



A Fact Sheet: Ballot Issue for Senior Citizen Services

- **Fairfield County is placing a .80 mill *replacement* levy on the ballot November 7, 2023.** This *replacement* levy is for **senior citizen services** and is for a period of 5 years. Collections for the *replacement* levy, if passed, will begin in 2025.
- Fairfield County has a *current* senior citizen services levy, passed at .80 mills. It will expire December 31, 2023, with last collections in 2024.
- With the *current* levy, reduction factors are applied to the millage. In other words, a difference exists between this levy's rate as authorized by the voters and the actual mills charged. This "*effective millage rate*" reflects how original voted mills are decreased to account for increasing prices in the real estate market. While passed at .80 mills, the current levy is collected at approximately .50 mills.
- **For a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000, the annual tax for the *replacement* levy would be \$28.** For a property owner with a home valued at \$300,000, the annual tax would be \$84.
- With the *current* senior citizen services levy, a property owner with a home valued at \$100,000 pays \$16.38 annually. A property owner with a home valued at \$300,000 pays \$49.14 annually.
- **If voters pass the proposed *replacement* levy, an estimated \$4,640,000 will be collected annually.** The *current* levy provides an estimated \$3,160,000 annually.
- Each of these estimates is based on current assessed valuations of real estate.

The purpose of the senior citizen services levy is to provide services for older adult residents (age 60 and older) by or through Meals on Wheels Older Adult Alternatives of Fairfield County, including but not limited to: home delivered meals, congregate site meals and activities, nutrition education, nutrition counseling, caregiver relief and support services, minor home repair and chores assistance, transportation and other aging services.

Do you have questions about plans for the proceeds of the senior citizen services levy?
Please call Anna Tobin, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels of Fairfield County, at
(740) 681-5050, or visit <https://www.mowfc.org/>

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