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To: Mason County Taxpayers

2020 Levy Report

In addition to the assessment function of the assessor's office, it is also our responsibility **to calculate and certify the levy rates for taxing districts**, assuring that the limits to the levy rates are not exceeded.

- Levy rates are expressed in terms of **dollars and cents per \$1,000 of assessed value**.
- Tax Code Areas (TCA) are geographical areas made up of a unique combination of one or more taxing district.

2020 Levy Rates

The **average levy rate** of improved TCA's **increased, from \$9.89 to \$10.89** per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Increases in tax code area levy rates were impacted by:

1. Increases and decreases in assessed values during the 2019 assessment;
2. Legislation changes to both the state school and local school levy rates.

Note: Individual property taxes may vary, based on property assessed valuations and consolidated levy rates.

State School Levy

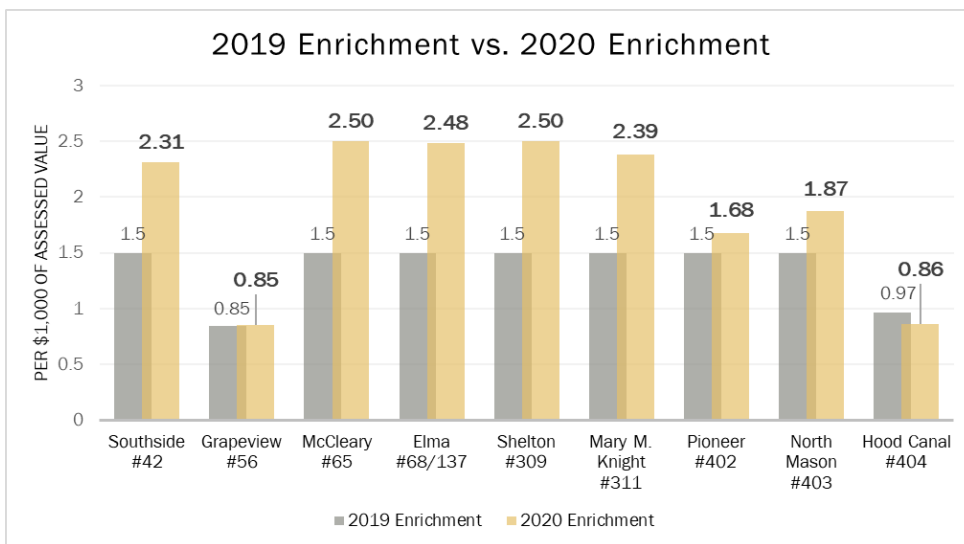
ESSB 6614 passed during the 2017 legislative session, which reduced the combined state levy rate to \$2.70 per \$1,000 of assessed value, *when a county is at 100% of market value*.

- The **state school levy rate, increased, from \$2.52 to \$3.07** per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Local School Levy (Enrichment Levy) (Formerly known as maintenance and operation levy)

ESSB 5313 passed during the 2019 legislative session, amending EHB 2242. The amendment includes increasing the maximum enrichment levy for collection in 2020 to the lesser of:

- (a) \$2,500 per pupil,
- (b) \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (ESSB5313), or
- (c) The voter approved levy for the school district.



District	2020 Limit
Southside	Voter Approved
Grapeview	Per Pupil
McCleary	2.50 Rate
Elma	Voter Approved
Shelton	2.50 Rate
Mary M. Knight	Voter Approved
Pioneer	Voter Approved
North Mason	Voter Approved
Hood Canal	Per Pupil