

Stockbridge Police Authority Fact Sheet

The Village of Stockbridge and Stockbridge Township are working together to place a proposal on the **August 4 ballot** to create a **police authority**.

What is a police authority?

A police authority is a separate public entity created to oversee and fund police services. If approved by voters, it would be governed by an independent board made up of Village representatives, Township representatives, and one at-large member.

How would it be funded?

Police services would be funded through a separate millage dedicated specifically to public safety, rather than relying on the Village and Township general funds. This would help free up general fund resources for other community needs.

Why is this being considered?

The goal is to create a more stable, transparent, and sustainable way to fund police services. This approach is intended to:

- reduce pressure on Village and Township general funds
- provide a clearer public safety funding structure
- support more robust police coverage
- keep costs more manageable on a per-household basis

What happens if it does not pass?

If the proposal does not pass, the Village will likely need to consider a recurring special assessment to continue supporting public safety services for Village residents.

Community Engagement Meetings

April 23 at 6:00 p.m. Village Hall. Why this is being considered

May 8 at 5:00 p.m. Township Hall. How the authority would work

May 14 at 7:00 p.m. Village Hall. Cost and ballot mechanics

May 19 at 5:00 p.m. Township Hall. Open Q&A and issue-closing session

Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings, review the information provided, and ask questions before the election.

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