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AUDITOR TO RETURN OVER \$1.8 MILLION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, SCHOOLS

Lorain County Auditor Craig Snodgrass will return approximately \$1.8 million to Lorain County school districts, cities, villages, townships, JVS, LCCC, libraries, Met Park, and County agencies that receive levy funding. "This is unprecedented in the history of the Lorain County Auditor's office," said Snodgrass.

The money will come from the Auditor's Real Estate Assessment (REA) Fund, generated annually from a small percentage of the County's total real estate tax collections. It is specifically designated by state law to be used by the Auditor for mapping, real estate valuation and appraisal functions.

The return of monies is pro-rated to each community, school district and taxing entity on the basis of their total annual property taxes. School districts will be the biggest benefactor sharing in a little more than \$1 million. Among the largest payments will be \$164,159.00 to Avon Lake City Schools and \$159,965.87 to the Elyria City Schools.

The refund follows the county-wide reappraisal, which takes place every six years. Snodgrass explained, "we are able to return a portion of REA funds across the county because of our office's efficiency and by managing our competitive bidding and project expenditures effectively."

"This is the first time Real Estate Assessment funds will be returned in Lorain County and we will look at it again in the future" Snodgrass added.

END

**FIRST HALF 2014 REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT
REIMBURSEMENT OF AUDITOR REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT FEES**

SCHOOLS

AMHERST EVSD	\$	98,079.36
AVON LSD	\$	130,063.70
AVON LAKE CSD	\$	164,159.00
BLACK RIVER LSD	\$	5,129.29
CLEARVIEW LSD	\$	15,912.64
COLUMBIA LSD	\$	36,886.68
ELYRIA CSD	\$	159,965.87
FIRELANDS LSD	\$	32,389.62
KEYSTONE LSD	\$	30,967.35
LORAIN CSD	\$	107,204.31
MAPLETON LSD	\$	200.13
MIDVIEW LSD	\$	77,789.33
NEW LONDON LSD	\$	1,285.37
NORTH RIDGEVILLE CSD	\$	131,048.17
OBERLIN CSD	\$	24,637.91
OLMSTED FALLS CSD	\$	4,374.40
SHEFFIELD-SHEFF. LAKE	\$	55,952.23
STRONGSVILLE CSD	\$	505.75
VERMILION LSD	\$	27,681.39
WELLINGTON EVSD	\$	23,893.99
TOTAL	\$	1,128,126.49

JVS

ASHLAND CO. JVS	\$	17.89
EHOVE JVS	\$	2,003.28
LORAIN CNTY JVS	\$	52,737.37
MEDINA CNTY JVS	\$	361.05
POLARIS JVS	\$	203.93
TOTAL	\$	55,323.52

TOWNSHIPS

AMHERST TWP	\$	2,909.35
BRIGHTON TWP	\$	507.04
BROWNHELM TWP	\$	1,374.55
CAMDEN TWP	\$	1,366.03
CARLISLE TWP	\$	4,368.81
COLUMBIA TWP	\$	6,531.49
EATON TWP	\$	3,491.43
ELYRIA TWP	\$	2,217.77
GRAFTON TWP	\$	2,363.73
HENRIETTA TWP	\$	1,011.14
HUNTINGTON TWP	\$	739.96
LAGRANGE TWP	\$	3,428.77
PENFIELD TWP	\$	769.70
PITTSFIELD TWP	\$	750.80
ROCHESTER TWP	\$	395.22
NEW RUSSIA TWP	\$	589.63
SHEFFIELD TWP	\$	2,488.63
WELLINGTON TWP	\$	879.34
TOTAL	\$	36,183.39

CITIES/VILLAGES

AMHERST CITY	\$	5,944.07
AVON CITY	\$	21,937.99
AVON CITY TIF	\$	10,986.89
AVON LAKE CITY	\$	25,936.34
ELYRIA CITY	\$	21,264.40
ELYRIA CITY TIF	\$	4,029.63
GRAFTON VILLAGE	\$	1,151.39
KIPTON VILLAGE	\$	118.60
LAGRANGE VILLAGE	\$	1,064.66
LORAIN CITY	\$	15,317.72
LORAIN PORT AUTHORITY	\$	3,454.26
LORAIN CITY TIF	\$	5,459.59
NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY	\$	34,205.64
N. RIDGEVILLE CITY TIF	\$	319.79
OBERLIN CITY	\$	4,713.59
OBERLIN CITY TIF	\$	913.61
ROCHESTER VILLAGE	\$	54.55
SHEFFIELD VILLAGE	\$	3,470.63
SHEFFIELD VILL. TIF	\$	832.85
SHEFFIELD LAKE CITY	\$	7,368.61
SOUTH AMHERST VILLAGE	\$	396.25
VERMILION CITY	\$	6,225.99
ERIE-LORAIN HEALTH DIST.	\$	569.45
WELLINGTON VILLAGE	\$	1,515.21

TOTAL	\$	177,251.71
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SPECIAL DISTRICTS

S. LORAIN CNTY AMBULANCE	\$	3,186.61
WELL. COM. FIRE	\$	2,919.79
CENTRAL LOR CNTY AMB.	\$	1,486.94
LCCC	\$	101,437.02
MET PARK	\$	34,009.53

TOTAL	\$	143,039.89
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COUNTY

COUNTY GENERAL	\$	37,165.68
LCBDD	\$	88,083.85
CHILDRENS SERVICES	\$	39,808.39
TB CLINIC	\$	1,724.83
COMM MH	\$	46,003.60
MEG	\$	1,498.46
LAB	\$	749.23
BOND RETIREMENT	\$	5,309.06
911 SYSTEM	\$	13,269.42
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES	\$	2,122.77
LC HEALTH	\$	15,615.06

TOTAL	\$	251,350.35
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COUNTY TIF

CNTY AMHERST TIF	\$	476.06
CNTY EATON TIF	\$	45.92
CNTY NEW RUSSIA TIF	\$	1.47
 TOTAL	 \$	 523.45
 GRAND TOTAL COUNTY	 \$	 251,873.80

LIBRARIES

AMHERST PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$	1,452.30
AVON LAKE PUB. LIBRARY	\$	9,251.81
GRAFTON-MIDVIEW LIBRARY	\$	2,349.74
HERRICK LIBRARY	\$	712.27
LORAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$	9,628.97
OBERLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$	3,733.96
RITTER PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$	1,013.31
 TOTAL	 \$	 28,142.36

TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT OF REAL ESTATE
ASSESSMENT FEES FOR ALL SUBDIVISIONS \$ 1,819,941.16

SOURCE:

TAX SETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT
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