

**RUMOR CENTRAL
STATEMENT #4**

The Villages Independent Fire Control and Rescue District Referendum

The following misrepresentation of the facts are circulating.

STATEMENT: The County should ideally reduce our taxes by the amount of increase in taxes in the Fire District, but they are not doing it.

FACT: How much county taxes will change is unknown because the District will not be established until October 1, 2023. The 2023 millage rate in Sumter County will be set based on the budget at that time, which is estimated to be reduced by \$13 million dollars.