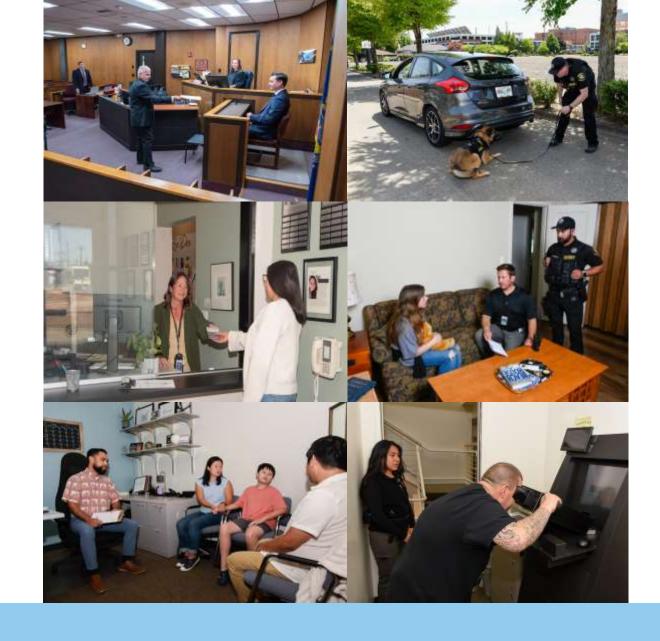


## Measure 34-346: Local Option Levy

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#### Introduction:

#### **Proposed Local Option Levy**

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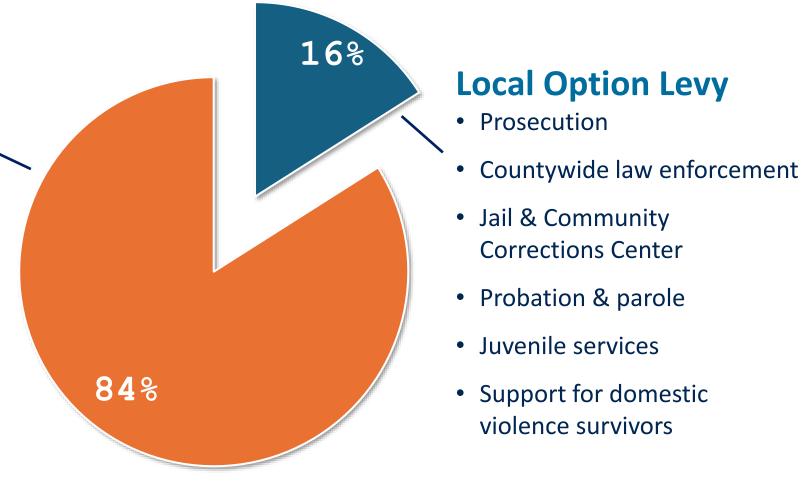
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#### How does the County fund these public services?

Fiscal Year 2025-26



- County General Fund
- Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District (Sheriff's Office only)
- Federal, state & other grant funding



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If passed, what would this levy do?

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Investigating and prosecuting crimes like theft, car theft, break-ins, and graffiti.

An average of one vehicle has been stolen per day from 2021 to 2024.

Enhancing prosecution of child abuse and child pornography cases.

Child abuse reports increased by 17% from 2021-2024, an average of nine reports per day.









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Expanded victims' assistance and emergency programs for families harmed by domestic violence, as well as expanded programs to help prevent domestic violence in the first place.

Domestic violence reports increased by 22% from 2021-2024, an average of four per day.

Combating the impact of deadly drugs like fentanyl and dismantling drug-trafficking organizations.

Over the last three years, the Sheriff's Office has seized 1.3 million

fentanyl pills.



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Provide funding for the Washington County Jail to incarcerate those in court-ordered custody.

The Jail serves every police agency in Washington County, but it is not operating at full capacity due to staffing and funding challenges. This levy measure would fund jail deputy and other positions, returning the Jail to full capacity.









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• Mental Health Response Teams that provide immediate crisis response to stabilize volatile situations and help people access care.

Specially trained deputies and mental health professionals connect those with a mental health crisis to supportive services, improving community safety and often avoiding criminal justice involvement.









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- If the measure passes, property owners would pay \$0.66 per \$1000 of assessed property value.
- The owner of a home with an assessed value of \$348,600 would pay approximately \$19.17 per month or \$230.08 per year.
- When compared with the current levy, this increase would work out to be \$6 more per month.
- The property tax would continue for five years and raise a total of \$337 million.

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## What happens if the measure does not pass? Measure 34-346: Proposed Local Option Levy

If the measure does not pass, the services would not be provided as proposed and property taxes would not be increased.









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