

TRI-VALLEY JOINT FIRE DISTRICT LEVY

3 MILLS – CONTINUOUS

The Impact on YOU....

- **Fair and Equal Tax – One Levy for the Entire District**
 - Currently each township (Cass, Jefferson, and Washington) and the Village (Dresden) maintain their own levies
 - Each township has different contracted prices for the SAME service based on those levies
 - The Village of Dresden currently has the largest levy in the district for the SAME service
- **ALL current Fire Levies WILL be “rolled back” WHEN this levy passes**
 - What does rolled back mean?
 - The current fire levies in Cass, Jefferson, and Washington Townships, and the Village of Dresden will be rolled back to an effective rate of 0%, until they expire-
YOU WILL NOT PAY THESE LEVIES DURING THIS TIME
- **Projected Annual Cost for Your Household is \$105 annually based on each \$100,000 of evaluation**
 - less than 29 cents per day

WHY this Levy Matters....

- **Maintain Current Services**– Continue providing essential fire suppression, emergency medical services, and rescue operations without reduction in staff or equipment.
- **Stabilize Funding** – Create a predictable and sustainable funding source to replace expiring levies and combat rising operating cost.
- **Improve Response Time by Increased Staffing** – ensure quicker emergency response across the district
- **Replace Aging Equipment** – including fire trucks, ambulances, protective gear, and lifesaving tools to meet safety standards.
- **Time Matters** – emergencies require fast intervention to ensure the emergency does not worsen. Staffing allows for fast response and interventions to your emergencies.

The Challenge....

- **Continuing to Provide the Same Quality Service we have provided for 97 years**
- **Increased Operating Cost**
 - Fire Truck purchase price increased 80%
 - Engine 202 cost \$500,000 in 2012
 - New Rescue Engine ordered in 2023, slated for delivery in 2026 cost \$900,000
 - Ambulance purchase price increased 40%
 - Medic 209 cost \$270,000 in 2020
 - Proposal for an Ambulance in 2025 cost \$378,000
 - Fuel cost increased by
 - \$2.65/gal in 2017 compared to \$3.15/gal in 2024
 - 30% increase in fuel cost from 2017 to 2024, due increased price and usage
 - Utilities cost increased by
 - 47% increase cost to the district from 2018 to 2024
 - Includes electric, natural gas, phone, and internet
- **Increased Run Volume**
 - 13.5 % increase over the past 10 years
 - 639 calls for service in 2024, compared to 563 calls for service in 2014

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