

**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 th St.
PLAINWELL CITY, 211 N. Main St.	LEE TOWNSHIP, 877 56 th St.
SAUGATUCK CITY, 303 Butler St. (Saugatuck Woman's Club)	LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP, Pct 1, 2 & 3, 4451 12 th St., Wayland
SOUTH HAVEN CITY, 539 Phoenix St.	MANLIUS TOWNSHIP, 3134 57 th St.
WAYLAND CITY, Safety Complex, 160 W. Superior St.	MARTIN TOWNSHIP, 998 Templeton St.
ALLEGAN TOWNSHIP, 3037 118 th Ave.	MONTEREY TOWNSHIP, Community Center, 2999 30 th St.
CASCO TOWNSHIP, 7104 107 th Ave – Corner of 107 th Ave. and 71 st St.	OTSEGO TOWNSHIP, 400 N. 16 th St.
CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP, 471 41 st St – Corner of 104 th Ave. & 41 st St.	OVERISEL TOWNSHIP, A-4307 144 th Ave, Holland 49423
CLYDE TOWNSHIP, 1679 56 th St.	SALEM TOWNSHIP, 3003 142 nd Ave.
DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 1, 4196 18 th St. Dorr Twp Fire Building	SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP, 3461 Blue Star Hwy.
DORR TOWNSHIP, Pct. 2 & 3, 1683 142 nd Ave. Dorr Twp Hall	TROWBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, 913 M-40 South
FILLMORE TOWNSHIP, 4219 52 nd St.	VALLEY TOWNSHIP, 2054 N. M-40
GANGES TOWNSHIP, 1904 64 th St.	WATSON TOWNSHIP, 1895 118 th Ave.
GUN PLAIN TOWNSHIP, 381 8 th St.	WAYLAND TOWNSHIP, 1060 129 th 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.Congress
LEGISLATIVE	State Senate, State Representatives
STATE	Governor
CITY/TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE	Township Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustee and Parks Commission
PRECINCT DELEGATES	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

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 or www.michigan.gov/sos

Bob Genetski, Allegan County Clerk/Register