



Property taxes collected by townships are used to provide:

- ▶ Maintenance of **41,600 miles of local roads**
- ▶ Care and preservation of **3,000+ cemeteries**
- ▶ Police protection in more than **100 townships**
- ▶ Fire and EMS through nearly **400 departments**
- ▶ Land use planning in more than **650 townships**

LEARN MORE. ASK QUESTIONS. STAY INFORMED.

- ▶ Townships play a vital role in Ohio. Understanding how they are funded helps protect the core services residents rely on.
- ▶ Roughly 4 million people live in Ohio's 1,308 townships, about 35% of Ohio's population.
- ▶ Township government is where many Ohioans experience public service in the most direct, practical way. When a fire truck rolls out, a road is plowed after a snowstorm, when emergency crews arrive, township services are at work.

Ohio's Townships Provide Essential Services EVERY DAY

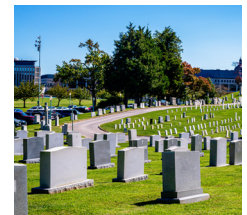
Townships, the first form of local government in Ohio, provide essential, quality of life services to 35% of the state's 11.8 million residents.

A proposed constitutional amendment is being circulated that would eliminate property taxes statewide beginning in 2027. For townships, property taxes represent:

- ➔ 7.2% of all property taxes collected statewide.
- ➔ Primary funding source for core services.
- ➔ No identified replacement funding.

What Eliminating Property Taxes Would Mean for Townships

- ✓ Deteriorating and unsafe roads
- ✓ Reduced or eliminated fire, EMS and police
- ✓ Loss of historic cemeteries and landmarks
- ✓ Increased urban sprawl and unplanned development
- ✓ Cuts to senior services, youth programs and community events



Township are Focused on the Services that Matter the Most

Across Ohio, township government is where essential services are delivered closest to residents - with lean budgets, voter-approved funding, and a focus on the basics communities depend on most.

DELIVERING THE SERVICES THAT KEEP COMMUNITIES STRONG

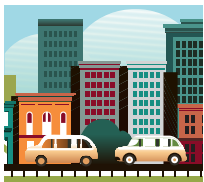


KEEPING COMMUNITIES SAFE: Emergency protection through fire, police and EMS services



SUPPORTING RESIDENTS AT EVERY STAGE OF LIFE: Senior services, youth programs, and community support

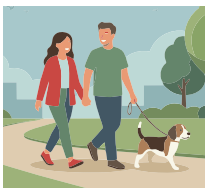
KEEPING ROADS OPEN AND MOVING: Maintenance and snow removal across 41,000+ miles of roads- more than any level of government, even ODOT



GUIDING GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT: Zoning and land-use planning



MAINTAINING INFRASTRUCTURE: Upkeep of systems that support roads, culverts, facilities and public spaces



KEEPING COMMUNITIES STABLE: Care and preservation of parks, community spaces and cemeteries

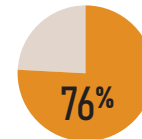
AND SO MUCH MORE!

TOWNSHIPS HELP ANCHOR OHIO'S ECONOMY

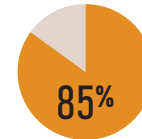
Communities served by township governments support:

\$413 billion in economic activity **1.8** million jobs statewide

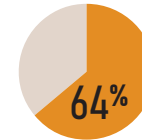
OHIOANS VALUE THEIR TOWNSHIP SERVICES



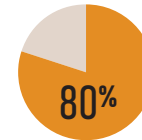
76% say they are satisfied with their community as a place to live — the highest satisfaction level among residents in townships, cities, villages and other local governments statewide.



85% are satisfied with fire and ambulance services, and 74% are satisfied with parks and recreation facilities.



64% say townships provide many of the most basic services people rely on every day.



Strong support for local control: About 80% of township residents want funding authority kept local and decisions about township services kept local.

PROPERTY TAXES FUND TOWNSHIP SERVICES



About two-thirds of the revenue supporting essential township services comes from locally approved property taxes. This funding keeps decisions local, ensures services reflect community priorities, and makes township government directly accountable to residents. Without this funding, services would be disrupted immediately — and residents would feel the impact right away.