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Fairfield County Auditor Updates Levy Estimator Tool for May 6th Election Levies

Lancaster, Ohio – The Fairfield County Auditor’s Office is pleased to announce the availability of an updated tax levy estimator tool on the Auditor’s Real Estate website. A tutorial on how to use the updated online tool is attached.

County Auditor Carri Brown stated, “If a property owner would like to estimate the amount of tax associated with millage that is on the ballot for approval, this tool can be helpful in that property owner’s evaluation of the issue. And if anyone has any questions, he or she can call our office.”

For Tuesday, May 6, 2025, primary election, all Fairfield County residents will see a Board of DD renewal levy issue. Fairfield County residents in Bloom Township, Greenfield Township, Hocking Township, and Walnut Local School District will see property tax ballot issues. Also, for Buckeye Lake Village, Southwest Licking Local School, and Teays Valley Local School District, there are property tax ballot issues, although these are for districts that are mainly in other counties.

General fact sheets about the issues are on the County Auditor’s website in addition to the levy estimator tool. Estimates calculated with the online tool are based on known information.

For more information or questions regarding the levy estimator tool, please contact the County Auditor’s Office at (740) 652-7020 or (740) 652-7030.

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Bloom Township Fire & EMS Services Additional Levy

- **Bloom Township is placing a 2.25 additional levy on the ballot May 6, 2025.** This additional levy is for the purpose of providing fire protection and emergency medical services. The additional levy is a continuing levy. Collections for the additional levy, if passed, will begin in 2026.
- Bloom Township currently has four fire operating levies, passed at a total of 12.5 mills.
- 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 5.5 mills. There are adjustments and payments made by the state of Ohio.
- **If voters approve the proposed additional levy, it is estimated to generate approximately \$79 annually for a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000.**
- The additional levy is for the entire territory of Bloom Township.
- 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 Bloom Township:

Bloom Township
8490 Lithopolis Road NW
Carroll, Ohio 43112
Phone: (614) 837-4387

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Buckeye Lake Village Police Protection Additional Levy (with portions in Fairfield County)

- **Buckeye Lake Village is placing a 4 mill additional levy on the ballot May 6, 2025.** This additional levy is for the purpose of providing funds for continued operation of the police department and services. It is for a term of three years. Collections for the additional levy, if passed, will begin in 2026.
- Buckeye Lake Village previously had a 5 mill levy that expired in 2023 and was not replaced nor renewed.
- **For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the additional levy is \$140.**
- **If voters pass the proposed additional levy, an estimated \$2,600 will be collected annually.** The current levy provides an estimated \$630 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 Buckeye Lake Village:

Buckeye Lake Village
5192 Walnut Road SE
Buckeye Lake, Ohio 43008
Phone: (740) 928-7100

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Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities (DD) Renewal Levy

- **The Fairfield County Board of DD is placing a 1.85 mill renewal levy on the ballot May 6, 2025.**
- This **renewal levy** is for the benefit of Fairfield County for the purpose of providing and operating community programs and services authorized by the County Board of DD; for the acquisition, construction, renovation, financing, maintenance, and operation of developmental disabilities facilities; or for both of such purposes.
- The renewal levy is for a period of 5 years.
- Collections for the renewal levy, if passed, will begin in 2026.
- As this levy is a renewal, the Board of DD has a current levy for the same purposes. The last collections for the current levy are in 2025.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the **renewal levy** is \$40.
- If voters pass the proposed **renewal**, an estimated \$7,608,000 will continue to be collected annually.

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

Please reach out to the Board of DD:

795 College Ave
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
Phone: (740) 652-7220
<http://www.fairfielddd.com>

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Greenfield Township Additional Levy for Road and Bridge Improvements

- **Greenfield Township is placing a 1.75 additional levy on the ballot May 6, 2025.** This additional levy is for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repairs of streets, roads and bridges. The additional levy is a continuing levy. Collections for the additional levy, if passed, will begin in 2026.
- Greenfield Township has a current (inside) road and bridge improvements levy at 1.9 mills.
- The current (inside) road and bridge improvement levy produces an estimated \$480,000 annually. Costing the property owner with a home valued at \$100,000 approximately \$67.
- If voters pass the proposed **additional levy**, an estimated \$451,000 will be collected annually.
- For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual estimated tax for the additional levy \$61.
- The additional levy is for the unincorporated portion of Greenfield Township.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

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

Please reach out to Greenfield Township:

4663 Carroll-Cemetery Road NW
Carroll, Ohio 43112
Phone (740) 756-9221

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Hocking Township Fire and Emergency Services Additional Levy

- **Hocking Township is proposing an additional 4.0-mill levy on the ballot for May 6, 2025.** This levy aims to fund fire and emergency medical services, including maintaining firefighting equipment, facilities, and personnel. This additional levy is a continuing levy. Collections for the levy, if approved, will begin in 2026.
- Hocking Township currently has three fire operating levies, passed at a total rate 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 3.85 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 proposed additional levy will be \$140.**
- The additional levy will apply to the unincorporated portion of Hocking Township.
- These estimates are based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

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

Please reach out to Hocking Township:

1175 Cincinnati-Zanesville Road SW
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
Phone (740) 681-9760

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Bond Issues for School Districts in Licking and Pickaway Counties (with portions in Fairfield County)

- Two school districts with portions of their district in Fairfield County will have property tax issues on May 6, 2025, ballot.
- Southwest Licking Local School District is placing a bond issue in the amount of \$115,000,000 on the May 6 ballot for the purpose of constructing, renovating, and repairing school facilities. Bonds shall have an estimated net average rate of interest of 5.00% per annum with the principal paid over a maximum period not to exceed 35 years.
- Teays Valley Local School District is placing a bond issue in the amount of \$64,390,000 on the May 6 ballot for the purpose of constructing, renovating, and repairing school facilities. Bonds shall have an estimated net average rate of interest of 4.75% per annum with the principal paid over a maximum period not to exceed 37 years.
- Property owners who are impacted can see estimates of the effect of the issues on the Fairfield County Real Estate Assessment website, here: <https://realestate.co.fairfield.oh.us/>
- A tutorial of how to use the Real Estate Assessment website is here: <https://realestate.co.fairfield.oh.us/site-links/tutorials-for-website/>

Do you have questions about plans for proceeds of these proposed issues?
Please reach out to the following:

Southwest Licking Local School District
927-A South Street
Pataskala, OH 43062
Phone: (740) 927-3941

Teays Valley Local School District
385 Viking Way
Ashville, OH 43130
Phone: (740) 983-5000

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Walnut Township Local School District – Emergency Renewal Levy

- **Walnut Township Local School District is placing a 4.0 mill renewal levy on the ballot May 6, 2025.** 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 this proposed emergency level?

Please reach out to Walnut Local School District:

11850 Lancaster Street
Millersport, Ohio 43046
Phone: (740) 467-1147

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