

**City and Village Rates**  
**Based on Van Buren County 2015 Apportionment Report**  
*(Tax Rates for Calendar Year 2016)*

<b>Unit of Government</b>	<b>Operating Millage Unit Total</b>	<b>Unit Rank</b>	<b>Special Local Millage In Unit</b>	<b>Unit Rank</b>	<b>Total Local Millage Combined</b>	<b>Unit Rank</b>
Bangor City	14.3604	2	7.2500	1	21.6104	1
Decatur Village	11.4487	5	4.8314	2	16.2801	2
Gobles City	16.1471	1	0.0000	10	16.1471	3
Lawton Village	11.4594	4	4.5835	3	16.0429	4
Hartford City	12.5463	3	3.3000	8	15.8463	5
<b>Paw Paw Village</b>	<b>11.2697</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4.5077</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15.7774</b>	<b>6</b>
Lawrence Village	11.0627	7	4.4248	5	15.4875	7
South Haven City	10.2541	8	3.4539	7	13.7080	8
Bloomindale Village	9.6719	9	3.8685	6	13.5404	9
Mattawan Village	4.4473	11	3.0000	9	7.4473	10
Breedsville Village	6.3734	10	0.0000	10	6.3734	11

**NOTES ON THE TYPE OF SPECIAL LOCAL TAX LEVY: Some are tax levies (millages) which are authorized by their City Charter or the General Law Village Act. Others have been specifically voted upon and approved by the local taxpayers.**

Special voted millages include voted or authorized taxes to fund road improvements; emergency services such as police, fire, drug enforcement, quick response units and operations; and bonds for water or sewer.

The City of Bangor levies taxes for police & fire on both winter & summer tax bills. The levy is counted twice.

The City of Hartford has a tax for fire equipment and to pay off a water bond.

The City of South Haven has tax levies for grabage collection, street improvements, and drug enforcement.

The Village of Bloomindale has a levy for street improvements.

The Village of Decatur has a tax levy for street improvements and to fund the Downtown Development Authority.

The Village of Lawrence has a tax levy for street improvements.

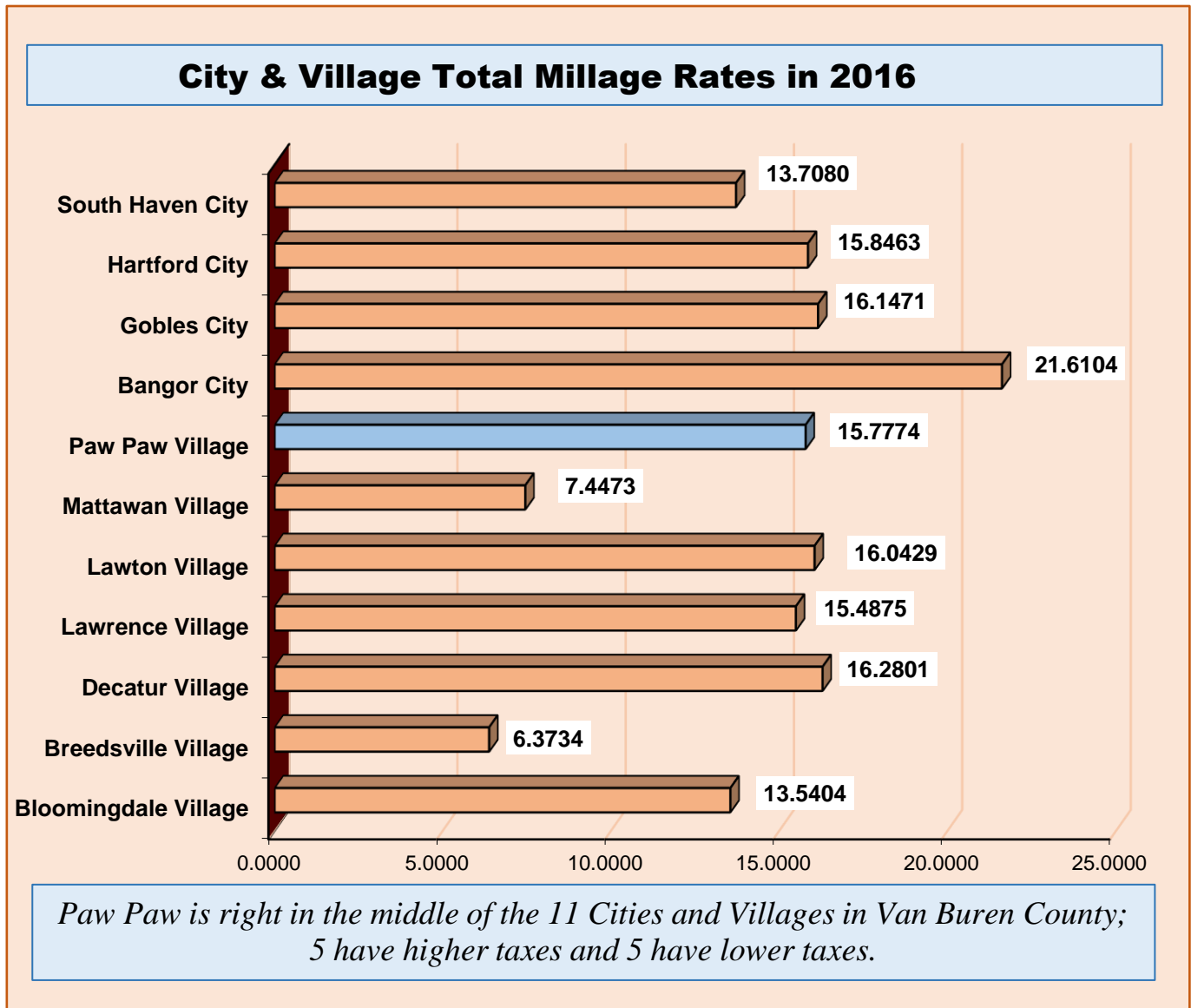
The Village of Lawton has a tax levy for street improvements.

The Village of Mattawan levies a tax to support police operations.

The Village of Paw Paw has a tax levy for street improvements.

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This chart presents a visual depiction of the information on the prior page.



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With the information about local tax levies in each City and Village in Van Buren County, taxpayers may determine what portion of their winter and summer tax bill goes to the local community for the type of taxes levied in this example. For a complete breakout of all taxes levied in by the County, the Intermediate School District, local schools and other entities for the Village of Paw Paw, please click on the Document on this same page titled "Where Your Tax Dollars Go." That document also has an example calculating your taxes paid to each tax levied.

**Calculating Your City or Village Tax Bill**

Assume the 'True Cash Value' of Your Home and Land is \$160,000 (Generally, this is what your home and land would sell for on the market)	\$160,000
<u>Assessed Value (By Michigan Law 1/2 true cash value)</u>	<u>\$80,000</u>
<u>Taxable Value (Capped by Michigan Law, usually less than Assessed value)</u>	<u>\$75,000</u>

Your Property Taxes are based on "mils". 1 mil equals to 1/1000 of your taxable value. Thus, 1 mil of \$75,000 is just \$75.00. (The formula goes like this: Taxable value divided by 1,000 and multiplied by the total number of mils.) Mil's are always carried out to 4 decimal places.

Unit of Government	Total Local Millages Combined	Taxes Paid on all the local Tax Levies based on a Home with a taxable Value of \$75,000	Rank
Bangor City	21.6104	\$ 1,620.78	1
Decatur Village	16.2801	\$ 1,221.01	2
Gobles City	16.1471	\$ 1,211.03	3
Lawton Village	16.0429	\$ 1,203.22	4
Hartford City	15.8463	\$ 1,188.47	5
<b>Paw Paw Village</b>	<b>15.7774</b>	<b>\$ 1,183.31</b>	<b>6</b>
Lawrence Village	15.4875	\$ 1,161.56	7
South Haven City	13.7080	\$ 1,028.10	8
Bloomington Village	13.5404	\$ 1,015.53	9
Mattawan Village	7.4473	\$ 558.55	10
Breedsville Village	6.3734	\$ 478.01	11