

Additional Check for Approval January 6, 2026

Parhelion Technologies	\$279.00
Western Washtenaw Recycling	\$600.00
IVS	\$80.00
MRM Mowing	\$2225.00
Staples	\$43.45

Christina Smith

From: Leslie Blackburn
Sent: Monday, January 5, 2026 1:04 PM
To: Christina Smith
Subject: Info for Poverty Exemption Guidelines agenda item on Jan 6th BOT meeting

Hi fellow board members, I am sharing a proposed improvement to our Poverty Exemption guidelines. We've been using federal limits which are grossly inaccurate since these treat a rural Mississippi area the same as Manhattan, and are based on outdated formulas from the 1960s. It would be more accurate for our township to use the Washtenaw County HUD limits as follows:

2026 Poverty Guidelines using Washtenaw County HUD Income Limit Standards				
Size of Family Unit	100% Relief	75% Relief	50% Relief	25% Relief
1	\$26,450	\$30,418	\$34,385	\$38,353
2	\$30,200	\$34,730	\$39,260	\$43,790
3	\$34,000	\$39,100	\$44,200	\$49,300
4	\$37,750	\$43,413	\$49,075	\$54,738
5	\$40,800	\$46,920	\$53,040	\$59,160
6	\$43,800	\$50,370	\$56,940	\$63,510
7	\$46,850	\$53,878	\$60,905	\$67,933
8	\$49,850	\$57,328	\$64,805	\$72,283
For each additional person	\$5,500	\$6,325	\$7,150	\$7,975

For comparison, nearby Manchester Twp, Saline Twp and Webster Twp use numbers that are much higher. I propose we use the Washtenaw County HUD limits. Looking forward to discussing with you all.

Thank you,

Leslie

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