

## 2009 Madison Township 2 Mill Fire Levy Information

### History

The last levy passed for Madison Township was a Fire Levy in 1981.

In 2006 Madison Township acquired Madison Township Life Squad Inc.

In 2009, the Fire Dept. and the Life Squad were combined into one department.

The current levy and the new levy will be exclusively for supporting the fire department and life squad.

### Revenue

The current Fire levy brings in approx. \$125,000/yr.

The Life Squad billing brings in approx. \$126,000/yr.

The new levy would produce approx. \$416,000 in revenue.

### Expense

It currently takes approximately \$400,000 annually to operate the Fire/EMS Department.

The Fire Dept is all volunteer and the Life Squad is volunteer with part time employees working M-F, 5 AM -5 PM. Approx. \$175,000 is disbursed in payroll and withholdings for approx. 70 fire/life squad members.

Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation \$35,500

Building and vehicle maintenance \$44,990

Utilities and telecommunication \$29,700

Fuel and mech parts \$23,300

Certification and Training \$15,000

Insurance \$11,000

Billing and Reporting \$8500

Medical Supplies \$7,500

### Cost to Resident

The current cost to a \$100,000 residence is approx. \$1/month (\$11.64/yr).

The new levy would cost a \$100,000 residence approx. \$5/month (\$61.25/yr).

If the levy passes, the total cost to a \$100,000 residence would be approx. \$6/month (\$74.89/yr).

The current Life Squad Membership is \$55/yr. If the levy passes, there will be no Life Squad memberships because all township residents would be covered for Fire/EMS services. No residents will be personally billed or financially responsible for any Fire/EMS services. We will only bill your insurance company.

### Benefits

Expand our part time EMS coverage to include weekend coverage, instead of relying on volunteers for Friday nights, and all of Saturday and Sunday. This would allow us to offer a higher, safer level of Fire/EMS services to our residents and lessen our dependency for mutual aid.

Currently, there is no capital fund or "reserve fund" in place for any current or future expenses such as vehicles, fire gear, scba's, or any large purchases or large repairs. Starting a capital fund would allow us to plan and prepare for these future needs instead of borrowing the money, putting the township in debt, and paying interest on loans.

It would also allow for us to plan for future refurbishment or replacement of our fire stations which are currently high maintenance buildings due to their age.