



FOX RIVER & COUNTRYSIDE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT 2022 BOND REFERENDUM

EARLY VOTING STARTS MAY 19TH

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 critically necessary equipment, vehicle and station upgrades, and retire existing obligations.

REFERENDUM WILL PROVIDE REVENUE FOR **CRITICAL NEEDS**



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 approved, 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 of new vehicles and equipment** when replacement is necessary.
- ✓ **Fund an additional fire station** and provide necessary updates to the two existing stations.

PROTECTING YOU SINCE 2011

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

10 YEAR PROPERTY TAX IMPACT

ANTICIPATED TO BEGIN WITH 2023 TAX PAYMENTS

PROPERTY VALUE	ESTIMATED TAX INCREASE	
	PER YEAR	PER MONTH
\$100,000	\$37.88	\$3.16
\$300,000	\$130.27	\$10.86

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



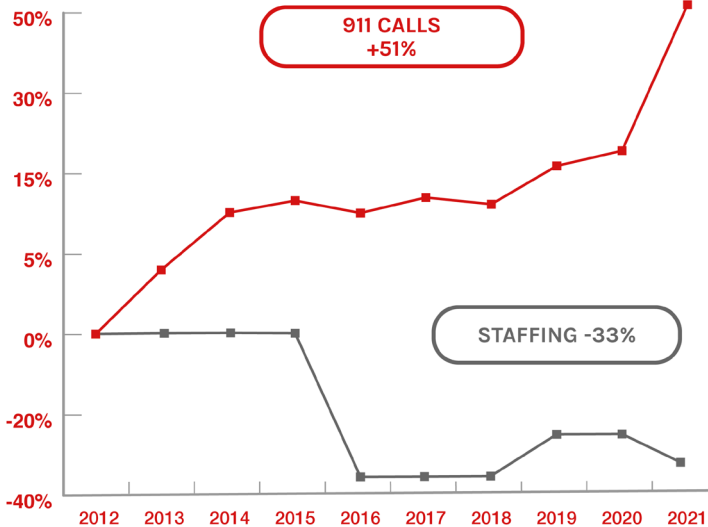
**LIKELY INCREASE IN
RESPONSE TIMES
TO 911 CALLS**



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

CRITICAL NEED FOR **FUNDING**

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, 2022 - JUNE 27, 2022

MAIL-IN BALLOT

MAY 19, 2022 - JUNE 23, 2022

ELECTION DAY

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

