

OTTAWA COUNTY PROPOSALS
August 4, 2026 Primary Election

COUNTY PROPOSALS

Community Mental Health
Renewal and Restoration

For 10 years beginning with the tax assessments in December of 2026 and ending with the assessments in December of 2035, shall the total taxable property rate limitation in Ottawa County under Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, of 0.30 mills, reduced to 0.2802 mills, be increased and restored under the Headlee Amendment to the original amount of 0.30 mills (30 cents per thousand dollars of taxable value) to fund non-Medicaid programming and services for Ottawa County residents who are clients of the Ottawa County Community Mental Health Agency. This is a renewal and Headlee restoration of an existing but expiring and rolled back millage and if approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$5,644,846 in the first calendar year after its approval (2026).

Parks and Open Space
Renewal and Restoration

For 10 years beginning with the tax assessments in December of 2027 and ending with the assessments in December of 2036, shall the total taxable property rate limitation in Ottawa County under Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 of 0.33 mills, reduced to 0.3100 mills, be increased and restored under the Headlee Amendment to the original amount of 0.33 mills (33 cents per thousand dollars of taxable value) for the purpose of acquiring, improving, operating, maintaining, restoring, and protecting parks, open space, trails, greenways, water access sites, recreational facilities, and related conservation and educational activities in Ottawa County. This is a renewal and Headlee restoration of an existing but expiring (2026) and rolled back millage and if approved

and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$6,209,330 in the first calendar year after its approval (2027).

TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

Blendon Township

Millage Renewal Proposition 0.3 Mill for Public Library Services

Shall the previously voted increase in the Township of Blendon tax rate limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, currently 0.2691 mill (\$0.2691 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed and levied in the years 2026-2037, both inclusive, and shall an additional 0.0309 mill (\$0.0309 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be approved and levied to restore previous millage reductions under the “Headlee Amendment” since this millage was last approved, resulting in the levy of 0.3 mill (\$0.30 per \$1,000 of taxable value), subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this levy is to continue the providing of public library services for the residents of the Township, by contracting with public libraries that are members of the Lakeland Library Cooperative. It is estimated that a levy of 0.3 mill would provide revenue of \$142,822 in the first calendar year, of which \$14,710 would result from the additional 0.0309 mill. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township of Blendon.

Chester Township

Proposal No. 1

Millage Renewal Proposition 1.75 Mills for Fire Protection and Emergency Services, and Related Equipment

Shall the previously-voted increase in the Township of Chester tax rate limitation, imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, currently 1.7459 mills (\$1.7459 per \$1,000 of taxable value), which expires in 2026, be renewed and levied for an additional four (4) years, from 2027 through 2030, both inclusive, and shall an additional 0.0041 mill (\$0.0041 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be approved and levied to restore previous millage reductions under the “Headlee Amendment” since this millage was last approved, resulting in the levy of 1.75 mills (\$1.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value), subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this renewed millage levy is to provide funds for operating and providing fire protection and emergency services in the Township, and for the purchase of related equipment. It is estimated that a levy of 1.75 mills would provide revenue of \$226,895 in the first calendar year, of which \$532 would result from the additional 0.0041 mill. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township of Chester.

Proposal No. 2

New Millage Proposition

1.0 Mill for Acquiring Fire Apparatus and Equipment

Shall the limitation on general ad valorem taxation within the Township of Chester imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for Chester Township by up to 1.0 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of five (5) years, from 2026 through 2030, both inclusive, subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this new millage levy is to provide funds for acquiring fire apparatus and equipment. It is estimated that a levy of 1.0 mill would provide revenue of \$129,654 in the first calendar year. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township of Chester.

Crockery Township

New Millage Proposition

0.75 Mill for Maintenance, Repair and Improvement of Roads

Shall the limitation on general ad valorem taxation within the Township of Crockery imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for Crockery Township by up to 0.75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of ten (10) years, from 2026 through 2035, both inclusive, subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this millage levy is to provide funds for the maintenance, repair and improvement of roads within the Township. It is estimated that a levy of 0.75 mill would provide revenue of \$213,859 in the first calendar year. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township of Crockery and, as required by State law, a portion of the millage revenue will be disbursed to the Township Corridor Improvement Authority.

Holland Charter Township

Renewal Public Safety Proposition

Shall an expiring increase of 1.50 mill for policing and emergency medical response services, reduced by required rollback to 1.4577 mill, above the Charter Township tax limitation of 5 mills upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under Michigan law, be renewed and increased for the Charter Township of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan for 1.75 mills (which is equal to \$1.75 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value of all such property) for a period of four (4) years, 2027 through 2030, inclusive, and shall the Charter Township of Holland be authorized to levy such tax?

The purpose of the millage (which will result in an estimated amount of revenue of \$3,917,148 that will be collected in the first year that the millage is authorized and levied) is for paying costs for public safety

services to provide emergency medical response and care and for policing services to provide community directed law enforcement, traffic safety and enforcement, and other general policing and public safety services.

Jamestown Charter Township

Proposal No. 1

Millage Renewal Proposition

1.0 Mill for Fire Department Operating Purposes

Shall the previously voted increase in the Charter Township of Jamestown tax rate limitation, currently 0.9575 mill (\$0.9575 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed and levied in the years 2027-2030, both inclusive, and shall an additional 0.0425 mill (\$0.0425 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be approved and levied to restore previous millage reductions under the “Headlee Amendment” since this millage was last approved, resulting in the levy of 1.0000 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this levy is to provide funds for the operation of the Jamestown Charter Township Fire Department. It is estimated that a levy of 1.0000 mill would provide revenue of \$775,585 in the first calendar year, of which \$32,962 would result from the additional 0.0425 mill. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township.

Proposal No. 2

Millage Renewal Proposition

1.5000 Mills for Road Improvement Purposes

Shall the previously voted increase in the Charter Township of Jamestown tax rate limitation, currently 1.4362 mills (\$1.4362 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed and levied in the years 2027-2030, both inclusive, and shall an additional 0.0638 mill (\$0.0638 per

\$1,000 of taxable value) be approved and levied to restore previous millage reductions under the “Headlee Amendment” since this millage was last approved, resulting in the levy of 1.5000 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this levy is to provide funds for the improvement of secondary roads situated in Jamestown Charter Township. It is estimated that a levy of 1.5000 mills would provide revenue of \$1,163,377 in the first calendar year, of which \$49,482 would result from the additional 0.0638 mill. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township.

Proposal No. 3

New Additional Millage Proposition 0.30 Mill for Fire Department Operating Purposes

Shall the limitation on general ad valorem taxation within the Charter Township of Jamestown be increased by 0.30 mill (\$0.30 per \$1,000 of taxable value) annually for a period of four years 2027-2030, both inclusive, subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this levy is to additional provide funds for the operation of the Jamestown Charter Township Fire Department. It is estimated that a levy of 0.30 mill would provide revenue of \$232,675 in the first calendar year. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Township.

Library Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall Jamestown Charter Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed .4040 mill (\$0.4040 per each \$1,000 of taxable value), which is a renewal of the previously authorized millage that expired in 2025,

against all taxable property in the Township for a period of five (5) years, 2026 through 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for operating, maintaining, and equipping the Patmos Library (Jamestown Charter Township) and for all other library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the Township will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the first year of levy (2026) is approximately \$308,000. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Patmos Library.

Olive Township

Road Millage Proposal

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Olive Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, be increased at 1.0 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, being 2026 through 2029, inclusive, to pave, repair, construct, or reconstruct road, bridges, or drain 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 \$300,000 of additional revenues from this millage in 2026).

Fire Rescue Department (Equipment and Apparatus) Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the expired previously increased limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Olive Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, reduced to .7447 mill by required rollbacks, be renewed and increased at 0.75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, being 2026 through 2029, inclusive, to provide equipment and apparatus for the Olive Township Fire Rescue Department; 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 \$225,000 of additional revenues from this millage renewal in 2026).

Park Township

Public Safety Millage Renewal and Increase

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Park Township, Ottawa County, Michigan of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.4531 mills (\$1.4531 per \$1000 of taxable value) by the required rollbacks expiring on December 31, 2026, be renewed and increased to 1.6 mills (\$1.60 per \$1000 of taxable value) for four (4) years, beginning in January 2027, and ending December 31, 2030.

The inclusive intent of the millage is to provide funds to Park Township for public safety purposes including but not limited to emergency service operations, personnel, equipment and capital expenses for police, fire, and emergency medical services.

If approved and levied in its entirety in the first calendar year of authorization, this proposal would raise an estimated \$2,816,000 and would be subject to Headlee rollback pursuant to Article IX, Section 31 of the Michigan Constitution.

This proposal would increase the taxes on a home with a market value of \$500,000 by approximately \$36.73 per year

Spring Lake Township

Museum Millage Renewal Proposition

Shall the previously increased limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Spring Lake Township,

Ottawa County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, which increased limitation will expire after 2026 and which has been reduced by required rollback to 0.2354 mill, be renewed and increased to 0.25 mill (\$0.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for ten years, 2027 through 2036, inclusive, to provide funds to be paid to the Tri-Cities Historical Museum (TCHM), pursuant to a contract between the TCHM and Spring Lake Township, for the purpose of operation, repair, maintenance, and improvement of the TCHM and its related facilities; 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 2027 calendar year is approximately \$332,300.

Tallmadge Charter Township

Police and Fire Renewal Millage Proposition

Shall an expiring voted increase of 1.25 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable revenue), levied against property in Tallmadge Charter Township, reduced to 1.2332 by required rollback, be renewed and increased at 1.25 mills for four years, 2026 through 2029, inclusive, to provide funds for police, fire, medical, and related services from and necessary equipment (including water hydrants) for the Wright-Tallmadge Fire Department and the Ottawa County Sheriff's Department; and shall the Township be authorized to levy the renewal in millage for this purpose, raising in the first year an estimated \$712,444.

Wright Township

Fire Protection Services Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the previously voted increase in the tax rate limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes in Wright Township of 1.1947 mills (\$1.1947 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed at 1.1947 mills (\$1.1947 per \$1,000 of taxable value), and shall Wright Township levy such millage

annually for four (4) years, 2026 through 2029, inclusive, to provide funds for fire protection services?

If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$279,970 in the first year of the levy. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Wright-Tallmadge Fire Department or other governmental agency for fire protection services within Wright Township. To the extent required by law, a portion of the revenues from this millage will be captured and disbursed to the Ottawa County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.