Coventry Township GENERAL FUND LEVY

SUMMIT COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 4, 2025

WHAT IS ISSUE #47?

ISSUE #47 is for the Replacement of .95 mills of an existing General Fund – Current Expense Levy. This Levy will expire at the end of 2025, and stop collecting at the end of 2026. If Replaced, the levy will cost the owner of a \$100,000.00 home an approximate \$2.75 per month or \$33.00 per year. This is not a new tax—currently, this levy generates \$274,206.00, and a Replacement of the existing levy will bring in an estimated \$366,404, which is an increase in revenue of \$92,198.00.

WHAT DOES ISSUE #47 PAY FOR?

ISSUE #47 pays for a wide range of services which include:

- All General Operating Expenses and Property and Liability Insurance.
- Capital Improvements and maintenance to township buildings and grounds.
- Administrative staffing, the Zoning Inspector and other expenses connected with protecting "the health, safety and welfare" of Township residents.
- Health Department Services.
- The General Fund also subsidizes Fire and EMS services, the Road Resurfacing Program, parks projects, and large equipment purchases.



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WHY IS ISSUE #47 IMPORTANT?

The General Fund is the backbone of all Township funding. It is the ONLY fund that can support all the Township departments. It not only covers the cost of operating our Cemeteries, Zoning and Administration Offices, but is also used to help support the Parks, Fire Department, Road Department, and Sheriff's Patrol when their individual levies do not generate enough funds to cover their ever-increasing costs. For example, the General Fund helped cover the purchase of our new Fire/Rescue vehicle. Instead of raising millage of the fire levy to cover the cost of a single purchase, we used the General Fund to cover the shortage from the fire funds. This also saved valuable time because we were able to budget within our funds for the last several years to plan for this cost. The General Fund also has the job of covering all our utility costs and any capital improvements needed to maintain our infrastructure as well as the rising costs of insurance coverage.

As a Township, we are very limited in funding streams and are unable to create new revenue through sales taxes like a city or the State can.

Tax monies, such as the Local Government Fund and State Tax, that we counted on receiving from the State of Ohio have been drastically reduced or eliminated over the last twenty years. To offset these losses, we are requesting a Replacement to bring this levy up to current tax standards. Passage of <u>Issue 47</u> is vital to the operation of your Township services.

THE COST OF ISSUE 47		
HOME VALUE	ANNUAL COST	DAILY COST
\$100,000	33.00	.09 ¢

OFFICIAL BALLOT LANGUAGE

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (REPLACEMENT) COVENTRY TOWNSHIP

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

A replacement of a tax for the benefit of Coventry Township for the purpose of current expenses that the county fiscal officer estimates will collect \$366,404 annually, at a rate not exceeding 0.95 mill for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$33 for each \$100,000 of the county fiscal officer's appraised value, for 5 years, commencing in 2026, first due in calendar year 2027.

FOR THE TAX LEVY

AGAINST THE TAX LEVY