



# LIVING IN BLOOMFIELD



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## Summer in Bloomfield Township

Summer is a beautiful time in Bloomfield Township. Unfortunately, that beauty doesn't always extend to our roads, which are often lined with orange construction barrels and traffic cones this time of year.

Construction season is well underway, with major projects on I-696, Square Lake Road, and other key corridors impacting travel throughout our community. As many of you have experienced, traffic apps are directing drivers through our neighborhoods to avoid congestion and freeway closures. I understand how frustrating this is for residents, and I know many families are concerned about the safety of children walking, biking, and playing in their neighborhoods. Please know that we hear your concerns, and we are actively working to address them.

Alongside Police Chief James Gallagher, I recently attended a meeting with several homeowners' associations located north of Telegraph Road and east of Hickory Grove Road to discuss these traffic issues. Chief Gallagher estimates that nearly 40,000 additional vehicles are using subdivision streets each day as detours around construction. Simply put, that is unacceptable.

Major roads and freeways fall under the jurisdiction of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC). As a Township, we cannot change official detour routes or redirect traffic unless there is a public safety emergency. What we can do is increase police traffic enforcement and visibility in the affected neighborhoods. Chief Gallagher has already deployed additional traffic officers, and we will continue to do so throughout the construction season to improve safety and encourage responsible driving.

Another concern we hear every summer is excessive traffic noise, particularly along the Woodward Avenue corridor. To address this issue, the Bloomfield Township Police Department has increased weekend evening traffic enforcement to target speeding, reckless driving, and excessive vehicle noise.

If you'd like to learn more about the important work being done to keep our community safe, I invite you to listen to my podcast, Bloomfield in Focus, where I recently sat down with Police Chief

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James Gallagher and Fire Chief John Leroy to discuss public safety initiatives and what residents can expect this summer.

One aspect of public safety that often goes unnoticed is the outstanding work of the Bloomfield Township Animal Shelter. I always enjoy visiting the shelter and meeting the wonderful animals waiting for their forever homes.

During my time in the Michigan Legislature, I was honored to receive the Humane Society's Legislator of the Year award for sponsoring legislation to strengthen protections against animal cruelty. Caring for animals has always been a passion of mine, and I encourage anyone considering adding a pet to their

family to stop by the shelter and see the animals available for adoption. I also want to recognize our dedicated Animal Control Officers and the many volunteers who generously give their time to care for and walk the animals each day.

As always, your safety remains our highest priority.

My team and I are committed to working every day to make Bloomfield Township a safe, welcoming, and exceptional place to live.

I wish you and your family a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer.

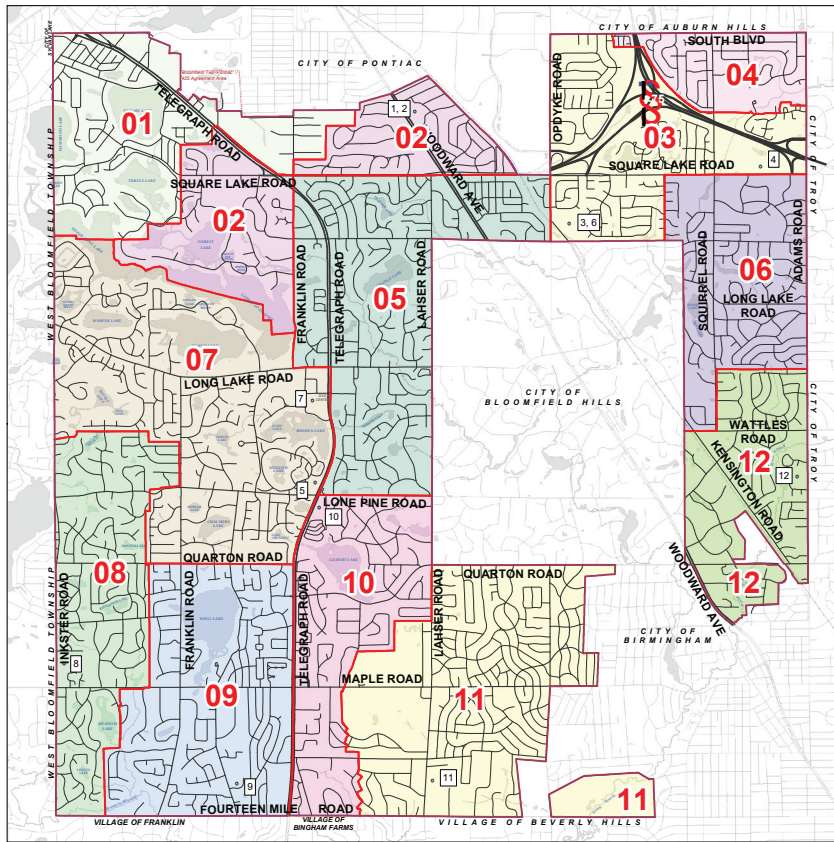




# Your Polling Location May Have Changed

Bloomfield Township precincts were consolidated from 18 to 12 last summer and voting locations have been reduced to 10. This action was the result of a 7-month study undertaken by my office that included dozens of community members who work elections, the Township Board of Trustees, and the Township Election Commission. As a result, we will save money by adjusting resources away from Election Day voting and toward Absentee and Early Voting while continuing to ensure that the voter's Election Day experience remains efficient and secure.

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- Precinct 1**  
St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 43816 Woodward Ave
- Precinct 2**  
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- Precinct 3**  
Eastover Elementary School, 2800 Kensington Rd
- Precinct 4**  
Bowers Farm Activity Building, 1229 E. Square Lake Rd
- Precinct 5**  
Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 1100 Lone Pine Rd
- Precinct 6**  
Eastover Elementary School, 2800 Kensington Rd
- Precinct 7**  
Bloomfield Township Hall, 4200 Telegraph Rd
- Precinct 8**  
West Maple Elementary School, 6275 Inkster Rd
- Precinct 9**  
Booth Center, 7273 Wing Lake Rd
- Precinct 10**  
Bloomfield Township Public Library, 1099 Lone Pine Rd
- Precinct 11**  
Marian High School, 7225 Lahser Rd
- Precinct 12**  
Harlan Elementary School, 3595 N Adams Rd

## Treasurer's Turn: General Obligation Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2026 Results in over \$520,000 in Savings



I recently refinanced (technically called "refunding") \$8.7 million in bonds from our 2007 campus construction project. In 2007, the Township issued \$26 million in twenty-five-year bonds to fund construction of the Senior Center and Public Works buildings as well as renovating our Central Fire Station.



**New Bonds Issued Result in Over \$520,000 in Savings Directly to Taxpayers**

To fund repayment of the bonds, voters passed a Capital Project Millage that will be levied through 2032 to fully retire the bonds. In 2016, the Township refinanced those bonds at a lower interest rate saving taxpayers over \$2.7 million.

Based on current market conditions the opportunity to refinance to a lower interest rate has come again and the board

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acted. In bond terminology, it is called a refund, but it is essentially a refinancing similar to what you might do with a home mortgage. Because this was a voted bond millage, the refinancing translates to a lower millage rate on the next 6 winter tax bills. We cannot shorten the length of the millage, but property owners will see aggregate tax savings of approximately \$520,000 over the next six years. The Township sees no money from this; it's a direct benefit to taxpayers in the form of lower taxes, and is the result of staying vigilant in the market. As Treasurer, I am proud to continue to deliver value to our residents and taxpayers.

# Proposals for Two Millage Renewals on the August 4th Ballot

Millage renewal proposals for both Public Safety and Road Maintenance will appear on the ballot for August 4th State Primary Election. Ballot language for each item can be found below. Both are renewals of existing millages and not a new tax.

The current Road Maintenance Millage expires in December 2026 and supports the maintenance, repair, cleaning, and snow plowing of neighborhood roads. If approved, the renewal would extend for ten years.

There are three Public Safety Millages in Bloomfield Township. In 2022, voters approved to combine two existing millages into one. In 2024, voters renewed the Public Safety Millage set to expire in December 2025. The current millage proposed for renewal expires in December 2026 and supports police, fire, and dispatch services. If approved, the renewal would extend for ten years.

## Ballot Language

Shall the Charter Township of Bloomfield be authorized to renew up to .6575 mills for a period of ten years to finance continued road maintenance, commencing with the December 2027 levy? Approval of this proposal would permit a tax of \$0.6575 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. This proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage which expires in 2026. This millage will be subject to applicable constitutional tax limitation provisions at the time of levy, and will not exceed the abovestated rate. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect \$3,929,885 in the first year if approved and levied. Shall this proposal be adopted?

Yes  
No

Shall the Charter Township of Bloomfield be authorized to renew up to 1.8428 mills for a period of ten years to finance continued fire, police and public safety protection, commencing with the December 2027 levy? Approval of this proposal would permit a tax of \$1.8428 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. This proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage which expires in 2026. This millage will be subject to applicable constitutional tax limitation provisions at the time of levy, and will not exceed the abovestated rate. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect \$11,014,437 in the first year if approved and levied. Shall this proposal be adopted?

Yes  
No

## Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day is Saturday, October 3rd from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



For years, it was common for homeowners to throw chemicals into the trash or pour them down the drain. This might seem insignificant from one household, but when multiplied Township wide it turned into multiple tons of liquid house cleaners, motor oil, and other materials hazardous to the environment. Then, the annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day came to the rescue.

Held every October, this event has become one of the most popular events at the Township. What materials are accepted as well as alternative drop-off locations for those

who can't attend on October 3rd, can be found at [bloomfieldtwpmi.gov/recycle](https://bloomfieldtwpmi.gov/recycle).

Common items dropped off include drain cleaner, weed killer, gasoline, paint, fluorescent lights, and batteries. Medication disposal and paper shredding are not accepted at this event.

On the day of the event, there will be two entrances to the event. South onto Andover Road from Long Lake Road or west onto Andover Road from southbound Telegraph. Stay in your vehicle and have ID ready as this event is only open to Township residents. Proof of residency is required.

### FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAYS CONTINUE

JULY 8 - CIRCLE T

JULY 22 - Simply Spanish and Detroit Mini Donut

AUGUST 5 - KDubs Grill

AUGUST 19 - Shinobi Street Food

SEPTEMBER 2 - Good Eats Mobile

SEPTEMBER 16 - Twisted Street BBQ

SEPTEMBER 30 - Heavenly Chicken and Waffles

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### EARLY VOTING HOURS

Bloomfield Township Public Library  
1099 Lone Pine Road

July 25–August 2

8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Except Thursday, July 30, 12–8 p.m.

Election Day is August 4, 2026  
Polls are open from 7 a.m.–8 p.m.

More info at [bloomfieldtwpmi.gov/elections](https://bloomfieldtwpmi.gov/elections)



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Ordinance Division .....	248.594.2845
Planning Division .....	248.433.7795
Police Non-Emergency .....	248.433.7755
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Treasurer's Office .....	248.433.7705
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Water/Sewer Emergency .....	248.433.7730

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