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President's Message - Your Property Tax Notice Shouldn’t Come With Homework

During the Legislature's October Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee meeting, lawmakers discussed ways to simplify Utah's property tax notices. The discussion was well-intentioned. Committee members and the Tooele County Auditor, who was asked to develop an initial proposal, were trying to make the tax information sent to property owners clearer and easier to understand.

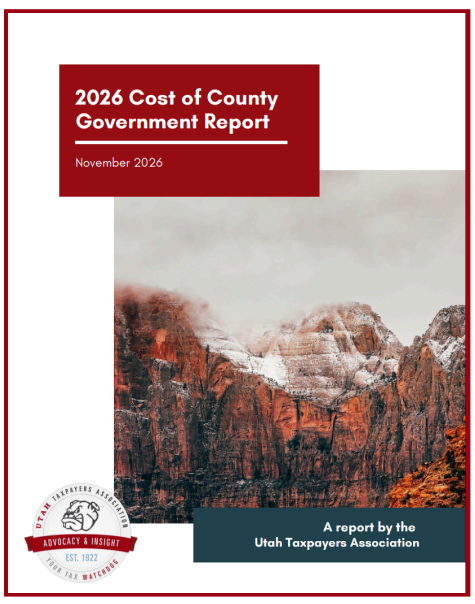
However, some of the ideas presented missed the mark when it comes to what actually benefits taxpayers.

Read more here.



2026 November Cost of County Report released -

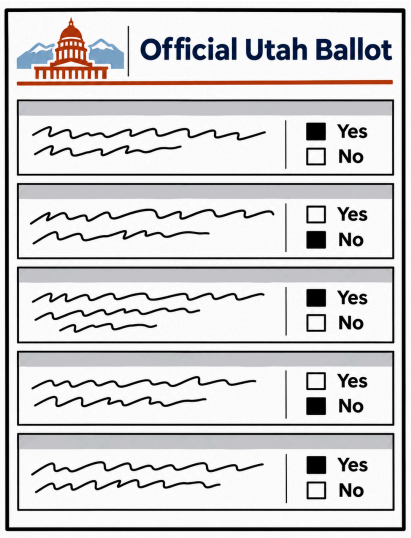
New Study Highlights Wide Differences in Cost of County Government Across Utah



Utah residents face very different county government costs depending on where they live, according to our newly released 2026 Cost of County Government Report.

The study examines taxes and fees collected by Utah's 29 counties, comparing collections to both population and residents' income. Using county financial statements and U.S. Census data, the report provides a useful way to evaluate the relative cost of county government rather than simply comparing total budgets.

Read more here.



Utah 2026 General Election — Tax-Related Ballot Questions by County

When Utahns cast their ballots on November 3, they will have an opportunity to weigh in on more than candidates for public office. Across Utah, voters will decide on proposals involving new taxes, existing tax rates, and government borrowing.

Not every proposal would increase taxes. Some would renew existing taxes, repeal a tax, or authorize government borrowing. One is an advisory question that would not immediately change taxes.

Here is a breakdown of the tax-related questions Utah voters should know about.

Save The Date: Our Legislative Outlook Conference is coming in January



Our 2027 Legislative Outlook Conference will be held at The Grand America hotel on Monday, January 11th, 2027.

Registration is already open and we offer 3 hours of CPE/CLE credit.

Click below to register and join us.

Register here.



Thank you for your continued membership of the Utah Taxpayers Association!

We'd love your feedback on what we are doing well and where we can improve.

Please take a few minutes to complete our 10-question survey. As a thank-you, you'll be entered to win one of two $50 Visa gift cards. It should only take about 5 minutes of your time.

Your input helps shape our priorities and ensure we're representing taxpayers effectively.

Don't wait, the survey closes Monday November 16.

Click here.

Reminder: The Utah Taxpayers Association Annual Meeting

The meeting will take place after the Board of Directors meeting on November 20th, 2026

Please contact **autumn@utahtaxpayers.org** for more details.

Your Association Accomplishments in October:

-Testified in the Legislature's Interim Revenue and Taxation Committee on the importance of detailed and informative property tax notices

-Presented at the Salt Lake Community College Public Policy event on public school finances

-Met with state legislators to discuss potential 2027 tax legislation

-Started planning our Legislative Outlook Conference

-Attended Interim Meetings

In the News:

Fox 13 Investigates: Why any settlement with Charlie Kirk's family could go through Utah politicians
-Fox 13

Proposed amendments to the Utah Constitution
-Daily Utah Chronicle

Opinion: Amendment B will protect Utah taxpayers, vote yes
-Deseret News

Your Voice, Your Vote: Breaking down Amendment B
-KSL

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