

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

BELPRE 1A



Ballot Summary

CITY OF BELPRE
For President of Council

(Vote for not more than 1)

Will Neff
Republican

CITY OF BELPRE
For Auditor

(Vote for not more than 1)

Leslie Pittenger
Republican

CITY OF BELPRE
For Treasurer

(Vote for not more than 1)

Drew A. Smith
Republican

CITY OF BELPRE
For Member of Council at Large

(Vote for not more than 3)

Judy Drake
Republican

John R. McClead

Susan J. Abdella
Republican

CITY OF BELPRE
For Member of Council (First Ward)

(Vote for not more than 1)

Joshua I. Campbell
Republican

MARIETTA MUNICIPAL COURT
For Judge of the Municipal Court
(Full term commencing 01-01-2018)

(Vote for not more than 1)

Janet Dyar Welch

**BELPRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
For Member of Board of Education**

(Vote for not more than 3)

Fred Meredith

You undervoted for this race.

**BELPRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
For Member of Board of Education
(Unexpired term ending 12-31-2019)**

(Vote for not more than 2)

Brenda Church

You undervoted for this race.

Issue 1

**Rights for Crime Victims
Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Proposed by Initiative Petition**

**To repeal and replace the existing language in Section 10a of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio
A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.**

The proposed amendment would expand the rights of victims under the current Section 10a and require that the rights of victims be protected as vigorously as the rights of the accused. More specifically, for the purpose of ensuring due process, respect, fairness, and justice for crime victims and their families in the criminal and juvenile justice systems, the amendment would provide victims with:

- the right to privacy and to be treated with respect, fairness, and dignity;
- the right to information about the rights and services available to crime victims;
- the right to notification in a timely manner of all proceedings in the case;
- the right to be present and heard at all court proceedings, including the right to petition the court to protect the victim's rights;
- the right to a prompt conclusion of the case;
- to refuse discovery requests made by the accused, except as authorized by Article I, Section 10 of the Ohio constitution;
- the right to reasonable protection from the accused;
- the right to notice of the release or escape of the accused; and
- the right to restitution.

The proposed amendment would not establish a cause of action for damages or compensation against the state or any political subdivision.

If approved, the amendment will be effective 90 days after the election.

SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

YES

Issue 2

**To require state agencies to not pay more for prescription drugs than the federal Department of Veterans Affairs and require state payment of attorney fees and expenses to specific individuals for defense of the law
Proposed Law**

Proposed by Initiative Petition

To enact Chapter 194 of the Ohio Revised Code

A majority yes vote is necessary for the law to pass.

To enact Chapter 194 of the Ohio Revised Code, which would:

- Require the State of Ohio, including its state departments, agencies and entities, to not pay more for prescription drugs than the price paid by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Establish that the individual petitioners responsible for proposing the law have a direct and personal stake in defending the law; require the State to pay petitioners' reasonable attorney fees and other expenses; require the petitioners to pay \$10,000 to the State if the law is held by a court to be unenforceable and limit petitioners' personal liability to that amount; and require the Attorney General to defend the law if challenged in court.

SHALL THE PROPOSED LAW BE ADOPTED?

YES

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY (ADDITIONAL)
WASHINGTON COUNTY
A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage**

An additional tax for the benefit of Washington County for the purpose of providing funds for ESSENTIAL PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS, AND ADULTS AT RISK FOR MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS at a rate not exceeding one-half (0.5) mill for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to five cents (\$0.05) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2017, first due in calendar year 2018.

Against the Tax Levy

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY (ADDITIONAL)
BELPRE CITY
A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage**

An additional tax for the benefit of Belpre City for the purpose of PROVIDING FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES at a rate not exceeding one and seventy-five one hundredths (1.75) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to seventeen and five one hundredth cents (\$0.175) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2017, first due in calendar year 2018.

Against the Tax Levy

Returning the Ballot

These instructions will also be provided at the end of the Ballot.

1. COMPLETE YOUR IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE/STATEMENT OF VOTER:

Your county board of elections is providing both an electronic and a paper Identification Envelope/Statement of Voter to you. The first one has been emailed to you with your ballot. The second one is being mailed to you by your county board of elections. You must complete and sign only one of the Identification Envelope/Statement of Voter and return it with your ballot to your county board of elections in order for your ballot to count.

A. If your board of elections has not already pre-printed your name on the Statement of Voter, you must print your name – REQUIRED.

B. Provide your Ohio driver's license number (two letters followed by six numbers) OR the last four digits of your social security number. If you do not provide either of these forms of identification, you must enclose a copy of a valid ID in the Return Envelope as described below – REQUIRED.

C. Sign your name. Your ballot cannot be counted without your signature – REQUIRED.

If you sign the Statement of Voter that your county board of elections has mailed to you, there is a hole punch on each side of the signature line. Place your signature in the space between the two hole punches.

2. PREPARE YOUR VOTED BALLOT FOR SUBMISSION:

A. Place your voted ballot and completed and signed Statement of Voter into a return envelope. You may use the Return Envelope that your county board of elections mailed to you or you may use an envelope that you provide.

B. If you did not include your Ohio driver's license number or the last 4 digits of your Social Security number on your Statement of Voter, include a copy of a current and valid photo identification, a military ID, or a current (within the last 12 months) utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document (other than a notice of voter registration mailed by a board of elections), that shows your name and address. Place the copy of your ID in the return envelope (or the envelope that you provide) separate from the Identification Envelope. Election officials must be able to see you have provided ID in order to count your ballot.

C. Seal the envelope containing your ballot, completed and signed Statement of Voter, and, if appropriate, your separate ID document. If you are mailing your ballot in an envelope that you provide, be sure to address it to your county board of elections.

3. RETURN YOUR VOTED BALLOT:

You or a near relative may deliver your ballot in person to the board of elections until the close of the polls on Election Day (7:30 p.m.), or you may return your ballot by mail. If you return your ballot by mail, it must be postmarked (not a date marked by a postage evidence system such as a postage meter) no later than the day before Election Day and received by your county board of elections not later than 10 days after Election Day in order to be counted. You must affix sufficient postage for the prompt delivery of your ballot.

You may NOT return your absent voter's ballot to your polling place.

Ballots received late cannot be counted.