Dear Thurston County Voter,

Welcome to the 2011 Primary Election Local Voters' Pamphlet honoring our voters who have shaped our community by voting for 50 years or more. This is the year to elect your local officials on city and town councils, school boards, and fire commissions. You will help shape the future of your community by voting in the primary.

Only those races with three or more candidates will appear on the Primary Election ballot. All other races go directly to the General Election. In addition, voters within the city limits of Tumwater and Fire Protection District 15 (Munn Lake) have local measures to decide. Inside the pamphlet you will find information on all races and issues on the ballot, including a sample ballot, voter registration form, and locations of our ballot drop boxes.

In 2012, an exciting change is coming to Washington that will affect Thurston County. Following the 2010 Census, our state is gaining a 10th congressional district. New congressional, legislative, and commissioner district lines are drawn every ten years in a process called redistricting. This is done to ensure that each district has an equal population and there is a fair distribution of political representation. You can read more about this change on page 8.

Please help us send you the correct ballot by making sure your voter registration record is current. If your name, address, or signature has changed since you last voted, you may update your information by using the Voter Registration form, on page 9, or by contacting our office.

Remember, ballots must either be postmarked by Election Day or be deposited into drop boxes by 8:00 p.m. on August 16, 2011. The ballot drop boxes are open 24 hours a day starting July 27 and postage is not required. For a list of locations, please see page 3 of this pamphlet.

You have the opportunity to shape your community by voting for local officials and measures. I hope you find this pamphlet useful. If you have election questions, please call (360) 786-5408 or visit our website at www.ThurstonVotes.org and make sure you are ready to vote!

Sincerely,

Kim Wyman
Thurston County Auditor

Is it after August 3, 2011, and you still have not received a ballot? Has your ballot been lost or destroyed?
If the answer to either of these questions is YES, you need a replacement ballot. Please do one of the following:

* Call our office at (360) 786-5408 or TTY (360) 754-2933
* Come to the Auditor’s Office at 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Building 1, Room 106, Olympia, WA 98502

Our office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and on Election Day, Tuesday, August 16, from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thank you to the following people for assisting in the production of this year’s local voters’ pamphlet:

Primary Election - August 16, 2011. ASL, audio, PDF, and text versions of the pamphlet available at www.ThurstonVotes.org
This sample ballot contains all candidates and measures certified to appear on the August 16, 2011 Primary Election ballot. Be sure to follow all instructions on your actual ballot. Ballots will begin arriving on July 28, 2011. Please refer to the Thurston County Auditor’s Office web site at www.ThurstonVotes.org for additional election information.

### Thurston County Nonpartisan Offices

**City of Lacey, City Council, Position No. 3**
- Short + Four Year Term
- Vote for One
  - Jeff Gadman
  - Raymond Payne
  - Mark Arras
  - Write-in

**City of Olympia, Mayor**
- Four Year Term
- Vote for One
  - Dick Pust
  - Karen Rogers
  - Stephen Buxbaum
  - Write-in

**City of Tenino, City Council, Position No. 5**
- Four Year Term
- Vote for One
  - Wayne Fournier
  - Philip Simmons
  - John J. O’Callahan
  - Write-in

**Rochester School District No. 401, School Board Director, District No. 4**
- Four Year Term
- Vote for One
  - Glen Morgan
  - Piper Lyon
  - Brian Boman
  - Write-in

**Fire Protection District No. 3 (Lacey), Fire District Commissioner, Position No. 3**
- Six Year Term
- Vote for One
  - Gary W. Hartloff
  - Vasiliy V. Stupin, III
  - Frank Kirkbride
  - Write-in

### Thurston County Local Measures

**City of Tumwater**

**Proposition No. 1**
Fire and Public Safety Levy Lid Lift

The City Council has adopted Ordinance O2011-005 concerning a levy lid lift for public safety funding. If approved, this proposition would authorize an increased regular property tax levy in 2012-2017 for public safety purposes, including firefighters, police officers, public safety facilities and equipment. The 2012 levy rate would be $2.945736/ $1,000 of assessed value, estimated to raise $1,443,500 in 2012. The levy limits for 2013-2017 would be adjusted for inflation, measured by the consumer price index. The 2017 levy would be used to calculate future levy limits and future increases would be limited as provided by statute.

Should this proposition be:
- Approved
- Rejected

**Fire Protection District No. 15 (Munn Lake)**

**Proposition No. 1**
Levy Lid Lift

The Board of Commissioners of Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 15 adopted Resolution No. R2011.001 concerning a proposition to restore the District’s regular property tax levy. The proposition would authorize an increase in regular property tax levies in 2012-2017 for fire protection services, equipment and facilities. The 2012 levy rate would be $1.50 per $1,000 of assessed value. The limiting factor for calculating the 2013-2017 maximum levies would be the increase in inflation, measured by the consumer price index, as identified in the resolution. The 2017 levy limit shall be used to determine future levy limits.

Should this proposition be:
- Approved
- Rejected

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Note: Not all of these candidates and measures will appear on your ballot. Your ballot will contain only the races and measures for which you are eligible to vote.
Thurston County Courthouse
Auditor’s Office *
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Bldg. 1, Rm. 106, Olympia
July 27 - August 16
(Monday - Friday), 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
August 16 (Tuesday) - Election Day
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
**Replacement Ballots are issued ONLY at the Auditor’s Office!**

Panorama City - CNR
1600 Sleater Kinney Rd SE, Lacey
August 9 (Tuesday), 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Olympics West Retirement Inn
929 Troper Rd SW, Tumwater
August 10 (Wednesday), 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Olympia Senior Center
222 Columbia St NW, Olympia
August 11 (Thursday), 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Downtown Olympia Transit Center
222 State Ave, Olympia
August 12 (Friday), 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
August 13 (Saturday), Noon - 4:00 p.m.

### Lacey Area
- **Fire 3, Station 34**
  - (Mushroom Corner)
  - 8407 Steilacoom Rd SE
- **Fire 3, Station 35**
  - 3701 Willamette Dr NE
- **Lacey City Hall**
  - 420 College St SE
- **Lacey Post Office**
  - (Mailbox Island)
  - 5815 Lacey Blvd SE
- **Lacey Top Food**
  - (South parking lot by Taco Bell)
  - 5600 Martin Way E
- **Woodland Retirement & Assisted Living Community**
  - 4532 Intelco Lp SE

### Tumwater Area
- **Fire 5, Station 1**
  - (Black Lake Station)
  - 5911 Black Lake Blvd SW
- **Tumwater City Hall**
  - 555 Israel Rd SW
- **Tumwater School Administration Office**
  - 621 Linwood Ave SW

### Olympia Area
- **Church of the Good Shepherd**
  - 1601 North St SE
- **Gloria Dei Lutheran Church**
  - 1515 Harrison Ave NW
- **Olympia Fire Dept, Station 1**
  - 100 Eastside St NE
- **Westside Top Food**
  - (Parking lot, near Pier 1 Imports)
  - 1313 Cooper Point Rd SW
- **Thurston County Courthouse**
  - 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW ***
  - **The Auditor’s Office, Bldg. 1, Rm. 106, is the only place to get a replacement ballot.**
- **South County**
  - **Tenino School Administration**
    - 301 Old Hwy 99 N
  - **Southwest County**
    - **Grand Mound Center**
      - 19949 Old Hwy 99 SW
    - **Littlerock Fire 11**
      - 10828 Littlerock Rd SW
    - **Rochester Fire 1, Station 3**
      - 18346 Albany St SW

These ballot drop boxes will be open on July 27, 2011. They are available 24 hours a day except for Election Night August 16, 2011, when they will be closed promptly at 8:00 p.m.

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**Accessible Voting Locations**

Election employees will be at all accessible locations to offer assistance to any voter who requests assistance.

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**What is the AutoMARK™?**

The AutoMARK™ is a voting assistance machine that enables voters who cannot otherwise read or mark their ballots to vote independently and secretly. Voters with visual impairments, cognitive or learning disabilities, difficulty reading, or mobility impairments can use the machine to have their ballots read to them, magnify the print on the ballots, display the ballots in high contrast, and mark their ballots. The machine does not count or produce a ballot.

For more information, call us at (360) 786-5408 or TTY (360) 754-2933.
Types of City Government - There are two forms of city government in Thurston County: mayor-council and council-manager. Under both forms of government, the council is the city’s legislative and policy-making body. All council members are elected.

The council enacts all ordinances, resolutions, and policies consistent with state law for the safety and welfare of the city’s or town’s residents. Ordinances may include local tax measures authorized by statute. Traffic, fire protection, police, land use, municipal services, business, and other regulations are overseen by the council. The council controls the city’s finances through the budgeting and auditing processes and by exercising general oversight. The council also makes contracts, creates subordinate positions, prescribes duties, and fixes salaries. The mayor’s role depends upon the form of government in a particular city or town.

Mayor-Council: Bucoda, Rainier, Tenino, Tumwater, and Yelm.

In this form of government, the mayor is elected and is the city’s chief executive or administrative officer and the ceremonial head of the city. The mayor carries out the council’s policies, administers day-to-day city affairs, and with some limitations appoints, supervises, and discharges subordinate officers. The mayor presides over council meetings and has a veto power over ordinances.

Council-Manager: Lacey and Olympia.

In this form of government, the council appoints a city manager as the chief administrative officer. The manager appoints and discharges all department heads and subordinate officers and is responsible to the council for the proper administration of all city affairs. The council may discharge the manager but may not interfere with or bypass the manager’s day-to-day administration of subordinates. A council member is selected by the council, or by an alternative election method, to act as chairman with the title of “mayor”. The mayor continues to be a full member of the council with all attendant rights, privileges, and immunities. The mayor also presides over council meetings and acts as the ceremonial head of the city. The mayor has no regular administrative powers but may be required to exercise certain powers in emergencies.

All city and town positions are nonpartisan.

Only voters residing within the city limits of Lacey will vote on this position.

City of Lacey - City Council, Position No. 3

Scotti Davis

1610 17th St SE, Lacey, WA 98503, (360) 443-2527, gungun21966@gmail.com, www.scottidavis.com

Lacey is a wonderful community! I am asking for your support to keep it that way and make it even better. My priorities include public safety, fiscal restraint and economic development. I want to ensure we have the ability to continue growth while remaining financially and environmentally responsible.

I will work to bring jobs to our city, improve infrastructure and control taxes. I will consider all viewpoints before making decisions about what is best for the future of Lacey. My experience includes 29 years of public service; 3 years in the United States Army, and 26 years as an officer in the Washington State Patrol. My family and I have lived in Lacey for over 12 years. My community involvement is closely related to the activities of my children, including coaching youth soccer and basketball since 2005. Please vote for Mark Arras for Lacey City Council.

Mark Arras

PO Box 3072, Lacey, WA 98509, (360) 455-7002, mark@arras4council.com, www.arras4council.com

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J eff Gadman

7304 38th Dr SE, Lacey, WA 98503, (360) 628-6876, gadmanforcouncil@live.com, www.jeffgadman.com

I'm Jeff Gadman, your Lacey City Councilmember. An area resident since 1968, I understand Lacey's history and have a clear vision for its future. I've been a leader in our community all my adult life. As PTA president, Rotary member, youth soccer coach, and homeowner's association president, I've worked tirelessly to improve the lives of others.

My wife and I raised our sons here because Lacey's a great place to live and work. As Councilmember, I will grow Lacey's reputation as a safe, comfortable community.

In working for you to: attract businesses that offer family wage jobs; promote open, accessible government; maintain our community's safety and security; build our parks and trails system; foster a network of neighborhood associations; and, make Lacey even more welcoming to our military families and prepared for the growth of JBLM. I will serve Lacey to the best of my ability. I'd appreciate your vote.

Raymond Payne

6454 Steamer Dr SE, Lacey, WA 98513, (360) 455-4598, campaignone@raymondpayne.com, www.raymondpayne.com

My concern for the future of my neighbors’ families and my family drives me to seek election to the Lacey City Council. Like many of our neighbors, quality of life played a role in deciding to raise my family in Lacey. Over the last several years, nonsensical partisan disputes within Lacey government have adversely impacted our quality of life and our development as a City.

The current Council’s lack of vision is making Lacey “Any City, USA”. We can do better. Lacey needs an independent, committed, experienced leader, qualifications I possess.

If we tie our individual strands of experience together, making one rope, there is little we cannot accomplish. Working together, we can eliminate the B & O tax, creating a more fair tax assessment, reduce our traffic congestion, and make our government more open and transparent. I respectfully ask for your vote so we can get started.

Candidate/ Issue Statement Disclaimer

Candidate statements are printed as submitted. Spelling, grammatical, or other corrections may have been made at the discretion of the Auditor’s Office. Candidate and “For” and “Against” statements are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for factual accuracy by the Auditor’s Office.

Beat the rush, send your ballot back today!!!!

Ballots begin arriving in homes on Thursday, July 28, 2011. Why wait? Vote and place your ballot in one of our 19 ballot drop boxes (listed on page 3) or mail (first class postage required) to us today!

Election Day is Tuesday, August 16, 2011.

Ballots must be postmarked by Election Day or placed in our drop boxes by 8:00 p.m. on Election Night.
John J. O’Callahan

PO Box 507, Tenino, WA 98589, (360) 259-1704, lincoln896@comcast.net

1509 5th Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501, (360) 918-1745, stephen@stephenbuxbaum.org,

Olympia needs a mayor who can protect our quality of life during tough financial times. I spent 30 years helping cities promote economic development, build affordable housing, protect environments and respond to natural disasters. I’ve been responsible for complex budgets larger than Olympia’s. I have the experience Olympia needs.

As a Councilmember, working with clergy and social services, I secured $170,000 to coordinate how we address homelessness. Working with neighborhood leaders, I strengthened code enforcement to clear up long-standing concerns. With business owners, I expanded efforts to keep downtown welcoming, safe and clean. As Finance committee chair, I’m involving the public in the city budget. I listen, take initiative, play well with others and, because of this, I get important things done!

Only voters residing within the city limits of Olympia will vote on this position.

City of Olympia - Mayor

Dick Pust

2234 Crestline Blvd NW, Olympia, WA 98502, (360) 292-5991, drpust@comcast.net

During my years at KGY radio, I worked with thousands of people representing every aspect of life in Olympia. I served on the Olympia planning commission, co-chaired the Olympia Citizens for Schools, was a founding board member of the South Sound Reading Foundation, and served on the Salvation Army Advisory Board. I am proud to be a St Martin’s University distinguished alumnus, member of the Olympia High School Hall of Fame, US Army veteran, recipient of the Red Cross Hero Award, and past president of the Washington State Association of Broadcasters.

Those experiences have shown my family and me what a wonderfully diverse close-knit community we enjoy. As your Mayor I’ll see that everyone’s ideas are heard fairly and respectfully. With your help we can make even more progress toward our shared goals of a vibrant downtown, a healthy environment, stronger economy, and a safe, supportive community.

Only voters residing within the city limits of Tenino will vote on this position.

City of Tenino - City Council, Position No. 5

Wayne Fournier

PO Box 950, Tenino, WA 98589, (360) 280-5421, wfournier@hotmail.com

It’s time for new leadership and positive change in Tenino. As a lifelong resident and longtime public servant I feel a deep sense of responsibility to ensure that our town and its citizens are listened to and prosper. I have a diverse professional background in public service including 13 years in the fire service, employment in law enforcement, correctional counseling and as an instructor for the Thurston County Fire Training Academy. I received degrees in Psychology and Philosophy from Washington State University as well as training in Leadership and Political Science. I am currently the President of the WSU Fire Fighter’s Alumni Assoc.; I have worked with the Thurston County Domestic Violence Task Force and volunteer for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. I believe in open Government, Accountability and Responsible Growth. I thank you in advance for your support!

Philip Simmons

PO Box 1085, Tenino, WA 98589, (360) 790-4036, brekin@scattercreek.com

During my term on the Tenino City Council I have helped facilitate bringing in five million dollars of Federal and State money to Tenino residents. A portion of this money has helped senior citizens as well as lower and middle class homes get electrical repairs to protect them from fires, also plumbing and structural repairs for safety and convenience. New sidewalks, streetlights and utilities were installed downtown. Our drinking water is safer, and we have one of the lowest sales and property tax rates in the state.

There is a difference between a politician and a statesman. One tells you what might be done; and a statesman does it. Not for his own glory, but because it is the right thing to do.

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School Districts

School Districts - Thurston County is divided into nine separate school districts, each governed by a five-member board. The board's responsibilities include: budget, policy development, curriculum approval, planning, and communications. School board directors delegate authority for day-to-day functions to professional staff; however, they may never delegate ultimate responsibility. Board members are elected in a nonpartisan general election by voters within that school district. They receive no salary. A board may approve a per diem compensation for its members for attending board meetings. In most districts, candidates must reside in the subdistrict for which they are seeking office. All candidates are elected by the voters of the entire school district.

All school district positions are nonpartisan.

Glen Morgan

My wife and I have four children, our two oldest attend Rochester Primary School. I am a property-rights activist and Manager of the STOP Thurston County project which is a division of the Freedom Foundation. Other professional experience has been in managing small manufacturing businesses and start-up companies.

All children deserve excellent schools. In spite of shrinking resources, our committed community and educators have risen to this challenge. Ongoing curriculum and technology updates and staff training have resulted in steady improvement. Our future ability to provide educational excellence requires teamwork and adaptability, while pressing the state to fully fund basic education.

With your help and vote, I will work tirelessly to support educational excellence in Rochester School District.

Glen Morgan
17644 Old Hwy 99 SW, Tenino, WA 98589, (360) 791-6556, glen@stopthurstoncounty.com

Piper Lyon

Currently, I am employed as a Flavorist at a company in Lewis County. I achieved a BS in Animal Biology from Washington State University. As someone who attended Rochester School District K-12, I know what value a good education can have on our children's lives. I returned to the area in 1998, and my children are now attending school in Rochester. One of the benefits of our small community is knowing one another; as neighbors, friends, parents of our children's classmates, and fellow Rochester graduates.

If elected, as a member of the school board, our children's best interest will be my priority. Areas of interest include: Special Education, Advanced Placement, and parent/community involvement. Each individual student deserves the necessary steps in his or her education that creates the foundation for their adult lives. Thank you for your vote.

Piper Lyon
6842 201st Ave SW, Centralia, WA 98531, (360) 273-3406, PiperLyon@AOL.com

Brian Boman

I am seeking your vote for the Rochester School Board District 4 position. I believe it's important to give back to your community. Rochester has been my family's home for 12 years. My son Dylan is a 7th grade student at Rochester Middle School.

While I've taken leadership positions with organizations like the Rochester Basketball Club, I'm ready to take on an even more proactive role. My highest priority will be the continual improvement of the overall educational experience for all children whose education is provided by the Rochester School District. Without a parks and rec center in Rochester, I believe it is very important to utilize our schools for more athletic and community events for our youth. Please take time to vote Brian Boman for School Board.

Brian Boman
4506 183rd Ave SW, Rochester, WA 98579, (360) 273-5988, Boman98@comcast.net

Remember to SIGN your voter’s affidavit on your ballot return envelope so we can process your ballot!

IMPORTANT! Failure to sign and date the voter’s affidavit below may invalidate your ballot. Mailing requires first class postage.

VOTER’S AFFIDAVIT

I, (Print Name)______________ do solemnly swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I am a citizen of the United States. A legal resident of the state of Washington; At least 18 years old on election day; Voting only once in this election; Not ineligible to vote due to a felony conviction; and Not disqualified from voting due to a court order. It is illegal to forge a signature or cast another person's ballot. Attempting to vote when not qualified, attempting to vote more than once, or falsely signing this oath is a felony punishable by a maximum imprisonment of five years, a maximum fine of $10,000, or both.

Date________________________ (Optional) Phone Number_____________________

Signature of voter

A voter unable to sign may make his or her mark and have it witnessed by 2 people. Signatures using a Power of Attorney are not valid.

Witness 1____________________ (Only if using a mark)
Witness 2____________________ (Only if using a mark)

If you have changed your permanent residence address, please contact your county auditor to ensure he ballot you receive in future elections contains the races and issues for your residential address. If you have any questions about your eligibility to vote in this election, please contact your county auditor. WAC 40A-250-070

Remember to sign!
Fire Protection Districts

Fire Protection Districts & Regional Fire Authorities (RFA) - Fire protection districts and RFAs are formed for the provision of fire prevention services, fire suppression, emergency medical services, and the protection of life and property in the county. Administrative authority for the districts results from decisions made by a board of elected fire commissioners. The board of fire commissioners has the authority to hire and appoint employees as well as administer all aspects of the district. The board is required to hold regular monthly meetings. Fire protection districts levy regular property taxes to provide services to the public. Additionally, with voter approval, the board may issue bonds and make excess levies for specific purposes. The voters elect commissioners to staggered six-year terms. The nonpartisan commissioners receive no regular salary, but may choose to receive nominal compensation for attending meetings.

All fire district positions are nonpartisan.

Only voters residing within the Lacey Fire District will vote on this position.

Fire Protection District No. 3 (Lacey) - Commissioner, Position No. 3

Gary W. Hartloff

Education: Pierce College; Associate degree in Business, Certificates in Entrepreneurship, Customer Service, and Supervision, June 2008
Occupation: Self-employed building contractor for 40 years, specializing in home modifications, landscape construction and power washing.
Personal Information: Gary and his wife Renee, have seven children, 16 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Gary has served his church as trustee chair, education director and Sunday school superintendent.

Professional Qualifications: Gary’s Fire related service; Nine years as a volunteer firefighter. Twenty years elected Fire Commissioner for, Central Pierce Fire and Rescue. Gary is an honorary member of, Pierce County Fire Commissioners and the WA State Fire Commissioner Associations, and past member of the National Association of Elected Fire Officials. I have a desire to use my 29 years of experience to guide the Lacey Fire District in keeping and improving the quality of service to the residents of Thurston County Fire District #3 (Lacey).

Vasiliy V. Stupin, III

8674 Fortman Dr NE, Lacey, WA 98516, (360) 512-3747, vasily.stupin@gmail.com

As a resident of Lacey’s Hawks Prairie area, Vasiliy and his neighbors have learned first-hand how important it is to have fire service management that understands the community needs. As a business owner providing a wide array of services to dozens of local homeowner and condominium associations, Vasiliy has first hand and immediate experience in listening to his neighbors and meeting their expectations. He makes decisions based on experience, common sense and the ability to deliver value - both in the work provided and its cost. Fire Services are high among the essential, core services expected by the public. Fire District Commissioners must be willing to listen, make sound decisions and adapt to challenge. They are the front line of community-driven government.

Vasiliy V. Stupin III is an advocate and a skilled services manager. Make him your Fire Commissioner. Elect Vasiliy.

Frank Kirkbride

4405 7th Ave SE Suite 301, Lacey, WA 98503, (360) 491-6900, frank@kirkbridegroup.com

Qualified, Dedicated, Community Focused, Capable, Former Fire Commissioner, Community Volunteer, Knowledgeable, Long Time Resident, Lacey Businessman, this is Frank Kirkbride.

Kirkbride’s knowledge of emergency services, fire training, citizens’ needs, and budgets is critical as the Fire District undertakes the increasingly difficult task of providing quality emergency services. His only goal is to serve all of the citizens of our community by providing the best emergency services with sound fiscal management.

As a core member of the team to promote the successful annexation of the City into the Fire District, Kirkbride summed up the effort: “The whole team’s dedication, hard work, and skills have proven the key to success. Our community is a better place to live, raise our families, and work because of the voters overwhelming support of the annexation. We are truly “Better Together.”

Elec Frank Kirkbride your next Fire Commissioner to make sure that we stay “Better Together.”

Military and Overseas Voters

Military and Overseas Voters:

- must include a signed declaration with their ballot
- must sign their declaration no later than Election Day
- can check the status of their ballot and view the online voter pamphlet by going to www.ThurstonVotes.org

For more information contact: Thurston County Auditor Elections Division 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW Olympia, WA 98502 (360) 786-5408 elections@co.thurston.wa.us www.ThurstonVotes.org

I am a uniformed service member or a family member.

Military and Overseas Voters:

- can register to vote online by going to www.ThurstonVotes.org
- can have their ballot transmitted by USPS and/or emailed at least 45 days before federal primary and general elections
- can return their voted ballot by email, fax, or regular mail service

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2010 census numbers show that Washington State’s population grew by 830,419 people for a total population of 6,724,540.

What does this mean to you?

In 2012, your congressional, legislative, and commissioner districts may change as a result of the federal census count. The law states that congressional, legislative, and commissioner districts shall have nearly equal population for political representation.

How does redistricting work and what is the time frame?

In 2011, all jurisdictions received their census data and began working on their district line adjustments. The Washington State Redistricting Commission will submit a redistricting plan to the State Legislature, and the plan will be adopted during the 2012 legislative session. All other jurisdictions will create their own plans through open public meetings.

Go to www.ThurstonVotes.org for more redistricting information and to view maps with population information.

Who is responsible?

Three groups share this responsibility: The State Redistricting Commission for congressional and legislative boundaries, the Board of County Commissioners for county/port commissioner districts, and local jurisdictions, such as school districts for school director districts.

How does this affect you?

The Auditor’s Office will be adjusting voting precinct lines to accommodate the boundary changes and to ensure you will be voting in the correct districts.

How will you know?

Any voter whose district changes will receive a new voter identification card. Be on the lookout for a postcard by April 30, 2012. You can also contact our office with any questions at 360-786-5408 or TTY 360-754-2933.

Your Voter Identification Card will look like the example to the left.

Email Ballot Program

Will you be out of state for any future elections? We can email you a ballot, which you can print out and return to us. Be sure to follow all instructions included in the email.

A request may be sent by email to: Elections@co.thurston.wa.us or cut out this form and mail to: Thurston County Auditor, Elections Division, 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Olympia, WA 98502. Please include all information requested on the form.

Ballot drop boxes will be open when you receive your ballot beginning July 28. Vote and return your ballot EARLY by using these ballot drop boxes. They are free (no postage stamp needed), convenient, and secure.

REMEMBER, they close promptly at 8:00 p.m. on Election Night, August 16, 2011.

See page 3 for a complete list of ballot drop box locations.
2011 Thurston County Civic Pride Honor Roll
The following are citizens honored for voting for 50 years or more:

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Mannick, Dorothy E.
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if you mark no to either of these questions, do not complete this form
I am a citizen of the United States of America.  ☐yes  ☐no
I will be at least 18 years old by the next election.  ☐yes  ☐no

personal information

last name
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city  zip

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You will receive your ballot by mail. Contact your County Elections Office for in-person voting options.

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Your name, address, gender and date of birth are public information.

*optional information

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Have you changed your address or name?
Please complete the form on this page to make these changes.

If you have a Washington Driver’s License or State ID card, you can register or update your current registration at www.ThurstonVotes.org.

If you are new to Washington and have not registered, you still have time. You need to come to the Auditor’s Office by August 8 and register in person. We are located at:

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If you are already registered and are changing your name or address, fill out this section (this information will be used to update your registration)

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first name
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former residential address
city  state / zip

I declare that the facts on this voter registration form are true. I am a citizen of the United States, I am not presently denied the right to vote as a result of being convicted of a felony, I will have lived in Washington at this address for 30 days immediately before the next election at which I vote, and I will be at least 18 years old when I vote.

Washington driver’s license / state ID #

if you do not have a Washington driver’s license or state ID card, provide the last four digits of your Social Security number

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If you are a United States citizen living outside the U.S.

I am in the Armed Forces (includes National Guard and Reserves)

I am a U.S. citizen living outside the U.S.

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City of Tumwater - Proposition No. 1 - Fire and Public Safety Levy Lid Lift

Only voters residing within the city limits of Tumwater will vote on this measure.

Ballot Title:
The City Council has adopted Ordinance O2011-005 concerning a levy lid lift for public safety funding. If approved, this proposition would authorize an increased regular property tax levy in 2012-2017 for public safety purposes, including firefighters, police officers, public safety facilities and equipment. The 2012 levy rate would be $2.945736/$1,000 of assessed value, estimated to raise $1,443,500 in 2012. The levy limits for 2013-2017 would be adjusted for inflation, measured by the consumer price index. This levy would be used to calculate future levy limits and future increases would be limited as provided by statute.

Explanatory Statement:
Proposition 1 authorizes the city to raise funds specifically for public safety purposes through an increase in the regular property tax levy. With the funding, the City plans to hire additional firefighters and police officers, purchase replacement fire engines, expand and renovate the existing police facility, and provide for other related public safety equipment and facilities. The proposed change in the regular property tax levy will result in a total levy rate not to exceed $2.945736 per thousand, which is an estimated increase of 66.7 cents per thousand over the current levy rate. The proposed change is estimated to increase the amount to be collected on a $231,000 home in 2012 by approximately $155 ($12.92/month) over the amount collected under the 2011 levy. It is projected to generate $1,443,500 in 2012 to pay for improved public safety in Tumwater. The proposed levy increase will be adjusted for inflation and will continue to produce revenues for public safety purposes in future years.

Statement prepared by:  Karen Kirkpatrick, Tumwater City Attorney

Statement For:
Rapid response to a fire, medical or police emergency is vitally important to saving lives, homes and businesses.

Proposition 1 will substantially improve public safety in Tumwater:
Current fire and emergency medical services fail to meet the 7 minute response time 42% of the time. At night often there are only 2 police officers on duty delaying responses and leading to unsafe situations for everyone during hazardous calls like domestic violence and similar assaults. Proposition 1 will improve night time police staffing and help begin staffing the north end fire station on Linwood Avenue which will reduce fire and medical response times.

Staffing has not kept up with growth:
No firefighters have been added since 1999 and no new police officers since 2000 while the population of Tumwater has more than doubled coupled with significant commercial growth. This levy will enable the addition of 3 new fire fighters, 2 patrol officers and 1 school resource officer for prevention and education programs in our schools.

Equipment and Facilities are out of date:
Proposition 1 will provide for the expansion of the police department which has not been updated since opening in 1987. The facility is substantially putting crime victims, police and prisoners at risk. This levy will make the police work space safer and more efficient. In addition current reserve fire trucks are over 20 years old. This measure establishes a long term financing program for the replacement of fire trucks.

We urge you to vote approve on proposition 1.
Statement prepared by:  Tumwater Citizens for Public Safety Committee; Ralph Osgood, Former Tumwater Mayor and committee chair; Shawn Myers, Thurston County Treasurer and committee treasurer; and Donovan Cathey, Vice President of the Tumwater Fire Fighters Union Local 2409. For more information please go to our web site at www.TumwaterPublicSafety.com.

Statement Against:
Tumwater is one of the safest and best fire and police protected cities in the state. This is due in large part to its citizens that are a major factor in determining its public safety.

This is the worst time in years to increase property taxes. The economy remains in a recession, that may worsen. State government faced a $5 billion deficit in 2011 and cut $1 billion from the budget in 2012. While state workers face further cuts in pay, higher health benefit costs, and layoffs. Many people take part-time jobs, or pay cuts, to remain employed. Others fear reductions in pay, or job losses. Property taxes also are absorbed in rents people pay. Citizens can not afford additional taxes, especially when many can not afford to keep their homes.

Seniors have not had an increase in Social Security benefits in two years. Future increases will pay for increased Medicare Part B costs. Many retired state employees and teachers will not get a cost of living increase. State workers face further cuts in pay, higher health benefit costs, and layoffs. Many people take part-time jobs, or pay cuts, to remain employed. Others fear reductions in pay, or job losses. Property taxes also are absorbed in rents people pay. Citizens can not afford additional taxes, especially when many can not afford to keep their homes.

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Tumwater's police officers and fire fighters are among the best. They're only as good as their training, equipment and facilities. Crime victims are being interviewed next to offenders in the too small police station. Emergency responders can't meet minimum response times. These are unacceptable for our community.

A 20 member citizen's advisory committee representing Tumwater businesses, homeowners, renters, and seniors studied this issue and agreed; public safety must be a priority.

Approve proposition 1.

Rebuttal of the Statement Against:
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Approve proposition 1.

Rebuttal of the Statement For:
Taxpayers should ask Tumwater elected officials why they did not hire any police or fire fighters in 11 years, while the population was doubling. Perhaps the answer is an increase in crime and reported fires is not an issue.

The proponents' statements don't promise any measurable improvement in response time.

Tumwater citizens should realize this proposition adds $10,000,000 to their tax bills in the next six years, and costs jobs.

Vote NO on this Proposition.

Please Note: “For” and “Against” statements are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for factual or grammatical accuracy by the Auditor's Office.
Ballot Title:

The Board of Commissioners of Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 15 adopted Resolution No. R2011-001 concerning a proposition to restore the District’s regular property tax levy. The proposition would authorize an increase in regular property tax levies in 2012-2017 for fire protection services, equipment and facilities. The 2012 levy rate would be $1.50 per $1,000 of assessed value. The limiting factor for calculating the 2013-2017 maximum levies would be the increase in inflation, measured by the consumer price index, as identified in the resolution. The 2017 levy limit shall be used to determine future levy limits.

Should this proposition be:

☐ Approved
☐ Rejected

Explanatory Statement:

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 15 Thurston County, Washington, (Munn Lake Fire District 15) adopted Resolution No. R2011-001 concerning an increase to the District’s regular property tax levy for fire protection and basic life support services. The 2017 levy limit per $1,000 of assessed value allows the District to increase its regular property tax levy to an amount not to exceed $1.50 per $1,000 of assessed value for collection in 2012 to pay increases in operational costs, and set the limit factor at 100% plus the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (as identified in the Resolution) for each of the five succeeding years (2013-2017). The 2017 levy amount will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

Explanatory Statement Prepared by: Karen Kirkpatrick, City Attorney for Tumwater and Legal Counsel to the Fire District

Statement for:

Maintain the Quality of Our Emergency Response Services

Our fire and emergency medical services are funded by a tax levy based on assessed property values. No other county, state or federal sources are available to pay for these essential services.

Fire District #15 may be the smallest district in the state. We do not own any buildings or equipment and must contract with the City of Tumwater or a larger but adjoining district for fire services. Our current contract for services with the city gives us the quickest emergency response times available and this helps keep our home owners’ insurance rates lower than our other options.

Please Vote Yes to Fully Fund the Fire District Service Costs

Your approval ensures that we may fully fund the actual cost of the service provided to us by the city beyond the 1% annual rate increase limitations imposed by Initiative 747. Our current levy rate is far below the actual cost of service provided to us by the City of Tumwater. If approved, the levy lid lift rate will still be far below the average of all the other Thurston County Fire Districts.

Statement prepared by: Susan Girsch-Amendorf

Statement Against:

In good faith, the District 15 Board of Fire Commissioners are asking for a levy lid lift for fire protection services and facilities. As such, the levy rate for a $250,000 assessed home would increase $217 for 2012. Not only would this be an added burden to home owners under difficult times, renters would also suffer with cost pass-ons by struggling landlords. As understandably “needed” for fire protection, so is equally needed increases for police, medical, social welfare, elderly care, child protection, hospitals, roads, schools, disabled, veterans, government administration, etc., etc., etc.

The unlimited opportunities to improve upon the lot of society is endless provided the funding is somehow divided up by the hapless taxpayers. Worst still, no incentive or opportunity for efficiency options are offered such as: Preshape service announcements, volunteer resources, presentations at schools, home-owner self inspections guides, public demonstrations, service consolidations, etc.

Under any times but particularly now, we should ask that the District go back to basics and make the necessary hard choices to balance their budget with existing funding. If the State can cut $4 billion without mass lay-offs, the District can certainly follow suit. Vote no on this levy request and give the District an opportunity to make a better case next election time.

Statement prepared by: Tim Seth and Steve Baxter

Rebuttal of the Statement Against:

This levy lid lift adjustment ensures we pay our fair share of the cost of the emergency services. When the current contract expires in 2012, we have no guarantee any district will provide the same level of service when it cost them more than double our current $0.67 levy rate. If the level of service drops, our home owners’ insurance premiums increase significantly or may not be available.

Vote Yes.
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