



WHITEHOUSE · OHIO

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Jordan D. Daugherty
Administrator

Greetings, Whitehouse residents!

The Village of Whitehouse is here to provide the highest level of service at the best efficiency to make this community a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

A recent council action to **eliminate the .75% credit** that some residents receive on the local **1.5% tax rate** is intended to allow the Village to continue to do this.

For nearly 50 years, there has been no change in our income tax rate or credit. In the past decade, Whitehouse leaders have carefully evaluated financial projections and have responded with cost-cutting measures as well as economic development to keep up with increased demand for services and increased government mandates.

We now are at the projected point where additional revenue should be secured to maintain a quality level of service here. **The target is at least a \$500,000 per year increase in revenue.**

Council considered several options to meet this goal and ultimately voted to accept the administration’s recommendation to remove the income tax credit, effective Jan. 1, 2023. It is within council’s lawful duty as elected representatives to enact, raise, lower, or remove an income tax credit.

In response, some Whitehouse residents initiated a referendum to reverse this action, which now has been placed on the Nov. 8, 2022, ballot. It is within the public’s lawful right to do so. The ballot will read:

Referendum on Ordinance No. 2-2022
(By Petition)

Village of Whitehouse
A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

Shall Ordinance No. 2-2022, providing for a repeal of the income tax credit in Whitehouse Municipal Code Section 186.08 and Section 186.081 for tax year 2023 and thereafter, be repealed?

YES / NO

A YES vote means you want to overturn council’s decision; a NO vote means you want council’s decision to stand. Passage of the referendum (majority YES votes) means some residents who earn income outside of the village would retain a credit on their local taxes; failure of the referendum (majority NO votes) means all Whitehouse taxpayers would pay the full 1.5% rate, generating a projected \$588,000 in additional revenue each year.

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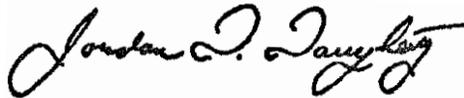
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We believe strongly that Whitehouse voters should have complete, accurate information on this matter when you make your decision at the polls.

Please review the enclosed fact sheet and visit the Village of Whitehouse website at www.whitehouseoh.gov and our Village of Whitehouse Facebook page for further information, including FAQs, budgets, and the two most recent excellent audits that demonstrate the Village's proper management of your tax dollars.

Feel free to contact any elected official or member of the administration as well, and please attend our public meetings.

Thank you for your consideration!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jordan P. Daugherty". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

Jordan Daugherty, Administrator