



Pittsfield Charter Township

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Public Safety Millage: Election Scheduled for May 4th

Pittsfield Township, MI (March 15, 2021): Pittsfield Township, with the third highest population, has one of the lowest tax rates (6.5 mills) in Washtenaw County while being one of only two full-service municipalities providing water, sewer, rubbish, parks and recreation, public safety (police and fire), assessing, and building services.

Township taxes have remained unchanged since November 2009 with the exception of the increase in Public Safety Millage approved by voters in 2011. Now, 10 years later, the Township is requesting approval of an increase to the Public Safety Millage from 1.95 to 3.95 which translates to an additional \$60 for the median household in Pittsfield Township.

The 3.95 Public Safety millage will ensure that for the next decade, Pittsfield Township can:

- Maintain the current level for all other Township taxes into the next decade just as they've maintained the total Township millage rate at 6.5 mils for the last decade.
- Continue providing the Gold Standard in Public Safety services, which includes a response time of 5 minutes or less and a nearly 90% rate for solving major crimes
- Maintain its position as one of two full service communities in Washtenaw County with one of the lowest tax rates

Failure to approve the 3.95 Public Safety Millage will require Pittsfield Township to reduce its services ranging from police and fire to community development and sustainability.

For more details and information, please visit: <http://www.pittsfield-mi.gov/publicsafety>

If you have any questions, please contact supervisor@pittsfield-mi.gov; 734.822.3135

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