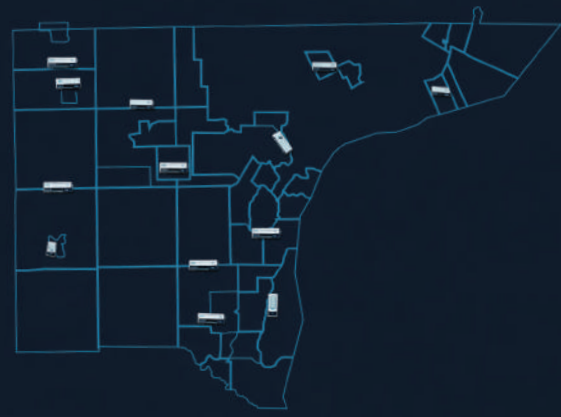




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KEEP WAYNE COUNTY MOVING



Understanding the 2026 Transit Millage Vote

Public transportation is an affordable lifeline for seniors, people with disabilities, workers, students, and families across Wayne County. It helps residents get to work, school, medical appointments, shopping, and daily activities while keeping communities connected across Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb Counties.

The current transit millage expires at the end of 2026. In August 2026, Wayne County voters will decide whether to continue funding public transportation countywide.

What Will the Transit Millage Do?

If approved, the millage will:

- Continue and expand transit services across Wayne County
- Bring service to communities that do not currently participate
- Improve connections throughout Southeast Michigan
- Increase access to jobs, healthcare, schools, shopping, and essential services
- This investment will support thousands of residents who rely on safe, reliable, and affordable transportation every day.
- Research shows that a robust public transit system is a key ingredient for attracting young people and new families to our community.

What Improvements Will Happen?

Funding will help provide:

- More frequent and reliable bus service
- Expanded express routes and regional connections
- Affordable door-to-door and on-demand transportation
- This millage will renew public transit and expand DDOT bus service, connecting Detroit and Wayne County residents to more jobs and schools in the region.
- Public transit drives our economy, helps small businesses by connecting employers with employees, businesses with customers and doctors with patients.

What About Taxes?

For communities already in participating it means:

- For the 26 of Wayne County's 43 communities already participating in the Wayne County transit millage, this proposal would continue the current rate, and homeowners would not notice any increase.
- If the new millage is approved, it would support expanded transit services throughout Wayne County, allowing SMART, the Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT), and other community transit providers to enhance service across all 43 communities.
- For a homeowner with a home valued at \$200,000, the average cost of the 0.9831 millage would be about \$8 per month.

Why Is This Vote Important?

Currently, 17 of Wayne County's 43 communities do not participate in the transit system.

Without continued funding:

- Residents could lose access to affordable transportation
- Workers may lose reliable ways to get to jobs
- Seniors and people with disabilities may lose an essential lifeline to mobility services
- Communities will become more isolated from healthcare and other necessities

Public transportation strengthens the economy, supports independence, and keeps communities connected.

What Happens If the Millage Fails?

If voters reject the millage:

- Transit funding will end
- Bus and transportation services will be reduced or eliminated
- Many thousands of residents will lose access to jobs, healthcare, and essential services

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

Wayne County Transit Millage Vote – August 4, 2026

- Learn the facts.
- Understand the impact.
- Help keep Wayne County moving.

A connected region starts with reliable transportation.



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