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TAXPAYERS SAY VOTE NO! ON APRIL 6, 2021 VILLAGE OF STEGER PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Taxpayers United of America (TUA) [is working with local taxpayers to defeat a property-tax-increase referendum placed on the April 6, 2021 ballot by The Village of Steger.](#)

“This property-tax-increase referendum, if passed, would increase property taxes \$182/yr. per \$100,000 of home value,” said Jim Tobin, economist and TUA president.

“The Illinois unemployment rate is 7.6% and climbing, and, yet, Steger wants to raise taxes during a pandemic.”

“25% of state spending is used to pay pensions of retired government employees. Taxpayers need to know this. That’s where a lot of taxpayer dollars are going. Saying that tax dollars always go to necessary projects is a myth and a scam.”

“We have released our study of Village of Steger top pensions. Here are the top two.”

“William Cox retired at age 60, and received an annual pension in 2020 of \$50,815. His pension benefits to date total \$301,686.”

“Richard Stultz retired at age 73, and received an annual pension in 2020 of \$35,097. His pension benefits to date total \$203,298.”

“Steger homeowners need to be reminded that it is their property taxes that are funding these fat pensions for retired government bureaucrats.”

“It’s time local governments come clean with their constituents. While taxpayers are struggling to pay their bills during this pandemic, government bureaucrats are raking in generous salaries and lavish, gold-plated pensions, at taxpayer expense. And, not only that, Steger’s retired bureaucrats are eligible for Social Security Benefits!”