

Overview on Fire & Medical Services Loans Ballot Question

On May 18, 2021, voters will head to the polls to participate in the primary election. The ballot will feature races for municipal offices, a few county offices, and state judges. All voters (including independent) will be asked to decide on three constitutional amendments and a statewide referendum, including a question on Fire and EMS Services Loans.

Pennsylvania has a current loan program that allows volunteer fire companies, volunteer ambulance services, and volunteer rescue squads to apply for loans totaling \$100 million. Approval of this ballot measure would expand the program to allow municipal fire departments and EMS companies with paid employees to apply for the loans as well.

A "**yes**" vote **supports** expanding the state's loan program for volunteer fire companies and ambulance services to also include municipal fire companies and EMS services.

A "**no**" vote **opposes** expanding the state's loan program, meaning the program would remain available to volunteer fire companies and ambulance services but not municipal fire companies and EMS services.

Disclaimer:

YCEA has not adopted a formal stance on any of the constitutional amendments. Voters are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the ballot questions and offices on the ballot before they vote. A sample ballot may be accessed on the [County's Voting and Elections webpage](#).

YCEA has completed a series of ballot question overviews set for the May 18 Primary Election. An overview of the three additional ballot questions and the YoCo Voter Guide may be found by [clicking here](#).

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