

FOX RIVER & COUNTRYSIDE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT **2022 BOND REFERENDUM**

EARLY VOTING - GOING ON NOW

The District has identified a need for additional funds to address the growing fire and ambulance demands of the community.

Voters will be asked whether or not they approve the District issuing up to \$13 million in General Obligation Bonds to invest in necessary equipment, vehicle and station upgrades, and retire existing obligations.

REFERENDUM WILL PROVIDE NEEDED REVENUE



The District's low tax rate - coupled with population growth and aging equipment - has left it in need of additional revenue to ensure the future needs of the community are met.



Calls for service have increased by 51% over the last decade, and funding has not kept up with the demand for service.



Many of the District's vehicles and equipment will require replacement to ensure the safety of staff and community members.



The District is primarily funded through property taxes and does not receive funding through county, village and township budgets. Because of this, the District is asking voters to consider the issuance of General Obligation Bonds.

IF THE BOND REFERENDUM IS APPROVED

If the bond referendum is passed, the District will be able to secure capital for necessary investments through the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, which will:

- Retire existing obligations to further maximize taxpayer resources and free up operating budget to fund staff hiring, training and retention.
- Purchase new vehicles and equipment when replacement is necessary.
- Fund an additional fire station and provide necessary updates to the two existing stations.

10 YEAR PROPERTY TAX IMPACT ANTICIPATED TO BEGIN WITH 2023 TAX PAYMENTS ESTIMATED TAX INCREASE **PROPERTY VALUE** PER MONTH PER YEAR \$100,000 \$37.88 \$3.16 \$300,000 \$130.27 \$10.86

YOU ARE PROTECTED BY THE FOX RIVER FIRE DISTRICT

The Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District protects more than 30,000 residents in a 38 square-mile area of Kane and DuPage counties. This includes:

- The unincorporated areas of St. Charles and Campton townships
- The villages of Campton Hills and Wayne
- Parts of South Elgin, including Silver Glen Senior Living Facility

IF THE BOND REFERENDUM IS NOT APPROVED

The Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District is at a critical juncture - previous failed referendum attempts for a permanent tax-rate increase have put the District in a difficult position. If the referendum isn't approved, residents will be impacted in a number of ways, including:



EXTEND OBLIGATIONS

on stations and vehicles currently being financed, causing a larger financial burden for the District and the community.



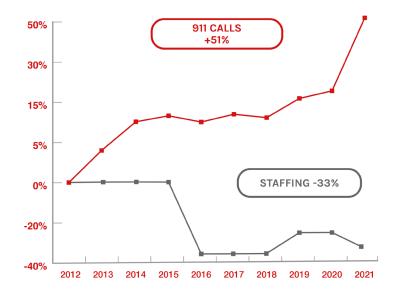
LIKELY INCREASE IN RESPONSE TIMES TO 911 CALLS.



CONTINUED CHALLENGES

to maintain current staffing levels, while meeting the increased demand for service.

CALLS FOR SERVICE & STAFFING LEVELS



FIRE AND EMS CALLS HAVE INCREASED BY 51% OVER THE LAST DECADE WHILE FULL-TIME STAFFING HAS DECLINED BY 33%

BE **INFORMED**

EARLY VOTING

MAY 19 - JUNE 27, 2022

MAIL-IN BALLOT

MAY 19 - JUNE 23, 2022

ELECTION DAY

JUNE 28, 2022 | 6 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

