

To: The College Community
From: Russ Kavalhuna, President
Subject: HFC's 2018 Millage Renewal
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Henry Ford College currently receives revenue from two separate millages; voters in the Dearborn Public School district approved both in 2013. One is for three mills, and it expires every 10 years. The other is for one mill, and it expires every 5 years. On July 16, 2018, the HFC Board of Trustees authorized the College to place the one-mill property tax renewal on the November 6, 2018 ballot for public vote. This proposal is a continuation millage, which means it is a renewal of one mill for five years.

One mill represents approximately \$4.2 million a year in revenue for the College, or approximately 5% of our current annual operating budget.

The specific ballot language that will appear on the November 6, 2018 ballot in the Dearborn Public School district is as follows:

MILLAGE CONTINUATION PROPOSAL

This millage proposal would continue the existing 1 mill levied by the School District of the City of Dearborn and allocated to Henry Ford College for general operating purposes (which millage was voted for in 2013 for five (5) years, and which will expire with the School District's 2018 tax levy) for five (5) years from 2019-2023 inclusive.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate of one (1) mill (\$1 per \$1,000 of taxable value), which will expire with the School District of the City of Dearborn's 2018 tax levy, be renewed on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all taxable property in the School District of the City of Dearborn, County of Wayne, Michigan, except property exempted by laws, and levied for five (5) years, 2019 through 2023 inclusive, to continue to provide funds for operating expenses of Henry Ford College? If approved, this millage would raise an estimated \$4.2 million for the College/District in 2019.

During the next several weeks, friends, family, and district residents may ask you for facts about the millage proposal. I hope to help you answer these questions, so I have attached documents entitled "Millage FAQs" and "Facts about HFC."

Thank you for helping me communicate the facts regarding the millage proposal to your friends, family, neighbors, and community members.

If you have additional questions, please contact Lori Gonko, Interim Vice President of Institutional Research, Planning, and Accreditation, at 313-317-6860, or via email at lmgonko@hfcc.edu. You will also find this information on the HFC website, hfcc.edu.