Public Hospital District No. 2, Klickitat County (Skyline Hospital) will be asking hospital district tax payers to consider renewing a 34 cent, per $1,000 of assessed property value tax levy for an additional 20 years at the upcoming August election. With voter approval, Skyline will use the funds from the levy to continue its expansion and development of health care facilities and services, as well as support the operations of the hospital.

The hospital and its clinics provide essential emergency, medical and wellness services for residents and visitors throughout its service area. Skyline continues to expand its services and outreach to meet the needs of the area’s growing communities, and is a valuable community resource.

Skyline is committed to promoting an exceptional level of health and well-being in our community today and for future generations.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**
Skyline Hospital is NOT proposing an increase in tax support, rather a renewal of the existing 1997 levy currently in effect. The renewal of this levy will not increase taxes.

**2015 Hospital Statistics**

*Skyline’s patient volumes have increase more than eight percent in the last 10 years and continue to grow.*

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

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**VISION STATEMENT**

Skyline Hospital will actively strive to be responsive to the changing needs of our community. We will be the health care provider of choice in our community.
Q: How much annual tax support does Skyline Hospital receive from the levy?
A: Skyline Hospital receives $480,000 in tax support each year.
Q: Will this levy increase my taxes?
A: No, Skyline Hospital is not proposing an increase in tax support. The renewal of the levy will not increase taxes. In fact, as the hospital tax district’s assessed property value goes up, a homeowner’s tax payment may decrease.

For example: As home values increase, the hospital tax district’s assessed property value will also increase. This means the $480,000 fixed amount Skyline Hospital receives annually will be spread over a larger assessed property value, which may reduce a homeowner’s tax payment.

Q: Is there a current levy in place?
A: Yes, the current 20-year levy went into effect in 1997. This was an increase to the original levy approved by voters in 1952. The 1997 levy will expire at the end of 2016, which is why Skyline is proposing another 20-year renewal at the current rate.

Q: How was the original levy obtained?
A: Public Hospital District No. 2, Klickitat County (Skyline Hospital) was formed in 1952 by a public vote and voters agreed a portion of its costs would be subsidized by property tax support, making a hospital available to district residents and others requiring health care services.

Q: What will the levy tax funds be used for?
A: Tax support from the levy will be used to replace medical equipment, maintain and upgrade hospital facilities, and support new programs and services – helping to ensure Skyline can continue to provide essential high-quality services to its communities.

Q: What have the levy tax funds supported in the past?
A: The 1997 levy has supported the purchase of a CT scanner, digital mammography, laboratory equipment, air handler system for the operating room and an air cooling system, as well as other essential capital purchases. In addition, levy funds have supported the development and implementation of new services such as general surgery, orthopedics, cardiology, podiatry, neurology and pain management.

Q: Will the levy funds pay for the purchase of the NorthShore Medical Clinic buildings?
A: No, the levy funds will not be used to purchase the NorthShore property. The funds will support ongoing improvements and planned renovations within the hospital.

Q: Is this levy associated with the EMS District levy?
A: No, the EMS District is now its own taxing district, completely separate from Skyline Hospital.