



CITY OF MARTINSBURG
POLICE LEVY RENEWAL
SPECIAL ELECTION—MAY 8, 2018
PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Fact Sheet

1. The **RENEWAL** of the Police Levy will be for five (5) fiscal years beginning respectively on July 1, 2019, July 1, 2020, July 1, 2021, July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023. The levy **renewal rates will remain the same** as the previous five-year levy rates. **The current City of Martinsburg Excess Police Levy expires June 30, 2019.**
2. **The Police Levy budget helps provide the following Martinsburg Police Department services:**
 - Nine (9) Martinsburg Police Officers, including our School Resource Officer at Martinsburg High School. These nine (9) Police Officers make up approximately 20% MPD's police force.
 - Response to 34,581 calls for service in 2017.
 - K-9 Patrol Unit.
 - Aggressive Drug Enforcement and Investigations—Including “Operation Spring Cleaning.”
 - Enforcement of Martinsburg's “Drug House Ordinance.”
 - Special Response Team—Hostage/Barricade situations and “high risk” search warrants.
 - DUI Enforcement.
 - Downtown Patrol Officer.
 - Bicycle Patrol.
 - “Adopt a Classroom”—Police visits to schools.
 - “Night Eyes”—Residential House/Apartment and Business Checks.
 - Citizens Police Academy & Junior Police Academy.
 - Citizen Ride-A-Long Program.
 - Citizen Vehicle Unlocks.
 - Youth Explorer Program.
 - Funeral Escorts.
 - Handle with Care Program.
 - The Martinsburg Initiative—The new model opioid prevention program.
3. The total approximate amount the Police Levy will generate **per year** is **\$1,290,000**. The total approximate amount generated for the **five-year period** is **\$6,450,000**.
4. Funds generated are to **maintain the current** nine (9) Police Officers' salaries, insurance, benefits, equipment, police vehicles and other incidental items.
5. Funds raised in excess of the actual amount expended to support nine (9) officers shall be used solely for additional equipment, vehicles, supplies, facilities, and personnel required by MPD.
6. **Example Police Levy Costs**

On residential property valued at \$100,000 the tax assessment is calculated at 60% of the assessed value. The Police Levy rate for residential property is 10 ½ ¢ per \$100 of assessed value. The Police Levy rate on a \$100,000 piece of residential property would be \$63.00 per year or **17¢ PER DAY**. ($\$100,000 \times 60\% = \$60,000 \times .00105 = \$63.00 \div 365 \text{ days} = 17\text{¢ per day}$).