



Did You Know?

- Garage Sale signs may not be located within a public right-of-way or on any utility pole. The person responsible for placing the sign must provide their address on the sign and the date for the first day the sign is displayed. The sign may be displayed for a maximum period of seven (7) days.
- The following USDA commodities will be distributed to low-income families in Ottawa County on **Friday, May 21, 2010**: applesauce, apple juice, apricot halves, corn, corn cereal, cranberry-apple juice, shelf stable milk, peanut butter, pears, canned pork, sliced potatoes, rice, roasted peanuts, mushroom soup, spaghetti, tuna, and vegetable oil. The commodity distribution, coordinated by the Ottawa County Community Action Agency, will take place at the following site:

Love, INC of SE Ottawa County

3300 VanBuren

Hudsonville, MI

OPEN: 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

- Georgetown Township has 12,000,000 gallons of water in storage, plus 7,604,771 gallons in underground pipes, totaling 19,604,771 gallons of water for Georgetown Township. This is equal to 163,503,790 pounds or 81,752 tons of water in storage!!
- Taxable value is used to calculate property tax bills. The taxable value on a property can only change each year by the rate of inflation (Consumer

Price Index) or 5%, whichever is less. This rate, however, does not apply to properties that have sold in the previous year.

- In 2009, Georgetown Township had over 350 usable home sales for the annual residential sales study. The result was an average decrease of 5%.
- Section 10-220 of the Township Ordinance states that the occupant or owner of every lot or premises adjoining any street shall clear snow from sidewalks within 24 hours of cessation of the snowfall.
- In May 2009, only 16.62% of voters in Georgetown Township came out to vote in the school election. In comparison, the general election held in November 2008 had a voter turnout of 88.08%.
- In Williams, Arizona residents pay \$42.50 per 1000 gallons of water. In Georgetown Township residents pay only \$1.75 per 1000 gallons of water.
- Georgetown Township has 12,000,000 gallons of water in storage at any given time.
- There are 1,242 townships in the State of Michigan. They range in population of 17 persons to 98,000. Over ½ of Michigan's population lives in townships. Georgetown Township is the tenth largest township in the state.
- The Georgetown Fire Department has (3) full time personnel (fire chief, fire inspector and firefighter). The fire department operates out of (3) fire stations and (49) paid on call firefighters. At the current time our Insurance Services Offices (ISO) rating is five (5).

- The property tax rate for the City of Grandville is almost four times (4x) higher than Georgetown Township's. The property tax rate for the City of Wyoming is four and one half times ($4^{1/2}x$) higher, and the City of Hudsonville is five times (5x) higher than Georgetown Township's.
- All of the money received from the summer tax collection goes to the county and schools; none is allocated to Georgetown Township
- Georgetown Township is the largest municipality in Ottawa County
- Georgetown Township is 4th largest unit of government in West Michigan behind the Cities of Grand Rapids, Wyoming, and Kentwood