

## Auditor Kovack Surprises 51 Taxing Districts With \$4 Million

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Michael E. Kovack, Medina County Auditor, today announced the disbursement of \$4 million in fees not expended by his office over the past three years. These fees, by State law, are set aside for his office to carry out State-mandated reappraisals. The fees will be disbursed back to the taxing entities which paid them. The three largest recipients will all be school districts. Medina City School District will receive almost \$900,000, Brunswick close to \$700,000 and Wadsworth will receive nearly \$370,000. All districts should receive their money via electronic wire transfer today.

Auditor Kovack explained the reason the refunds are possible is because of efficiencies introduced in the office. "Conducting the State-mandated reappraisals in-house, rather than contracting with a private firm, is the major money-saver." Kovack said, "In addition, the popularity of our website has also slashed costs considerably." The website, [www.medinacountyauditor.org](http://www.medinacountyauditor.org), received over 6 million hits last year. "Every time a property owner can conduct their business through our 24/7 website, it is a cost savings for us and the county."

Listed below are the dollar amounts districts will be receiving due to the fiscal discipline of the auditor's office.

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<u>Taxing District</u>	<u>Refund</u>
<u>Medina County</u>	
General	\$175,562.28
Health District	42,828.96
Bond	13,621.26
Achievement Center	187,247.96
Anti-Drug	24,090.96
County Home	13,868.36
<u>School Districts</u>	
Medina City	\$871,942.46
Brunswick	681,243.06
Wadsworth	367,166.67
Black River Local	38,317.97

<b>Buckeye Local</b>	<b>191,270.77</b>
<b>Cloverleaf Local</b>	<b>234,853.25</b>
<b>Highland Local</b>	<b>333,331.62</b>
<b>Medina JVS</b>	<b>132,878.57</b>
<b>Wayne JVS</b>	<b>732.87</b>
<b>North Central Local</b>	<b>5,910.98</b>
<b>Rittman City</b>	<b>1,774.05</b>
<b><u>Townships</u></b>	
<b>Brunswick Hills</b>	<b>\$41,313.82</b>
<b>Chatham</b>	<b>5,286.36</b>
<b>Granger</b>	<b>15,988.09</b>
<b>Guilford</b>	<b>14,668.19</b>
<b>Harrisville</b>	<b>5,157.52</b>
<b>Hinckley</b>	<b>37,583.39</b>
<b>Homer</b>	<b>3,006.89</b>
<b>Lafayette</b>	<b>18,291.22</b>
<b>Litchfield</b>	<b>9,297.58</b>
<b>Liverpool</b>	<b>16,284.00</b>
<b>Medina</b>	<b>34,583.51</b>
<b>Montville</b>	<b>46,884.42</b>
<b>Sharon</b>	<b>21,518.76</b>
<b>Spencer</b>	<b>4,463.70</b>
<b>Wadsworth</b>	<b>7,832.15</b>
<b>Westfield</b>	<b>5,306.99</b>
<b>York</b>	<b>9,808.28</b>
<b><u>Cities and Villages</u></b>	
<b>Brunswick</b>	<b>\$42,322.91</b>
<b>Medina</b>	<b>54,574.42</b>
<b>Wadsworth</b>	<b>53,783.71</b>
<b>Rittman</b>	<b>293.43</b>
<b>Chippewa Lake</b>	<b>2,000.42</b>
<b>Gloria Glens</b>	<b>1,463.28</b>
<b>Lodi</b>	<b>6,926.86</b>
<b>Seville</b>	<b>4,450.52</b>
<b>Spencer</b>	<b>1,669.25</b>
<b>Westfield Center</b>	<b>2,131.83</b>
<b>Creston</b>	<b>218.73</b>
<b><u>Additional Entities</u></b>	
<b>Cleveland Metro Parks</b>	<b>\$7,931.48</b>
<b>Medina County Parks</b>	<b>48,522.35</b>

<b>Spencer Fire District</b>	<b>2,700.40</b>
<b>Town &amp; Country Fire</b>	<b>1,494.94</b>
<b>Medina Co. District Library</b>	<b>139,511.28</b>
<b>Ella Everhard Library District</b>	<b>15,782.54</b>
<b>Wayne Library District</b>	<b>304.73</b>