

CALHOUN COUNTY PROPOSALS
August 4, 2026 Primary Election

**CALHOUN COUNTY / MARSHALL AREA FIRE FIGHTERS
AMBULANCE AUTHORITY PROPOSAL**

Marshall Area Fire Fighters Ambulance Authority Capital Equipment
Millage Renewal Proposal

This proposal will allow the Marshall Area Fire Fighters Ambulance Authority to continue the same number of mills required to be levied on all property at .20 mills to replace capital equipment that is necessary to deliver emergency medical services to the community. Examples of necessary capital equipment that would be purchased as replacement equipment are ambulances, cardiac monitors, and ambulance cots. This is not an increase in tax over the same tax that has been levied for the past ten years, but a continuation of the same capital equipment millage.

Shall the existing tax rate limitation previously approved by the electors of the Marshall Area Fire Fighters Ambulance Authority, Calhoun County, Michigan, .20 mills (\$0.20 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2017 through 2026, inclusive, be renewed at .20 mills (\$0.20 on each \$1,000.00 of the taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years 2027 through 2036, inclusive, as a renewal millage for the purpose of funding replacement ambulances, cardiac monitors, ambulance cots, and other capital equipment. These funds will not be used for operations or payroll. The estimated amount of revenue that will be collected by the Authority in the first year that the millage is authorized and levied is \$270,862.00.

CLARENDON TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Fire Protection Millage Renewal

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Clarendon Township, of 1.25 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value), permanently reduced by Headlee (MCL 211.34d) to 1.2450 mills be renewed at 1.2450 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 5 years, 2026 through 2030 inclusive, for fire protection, raising an estimated \$46,622.89 in the first year the millage is levied of which a portion will be disbursed to such other or fewer local units of government as the Township Board determines appropriate?

FREDONIA TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Millage to Fund Fire Protection Services

Shall the Township of Fredonia impose an increase of up to one-half (.5) mills (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the Township tax levy limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for two (2) years inclusive, 2026 – 2027, for fire protection services, including, but not limited to, maintenance and operation of the Fredonia Township Fire Department and the purchase and housing of fire apparatus and equipment, which one-half (.5) mills increase will raise an estimated \$50,866.00 in the first year the millage is levied?

MARENGO TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Operating Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Marengo Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution now reduced from the allocated one (1) mill to .8387 for said township be renewed at and increased for said township by

.1613 mills (\$0.1613 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2027 through 2032, inclusive, for general township operating purposes; and shall the township levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby raising the first year an estimated \$22,146.97 (this is a renewal of operating millage)?

MARSHALL TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Fire Protection Services Millage Renewal

Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Marshall Township that is set to expire on December 31, 2026, of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.4514 mills (\$1.4514 of per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage roll backs, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for 2027 through 2036, inclusive, for the purpose of acquiring new fire trucks, firefighting equipment, capital improvements and operation expenses of the Marshall Township Fire Department, thereby raising in the first year the millage is levied an estimated \$ 394,841.

PENNFIELD TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Public Safety Millage

Shall the Charter Township of Pennfield impose an increase of up to 6 mills (\$6.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for eight (8) years, 2026 through 2033 inclusive to pay for the cost of providing police and fire protection services to the residents of the Township. The 6 mill increase will raise an estimated \$1,885,148.028 in the first year the millage is levied?

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSAL

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)?

HARPER CREEK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSAL

Harper Creek Community Schools Bond Proposal

Shall Harper Creek Community Schools, Calhoun County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty-Eight Million Dollars (\$28,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing, and equipping additions to school buildings; remodeling, including security improvements to, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping existing school

buildings; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school buildings; and equipping, developing and improving playgrounds, parking areas, driveways, and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2027, under current law, is 0.32 mill (\$0.32 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- mill net increase over the current year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-one (21) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 2.23 mills (\$2.23 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district expects to borrow from the State School Bond Qualification and Loan Program to pay debt service on these bonds. The estimated total principal amount of that borrowing is \$3,446,512 and the estimated total interest to be paid thereon is \$1,666,343. The estimated duration of the millage levy associated with that borrowing is 9 years and the estimated computed millage rate for such levy is 7.12 mills. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$24,915,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is approximately \$15,689,545.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSAL

Homer Community School District Bond Proposal

Shall Homer Community School District, Calhoun, Jackson, Hillsdale and Branch Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Eleven Million Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$11,920,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

erecting additions to, and partially remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping the school building; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment; constructing, installing, and improving ADA access, lighting improvements, and security fencing at the RK Curry Complex; and developing, equipping, and improving a playground and the school building site?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2026, under current law, is 1.63 mills (\$1.63 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), for a -0- mills net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is thirty (30) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 3.44 mills (\$3.44 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district expects to borrow from the State School Bond Qualification and Loan Program to pay debt service on these bonds. The estimated total principal amount of that borrowing is \$1,806,325 and the estimated total interest to be paid thereon is \$4,013,234. The estimated duration of the millage levy associated with that borrowing is 21 years and the estimated computed millage rate for such levy is 7 mills. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$8,150,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is approximately \$3,515,100.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

LITCHFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSAL

LITCHFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS I. 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 full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 18.2859 mills (\$18.2859 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Litchfield Community Schools, Hillsdale, Jackson, Calhoun and Branch Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 8 years, 2027 to 2034, 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 \$727,629 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)?

LITCHFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS II. SINKING FUND MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the building and site sinking fund millage that expires with the 2026 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate of 0.7308 mill (\$0.7308 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) which may be assessed against all property in Litchfield Community Schools, Hillsdale, Jackson, Calhoun and Branch Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, inclusive, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2027 is approximately \$105,156 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)?

TEKONSHA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSAL

Tekonsha Community Schools 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 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 Tekonsha Community Schools, Calhoun and Branch Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 17.6616 mills (\$17.6616 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 6 years, 2027 to 2032, inclusive, and also be increased by .5 mill (\$0.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 6 years, 2027 to 2032, 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 \$416,260 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 levy and a restoration of millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

ALBION DISTRICT LIBRARY PROPOSAL

Albion District Library Library Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the Albion District Library, County of Calhoun, be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed 2.4777 mills (\$2.4777 per \$1,000 of taxable value), which is a renewal of the millage rate that expires in 2026, against all taxable property within the Albion District Library district for a period of ten (10) years, 2027 through 2036, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the Albion District Library will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the Albion District Library in the first year (2027) is approximately \$750,000. To the extent required by law, a portion of the revenues from this millage will be captured within the district and disbursed to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority of the City of Albion. Pursuant to an agreement, 25% of the millage revenues received from the portion of the District Library district located in Albion Township will be disbursed to the Homer Public Library.