

# VOTE MAY 2 - ISSUE #1

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FOR BEDFORD'S SAFETY, STREETS, COMMUNITY.

THE CITY OF BEDFORD IS PLACING ON THE BALLOT A  
PROPOSED .75% EARNED INCOME TAX WITH A TAX CREDIT OF 2.25%

## WHY?

Significant State Revenue Reductions and Loss of Income Tax Dollars

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

The City of Bedford is facing over a 1 million dollar shortfall

## WHAT IS THE CITY OF BEDFORD DOING ABOUT IT?

- The City of Bedford has made substantial budget cuts and secured municipal employee wage concessions **CUTS HAVE EXCEEDED \$1.6 MILLION SINCE 2013**
- Expenditures are at a 7 year low
- The City of Bedford is placing a .75% income tax issue on the ballot May 2

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THE SAFETY SERVICES INCOME TAX DOES NOT PASS?

- 3 Firefighters will be eliminated which will force us to run one emergency squad instead of 2
- The municipal swimming pool will be closed
- Senior programs will be eliminated
- The senior citizen van will be eliminated
- 2 service employee positions will be eliminated canceling the chipper and sewer services

## WHO IS NOT AFFECTED?

Retired residents or those who have no earned income will not pay this tax.

Residents working in another City, Village, or JED taxing district with a tax rate of 2.25% and higher will not pay any more tax from the new tax issue than they are paying now.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE MAY 2 EARNED INCOME TAX  
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