



House Local Government & Municipal Finance Committee


Michigan Municipal League
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Who Are We — State & Federal Affairs

- Chris Hackbarth – Director
 - Municipal Finance, Tax Policy, Labor, Elections
- John LaMacchia – Assistant Director
 - Transportation & Infrastructure, Energy & Technology
- Jennifer Rigterink – Legislative Associate
 - Economic Development, Land Use & Zoning, Municipal Services



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Who Makes up the League?



- 521 Cities, Villages & Townships
 - 278 Cities, 248 Villages, 3 Townships
- 3,771 Elected Officials
- 10,000+ Non-Elected Officials
- 31 Affiliate Organizations



League Member Services



- Training – Elected Officials Academy
- Inquiry service
- Liability and Property Pool
- Workers' Compensation Pool
- Legal Defense Fund
- Cooperative Purchasing
- Advocacy



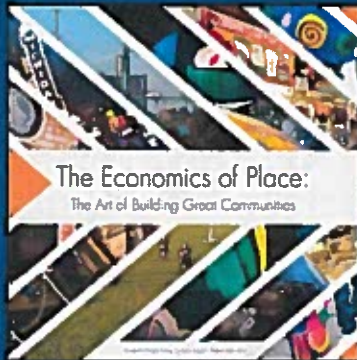
League Initiatives & Partnerships



- MML Foundation
 - Education/Training Scholarships
 - Placemaking Projects
- MEDC & MSHDA Programs
 - Public Spaces-Community Places / Crowdfunding
 - Redevelopment Ready Communities
 - Green Communities Challenge
- 16/50 Project – Promoting Female City Leaders
- Save MI City

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League Resources – mml.org



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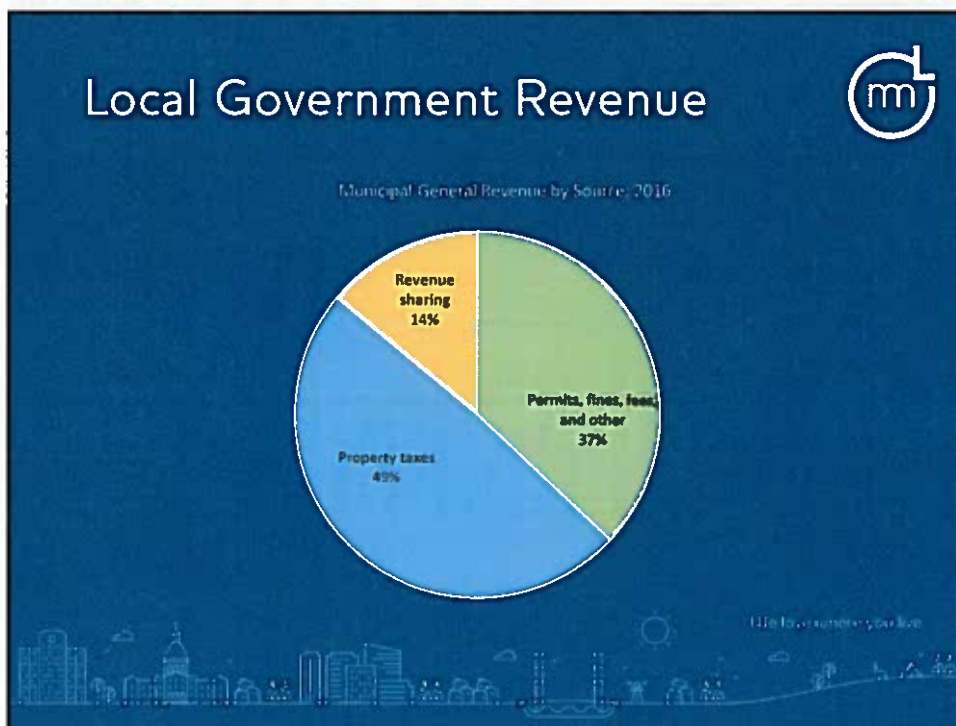
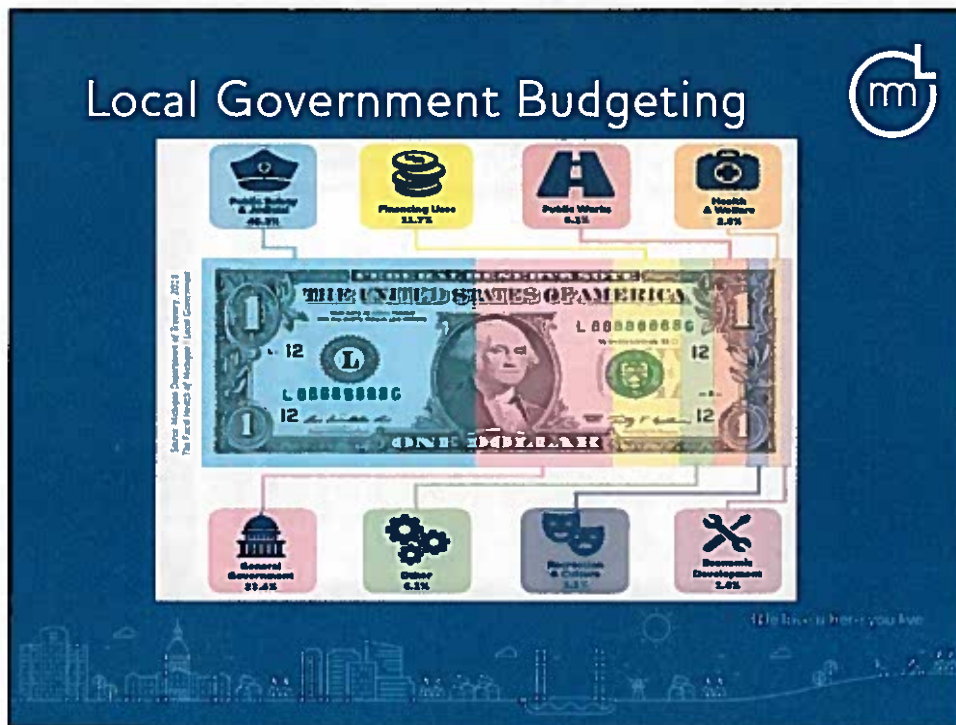
Building Great Places

- ✓ Quality Community Infrastructure
- ✓ Unique Characteristics and Needs
- ✓ Promotes Talent Attraction
- ✓ Demanded By Job Providers
- ✓ Thriving Communities = Stronger State



Local Government in Michigan

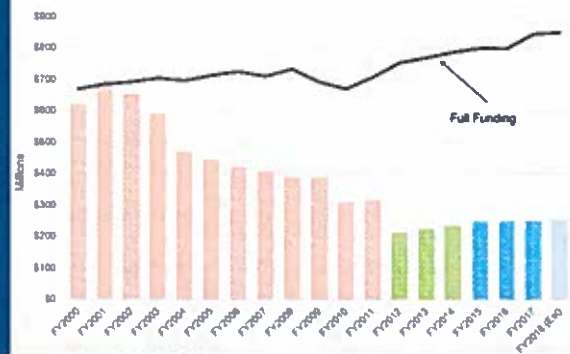




Statutory Revenue Sharing



Statutory, EVIP, and CVT Revenue Sharing Payments to Cities, Villages, and Townships



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Constitutional Revenue Sharing



Total Revenue Sharing Payments to Cities, Villages, and Townships



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Funding Michigan Communities



Since 2002 Michigan's local governments have lost more than \$8.6 billion in statutory revenue sharing.

- Coopersville: \$1,936,716.69
- Fraser: \$7,239,488.41
- Lapeer: \$4,173,990.57
- Marysville: \$6,131,000.02
- Niles: \$8,505,283.63
- South Lyon: \$4,554,396.31
- St. Louis: \$3,437,393.02

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Reinvest in Michigan Communities



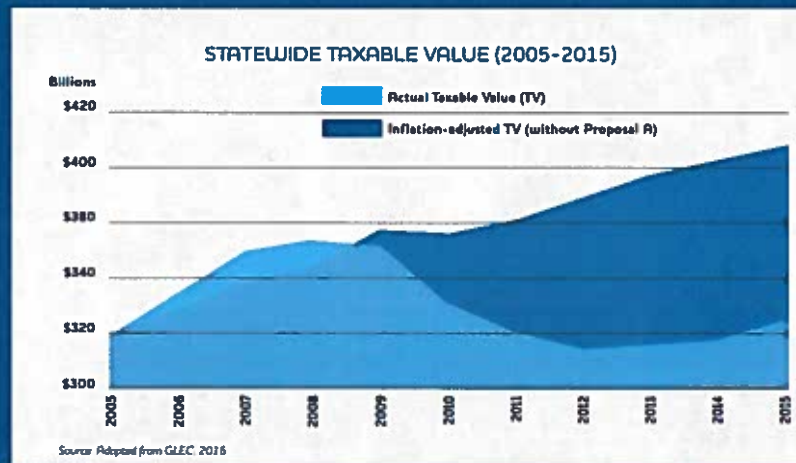
Prioritize investment in Michigan communities and by partnering with local government and systematically begin to restore revenue sharing.

Restoration of revenue sharing allows communities to provide core services and invest in community infrastructure and reduces pressure to raise taxes locally.

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Property Taxes



Broken Municipal Finance System



- The economic recovery the state has experienced has not been extended to its cities.
- Michigan's municipal finance system doesn't allow a community's budget to track with the economy as it recovers
- Resolve the conflicts between current state tax laws so that cities can appropriately track with the state's economy and share in a prosperous economy.



Changing the Model

- Costs
- Structure
- Revenue Options/Diversity

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