- With the expired operating expense levy, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax was \$48.
- If voters pass the proposed renewal levy, an estimated \$61,000 will be collected annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the replacement levy?

Please reach out to the Village of Millersport:

Village of Millersport 2245 Refugee Street Millersport, Ohio 43046

Office Phone: (740) 467-2333



Walnut Township Local School District - Emergency

- Walnut Township Local School District is placing a 4.0 mill renewal levy on the ballot November 5, 2024. This renewal levy is for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the school district and is for a period of 5 years. Collections for the renewal levy, if passed, will begin in 2026.
- Walnut Township Local School District has a current emergency levy, passed at 6.3 mills currently collected at 4.0 mills. The last collections for the current levy will occur in 2025.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the renewal levy is \$140.
- With the current emergency levy, for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax is \$140.
- If voters pass the proposed renewal levy, an estimated \$1,000,000 will be collected over the period of 5 years.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of the renewal levy?

Please reach out to Walnut Township Local School District:

Walnut Township Local School District 11850 Lancaster Street Millersport, Ohio 43046 Office Phone: (740) 467-2802