



May 12, 2026 Township Board Listening Session

SUMMARY

Since 2022, the Meridian Township Board has established a goal to enhance communication and outreach to the Township's 45,000 residents. To help meet this goal, the Board scheduled three Listening Sessions in 2026:

- **Tuesday, May 12**
 - 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm at 2|42 Community Center (2630 Bennett Road, Okemos)
- **Tuesday, July 28**
 - 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm at Central Park Pavilion (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos)
- **Thursday, October 27**
 - 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm at St. Luke Lutheran Church (5589 Van Atta Road, Haslett)

After each listening session, staff will provide a written summary with information about what was discussed. Residents unable to attend a session can provide feedback online at:

<https://bit.ly/ListeningSessionsForm>

The May 12, 2026 Listening Session was attended by approximately 30 individuals. The Listening Session commenced just after 6:00 pm with a welcome from Township Supervisor Hendrickson and introducing the Township Board: Clerk Angela Demas, Treasurer Linda Burghardt, Trustees Nickolas Lentz, Kathy Ann Sundland, Peter Trezise, and Marna Wilson.

Staff then provided brief updates on the following topics:

- Elections, Township Clerk Angela Demas
- Taxes, Township Treasurer Linda Burghardt
- Development Projects, Director of Community Planning and Development Tim Schmitt
- 2025 Local Road Program, Pathways, and Pedestrian Safety, Deputy Manager Dan Opsommer
- Parks Master Plan, Township Manager Tim Dempsey
- Traffic Safety, Police Chief Grillo

The presentation slides can be found at the end of this summary.

After those updates, the Supervisor opened the floor to attendees to submit their written questions. Questions were also submitted electronically prior to the meeting via the Township's website. Additionally, the Township Board stayed beyond the official end time of 7:30 pm to continue answering questions from constituents.

A summary of the topics and questions follows. Please note that not all submitted questions are listed individually as overlapping questions have been combined or responses are provided in the staff updates.

ELECTIONS

STAFF UPDATE: Clerk Angela Demas provided an update on 2026 elections: the recent May Special Election (May 5), August 4, 2026 Primary Election, and November 3, 2026 General Election. Key dates for the August 4 Primary Election:

- June 25: Absentee ballots available
- July 21: Deadline to register to vote by mail or online and be eligible to vote in the July election
- July 22: From July 22 through Election Day (August 4), a voter must register in person with the Meridian Township Clerk's Office with proof of residency.
- July 25-August 2: Early voting is available from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Meridian Township Municipal Building (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos). *NOTE: Early voting hours on July 25 may be altered, please check the Township's website prior to voting that day.*
- August 4: Election Day; polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

Clerk Demas also reviewed precinct changes. Township precincts were consolidated from 22 in 2025 to 14 in 2026. This did result in some polling location changes and voters were notified accordingly. These changes allow for a more efficient voting process while maintaining voter access. The Precinct 2 polling location, currently at StoryPoint Senior Living, is likely to be changed for August and November elections due to parking challenges.

Absentee voter ballots and drop boxes were also discussed. Absentee ballots can be mailed or dropped off. Drop boxes can be found both inside and outside of the Meridian Township Municipal Building (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos), outside of the Haslett Library (1590 Franklin Street, Haslett), and outside of the Okemos Library (4321 Okemos Road, Okemos). Absentee ballot notifications are available at mi.gov/vote.

What safety precautions are in place for voters if there are outside groups hanging around near voting places?

In case of any emergency, election workers would call 911. All groups or campaigners are required to be at least 100 feet away from a polling location.

Can absentee voters opt to vote in person for an election, or are they limited to the mail or dropping off their ballot?

Yes, voters are able to vote in person if you have an absentee ballot.

TAXES

STAFF UPDATE: Treasurer Burghardt provided information on tax collections and distribution. For 2025, the Meridian Township Treasurer's Office reported total property taxes collected and processed of \$144,258,546. These receipts were distributed to our four local school districts (Haslett, Okemos, East Lansing, and Williamston), the Ingham Intermediate School District, Ingham County Government, Lansing Community College (LCC), Capital Area Transit Authority (CATA), Capital Area District Library (CADL), and the Capital Region Airport Authority (CRAA). Meridian Township operations received approximately 19% of the taxes collected in 2025.

At the end of 2025, the Treasurer's Office managed \$46,238,546 in fixed and non-fixed investments. In 2025, interest earnings on liquid investment (over \$2.5 million) matched the 2024 earnings. This was due largely to prudent, safe investments in Certificates of Deposit and US Treasury bills, which offered higher interest rates. The Township employs an investment firm that specializes in investing for public entities. Investment of Township money is regulated by the Investment of Surplus Funds of Political Subdivisions Act.

Taxpayers have a variety of options for paying taxes: in person, by mail, drop box and on-line through

InvoiceCloud on the Township's website. If a taxpayer contacts his or her bank to pay the taxes, the bank will send a paper check through the regular mail. If the taxpayer chooses to go through the bank or chooses to mail the payment, we encourage the taxpayer to do so several weeks in advance of the payment due date to ensure that we receive it on time. The due dates for tax payments are stipulated in the General Property Tax Act (PA 206 of 1893) MCL 211.44a (6) states the Sept. 14 date, MCL 211.44 (3) states the Feb. 14 date, and MCL211.44a (5) states the March 1 date.

Property taxes have increased in recent years, how does the Township utilize its property taxes?

Meridian Township serves as the collection entity for all taxing authorities (see STAFF UPDATE). Depending on millage changes from year to year, the Township only retains 19-20% of all taxes collected. Visit the Township's website to review the flyer entitled *Where Do My Property Tax Dollars Go* for more information at:

www.meridian.mi.us/home/showpublisheddocument/27814/638937853055570000

Could the debt or operating millages ever be reduced?

Yes, both millages could potentially be reduced under certain circumstances. For the debt millage, if the growth in taxable value within the Township exceeds the projected 1% growth, which it has historically done, then revenue will be generated faster than projected. This allows for the possibility of paying down the fixed amount of principal debt earlier than 20 years.

For example, this scenario occurred with the Central Fire Station debt millage (0.2 mill), which was originally projected to be levied for the last time on the December 2027 tax bill. Because the growth in the Township's taxable value exceeded initial projections, the Central Fire Station debt millage was levied for the last time on December 2024 tax bill at a rate of 0.0624 mill, three years ahead of schedule.

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Director of Community Planning and Development Tim Schmitt provided an update on several development projects.

Downtown Okemos: The prior iteration of the project which proposed to construct a mixed-use commercial and residential complex is not moving forward. The project was slated for the two westerly blocks of Okemos Road, north and south of Hamilton Road. The property is now for sale and any future development is dependent on a new purchaser/developer. In the meantime, the Township has been working to address the significant infrastructure constraints.

A \$12 million grant was submitted to the U.S. Department of Transportation for reconstruction of Okemos Road from south of Grand River Avenue to just north of the Red Cedar bridge. The project would add a left turn lane on northbound Okemos Road to westbound Hamilton Road, and another turn land on westbound Hamilton Road to southbound Okemos Road. If successful, this funding will remove a significant financial burden from any future development project. In addition, the Township is acquiring three nearby lots to address future drainage issues.

Staff are also working on holding future discussions around revisioning future development in this area. The last proposal included significant residential density and did not meet the previously established vision for the site.

Haslett Village Square: This project is now under construction and will include 189 multi-family and single-family townhome residential units. There will also be a new commercial building and a commercial user(s) in the existing one-story community hub building. The project also includes a trailhead for the Inter Urban Trail with parking and respite amenities for humans and pets.

Restaurants: There are a couple of new independently owned restaurants in the Township. The Flaky Croissant opened at 4480 Hagadorn Road and Altu’s opened at 4738 Central Park Drive.

What is happening with the northeast block in Downtown Okemos (Okemos/Hamilton Roads) where the barbershop is located?

The new owner of the property is renovating the existing buildings. The renovations will start with the existing seven apartments on the second floor. Once those are completed, they will move to the commercial spaces on the first floor. Construction is expected to begin later this year. The Township has supported the residential component through a MI Neighborhoods grant application with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. If approved, the seven units will be classified as workforce housing and restricted to renters with incomes at or below 120% of Area Median Income.

LOCAL ROADS PROGRAM

STAFF UPDATE: Deputy Manager and Director of Public Work & Engineering Dan Opsommer provided an overview of the Local Roads Program (LRP) and pathways update. The 2026 LRP construction is underway and will include 7.5 miles of reconstructed roads. In addition, the 2027 program is already in the planning stages. The streets to be included in 2027 are preliminary and will not be finalized until early next year.

2026 Local Road Program (Ditch Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Hulett Rd	Bennett Rd	Okemos Rd	1.12
Forest Hills Neighborhood			
Forest Hills Dr	Dobie Rd	530' east of the Greenwood Dr	0.54
Greenwood Dr	Forest Hills Dr	Hatch Rd	0.48
Mercer Dr	Greenwood Dr	Arbor Dr	0.12
Marlborough Rd	Forest Hills Dr	Eastwood Dr	0.06
Oakwood Dr	Ponchartrain Dr	Birchwood Dr	0.20
Oakwood Dr	Forest Hills Dr	End	0.24
Navaho Ridge/Shaker Heights Neighborhood			
Seneca Dr	Shaker Blvd	Hamilton Rd	0.39
Oneida Dr	Seneca Dr	End	0.09
Keweenaw Dr	Oneida Dr	Seneca Dr	0.12
White Oaks Estates/Ashbury Commons Neighborhoods			
White Oak Dr	Cornell Rd	Wrightwind Dr/Fox Chase	0.09
Fox Chase	White Oak Dr/Wrightwind Dr	End	0.13
Wrightwind Dr	White Oak Dr/Fox Chase	End	0.18

2026 Local Road Program (Curb & Gutter Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Washington Heights Dr	Hamilton Rd	Grand River Ave	0.16
Shoals Neighborhood			
Spinnaker Ln	Starboard Dr	End	0.07
Leeward Dr	Nautical Dr/Shoals Dr	End	0.47
Shoals Dr	Leeward Dr/Nautical Dr	Cornell Rd	0.27
Windreef Cir	Shoals Dr	End	0.08
Breakwater Dr	Nautical Dr	End	0.47
Cornell Woods/Whispering Oaks Neighborhoods			
Satinwood Dr	Silverwood Dr	Silkwood Dr	0.14
Mistywood Dr	Spicewood Dr S	End	0.15
Spicewood Dr N	Mistywood Dr	Spicewood Dr S/Ethel St	0.11
Ethel St	Spicewood Dr S/Spicewood Dr N	Conell Rd	0.09
Ivywood Dr	Alderwood Dr	End	0.08
Forest Hills Neighborhood			
Stoneycroft Dr	Birchwood Dr	End	0.13
Pebblestone Dr	Stoneycroft Dr	Cherry Hill Dr	0.14
Woodhill Neighborhood			
Copperhill Dr	Mount Hope Rd	End	0.30
Woodhill Dr	Comanche Dr	End	0.25
Nemoke Trail Neighborhood			
Nemoke Trl	Marsh Rd	End	0.45
Nemoke Ct	Nemoke Trl	End	0.09
Maple Ridge Rd	Rolling Hills Dr	Nemoke Trl	0.22
Rolling Hills Dr	Marsh Rd	Maple Ridge Dr	0.07

The 2027 Local Roads Program is projected to include:

2027 Local Road Program (Ditch Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Kansas Rd	Jolly Rd	End	0.33
Piper Rd	Van Atta Rd	Meridian Rd	0.87
Samuel Oaks Dr	Meridian Rd	Jacob Meadows Dr	0.22
Jacob Meadows Dr	Samuel Oaks Dr	Samuel Oaks Dr	0.13
Turnberry Ln	Chimney Oaks Dr	End	0.26
Victoria Hills Dr	Chimney Oaks Dr	Tillium Ct	0.16
Hawthorne Ln	Mount Hope Rd	Mount Hope Rd	0.19
Fairlane Dr	Mount Hope Rd	Del Mar Dr	0.14
Eastway Dr	Fairlane Dr	End	0.09
Del Mar Dr	End	End	0.18

2027 Local Road Program (Curb & Gutter Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Martinique Cir	Burcham Dr	End	0.06
Hannah Blvd	Hagadorn Rd	1,663' east of Hagadorn Rd	0.22
Eyde Pkwy	Hagadorn Rd	1,185' east of Hagadorn Rd	0.22
Coyote Creek Dr	Okemos Rd	End of the Public Road ROW	0.07
Sonoma Vista Dr	Coyote Creek Dr	Sonoma Vista Dr	0.12
Heritage Ave	Okemos Rd	Raleigh Dr	0.21
Roxbury Ave	3855 Roxbury Ave	Shagbark Ln	0.04
Shagbark Ln	Roxbury Ave	Binghampton Dr	0.15
Binghampton Dr	Valley Brook	Cimarron Dr Intersection	0.22
Crooked Creek Rd	Hemmingway Dr	Cimarron Dr	0.24
Thrushwood Cir	Trailwood Dr	End	0.08
Beech Tree Ln	Spring Lake Dr	End	0.22
E Hiawatha Dr	3625 E Hiawatha Dr	End	0.29
Otsego Dr	E Hiawatha Dr	Ambassador Dr	0.21
Ambassador Dr	Otsego Dr	Cabaret Trl	0.09
Cabaret Trl	Ambassador Dr	Wandering Way	0.18
Wandering Way	West Cul-de-Sac	1412 Wandering Way	0.20
Creekwood Ln	Haslett Rd	End	0.23
Wood Knoll Dr	Creekwood Ln	End	0.02
Blue Haven Dr	Linden St	Roseland Ave	0.24
Wardcliff Dr	Cahill Dr	Heather Dr	0.06
Terri Terrace	Blue Haven Dr	Timberlane St	0.13
Melville Dr	Blue Haven Dr	Park Lake Rd	0.10
Cahill Dr	Blue Haven Dr	Timberlane St	0.12
Roseland Ave	Park Lake Rd	Wardcliff Dr	0.20
Roseland Ave	Wardcliff Dr	Roseland Ave/Brentwood Ave	0.06

The 2028 LRP will be the last year of the program under the current millage. Extending the LRP into future years will require a millage renewal.

Pathway projects are also underway. Designs are under development to close a pathway gap on the southside of Haslett Road just east of Park Lake Road to just west of Marsh Road. This project is targeted for construction later this year:

<https://www.meridian.mi.us/media/aevp3n0h/haslett-road-pathway-construction-schedule-map.pdf>

In addition, planning has been ongoing for Phase III of the Lake Lansing to MSU trail. This segment would stretch from Haslett Road north to the Consumers Energy right of way, then head northeast to Lake Lansing Park North. The construction schedule has not been determined.

Why is a road diet being considered for Haslett Road when adding significant new housing units will result in increases in vehicle trips using Haslett Road?

Prior to pursuing the grant, the Township conducted a traffic study of the entire Haslett Road Corridor from Park Lake to Marsh Road. The study found that a road diet was appropriate given the volume of vehicular traffic and lack of pedestrian crossings. The road diet would take the road from two lanes in both directions to three lanes, one in each direction with a center turn lane. The segment west of Park Lake Road and east of Marsh Road are already three lanes. Road diets aid with traffic calming, speeding, and pedestrian safety. We will know in November or December if a grant for the project is awarded to the Ingham County Road Department. If the grant funding is not awarded, the

project will not move forward.

Can the right lane at the intersection of westbound Haslett Road and Park Lake Road be made a right turn only lane?

This will be determined during the design phase of the Haslett Road project if it moves forward.

Residents are encouraged to submit any roadway or infrastructure questions or concerns via email to dpw@meridian.mi.us.

PARKS MASTER PLAN

STAFF UPDATE: The Township's Five-Year Park Master Plan is currently being updated. The Township has an extensive park system with 31 different parks and wide array of recreational activities and events. The plan is critical in assessing these assets and determining strategies for the future. Plan components will include a parks and recreation inventory; needs assessment, including accessibility; stakeholder and public outreach; and goals, objectives, and actions. The plan requires Township Board approval and the process involves gathering public input. Residents are encouraged to participate by taking an online survey and/or attending input sessions: July 30 at the Harris Nature Center (3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos) or August 13 at Towner Road Park (2055 Towner Road, Haslett). The survey can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WC2V5HS>

TRAFFIC SAFETY

STAFF UPDATE: Police Chief Rick Grillo provided an update on traffic enforcement, which is the most asked about topic for the Police Department. Traffic enforcement has been a key priority for the department over the past several years. While all patrol officers are involved in traffic enforcement, the department now has a dedicated traffic enforcement officer who can focus on problem areas. The department utilizes data-driven enforcement through its speed monitoring devices. These devices are deployed in areas of concern to ascertain the extent of a possible speeding problem. If the data merits it, additional enforcement is pursued.

In 2023 a total of 1,019 traffic citations were issued. This year to date, 1,548 have been written. Annual citations would be approximately 4,100 if the current pace continues, an over 300% increase in three years. However, the department's enforcement efforts are based on established safety parameters and not quotas. The department issues more warnings than citations.

Last time we were at a listening session there was a concern about the Department not being fully staffed with police officers. Do we have more now?

Yes, the Department has continued to increase staffing. Staffing levels have risen from 30 in 2023 to 41 as of May 18, 2026. We do have a trainee going through the police academy starting in August. They would become the 42nd officer and bring the department to its full complement of budgeted officers.

Residents noticing recurring traffic safety issues are encouraged to utilize the Traffic Concern Form on the Police Department website:

<https://www.meridian.mi.us/living-in-meridian/police-department/>

ITC ONEIDA TO SABINE LAKE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

There are many residents concerned about the proposed 345kV electric transmission line through Meridian Township. What is the status and how does the Township view opposition considering the relatively limited number of Township properties impacted?

At the February 3, 2026, Township Board meeting, ITC's proposed electric transmission line through

Meridian Township was discussed. As a result, The Board encapsulated key concerns in a resolution and letter opposing placement in Meridian Township. Township concerns were also shared by Board members with ITC at their listening sessions. The Township took a stance as it would with other projects with significant potential for negative impacts, irrespective of whether it impacts some or all residents. In addition, this project would directly impact Township parkland and land preserves that are assets to all residents.

SENIOR CENTER

What is the status of the \$5 million grant from the State of Michigan for the Meridian Senior Center?

The Community/Senior Center grant from the State was a pass through of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. This money required that the funds received be fully spent by September 30, 2026, and that a grant-funded facility be open and operating by that date. Since the millage failed last August, the Township has pursued multiple locations for a Senior Center only facility. Given the timeframe, a focus was placed on existing vacant buildings. Unfortunately, available sites pursued were not financially feasible or were physically constrained to not make the building idea. The Township has informed the State of Michigan that it will not be expending any grant funds in that timeframe. The Township has worked with legislators to see if the money could be reallocated but that has not been successful. Township staff continue to work with the Haslett Public Schools and Okemos Public Schools to find a suitable replacement site and explore other options. The current Senior Center at Chippewa Middle School is scheduled for closure in May 2028 ahead of demolition in June 2028.

MISCELLANEOUS

It was suggested that the Township consider having some program to acknowledge homes that are well maintained and have nice landscaping.

The Haslett Beautification Association and the Meridian Garden Club are two volunteer groups that do wonderful work keeping our community looking beautiful. They might be ideal partners in developing a recognition program.

Can the Township implement a leaf pickup program like the City of East Lansing?

Unlike the City of East Lansing, Meridian Township does not control local streets. Other than M-78, Grand River Avenue, and some private streets, all other roads in the Township are under control of the Ingham County Road Department (ICRD). The ICRD is responsible for all road maintenance and, as a result, the Township does not have a street division within the Department of Public Works. The Township does not have adequate staffing or equipment to undertake what would be a massive operation given the amount of local street miles. It would require significant additional revenue to implement such a program. By comparison, East Lansing has approximately 63 miles of local streets compared to Meridian Township's 153.

Supervisor Hendrickson mentioned the monthly Township newsletter. Anyone can sign up to receive it at: <https://www.meridian.mi.us/subscribe/>

Share Feedback/Comments

Comments can always be sent anytime to the Township Board at board@meridian.mi.us. These will also be included as public communications in a Board packet following submission.



Township Board Listening Session

May 12, 2026



AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Staff Updates
3. Questions and Answers



ELECTION UPDATES



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2026 ELECTIONS IN
MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP

Elections

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBPAGE:
MERIDIAN.MI.US/ELECTIONS

2026 Election Dates:

- May 5, 2026 Special Election (Ingham Intermediate School District Bond Proposal)
- August 4, 2026 Primary Election
- November 3, 2026 General Election

August 4, 2026 Primary Election Information

Registered voters in Meridian Township will have the opportunity to vote in the statewide primary election, which will be held on **Tuesday, August 4, 2026**.

Details about voting options, polling locations, and more are available further down this page.

Key Dates:

- **June 25:** Absentee ballots available
- **July 21:** Deadline to register to vote by mail or online and be eligible to vote in the August election
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- **July 25-August 2:** Early voting available from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Meridian Township Municipal Building (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos)
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VOTER CHECKLIST

ELECTIONS IN MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP

Absent Voter Ballots are made available 40 days prior to Election Day
For questions, contact Clerk Angela Demas at 517.853.4304

REGISTER TO VOTE

Any qualified resident of Meridian Township who is not already registered to vote may do so at the Meridian Township Clerk's Office, Ingham County Clerk's Office, or the Michigan Voter Information Center at www.mi.gov/vote.

You can register either online or in-person up to 15 days before Election Day. Within 14 days of Election Day, including Election Day, you would need to register to vote in person at the Clerk's Office.

CHECK WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT

Voters can go to www.mi.gov/vote to preview their ballot when samples are made available or go to their local Clerk's Office to view a sample ballot when available.

DETERMINE YOUR VOTING METHOD

ABSENTEE VOTING

After applying for and receiving an absent voter (AV) ballot, voters may return their ballot at any Meridian Township ballot drop box location, by mail, or at the Clerk's Office. Voters may also tabulate their ballot during Early Voting or on Election Day.

IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

Meridian Township's early voting site is at the Town Hall Room of the Meridian Township Municipal Building (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos).

IN-PERSON VOTING ON ELECTION DAY

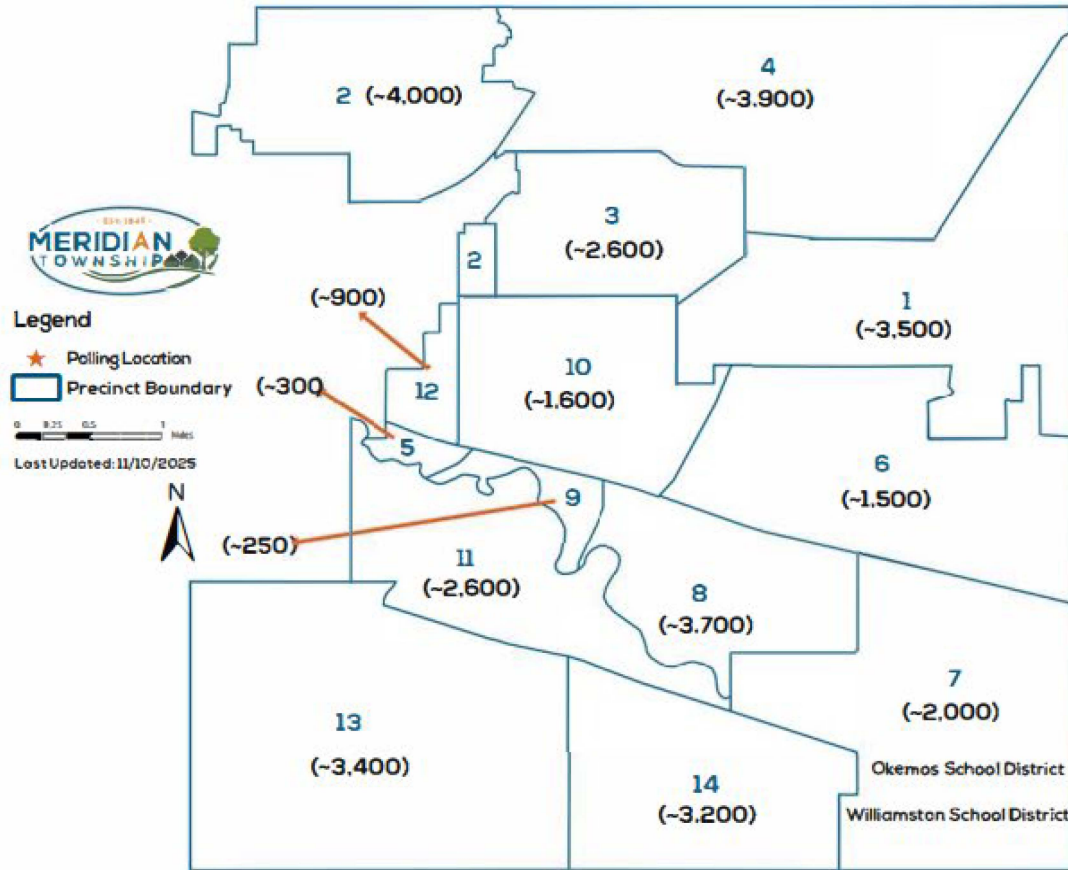
All qualified, verified, registered voters have the option to vote in-person on Election Day. Find your polling location at www.mi.gov/vote, or on your Voter Registration Card.

CAST YOUR VOTE!

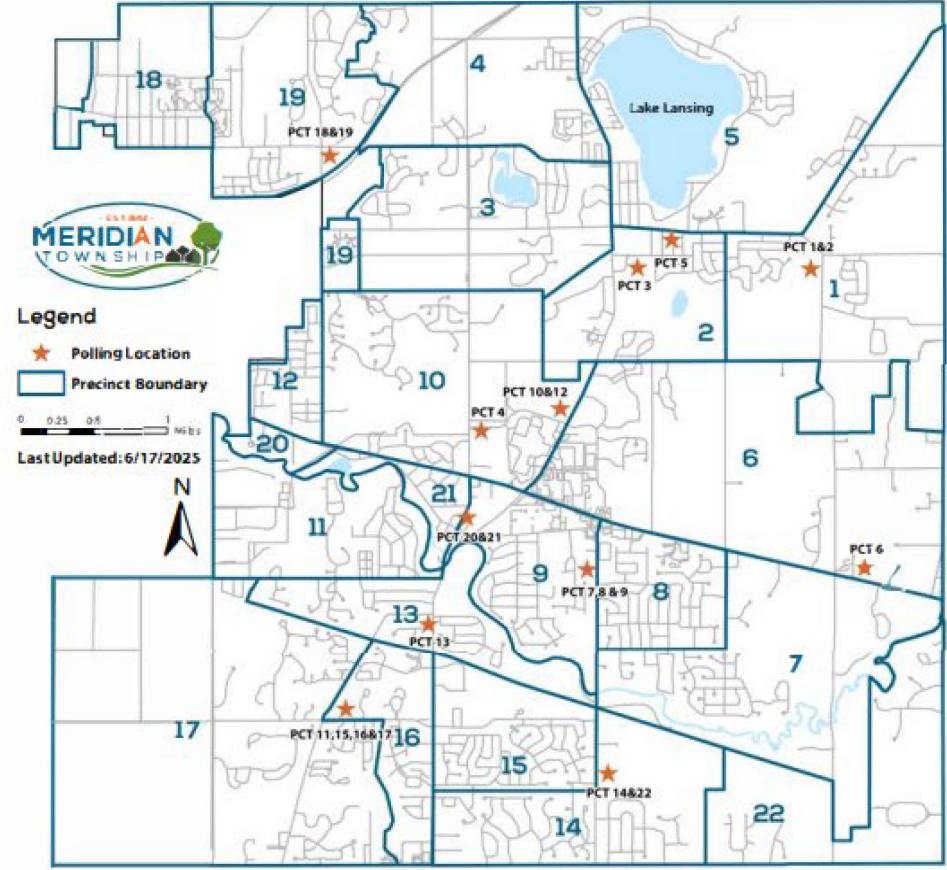


MORE INFO AT
WWW.MERIDIAN.MI.US/VOTE

Voting Precincts & Polling Locations Maps



Voting Precincts & Polling Locations Map



Courtland Jenkins Illustrator Voting Precincts & Polls Map 2025

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| 1. St. Luke Lutheran Church
5589 Van Atta Road | 7. Faith Lutheran Church
4515 Doble Road | 13. Okemos Library
4321 Okemos Road | 19. StoryPoint East Lansing
5968 Park Lake Rd |
| 2. St. Luke Lutheran Church
5589 Van Atta Road | 8. Faith Lutheran Church
4515 Doble Road | 14. Ingham County Rehab
Facility 3860 Doble Road | 20. Okemos Community Church
4734 Okemos Road |
| 3. Haslett Middle School
1535 Franklin Street | 9. Faith Lutheran Church
4515 Doble Road | 15. 2/42 Community Church
2600 Bennett Rd | 21. Okemos Community Church
4734 Okemos Road |
| 4. Central Fire Station #91
5000 Okemos Rd | 10. Meridian Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road | 16. 2/42 Community Church
2600 Bennett Road | 22. Ingham County Rehab
Facility 3860 Doble Road |
| 5. Haslett Community Church
1427 Haslett Road | 11. 2/42 Community Church
2600 Bennett Road | 17. 2/42 Community Church
2600 Bennett Road | Early Voting Center: Meridian
Municipal Building 5151
Marsh Road |
| 6. Red Cedar Church
550 W Grand River Avenue | 12. Meridian Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road | 18. StoryPoint East Lansing
5968 Park Lake Rd | Absent Voter Counting Board:
2/42 Community Center
2630 Bennett Road |

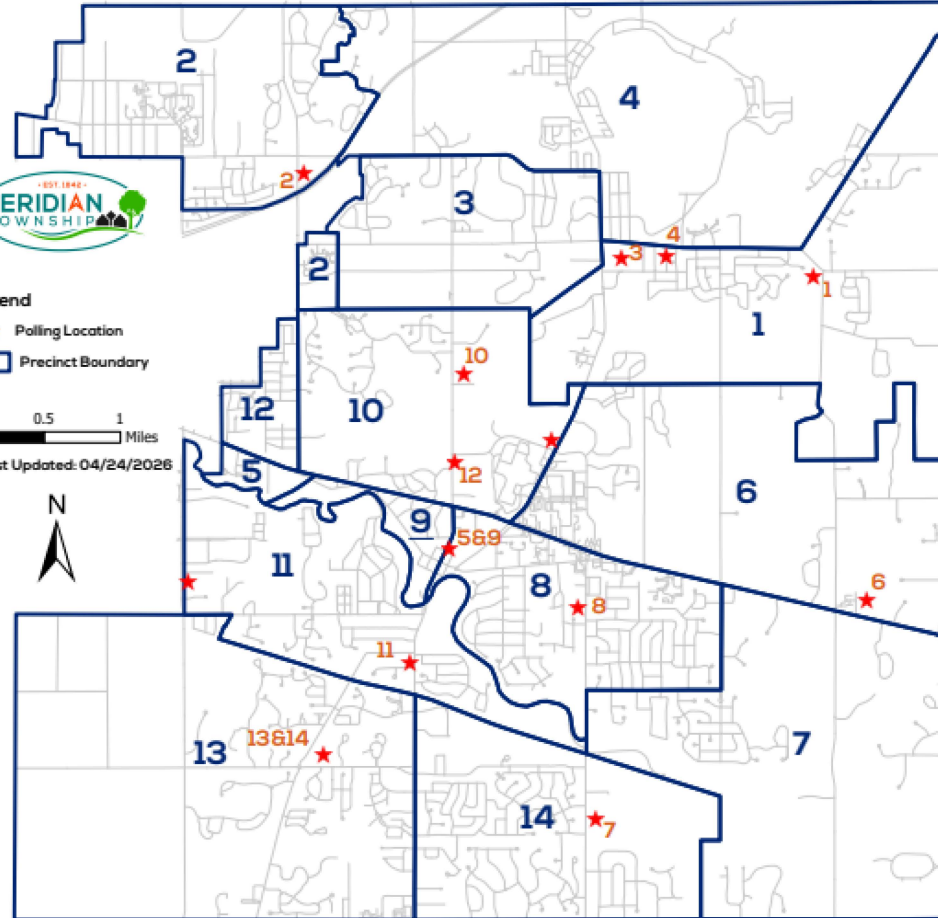
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Voting Precincts & Polling Locations Map



- Legend**
- ★ Polling Location
 - ▭ Precinct Boundary

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 Last Updated: 04/24/2026



- 1. St. Luke Lutheran Church
5589 Van Atta Road
- 2. StoryPoint East Lansing
5968 Park Lake Road
- 3. Haslett Community Education
1590 Franklin Street
- 4. Haslett Community Church
1427 Haslett Road
- 5. & 9. Okemos Community Church
4734 Okemos Road
- 6. Red Cedar Church
550 W. Grand River Avenue

- 7. Ingham County Rehab Facility
3860 Dobie Road
- 8. Faith Lutheran Church
4515 Dobie Road
- 10. Meridian Service Center
2100 Gaylord C. Smith Ct.
- 11. Okemos Library
4321 Okemos Road
- 12. Central Fire Station #91
5000 Okemos Road
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2600 Bennett Road

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- Early Voting Center:
Meridian Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos
- Absent Voter Counting Board:
Meridian Municipal Building
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Meridian Township Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos





Meridian Township Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos



Okemos Library
4321 Okemos Road, Okemos



Haslett Library
1590 Franklin Street, Haslett

HOW TO RECEIVE

ABSENTEE BALLOT NOTIFICATIONS

FROM THE DESK OF
CLERK ANGELA DEMAS

demas@meridian.mi.us
517.853.4304



The State of Michigan now provides voters with updates about their absentee ballot or absentee ballot application status. Voters can receive updates about:

- Absentee ballot or ballot application status
- Corrections needed on a ballot or application
- How to fix a problem on a submitted ballot or application

To sign up, follow these steps:

**1 VISIT
WWW.MI.GOV/VOTE**

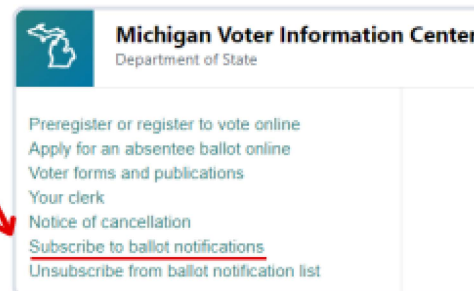


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device

**2 SELECT THE
SUBSCRIPTION LINK**

**3 ENTER YOUR VOTER
INFORMATION**

**4 ENTER YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, SELECT "SUBMIT,"
AND YOU'RE DONE!**



If you have any questions, contact Clerk Angela Demas at demas@meridian.mi.us or the Clerk's Office at 517.853.4300. The Clerk's Office can answer questions but *cannot* make changes to your subscription on your behalf.



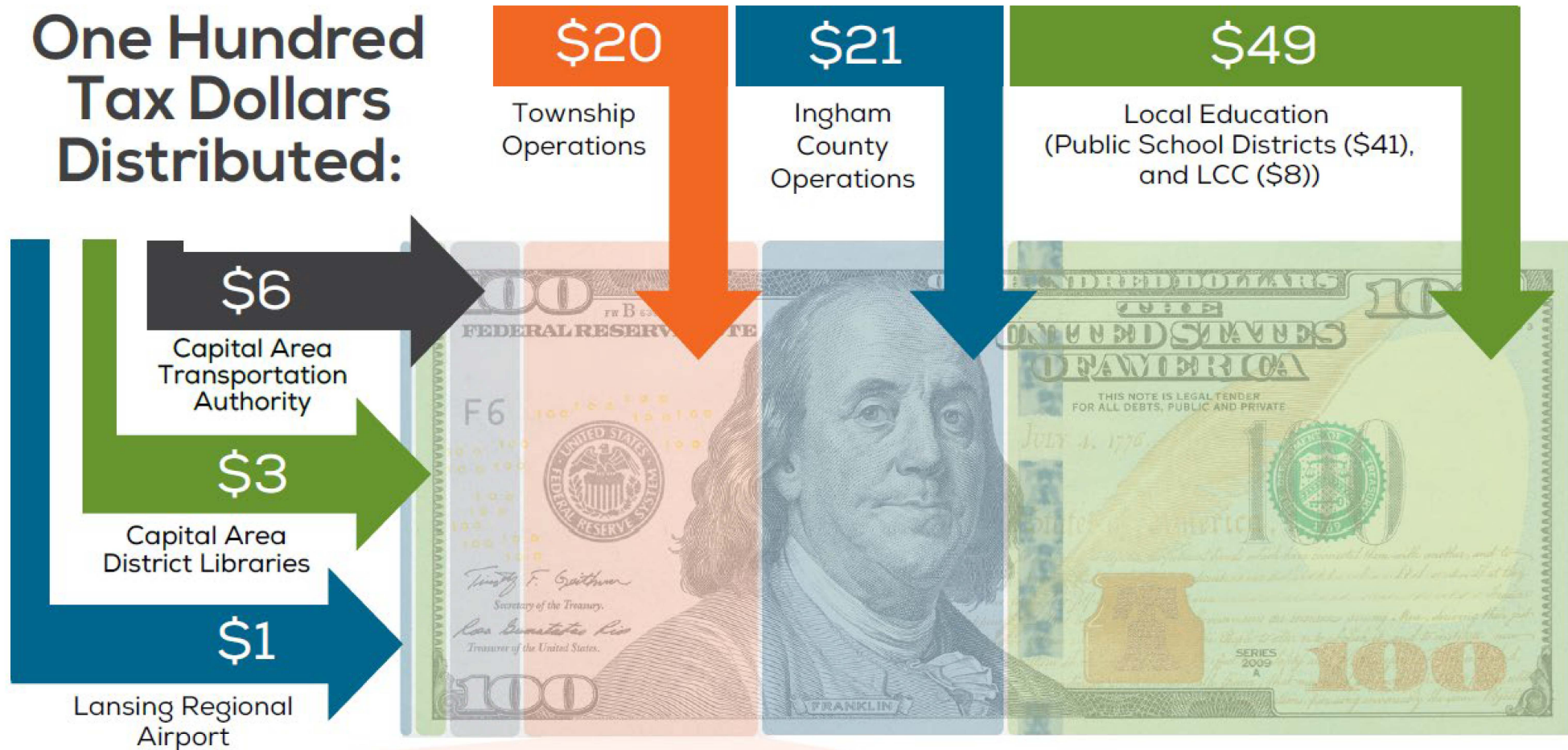
TAXES

The Meridian Township Treasurer's Office
Answers the Common Question:

Where Do My Property Tax Dollars Go?



One Hundred Tax Dollars Distributed:





DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

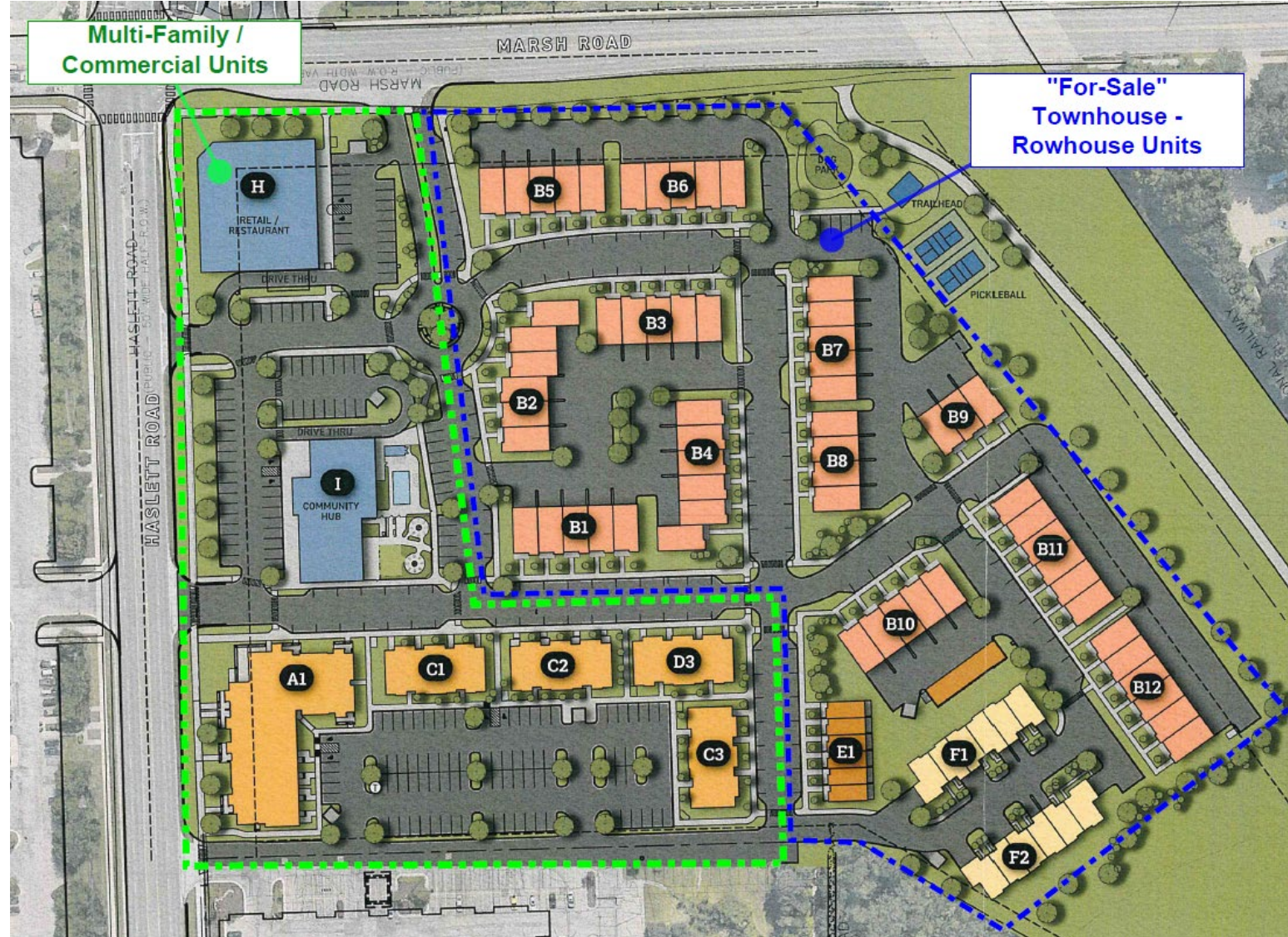


DOWNTOWN OKEMOS





HASLETT VILLAGE SQUARE





SENIOR CENTER

- Township continues to assess potential sites for a Senior Center only facility
- Current Senior Center must vacate Chippewa Middle School by **May 2028**
- Working with Haslett and Okemos Public Schools on potential locations
- Other sites have been ruled out to cost, condition, and/or other factors
 - Meridian Mall
 - Former Foods for Living
 - Former Rite Aid (Grand River & Central Park)



LOCAL ROADS PROGRAM & PATHWAYS



2026 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM (7.5 Miles)

2026 Local Road Program (Ditch Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Hulett Rd	Bennett Rd	Okemos Rd	1.12
Forest Hills Neighborhood			
Forest Hills Dr	Dobie Rd	530' east of the Greenwood Dr	0.54
Greenwood Dr	Forest Hills Dr	Hatch Rd	0.48
Mercer Dr	Greenwood Dr	Arbor Dr	0.12
Marlborough Rd	Forest Hills Dr	Eastwood Dr	0.06
Oakwood Dr	Ponchartrain Dr	Birchwood Dr	0.20
Oakwood Dr	Forest Hills Dr	End	0.24
Navaho Ridge/Shaker Heights Neighborhood			
Seneca Dr	Shaker Blvd	Hamilton Rd	0.39
Oneida Dr	Seneca Dr	End	0.09
Keweenaw Dr	Oneida Dr	Seneca Dr	0.12
White Oaks Estates/Ashbury Commons Neighborhoods			
White Oak Dr	Cornell Rd	Wrightwind Dr/Fox Chase	0.09
Fox Chase	White Oak Dr/Wrightwind Dr	End	0.13
Wrightwind Dr	White Oak Dr/Fox Chase	End	0.18



2026 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTINUED (7.5 Miles)

The 2026 LRP also includes 20.5 miles of crack fill treatments

2026 Local Road Program (Curb & Gutter Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Washington Heights Dr	Hamilton Rd	Grand River Ave	0.16
Shoals Neighborhood			
Spinnaker Ln	Starboard Dr	End	0.07
Leeward Dr	Nautical Dr/Shoals Dr	End	0.47
Shoals Dr	Leeward Dr/Nautical Dr	Cornell Rd	0.27
Windreef Cir	Shoals Dr	End	0.08
Breakwater Dr	Nautical Dr	End	0.47
Cornell Woods/Whispering Oaks Neighborhoods			
Satinwood Dr	Silverwood Dr	Silkwood Dr	0.14
Mistywood Dr	Spicewood Dr S	End	0.15
Spicewood Dr N	Mistywood Dr	Spicewood Dr S/Ethel St	0.11
Ethel St	Spicewood Dr S/Spicewood Dr N	Conell Rd	0.09
Ivywood Dr	Alderwood Dr	End	0.08
Forest Hills Neighborhood			
Stoneycroft Dr	Birchwood Dr	End	0.13
Pebblestone Dr	Stoneycroft Dr	Cherry Hill Dr	0.14
Woodhill Neighborhood			
Copperhill Dr	Mount Hope Rd	End	0.30
Woodhill Dr	Comanche Dr	End	0.25
Nemoke Trail Neighborhood			
Nemoke Trl	Marsh Rd	End	0.45
Nemoke Ct	Nemoke Trl	End	0.09
Maple Ridge Rd	Rolling Hills Dr	Nemoke Trl	0.22
Rolling Hills Dr	Marsh Rd	Maple Ridge Dr	0.07



TENTATIVE 2027 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM (6.57 Miles)

2027 Local Road Program (Ditch Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Kansas Rd	Jolly Rd	End	0.33
Piper Rd	Van Atta Rd	Meridian Rd	0.87
Samuel Oaks Dr	Meridian Rd	Jacob Meadows Dr	0.22
Jacob Meadows Dr	Samuel Oaks Dr	Samuel Oaks Dr	0.13
Turnberry Ln	Chimney Oaks Dr	End	0.26
Victoria Hills Dr	Chimney Oaks Dr	Tillium Ct	0.16
Hawthorne Ln	Mount Hope Rd	Mount Hope Rd	0.19
Fairlane Dr	Mount Hope Rd	Del Mar Dr	0.14
Eastway Dr	Fairlane Dr	End	0.09
Del Mar Dr	End	End	0.18



TENTATIVE 2027 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTINUED (6.57 Miles)

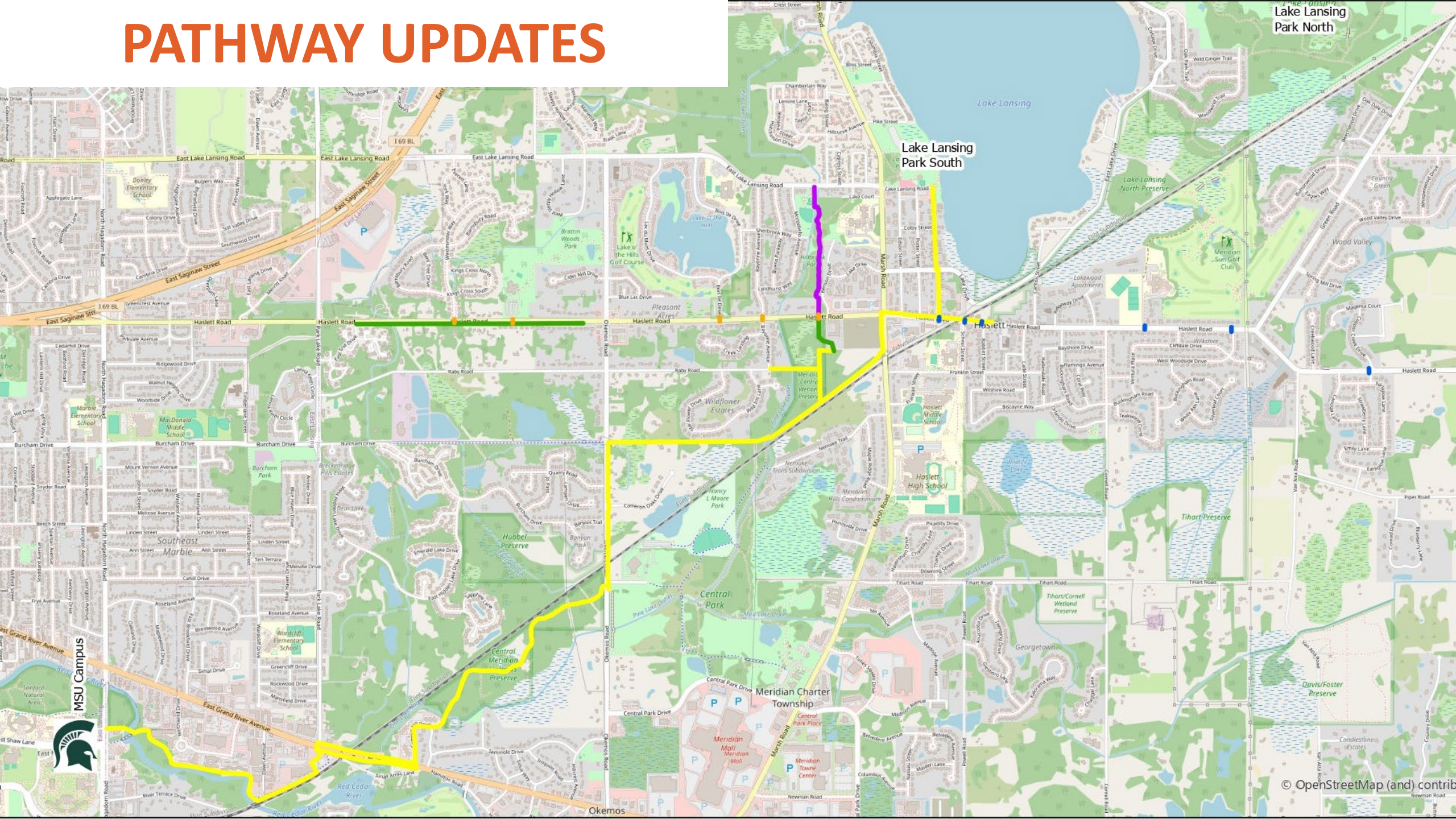
2027 Local Road Program (Curb & Gutter Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Martinique Cir	Burcham Dr	End	0.06
Hannah Blvd	Hagadorn Rd	1,663' east of Hagadorn Rd	0.22
Eyde Pkwy	Hagadorn Rd	1,185' east of Hagadorn Rd	0.22
Coyote Creek Dr	Okemos Rd	End of the Public Road ROW	0.07
Sonoma Vista Dr	Coyote Creek Dr	Sonoma Vista Dr	0.12
Heritage Ave	Okemos Rd	Raleigh Dr	0.21
Roxbury Ave	3855 Roxbury Ave	Shagbark Ln	0.04
Shagbark Ln	Roxbury Ave	Binghampton Dr	0.15
Binghampton Dr	Valley Brook	Cimarron Dr Intersection	0.22
Crooked Creek Rd	Hemmingway Dr	Cimarron Dr	0.24
Thrushwood Cir	Trailwood Dr	End	0.08
Beech Tree Ln	Spring Lake Dr	End	0.22
E Hiawatha Dr	3625 E Hiawatha Dr	End	0.29
Otsego Dr	E Hiawatha Dr	Ambassador Dr	0.21
Ambassador Dr	Otsego Dr	Cabaret Trl	0.09
Cabaret Trl	Ambassador Dr	Wandering Way	0.18
Wandering Way	West Cul-de-Sac	1412 Wandering Way	0.20
Creekwood Ln	Haslett Rd	End	0.23
Wood Knoll Dr	Creekwood Ln	End	0.02
Blue Haven Dr	Linden St	Roseland Ave	0.24
Wardcliff Dr	Cahill Dr	Heather Dr	0.06
Terri Terrace	Blue Haven Dr	Timberlane St	0.13
Melville Dr	Blue Haven Dr	Park Lake Rd	0.10
Cahill Dr	Blue Haven Dr	Timberlane St	0.12
Roseland Ave	Park Lake Rd	Wardcliff Dr	0.20
Roseland Ave	Wardcliff Dr	Roseland Ave/Brentwood Ave	0.06



TENTATIVE 2028 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM (1.21 Miles)

2028 Local Road Program (Ditch Roads)			
ROAD	BEGINNING	END	MILES
Academic Way	Haslett Rd	End	0.17
Columbia St	Bliss St/Marsh Rd	Pike St	0.13
Pike St	Columbia St	Marsh Rd	0.54
Bass St	Columbia St	End	0.05
Perch St	Columbia St	End	0.05
Lake St	Columbia St	End	0.04
Bliss St	Columbia St	Marsh Rd	0.14
Foster Dr	Columbia St	Bliss St	0.10

PATHWAY UPDATES





PARKS MASTER PLAN



Parks Master Plan Process

- Five-Year Master Plan to outline strategies for parks and recreation
- Required for State funding through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- Due by February 1, 2027
- The plan will include:
 - Parks and recreation inventory
 - Needs assessment – including accessibility
 - Stakeholder and public outreach
 - Goals, objectives, and actions
- Requires Township Board approval





Parks Master Plan Public Outreach

- Online community Survey through August – www.meridian.mi.us (banner ad)
- Social media polls
- Three public input sessions at 6:00 pm:
 - July 9 – Central Park Pavilion (5153 Marsh Road, Okemos)
 - July 30 – Harris Nature Center (3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos)
 - August 13 – Towner Road Park (2055 Towner Road, Haslett)
- Stakeholder and community group meetings
- Park Commission meetings
- Presence at Township Events



TRAFFIC SAFETY



Questions & Answers



Thank you!

A summary on tonight's session will be available on the Township's website by May 22.

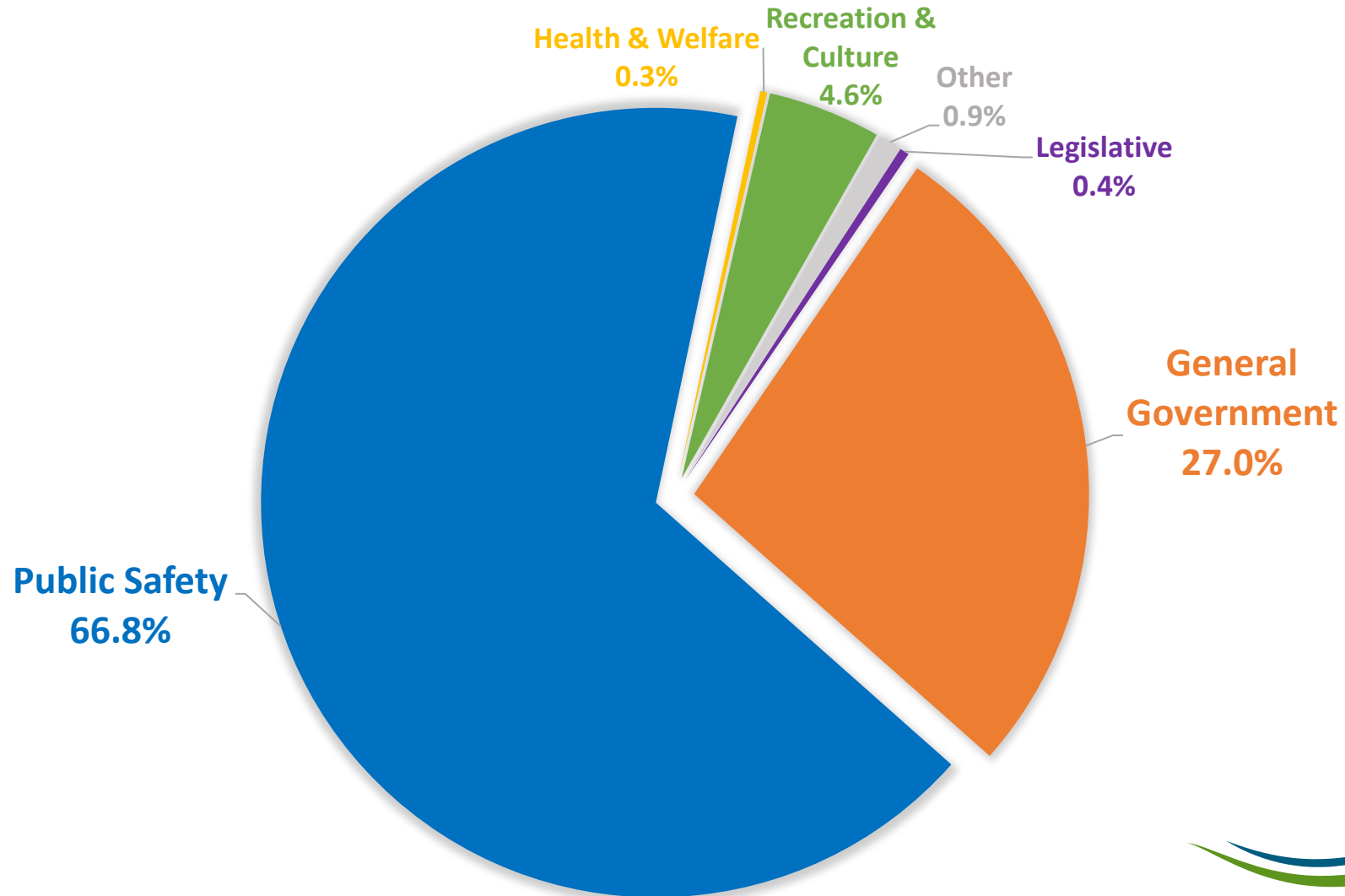
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2026 General Fund Budget (\$28.2 million)





General Fund Budget Reductions

Reductions/adjustments to address a \$1.6M funding gap:

- Eliminated director-level position and other staffing adjustments
- Eliminated employee Healthcare Savings Account contributions
- Delayed capital improvements
- Delayed enterprise reporting system software upgrades
- No Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) supplemental payment
- Limited use of fund balance