

Jan. 24, 2025

Action Needed: ALL townships asked to verify taxable value for revenue sharing payments



ALL local units will receive statutory revenue sharing payments under the state's FY 2025 appropriation act ([Public Act 121 of 2024](#)). The funding includes three new factors for determining the new revenue sharing payments: taxable value, weighted population and yield equalization. To ensure the appropriate funding, the Michigan Department of Treasury is asking each local unit to verify their taxable values located on Treasury's [City, Village and Township Revenue Sharing website](#)—as it used in the funding formula. All townships were sent a request on Jan. 17 providing the [FY 2025 Statutory Revenue Sharing - 2024 Ad Valorem Taxable Values](#) report listing the 2024 ad valorem taxable values for all cities, villages and townships.

The 2024 ad valorem taxable value amounts represent the Tax Year 2024 total ad valorem real and personal property taxable values as of the May 2024 state equalization. *These amounts do not include valuation change orders from the July or December board of review, Michigan Tax Tribunal or State Tax Commission.* Township taxable values also exclude village taxable values as statutory revenue sharing calculations for townships exclude the village taxable values. Taxable values include the taxable value of renaissance zone property and exempt disabled veterans' homesteads.

Action needed: If your township's 2024 ad valorem taxable value included in the [FY 2025 Statutory Revenue Sharing - 2024 Ad Valorem Taxable Values](#) report is correct, no further action is needed. If it is **incorrect**, your township should submit a [Form 6167, Correction of 2024 Ad Valorem Taxable Values Used for the FY 2025 Statutory Revenue Sharing 3 Formula Payment Calculations](#) to Treasury **by Feb. 7, 2025**. Contact (517) 335-7484 or TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov with questions

You may also view your township's [FY 2024 actual and FY 2024 projected revenue sharing payments](#) (updated Jan. 10).

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Paid sick time, minimum wage changes pass House

Two bills proposing changes to the minimum wage increase schedule and incoming paid sick time requirements passed the

House this week with bipartisan support and now head to the Senate. [House Bill 4001](#), introduced by Rep. John Roth (R-Green Lake Twp.), would modify the current minimum wage increase schedule to \$12 on Feb. 21, 2025, \$12.50 on Jan. 1, 2026, \$13 on Jan. 1, 2027, \$14 on Jan. 1, 2028, and \$15 on Jan. 1, 2029.

Beginning in 2030, the state treasurer would be required to adjust the minimum wage yearly for inflation if unemployment is below 7.5%. It also maintains the tipped minimum wage at 38% of the minimum wage. HB 4001 also includes a provision lowering the minimum wage for workers under the age of 18 to 75% of the general minimum wage.

[HB 4002](#), introduced by Rep. Jay DeBoyer (R-Clay Twp.), would amend the earned sick time requirements also taking effect on Feb. 21. Under the bill, employers would be required to provide employees with 72 hours of paid sick time. However, employers with fewer than 50 employees would be exempt from the requirements, and employees who work on average less than 25 hours per week or less than 25 weeks per year would not be eligible to earn paid sick time under the act. Any collective bargaining agreements or company policies offering more sick time are permitted to remain in place. HB 4002 also allows employers to maintain their own policies regarding calling in sick with appropriate notice and documentation.

Both bills are expected to be negotiated by both legislative chambers and the governor.

New laws affecting local government

Three additional bills passed by the Legislature last session—and



previously reported in *Township Insights*—that impact local government were signed by the governor this week. The new laws take effect April 2, 2025:

- [Public Act 275 of 2024](#): Requires the state to establish an Emergency Medical Transport Reimbursement Program to provide supplemental reimbursement for eligible ground emergency medical transportation services
- [PAs 259 & 260 of 2024](#): Modifies hate crime provisions to prohibit a hate crime, prescribes the actions that constitute a hate crime, and provides penalties

Pocket vetoed: [House Bill 5190](#), opposed by MTA, was pocket vetoed. The bill would have modified the process of establishing per diem and compensation for drainage boards. *A pocket veto occurs when the governor does not act on a bill within 14 days after it is presented and that time period is after sine die adjournment (final adjournment of the Legislature for the year); the bill then dies.*

At this time, there are nine bills remaining from December 2024 that have not been presented to the governor for signature. Four affect townships: [House Bill 6058](#), which will increase public employer healthcare contributions, and HBs [4177](#), [5817](#) and [5818](#) to allow a county board of commissioners to establish a history museum authority/tax levy. MTA will update members when the bills receive approval.

MAAO program applications accepted

[Applications](#) are now being accepted by the State Tax Commission (STC) for the April 2025 [Michigan Advanced Assessing Officer](#) (MAAO) program. Applications must be received by the STC no later than Feb. 28, 2025.

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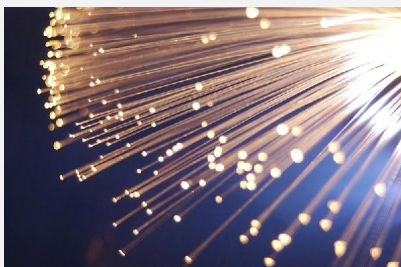
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BEAD project application open

Michigan's [Broadband Equity and Access Development](#) (BEAD) application window, which opened Jan. 9, will remain open until 4 p.m. on April 9. The Michigan High



Speed Internet Office (MIHI) strongly encourages all internet service providers, communities and eligible participants who are considering BEAD to submit their [pre-registration](#) and begin working on project applications as soon as possible. Townships may be asked for letters of support, as projects receive higher ranking with letters of support, and MIHI encourages you to consider the needs of your community. Townships should also

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engage in discussions and plans on permitting and permit applications, as well as route choices. MIHI staff is available to offer support and answer questions; send BEAD questions to LEO-MIHighSpeedInternet@michigan.gov. Join weekly MIHI office hours during the project application window on Wednesdays from 1-2 p.m. to get answers to pre-registration and project application-related questions. These drop-in style conversations do not require registration. [Join the weekly Teams meeting with this link.](#)

Michigan Green Communities Challenge now open

The Michigan Green Communities Challenge reporting period is open now through May 1 for local governments to share their sustainability efforts taken in 2024. Communities taking actions to expand sustainable practices can earn certification and gain access to resources, including a network of local leaders and environmental experts, by completing the challenge. Learn more about eligible action items at the MGC Challenge [website](#). MTA is a Michigan Green Communities partner.

USDA offers grants for rural high-speed internet

Up to \$26 million in grants are available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) [Community Connect Program](#) to expand high-speed internet in rural areas. State and local governments are among the eligible applicants. Grantees must provide free internet service to community institutions like schools and libraries for up to two years. The application window is Feb. 20 through April 21, 2025.

Great Lakes Thriving Communities Grantmaking applications due Jan. 31

Applications are accepted until Jan. 31 for the [Great Lakes Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program](#) for grants to underserved communities across the Great Lakes region. A \$40 million U.S. Environmental Protection Agency allocation will fund projects in three tiers:

- Tier 1: One-year grants up to \$150,000 for assessment and engagement efforts to better understand local environmental or public health issues
- Tier 2: One- to two-year grants up to \$250,000 to design and promote community-based solutions to these issues
- Tier 3: One- to two-year grants up to \$350,000 to pilot or implement project plans addressing local priorities

More information on how to apply and eligible projects is available on the program [website](#) or by watching a recorded [webinar](#).

EGLE webinars cover Dam Risk Reduction Grant, source water protection

The state Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy's (EGLE) is holding two upcoming webinars of interest to townships:

Dam Risk Reduction: The next webinar in EGLE's Environmental Emergency Preparedness and Response Series will discuss Michigan's Dam Risk Reduction Grant Program. [Register online](#) for

the Jan. 28 webinar, which will cover funding and proper management that work together to reduce the risk of dam failure.

Source water protection planning: Townships can learn important tips on how to safeguard their community water supplies source at a Feb. 20 [webinar](#), where EGLE is teaming up with the Institute of Water Research at Michigan State University and Michigan Rural Water Association to share information on management options for small and medium-size systems.

BOE reminders

May election deadlines:

- Jan. 28 by 5 p.m.—Petitions to place local ballot question on the May ballot filed with applicable local or county clerk
- Feb. 11 by 4 p.m.—Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on May ballot certified to local or county clerk; local clerks must forward to county clerk within two days

Computer disposal. If your township wishes to dispose of a laptop or desktop computer purchased with Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds, it may be recycled by your local IT staff or vendor. Check for a State of Michigan service tag and a tag that indicates it was paid for with HAVA funds. The state Bureau of Elections (BOE) asks that the hard drive be wiped before recycling, and the date and time the equipment was recycled be recorded on letterhead.

Does your board of review need training? MTA can help!

MTA is hosting 10 in-person and four online [Board of Review Training](#) classes throughout

February. Whether you're looking to satisfy the state's biennial training requirement OR seeking a deeper dive into advanced issues, we have a class for you! You'll walk away with critical insights, comprehensive handouts and resource materials, and expert guidance valuable to even the most experienced board of review members. Get [dates, locations and other details here](#) or [register online now](#).



Michigan Infrastructure Office launches direct pay hub

The Michigan Infrastructure Office has launched a [direct pay hub](#) for tax-exempt entities, including local governments, seeking to take advantage of federal clean energy tax credits through direct pay. The new website contains office hours, FAQs, recorded webinars, and timely updates on availability and distribution of direct pay resources and payments.

DNR hiring 1,300 seasonal park workers

Michigan state parks and recreation areas are staffing up for the summer season. The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is looking for help amplifying their recruitment efforts. Interested residents can complete a short [online interest form](#) to learn more about the multitude of openings.

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