



# UNDERSTANDING POLK COUNTY'S SHARE OF YOUR PROPERTY TAXES

County property taxes support services that residents rely on every day, including roads, bridges, public safety, emergency management, elections, veterans' assistance, public health, and much more, all delivered efficiently with a small share of the overall tax bill.

## COUNTYWIDE PROPERTY VALUE

The total assessed value of all taxable property in the county.

**\$2.5B** TOTAL PROPERTY  
VALUATION (FY25-26)

## TURNING REQUESTS INTO A LEVY RATE

The rate applied to property value to generate the county's requested revenue.

**\$0.180** LEVY RATE (FY25-26)

## AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL COUNTY TAX BILL

The average annual amount homeowners pay in county property taxes.

**\$363** AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL  
TAXES (BEFORE TAX  
CREDITS APPLIED) (FY25-26)

## COMPARED TO OTHER HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES

Annual average total cost of electricity, gas, other fuel expenses, cell phone, water, and homeowner's insurance.

**\$7,360**

## FUNDING COUNTY SERVICES

The amount the county requests to fund essential services each year.

**\$4.5M** COUNTY PROPERTY  
TAX REQUEST (FY25-26)

## WHAT THIS MEANS FOR A TYPICAL HOME

A "typical" home used to show how county taxes affect most residents.

**\$201,290** MEDIAN HOME  
PRICE (Q4, 2024)

## A SMALL SLICE OF THE TOTAL

The county's share of the total property tax bill.

**19.4%** OF TOTAL COUNTY (FY25-26)  
PROPERTY TAX REQUEST