

EVANS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT #6



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Evans Valley Fire District #6 Proposed Tax Levy Increase Fact Sheet Measure 15-229

Background: In May 2024, voters will have the opportunity to consider a measure that would authorize an increase from the current operations levy rate of \$0.36 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to \$1.35 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. If passed, the property tax increase would maintain the current level of service and support initiatives at Evans Valley Fire District #6, including the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Capacity Grant Program positions, the Apparatus Replacement Program, the Student Firefighter Program, and Capital Outlay.

If passed by voters, the measure would provide funds for:

- 1. **Increasing the Fire District Budget:** Tax funds would be used to sustain current expenditures and enhance emergency services provided by Evans Valley Fire District #6.
- 2. **Grant Program:** The measure would provide funding to maintain the two positions secured through the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Capacity Grant Program.
- 3. **Apparatus Replacement Program:** If passed, the tax levy increase would contribute to the ongoing Apparatus Replacement Program by funding reliable and efficient firefighting equipment.
- 4. **Student Firefighter Program:** Funding would be allocated to sustain the Student Firefighter Program, fostering the development of future firefighting professionals that add to daily staffing and our response matrix.
- 5. **Capital Outlay:** Funding would be allocated to sustain Capital Outlay, ensuring the district has enough funds to maintain its facilities and purchase the equipment necessary to provide appropriate service to the community.

Key Facts:

- 1. **Proposed Tax Increase:** If the measure passes, the proposed tax levy increase would be from \$0.36 per \$1000 of assessed property value to \$1.35 per \$1000 of assessed property value. The funds would be used to support emergency services and programs. This would be a \$.99 increase from the current operations levy.
- 2. **Financial Impact:** If passed, the owner of a home assessed at \$209,719 would pay \$23.58 per month or \$283.00 per year. The average assessed value of a home within Evans Valley Fire District #6 is \$209,719.
- 3. **Grant Program Positions:** If passed, the measure would help fund the positions obtained through the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Capacity Grant Program, contributing to enhanced emergency response capabilities.
- 4. **Apparatus Replacement:** If passed, funds from the tax levy increase would support the ongoing Apparatus Replacement Program, by funding modern and efficient firefighting vehicles.



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- 5. **Student Firefighter Program:** Continued funding would support the program's continuation, providing valuable training opportunities for aspiring firefighters.
- 6. What happens if the Measure Does Not Pass? If the Measure does not pass, the proposed purchases and services would not be provided as proposed and taxes would not be increased. The current tax levy of \$0.36 per \$1000 of assessed property value expires in June of 2027.

Fire District Services:

- Maintained and Enhanced Emergency Services: If the measure passes, the tax levy increase would sustain the current level of service and fund enhanced emergency response capabilities in Evans Valley.
- 2. **Reduced Response Times:** With the addition of grant-funded positions, Evans Valley Fire District #6 has achieved an average response time of 9.04 minutes. If passed, the tax levy increase would further support and maintain this response time. Response time is the time it takes for us to arrive at your house when we are notified by dispatch.
- 3. **Future Firefighters:** If passed, funds would be used for the development of a skilled and dedicated firefighting force for the community.

Current Assessed Value	Current Fire District Tax (Base Rate and Current Tax Levy)	Additional Fire District Tax if the Measure Passes	Total Fire District Tax if the Measure Passes
\$100,000	\$165	\$99	\$264
\$150,000	\$247.50	\$148.50	\$396
\$175,000	\$288.75	\$173.25	\$462
\$200,000	\$330	\$198	\$528
\$225,000	\$371.25	\$222.75	\$594
\$250,000	\$412.50	\$247.50	\$660
\$275,000	\$453.75	\$272.25	\$726
\$300,000	\$495	\$297	\$792
\$325,000	\$536.25	\$321.75	\$858
\$350,000	\$577.50	\$346.50	\$924
\$375,000	\$618.75	\$371.25	\$990
\$400,000	\$700	\$396	\$1096
68% of Homes in EVFD#6 are assessed between		n \$88,911 and \$298,63	30
95% of Homes in EVFD#6 are assessed between		n \$0 and \$387.541	