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Dear White Lake Township Community:

On August 4, 2026, the White Lake Township Library will ask residents to approve 0.3603 mills to fund the library for eight (8) years. The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized 0.3603 mills, which expired last year.

If approved, the millage funds will allow the library to continue current services, update continually changing technology, and maintain our new library building.

Without this millage, the library's revenue will decrease by nearly 35%, affecting our ability to serve the community. Library services that would be reduced or eliminated include hours of operation, the number of books and other materials purchased, digital subscriptions, computer maintenance, events for all ages, and information assistance.

You have the opportunity to help shape the library's future as we strive to provide quality library service and Inspiration through Information.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Schulz, President

White Lake Township Library Board

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) about the Library Millage

How is the Library funded? Over 95% of the library's revenue comes from property taxes. The 5% of non-property tax revenue includes state aid, penal fines, donations, and interest from investments. The August 4 Millage proposal of 0.3603 mills makes up nearly 35% of the property tax levied to support the library's daily operations.

How much will it cost? If the 0.3603 renewal is approved, an owner of a property with a taxable value of \$100,000 (\$200,000 market value) will continue to pay \$36 towards the support of library service. A mill is equal to \$1 for every \$1,000 of a property's taxable value, which is generally equivalent to half of the property's market value.

How do I register to vote? You may easily register online to vote @ the Michigan Voter Information Center or at the White Lake Township Clerk's office. Our Librarians can also guide you through the online process via the public computers available at the library. You can find early voting dates, hours, and locations through the Michigan Voter Information Center or by contacting the White Lake Township Clerk's office.

What is the actual millage language on the August 4 Ballot?

LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

Shall White Lake Charter Township, Oakland County, Michigan, be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed .3603 mill (\$0.3603 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 eight (8) years, 2026 through 2033, inclusive, to provide funds for operating, maintaining, and equipping the White Lake Township Library 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 \$622,000. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the White Lake Township Library.

Yes •

No •

Childrens

Storytimes

- Family Storytime
 - Tuesdays
 - Session 1: June 2-16
 - Session 2: July 7-21
 - 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 - Unearth some stories with your family this Summer at Family Storytime! Join us for stories, rhymes, songs, and more!
- Preschool Storytime
 - Wednesdays
 - Session 1: June 3-17
 - Session 2: July 8-22
 - 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM
 - Join Miss Stephanie for stories, songs, crafts, and more as we get down to the serious work of play!
- Baby & Toddler Time
 - Mondays
 - June 8 & 22, July 6 & 20
 - 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

- Babies and Toddlers and their caregivers can join Miss Stephanie in the Garage for some Early Literacy fun.
- Music and Movement
 - Thursdays
 - June 18, July 2, 16 & 30
 - 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM
 - Get the wiggles out with Miss Mallory!

General

- Kid's Make It Kits
 - Grades Prek - 5th
 - Get crafty and discover your inner maker. Kits are available starting the first of the month on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. No registration required.
 - June- Dino Magnets
 - July- Confetti Poppers
 - August- Octo Pals
- Monday Matinee
 - Mondays
 - June 15 & July 13
 - 1 - 3 PM
 - Come and watch a movie the whole family will enjoy on our big screen. Popcorn provided. Bring your own drinks in containers with covers.
- Tail Waggin' Tutors
 - Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm
 - June 16, July 14
 - Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm
 - June 17, July 15
 - Saturday 10:30-11:30am
 - (waiting on date confirmation from dog handler)
- Sand-Tastic Experiments
 - Wednesday, June 17
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Spark your curiosity with sand experiments and activities. Make quicksand, play with sand slime, and investigate magic sand!
- STEAMpower Saturday: Fossils!
 - Saturday, June 20
 - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
 - Unearth the world of fossils: how they are made, how they are found, and how to make your own! Join us for this fun hands-on exploration of fossils!
- Adventure Club: Dino Dig
 - Monday, June 22
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Calling all paleontologists! Join us as we uncover fossils and work together to bring prehistory to life.

- Guess Who Would Win!
 - Thursday, June 25
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Do you love the Who Would Win series? Are you a fan of dinosaurs? Come join us this Guess Who style game with a Who Would Win? Dinosaurs twist!
- Rock and Gem Party
 - Tuesday, July 7
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Celebrate all things rock and gem with fun crafts and activities, including panning for gems!
- Pizza & Patriotic Snacks
 - Wednesday, July 29
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Come celebrate America's 250th with a slice of cheese pizza and create some fun patriotic snacks to have for dessert!
- Baby & Toddler Summer Fun Messy Play
 - Monday, July 27
 - 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
 - Join us for this Summer Fun themed Messy Play! Unearth some fun in the Dino Zone or play in the red, white, and blue ball pit! It's a fun time for little ones and their caregivers to enjoy!

Call Outs

- Summer Kick Off
 - Saturday, June 6
 - 2:30 - 4:30 pm
 - Kick off a Summer full of stories, adventures, and surprises... and we might just have a very special surprise planned that you won't want to miss. **No registration is required.**
- Dinos and Mammoths and Reading, Oh My!
 - Tuesday, June 23
 - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
 - Using her popular Dino series and her non-fiction title, *Mammoths on the Move*, Lisa Wheeler introduces children to fun facts and how she gets the ideas for her stories.
- Jim Gill Concert
 - Wednesday, July 15
 - 6:30-7:30pm
 - Join popular children's artist Jim Gill as bangs out energetic rhythms on his banjo while everyone claps, jumps, spins and dances along. The concert is filled with songs and stories from Jim's award-winning recordings and books for young children.
- Summer Reading Bash
 - Wednesday, August 12

- 5 - 7 pm
- Join us to celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Challenge at our bash! We will have inflatables, a rock wall, music, face painting and more! Please note that the rock wall requires shoes and the inflatables require socks! **No registration is required.**

Book Clubs

- Get the Picture
 - Thursdays
 - May 7, July 9
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - This is a picture book discussion group for K - 2nd graders and their families. Each of the 10 families will receive a copy of the book to keep. The day of the program Miss Stephanie will read it, we will all talk about it, and then we will do an activity, or experiment with the type of art that the illustrator used to make the illustrations.
 - May 7 - *How to Catch a Dinosaur* by Adam Wallace
 - July 9 - *Blue Sky White Stars* by Sarvinder Naberhaus
- Books & Blocks
 - Thursdays
 - June 11, August 13
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Build with LEGOs while discussing our book. The first 10 to register receive their own copy of the book to keep!
 - June 11 - *Diary of a Minecraft Zombie: When Nature Calls* by Zack Zombie
 - August 13 - *What is the Declaration of Independence?* by Michael C. Harris
- Comic Whiz Kids
 - Saturdays
 - June 13, August 8
 - 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
 - Calling all comic book fans! Join this book club to discuss awesome graphic novels.
 - June 13 - *I Survived the American Revolution 1776: The Graphic Novel* by Georgia Ball
 - August 8 - *DinoMighty* by Doug Paleo

Teens (Grades 6th-12)

- Teen Make It Kits
 - Visit us every month for a new Make-It Kit. First-come, first-served basis while supplies last. No registration required.
 - June - Dino in a Jar

- July - Bomb Pop Garland
 - August - Mini Pie Magnets
- Percy Jackson Party
 - Saturday, June 13
 - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
 - Dreaming of attending Camp Half-Blood? Join us for themed activities, delicious snacks, and a chance to test your knowledge in trivia!
- Escape from King George
 - Saturday, June 27
 - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
 - Celebrate America's 250th anniversary in this Revolutionary War escape room! Race to put together the pieces of the Declaration of Independence. Please sign up for one time slot.
- Unearth a Snack
 - Tuesday, June 30
 - 6:30:00 PM -7:30:00 PM
 - Make and dig into some delicious layered foods, including dirt pudding!
- Snack Around The State
 - Saturday, July 11
 - 2:30:00 PM - 3:30:00 PM
 - Explore regional snacks from across the Great Lakes State while learning fun facts about Michigan's culture, history, and geography.
- Pixel Art Mosaics
 - Wednesday, July 22
 - 6:00:00 PM - 7:30:00 PM
 - Design and make a custom pixel art coaster using mosaic tiles.
- The Room Where It Happens: After Hours
 - Friday, July 24
 - 4:45:00 PM - 8:00:00 PM
 - History is happening... at the library. Join us after hours for a screening of Hamilton, themed snacks fit for the King, and plenty of chances to sing. Whether you're a Schuyler sister, a cabinet battler, or just here for the snacks, you won't want to miss being in the room where it happens.
- Clay Dragon Eyes
 - Wednesday, July 29
 - 6:00:00 PM - 7:30:00 PM
 - Use your creativity to sculpt a mesmerizing dragon eye out of air-dry clay.

Call Outs

- Stop Motion Animation Workshop
 - Tuesday, July 14
 - 6:30:00 PM - 7:30:00 PM
 - Unleash your creativity in our dynamic animation workshop! Participants will collaborate to craft a series of animated scenes, bringing their ideas to life through fun and hands-on activities.

Book Clubs

- Book Bites: Middle Grade
 - Tuesdays
 - June 9 & August 4
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Check out the Middle Grade Book Club! We will alternate reading graphic novels and chapter books.
 - June 9 - *Johnny Tremain: A Story of Boston in Revolt* by Esther Forbes
 - August 4 - *Lost Time* by Tas Mukanik
- YA Book Bites
 - Mondays
 - June 29 & August 31
 - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - Join our Young Adult Book Club. We will alternate reading chapter books and graphic novels.
 - June 29 - *The Infinity Particle* by Wendy Xu
 - August 31 - *The First Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill George Washington: Young Reader's Edition* by Brad Meltzer and Josh Mensch; adapted by Catherine Frank

Adults

Recurring

- Yarn Club
 - Wednesdays
 - May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5
 - 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- Craft Junkies
 - Mondays
 - June 1, July 6, August 3
 - 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- Theater Thursday
 - Thursdays
 - May 14, June 4, July 9, August 13
 - 2 - 4 pm
- Paper Picasso
 - Tuesdays
 - May 12, June 9, July 14, August 11
 - 2 - 4 pm
- Yoga

- Thursdays 10:30-11:30 am
 - May 7, June 4, July 9, August 6
- Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 pm
 - May 19, June 16, July 20(Monday), August 18
- Writing Workshop
 - Thursdays
 - May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20
 - 6:30-7:30 pm

General

- Blood Drive
 - Tuesday, May 12
 - 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 - The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive in The Gathering Place. Limited space and times available, so you must make an appointment. Please go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code: WLTL or call 1-800-733-2767.
- White Lake History: Fisk Farm
 - Saturday, May 30
 - 2:30 PM- 3:30 PM
 - Members of the White Lake Historical Society will share stories of our best-known local historical property, the Kelley-Fisk Farm, as well as the Thompson schoolhouse, and explain how you could be a part of local history too!
- Mary Moore: All American Girls Professional Baseball Player
 - Tuesday, June 2
 - 6:30 PM- 7:45 PM
 - Mary Moore is a former All-American Girls Professional Baseball League infielder. She played in the league from 1950 through 1952. Come listen to Mary discuss being a player on the team that inspired the movie, A League of their Own.
- The Golden Age of Cocktails
 - Monday, June 15
 - 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM
 - Explore the creative rise of classic cocktails from the 1860s to the eve of Prohibition, when many of today's most beloved drinks were first mixed, shaken, and stirred into history.
- Jurassic Park Movie Marathon
 - Saturday, July 18
 - 10:15 AM- 4:15 PM
 - Celebrate our Dinosaur themed Summer Reading Program with an all day Jurassic Park movie marathon! Teens and adults are welcome.
- Getting Started with Ancestry Library Edition
 - Thursday, July 23
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM

- Curious about your family history? Join us for a beginner-friendly introduction to Ancestry Library Edition. We'll walk through how searching works, how to interpret records, and share simple, effective tips to help you start your genealogy journey. Leave with the tools and confidence to begin uncovering your own family story.
- DIY Floral Arrangement with Purdy Plants
 - Tuesday, July 28
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
 - Calling all flower lovers! Learn how to make your own floral bouquet arrangement from Amelia, from Purdy Plants. All supplies will be provided.
- Before White Lake: Elmer, Paleo-Indians & Ancient Michigan
 - Saturday, August 15
 - 2:30 PM- 3:30 PM
 - Who digs up dinosaurs and who studies ancient people? The answer might surprise you! Join Oakland County Parks historian Carol Egbo as she unearths the story of Paleo-Indians, explains the difference between paleontology and archaeology, and shares the local tale of Elmer the Mastodon, discovered right here in White Lake.
- Created Equal
 - Wednesday, August 19
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
 - Two hundred fifty years ago the Declaration of Independence established "created equal" as a political and social standard. What struggles have given reality to its meaning?

Call Outs

- Michigan Notable Books Author: Cheryl L. Neely
 - Saturday, May 16
 - 2:30-3:30 pm
 - Join us for a special author event presented in partnership with the Library of Michigan and the Michigan Notable Books program. Author Cheryl L. Neely will discuss her book *No Human Involved: The Serial Murder of Black Women and Girls and the Deadly Cost of Police Indifference*. Drawing on interviews, court records, media coverage, and data, the book examines cases from major U.S. cities, shedding light on overlooked victims and the systemic issues surrounding these crimes.
- Concert: Major Dudes
 - Wednesday, May 13
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
 - Major Dudes feature a tight rhythm section, sizzling soloists, and the strong lead vocals of Danny Taylor. They expertly recreate the challenging melodies, and complex, dense arrangements Steely Dan's music is noted for. The Dudes really can play Steely Dan!
- Concert: Ben Traverse & The Little River Stringband

- Tuesday, June 23
- 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
- Join Michigan's own Ben Travers in voice to celebrate the timeless tradition of maritime music. We will explore the music of both the high seas and the Great Lakes, as well as their roots. No experience necessary- just bring your voice!
- Concert: Royal Oak Blues Band
 - Wednesday, July 8
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
 - The Royal Oak Blues Band plays their own blend of vintage blues tunes, mixing jazz, R&B and Americana sounds. This will be a spirited show that is sure to leave the crowd feeling anything but blue!

Book Clubs

- Read & Discuss
 - Mondays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm
 - May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10
 - Adults of all ages are invited to join this group! Read the pick of the month and join us for a lively conversation.
 - May 11: *Good Omens* by Terry Pratchett and Neil Gaimon
 - June 8: *1776* by David McCulloch
 - July 13: *Johnny Tremain: A Story of Boston in Revolt* by Esther Forbes
 - August 10: *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys
- Dublin Senior Book Club
 - Wednesdays • 10:30 - 11:30 am
 - May 13, June 10 , July 8, August 12
 - Readers aged 50 and over are invited to join the Dublin Book Group. Located at the Dublin Community Senior Center
 - May 13: *All Systems Red* by Martha Wells
 - June 10: *Killers of a Certain Age* by Deanna Raybourn
 - July 8: *House on the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune
 - August 12: *The Let Them Theory* by Mel Robbins
- Rom-Commers Book Club
 - Thursday, August 6
 - 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
 - Calling all romantic comedy lovers! Join our book club for contemporary romances with guaranteed happy endings. We will be reading *The Shippers* by Katherine Center.

Back Cover

- "Unearth A Story" Summer Reading Challenge
 - June 1 - August 8

- Get ready to “Unearth a Story” this summer! Sign up on Beanstack and track your summer reading progress beginning June 5th. The more you read, the more rewards you earn!
- Sign up at whitelake.beanstack.com
- Closures
 - May 4th - Staff In-Service Day
 - May 23rd & 25th - Memorial Day
 - July 4th - Independence Day
 - September 5th & 7th - Labor Day
- Friends
 - Book Sale
 - June 10th - 13th
 - Wednesday Friends Only 5–7 pm Memberships available at the door
 - Thursday 10 am–7 pm
 - Friday & Saturday 10 am–4 pm
 - Bag Sale 1 - 4 pm