

# Charter Committee Levy Review Summary

Issues Committee Recommendation: **Support the Levy**

## Levy: Elderly Services Levy

### Agencies Funded – Five-Year Total

1. Council on Aging	\$102,334,029 (95%)
2. JFS/Adult Protective	2,750,000 (2%)
3. Veteran’s Services	1,025,000 (1%)
4. SORTA	476,102 (-)
5. Contracts	306,705 (-)
6. Auditor and Treasurer Fees	<u>1,325,894 (1%)</u>
Total	<u>\$108,217,730</u>

#### 1. Current Levy:

- a. 1.16 mills
- b. Generates ~\$18.6 million annually
- c. Five years – last voted in 2002

#### 2. Proposed Levy:

- a. 1.29 mills
- b. Will generate ~\$21.6 million annually
- c. Represents an annualized increase of ~3.0%.

#### 3. Financial Information:

- a. Current financial audit – clean opinion – Council on Aging

#### 4. Service Provided:

(County Tax Levy Review Committee Consultant Report.)

With levy funds they provide (see Tax Levy Committee report for detail)

- a. Council on Aging Services. Committee emphasis is to get more of the resources here. See attached report.
- b. SORTA Transportation – minimal provided with this levy and amount held constant next five years - same as past 5 years.
- c. Adult Protective services (JFS) – proposal holds amount constant for next five years – same as past 5 years.
- d. OSU Extension Services. This non-mandated service is eliminated and to be funded from County General Fund.

- e. Veterans' Services. A state mandated requirement – committee recommends maintaining funding at current level. Any additional to come from County General Fund.

**5. Tax Levy Review Committee Comments:**

- a. Generally, they attempted to focus on direct services to seniors. Council on Aging services are not mandated.
- b. They recommended that services only be provided to legal residents.