## NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 6, 2024 ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS: OF THESE ALLEGAN COUNTY CITIES: ALLEGAN, DOUGLAS, FENNVILLE, HOLLAND, 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.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 6, 2024. 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. DOUGLAS CITY, 86 W. Center St. FENNVILLE CITY, 125 S. Maple St. HOLLAND CITY, Pct. 9 Calvary Baptist Church, 517 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> HOLLAND CITY, Pct. 11 & 12, Maplewood Reformed Church, 133 E. 34th St. OTSEGO CITY, 117 E. Orleans PLAINWELL CITY, 211 N. Main St. SAUGATUCK CITY, 102 Butler St. SOUTH HAVEN CITY, 539 Phoenix St. WAYLAND CITY, Pct 1 Safety Complex, 160 W. Superior St. WAYLAND CITY, Pct 2, VFW, 735 S. Main St. ALLEGAN TOWNSHIP, 3037 118<sup>th</sup> Ave. CASCO TOWNSHIP, 7104 107th Ave - Corner of 107th Ave. and 71st St. CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP, 471 41st St – Corner of 104th Ave. & 41st St. CLYDE TOWNSHIP, 1679 56th St. DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 1, 4196 18<sup>th</sup> St. DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 2, St. Peter's Lutheran Ch., 4125 18<sup>th</sup> St. DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 3, Dorr Christian Reformed Ch., 4220 18th St. FILLMORE TOWNSHIP, 4219 52nd St. GANGES TOWNSHIP, 1904 64th St.

GUN PLAIN TOWNSHIP 381 8th St HEATH TOWNSHIP, 3440 M-40 HOPKINS TOWNSHIP, 128 S. Franklin St. LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP, Pct. 1&3, 4338 Beeline Rd. LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP Pct. 2, GFD Station, 4534 60th St. LEE TOWNSHIP, 877 56th St. LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP, 4451 12th St., Wayland MANLIUS TOWNSHIP, 3134 57th St. MARTIN TOWNSHIP, 998 Templeton St. MONTEREY TOWNSHIP, Community Center, 2999 30th St. OTSEGO TOWNSHIP, 400 N. 16th St. OVERISEL TOWNSHIP, A-4307 144th Ave, Holland 49423 SALEM TOWNSHIP, 3003 142ND Ave. SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP, 3461 Blue Star Hwy. TROWBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, 913 M-40 South VALLEY TOWNSHIP, 2054 N. M-40 WATSON TOWNSHIP, 1895 118<sup>TH</sup> Ave. 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

CONGRESSIONAL U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives LEGISLATIVE JUDICIAL State Representatives COUNTY CITY/TOWNSHIP/VILLLAGE

48th Circuit Court Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk/Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Drain Commissioner, County Surveyor and County Commissioner Township and Village Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees, Township Parks Commissions and Township Park Commissioner AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTION: Delegates to the County Convention of the Republican and Democratic Parties

ALSO TO VOTE ON County, School and Township Proposals.

# Allegan County Proposals

9-1-1 Operating Surcharge Proposal For the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and continuing until the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act (Act 32 of 1986) is repealed or through December 31, 2035, whichever occurs first, shall Allegan County be authorized to continue to assess a monthly surcharge of up to and not to exceed \$3.00 on the monthly billings of communication service suppliers to service users within the geographic boundaries of Allegan County to be used exclusively for the funding of 9-1-1 emergency telephone call answering and dispatch services within Allegan County, including facilities, equipment and operations? Millage Proposition Road Resurfacing and Reconstruction Renewal (This proposal will permit the County to continue its 1.0 mill levy for County Primary Road Resurfacing, Prevention, and related preparation, and City/Village Road Improvement, which expired in 2023. This proposal would renew the 0.9654 mill not reduced by the Headlee Amendment millage rollback, and it would increase that millage by .0346 to restore it to its original 1.0 mill.) Shall the current authorized increase in the millage rate limitation of one mill imposed on all taxable property within the County of Allegan, Michigan, which last resulted in the levy of 0.9654 mills (\$0.9654 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for road resurfacing and restoration, be renewed, and shall said millage be increased by 0.0346 mills (\$0.0346 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) to offset the millage reduction from one mill as required by law, resulting in a total levy of one mill (\$1.00 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), for a period of 6 years, 2024 through 2029, inclusive, for purposes of providing a fund for the resurfacing, preservation, and related preparation of primary roads included in the Allegan County Road System and for reconstruction, resurfacing, and maintenance of major and local streets within the incorporated limits of villages and cities within Allegan County; and shall the County levy such renewal and increase in millage for such purposes, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$6,146,883?

City Proposals City of South Haven Recreational Millage 0.5 Mills for Five Years Shall the authorized charter millage of the City of South Haven, Van Buren and Allegan Counties, Michigan, established at 15.00 mills (\$15.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), as reduced to 9.6612 mills (\$9.6612 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be increased in an amount not to exceed 0.5 mills (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of 5 years, 2024 through 2028, inclusive, for the purpose of acquiring, maintaining, and improving parks and other recreational areas and to fund recreational programming, and shall the City of South Haven be authorized to levy such new additional millage annually on all taxable property within the City? If authorized and levied, said levy is estimated to raise \$297,653.18 in its first year of levy. A portion of the millage funds may be disbursed to the South Haven Area Recreation Authority, and to the extent required by law, a portion of the tax levy will be captured by and disbursed to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Downtown Development Authority, and Local Development Finance Authorities of the City of South Haven.

## **Township Proposals**

Allegan Township Proposal I A Renewal Proposal to Provide a Fund for Improvements of Township Roads in the Township of Allegan Shall the previously voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Allegan Township be renewed at 1.0000 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive for the purpose of road improvements within said Township, and shall the township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$207,580? Allegan Township Proposal II A Renewal Proposal to Provide a Fund for Fire Protection in the Township of Allegan Shall the previously voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Allegan Township be renewed at .5000 mills (\$.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive for the purpose of providing fire protection within said Township, and shall the township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$103,780? Cheshire Township Public Road Maintenance/Improvement Millage Shall the expiring previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Cheshire Township renewed August 7, 2018, at 2.0 mills for 2019-2024 and subsequently reduced to 1.839 mills (\$1.839 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by required millage rollbacks, be further renewed at and increased up to the original voted and previously renewed 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and shall Cheshire Township levy such increase in millage on all taxable real and personal property in the Township for 6 years in 2025-2030 inclusive for distribution to Cheshire Township and the Allegan County Road Commission for the purpose of maintaining and/or improving existing public roads in Cheshire Township, thereby raising in the first year of such levy an estimated \$174,519? Clyde Township Proposal I Renewal of Fire Protection Millage Shall the expired previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Clyde Township of 2 mills (\$2 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.9223 mills per (\$1.9223 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed and increased to the original 2 mills (\$2 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four years, 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027, inclusive for purposes of fire protection within Clyde Township, raising an estimated \$147,673 the first year the millage is levied. Clyde Township Proposal II Renewal of Road Improvement Millage Shall the expired previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Clyde Township of 2 mills (\$2 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.9223 mills per (\$1.9223 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed and increased to the original 2 mills (\$2 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four years, 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027, inclusive for purposes of funding road improvements within Clyde Township, raising an estimated \$147,673 the first year the millage is levied. Clyde Township Proposal III Renewal of Ambulance Service Millage Shall the expired previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Clyde Township of 0.5 mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 0.4805 mill per (\$0.4805 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased to the original .5 mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four years, 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027, inclusive for purposes of providing

ambulance services within Clyde Township, raising an estimated \$36,918 the first year the millage is levied. Dorr Township Fire Equipment and Fire Vehicle Millage Renewal Proposal Shall the previously voted increase in the total tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Dorr Township under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 0.4863 mills (\$0.4863 per \$1,000 of taxable value) as reduced to 0.4780 mills (\$0.4780 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by required Headlee millage reductions, be renewed at 0.4780 mills (\$0.4780 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four (4) years, 2025 through 2028, inclusive, to provide funds for the purchase, improvement, maintenance, repair, and replacement of fire equipment and fire vehicles in Dorr Township; and shall Dorr Township be authorized to annually levy such 0.4780 mills (\$0.4780 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for said purposes, raising revenues of approximately \$180,813.33 in the first year of the levy? As required by law, a small portion of the revenues from this millage renewal will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the Dorr Township Downtown Development Authority. Ganges Township Ambulance and First Responder Millage Shall an expiring increase of 0.5 mill, reduced by required rollback to 0.48710 mill, on the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Ganges Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, be increased and renewed for said Township by 0.5 mills (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for Ambulance Service and for the First Responder Department; and shall the Township levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$150,597? Ganges Township Fire Protection Millage Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Ganges Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased and renewed for said Township by 1.33 mills (\$1.33 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for Fire Protection; and shall the Township be authorized to levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$391,552? Ganges Township Road Millage Shall an expiring increase of 1.5 mills, reduced by required rollback to 1.46130 mills, on the tax limitation for general ad valorem taxes within Ganges Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased and renewed for the Township at 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for road improvement and maintenance purposes; and shall the Township be authorized to levy such millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$451,791? Heath Township Proposal to Approve Fire Improvement Millage Ballot Language Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Heath Township, of 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.9603 mills (\$1.96 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 5 years, 2025 through 2029 inclusive, for fire protection, maintenance, and equipment, raising an estimated \$443,806 in the first year the millage is levied? Heath Township Proposal to Approve Road Improvement Millage Ballot Language Shall Heath Township impose an increase of up to 3 mills (\$3.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for 5 years, 2025 through 2029 inclusive, for Township road improvements, which 3-mills increase will raise an estimated \$ 665,709 in the first year the millage is levied? Hopkins Township Proposal to Renew Millage for Road Improvements Shall the expiring previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Hopkins Township of 2 mills (\$2.00 per each \$1,000 of taxable value), 2021 through 2024 inclusive, and reduced by required millage rollback, be renewed at and increased at up to the original voted 2 mills (\$2.00 per each \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 4 years, 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for township road improvements, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$210,000? Laketown Township Fire, Road, Bicycle Path and Drain Millage Renewal Proposition Shall an expiring increase in property taxes of 2.0 mills be renewed for two (2) years, 2024 and 2025, inclusive, in the amount of 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for all property in the Township, above the 15 mill tax limitation imposed by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution, to provide operating funds and equipment and apparatus acquisition funds for the Fire Department; to provide funds for the repair, construction, reconstruction and/or blacktopping of roads and bicycle paths in the Township; and to provide funds for the repair and maintenance of drains in the Township; and shall the Township be authorized to levy the tax? The estimated revenue the Township will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2024 calendar year is approximately \$1,198,000. Leighton Township Fire And Police Protection Services Millage Proposal Shall Leighton Township increase the tax rate limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes and levy a new additional millage of 2.5 mills (\$2.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable property within the Township for five (5) years, 2024 through 2028, inclusive, to provide funds for police and fire protection and emergency services, and the provision and maintenance of fire protection and emergency services equipment and vehicles? If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$904,720 in the first year of the levy. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Allegan County Sheriff's Department or other governmental agency for police services within Leighton Township and the Leighton Township Fire Department or other governmental agency for fire protection and emergency services within Leighton Township. Leighton Township Road Millage Proposal Shall Leighton Township increase the tax rate limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes and levy a new additional millage of 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable property within the Township for five (5) years, 2024 through 2028, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for public road construction, improvement, and maintenance? If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$723,775 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 public road construction, improvement, and maintenance within Leighton Township. Salem Township Proposal For Renewal Of Road Millage Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Salem Township, of up to 5.0 mills (\$5.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), as reduced to 4.7003 mills by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at the original 5.0 mills (\$5.00 per \$1,000 of taxable valued) and be levied for six years, 2025 through 2030 inclusive, for Township road improvements, raising an estimated \$1,282,480 in the first year that the millage is levied? Valley Township Proposal for Renewal of Extra Voted Millage for Fire Protection Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Valley Township, be renewed at 1 mill (\$1 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive for township fire protection, search and rescue and ambulance; and shall the Township levy such renewal for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$116, 051.00? Valley Township Proposal for Renewal of Extra Voted Millage for Road Improvements Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Valley Township, be renewed at 1 mill (\$1 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2025 through 2028 inclusive for township road improvements; and shall the Township levy such renewal for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$116,051.00? Watson Township Renewal of Dust Control and Road Maintenance 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 0.75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 0.6638 mills (\$0.6638 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks be renewed at up to 0.6638 mills (\$0.6638 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for 4 years (2025 through 2028 inclusive) for the purpose of dust control, 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 \$59,078. Wayland Township Fire Protection and Ambulance Services Operating Millage Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within the Township of Wayland imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said Township by 1.0 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levy it for 5 years (2024 through 2028 inclusive) for the purpose of funding fire protection and ambulance services and pay it to the City of Wayland under contractor or to such other contractor as shell be selected by the Township Board, which 1.0-mill increase will raise an estimated \$241,816 in the first year that the millage is levied? Wayland Township Road Millage Proposal Shall Wayland Township impose a millage of 1.0 mill (\$1.00 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 4 years (2025 through 2028 inclusive) for the purpose funding road improvements, which 1.0-mill increase will raise an estimated \$241,816 in the first year that the millage is levied? Wayland Township Proposal for the Funding of Waste Reduction Programs and for the Collection of Materials for Recycling To continue and expand solid waste reduction programs under the Allegan County Solid Waste Management Plan, shall Allegan County, pursuant to 1989 P.A. 138, as amended by 2005 P.A. 69, impose an annual surcharge on all households in Wayland Township in the amount of \$50 per household per year for a period of five years (2024-2028, inclusive) to cover operational costs of the programs and to be distributed to Allegan County to fund the collection of materials for recycling including, but not limited to, recyclable materials, household hazardous wastes, tires, batteries, and electronics, as provided in the Allegan County Solid Waste Management Plan?

# School Proposals

Allegan Public Schools OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 18.3251 MILLS FOR 2 YEARS. Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Allegan Public Schools, 550 Fifth Street, Allegan, Michigan 49010-1670, telephone: (269) 673-5431. Bloomingdale Public School District No. 16 OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 18.2124 MILLS FOR 6 YEARS. Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Bloomingdale Public School District No. 16, 629 E. Kalamazoo Street, Bloomingdale, Michigan 49026, telephone: (269) 521-3900. Fenville Public Schools OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 18.2192 MILLS FOR 4 YEARS AND .5 MILL FOR 4 YEARS FOR HEADLEE RESTORATION PURPOSES, IF NECESSARY. Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Fennville Public Schools, Five Memorial Drive, Fennville, Michigan 49408, telephone: (269) 722-3350. Van Buren Intermediate School District SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL 0.8955 MILL FOR 5 YEARS. Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Van Buren Intermediate School District, 490 South Paw Paw Street, Lawrence, Michigan 49064, telephone: (269) 674-8091.

## Library Proposals

Charles A Ransom District Library Library Millage Renewal Proposal Shall the Charles A. Ransom District Library, Counties of Allegan and Kalamazoo, be authorized to levy annually a renewal of the previously authorized millage, which expires in 2024, in an amount not to exceed .58 mill (\$0.58 per each \$1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable property within the Charles A. Ransom District Library district in perpetuity beginning with the 2025 levy, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the District Library will collect in the first year of levy (2025) if the millage is approved and levied by the District Library is approximately \$350,000. By law, a portion of the revenue from the millage may be subject to capture by the City of Plainwell's Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

## For a full list of all candidates and proposals, please visit our website at <u>www.allegancounty.org</u> or <u>www.michigan.gov/sos</u>