

VAN BUREN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

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COUNTY-WIDE ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL

QUICK FACTS

The County Road Commission Wants You to Know . . .

- Quick Fact #1 The Road Millage Renewal, if passed, will cost the average household approximately **\$60.00 per year**. That is an average of **\$5.00 per month**. (Based on a home/property with a \$120,000 market value - \$60,000 taxable value).
- Quick Fact #2 The average household pays approximately **\$94.52 per month** for electric; a monthly cell phone bill, on average, costs approximately **\$73.00 per month**; and the average household pays approximately **\$47.30 per month** for internet service.
- Quick Fact #3 The citizens of Van Buren County have supported this Road Millage since **1978** when it was first approved. It was last renewed in 2016.
- Quick Fact #4 The Van Buren County Road Commission received approximately \$9.9 Million from 2017-2020 in road millage funds. Of those funds, approximately \$3.7 Million was allocated by the Road Commission to each of the 18 Townships for road work within their jurisdiction.
- Quick Fact #5 The Van Buren County Road Commission utilizes a large portion of the county-wide road millage funds to pay for its portion (5% - 25% of the total cost of the project) of Federal and State Grants received by the Road Commission to complete larger, more expensive road and bridge projects. From 2017-2020 these Federal and State Grants totaled approximately \$4.5 Million. Without the road millage these projects would likely not occur.

For more information to better assist you in making an informed decision at the March 10th Presidential Primary we urge you to contact the Van Buren County Road Commission by phone at 269-674-8011, or by email at vbrc@vbrc.org.

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