

## Support Your City

This Levy Replacement will generate an additional \$1.5 million dollars for critical services, such as Police, Fire, Streets, and Parks and Recreation



## Help Us Work for YOU



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## City of Xenia Operating Levy

Vote

# Yes!

on  
February 3, 2009

City of Xenia

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City is seeking a 3.5 Mill replacement levy with a 1.5 mill increase

**FACTS:**

- No increased dollars have been generated from existing homes/businesses since 1978
- Current 3.5 Mill Levy is now effectively less than 1 Mill (.92)
- The last voted tax increase of any kind for the City was in August 1991
- The City has exhausted all cost reduction options in recent years, including a staffing decrease of 15 positions in 2003, and across-the-board budget cuts
- Expenses and fixed costs continue to rise—some by double-digit percentages
- State and Federal funding has not kept up with the cost of inflation



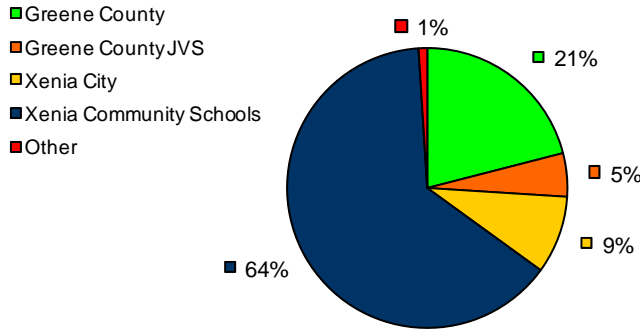
Your Police Division has 46 uniformed officers and 7 administrative employees; they respond to approx. 34,380 calls per year

Your Street Department employs 10 maintenance workers; they maintain 115 miles of streets in the City of Xenia



Your Fire Division has 41 uniformed firefighters and 1 administrative employee; they respond to approx. 4,200 calls per year

**Property Tax Distribution:**



**WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN?**

**Cost for Taxpayers:**

- For a \$100,000 home, taxpayers will pay an additional **\$10** per month; for a \$200,000 home, taxpayers will pay \$20 per month.

**Additional Information:**

The City of Xenia is proud of our tradition of providing quality services to our Citizens while keeping our tax rates low. We will continue to do everything that we can to maintain the highest level of service possible while keeping our taxes and other fees low. The City has not received a tax increase since 1991, and voted property taxes have not been increased since 1959. Even with this request we will still strive to provide the most economical and efficient services possible!

VOTE YES ON FEBRUARY 3RD

**Questions & Answers:**

**Question:** Why a Replacement Levy instead of a Renewal Levy?

**Answer:** If the current 3.5 Mill Levy was renewed, it would only generate approximately \$417,000 per year. A Replacement 3.5 Mill Levy with an additional 1.5 Mills would generate approximately \$1,957,000 (per the Greene County Auditor).



**Question:** If the levy replacement and additional levy does not pass, will City Services be reduced?

**Answer:** Yes. We would have to reduce services you currently receive, such as leaf collection, as well as reduce staffing, and greatly reduce the amount of money spent on capital improvements, such as street improvements.



**Question:** If the levy vote fails, what's the future of the City of Xenia?

**Answer:** Deficits are projected in 2009-10 and beyond. Unless major changes in State and Federal funding occur, the City will face a bleak financial future.

**How your tax dollars are spent:**

