<u>KALAMAZOO COUNTY PROPOSALS</u>
<u>August 4, 2026 Primary Election</u>

Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

Childcare \ Early Learning Millage - Ballot Proposal

For the purpose of funding dedicated services and programs to Kalamazoo County residents with a focus on young children (0-5) and their caregivers, including, but not limited to, child care and providing funding for the County Department of Health and Community Services to administer related grants and programs, shall the constitutional limitation on general ad valorem taxes, which may be assessed in any one (1) year upon all property within the County of Kalamazoo, Michigan, be levied at a rate not to exceed 0.5 mill (0.50 per $1000 of taxable value) for the period of eight (8) years from 2027 through 2034 inclusive? For example, on a property with a residential market value of $200,000, (with an estimated taxable value of $100,000) the 0.5 mills would equal approximately $50 of tax levied annually to support such programs throughout Kalamazoo County. If approved and levied in full, this millage would raise an estimated $6,393,624.00 in the first calendar year of its levy based on taxable value.

Kalamazoo County Transportationi Authority ("KCTA")

Transportation Millage Request for 2026

The Kalamazoo County Transportation Authority (KCTA) provides on demand public transit services to all Kalamazoo County through the Metro Connect program. May the KCTA levy a tax for public transit purposes of up to 0.36 mills (36¢ per $1,000 of taxable value)? This millage: (a) Would be a renewal of a previously authorized millage expiring with the 2026 levy, the previously authorized millage of 0.3124 mills will increase by 0.0476 mills to equal .36 total mills; (b) Would be levied for seven (7) years, 2027 through 2033; (c) Is estimated to raise $4.6 million in its first year; and (d) Applies to the taxable value of all taxable property within the geographic boundary of the Kalamazoo County Transportation Authority.

Texas Charter Township

Fire Department Millage Proposal

Shall Texas Charter Township, Kalamazoo County, be authorized to levy annually a new additional millage in an amount not to exceed 1.7009 mills ($1.7009 per each $1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable property in the Township for a period of nine (9) years, 2026 through 2034, inclusive, to provide funds for the staffing, operation, construction, and maintenance of fire department facilities; the acquisition of real property; the purchase of apparatus and equipment; and any other purpose authorized by law for fire department or fire service purposes? The estimate of the revenue the Township will collect in the first year (2026) if the millage is approved and levied by the Township is approximately $2,337,000.

Athens Area 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 Athens Area Schools, Calhoun, Branch, Kalamazoo and St. Joseph Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 18 mills ($18.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, inclusive, and also be increased by .5 mill ($0.50 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 $1,267,759.91 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 levy and the addition of millage which will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

Lawton Community Schools

Operating Millage Proposal

This proposal will replace expiring millage and 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.

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 Lawton Community Schools, Van Buren and Kalamazoo Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18.5 mills ($18.50 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, 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 $1,590,000 (this millage replaces millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)?

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)?

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.