

Huge Township Transportation (STAR) Tax increase of \$2 Million we cannot afford--when the Transportation Department was totally shut down for three months!



In 2019 the Washington Transportation Tax rate, the millage was 0.2381. In 2020 the Transportation tax rate is **ZERO**¹.
Vote **No** on this **.25 millage** four year \$2 M Tax increase on August 4, 2020 election.

1. STAR has a **Surplus \$1,148,898**² - Should be spent on Road repairs!
2. STAR transportation **\$2 Million New Tax** is in addition to the **\$1.9 Million SMART Bus Tax** Washington and Bruce Townships pay each year. No SMART buses come north of 23 Mile Road!
3. STAR is poorly managed with **8 years of deficit spending**.
4. STAR has **\$401,718 of bank deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized** --all the manager needs to do is open two accounts at less than \$250,00!
5. **No one**, including Rich bus riders and helpers, **pays any fare!**³
6. **Bus riders have to schedule 48 hours in advance** with STAR and wait for pick up and wait for return trip, sharing a bus with others during the China Virus! Other communities use Uber and Lyft with no waiting for pickup and return, no long shared trips and big taxpayer savings.⁴
7. **\$8,000 for free Charter Trips**, to casinos⁵? Boat Trips? Amusement Parks?
8. Excessive **12% 401k bus bureaucrat retirement** when the national average is 3.5% and 49 percent of employers do not provide employees any 401k match⁶.

We are suffering from the highest Unemployment rate since the Great Depression! Let's force the **Tax and Spend** Washington and Bruce Township politicians to come back to the voters this November 3, 2020 Presidential Election with a much lower tax rate, and long-overdue reforms.



STAR 2018-2019 budget and 2019 audit posted on usataxfighters.org. When will the STAR Director provide the March 31, 2020 Parks Audit? Paid for with regulated funds by usataxfighters.org

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² Audits, Budgets and other sourced documents on www.usataxfighters.org

³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axQDF94BAgs>

⁴ <https://theweek.com/articles/642980/why-replacing-bus-uber-actually-pretty-smart>

⁵ The Betting Years: Casinos exploiting seniors? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6m_9XzZdhr0

⁶ <https://www.upcounsel.com/average-401k-match>