



Ballot Title 20-309

Caption: RENEWAL OF FIVE-YEAR LIBRARY LOCAL OPTION LEVY.

Question: Shall Eugene levy \$2,850,000/year for five years, beginning 2021-2022, to maintain the current level of library services? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: If this levy passes the levy's funds will be used to maintain the existing level of library services that are currently funded by the 2015 levy. If passed this levy will: (1) preserve 47 open hours/week across three locations added in 2015; (2) maintain the 1/3 increase in free programs for all ages; (3) maintain the Maker Hub area; (4) maintain increased off-site delivery of programs and outreach; (5) maintain/replace internet-ready devices at Bethel and Sheldon locations; and, (6) maintain programing and upkeep of the Library Maker Van. The measure will require an annual report on spending that will be reviewed by the Library Advisory Board and made available to the City Council and the public. The levy will be \$2,850,000 each year for five years for a total levy of \$14,250,000. The estimated tax rate for this levy will be approximately \$0.15 per \$1,000.00 of property value. The typical Eugene taxpayer is estimated to pay an average of \$37 per year over the levy's five-year period. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.