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# Pre-Budget Worksheet User Guide

**GATEWAY USER GUIDE** 





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# How do I get to the application screen in Gateway?

Each user has a specific username and password that will allow access to Gateway. The username is the email address on file with the Department of Local Government Finance ("Department"). Users without a Gateway account may contact the Department's Support team at <a href="mailto:support@dlgf.in.gov">support@dlgf.in.gov</a> to register.

#### Web Address (URL):

https://gateway.ifionline.org/login.aspx

Please note that Gateway works best using Firefox or Google Chrome.

#### Accessing the Budget application

After signing in, users will see the "Select Application" Gateway page. Choose the "Budgets" option.

#### Select Application



On the Select Unit page, users should select their unit.







# Navigate to the Pre-Budget Worksheet

Once the unit is selected, users will be directed to the Unit Main page. To access the Pre Budget Worksheet, the user should select the "Pre Budget Worksheet" button.







### **Pre-Budget Worksheet**

On the Pre-Budget Worksheet page, users will select "Yes" or "No" for a series of questions. For each answer of "Yes", you will be prompted to complete another section pertaining to the question. Once all sections are marked as complete, the worksheet will be ready for submission by the authorized submitter.

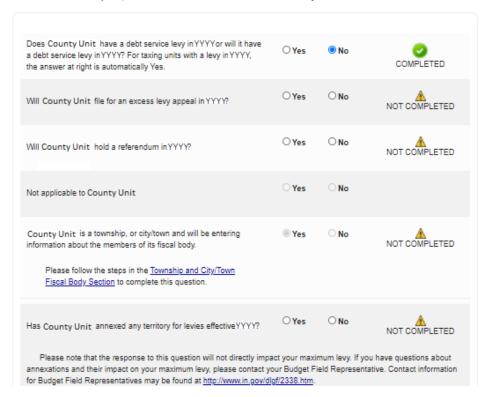
Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget YYYY Worksheet

#### Pre-Budget YYYY Worksheet

Gateway County Not Submitted

Please answer the following questions. For each answer of "Yes", you will be prompted to complete another section pertaining to the question.

Once all sections are marked as complete, the worksheet will be able to be submitted by the authorized submitter.



If a user selects "No" to a question, it will show as "Completed".

Does County Unit have a debt service levy in YYYYor will it have a debt service levy in YYYY? For taxing units with a levy in YYYY, the answer at right is automatically Yes.

O Yes

No

COMPLETED



If a user selects "Yes" to a question. A dropdown with a link will appear. Users will need to click the applicable blue hyperlink to get to the applicable section.



#### **Mark Section as Complete**

For any questions that have been answered as "Yes", users will need to mark the section as "complete" within the appropriate section. To mark the section as complete, simply click the box next to "Mark this section complete".







### **Debt Service Levy Section**

Binding Adoption Units Section

On the Debt Section page, users will select whether or not their unit anticipates issuing new debt in 2021 Users may also click a link to add a new debt service fund or to link debts to a debt service fund. For all debt that has been issued, users should enter the debt in Debt Management, then link the debt to a debt service fund.

Users will also be prompted to enter the estimated June 30 cash balance for any debt service funds.

# County DOES NOT anticipate issuing new debt in YYYY County DOES anticipate issuing new debt in YYYY County DOES anticipate issuing new debt in YYYY Debt Fund Balances: Please begin the PreBudget Debt Worksheet below and Refresh your debt information. You will then be able to enter fund balances for Debt Service. 0182 - BOND #2 needs completion on Debt Worksheet 0183 - BOND #3 needs completion on Debt Worksheet Go to Debt Worksheet Use the following links for quick navigation to the pages for adding new debt service funds and linking debts: Customize Funds Lists Customize Debts by Funds







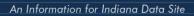
Users should then click the "Go to Debt Worksheet" button to complete a debt service worksheet. The worksheet asks users to indicate when they estimate that payments will be made. For most debts, users will use a checkmark system to indicate payment dates. For certain entries, such as unreimbursed textbooks for school corporations and anticipated debt service, users will enter dollar amounts.

Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > Excess Levy Appeal Section Excess Levy Appeal Section Gateway County, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet Please provide information about any levy appeals that County Unit anticipates filing in YYYY, To add an appeal, click the "Add New Appeal" button and complete the boxes. Completion of this form does not constitute an excess levy appeal. Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > Debt Section > Debt Worksheet Selected Year, YYYY| Selected unit County - 0000 Prescribed by Department of Local Government Finance DEBT WORKSHEET Selected Year: YYYY Selected County: Gateway County Selected Unit: Select Fund: Click here to refresh Debt Data Please note that if you have already entered debt payment amounts through this page, clicking the "Click here to refresh Debt Data" button will reset those entries. (This form is to be prepared for each debt service fund that requires either a tax rate or an appropriation. Debt service funds designated by an "8" in the third digit of the fund code.) No Data Entered for this Category. Please visit refresh data link.

# **Excess Levy Section**

On the "Excess Levy Appeal Section" page, users will provide information about any levy appeals that their unit anticipates filing in 2021. If the unit does not anticipate filing any levy appeals in 2021, then they may click the box next to "Mark this section complete". Clicking the "Return" button will bring you back to the "Pre-Budget 2022 Worksheet" page.









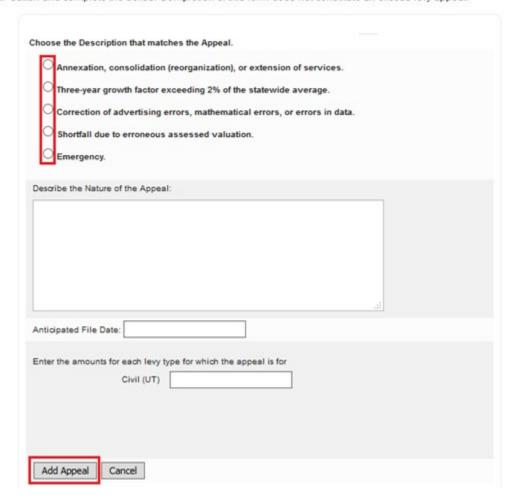
To add an appeal, click the "Add New Appeal" button and complete the boxes. Please be sure to click the "Add Appeal" button before leaving the page.

Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > Excess Levy Appeal Section

#### Excess Levy Appeal Section

Gateway County, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet

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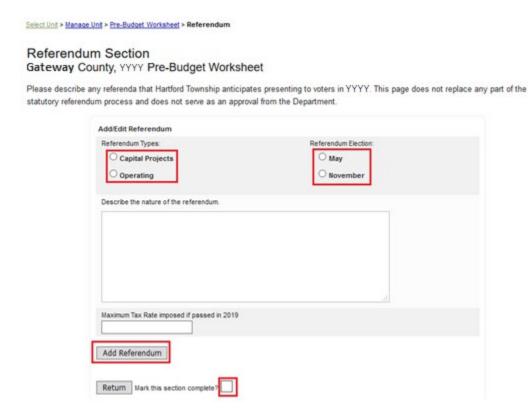






#### **Referendum Section**

On the "Referendum" page, users will describe any referenda that the unit anticipates presenting to voters in 2021. Please note: This page does not replace any part of the statutory referendum process and does not serve as an approval from the Department.







# **Binding Adoption Section**

On the "Binding Adoption Units Section" page, units subject to a binding adoption by another taxing unit in 2022 will indicate which unit is the adopting body in 2022. To do this, use the dropdown to select the appropriate adopting body from the list, and then click the "Save binding unit" button.

# **Binding Adoption Units Section**

Gateway County, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet

Last year binding unit:	
Please indicate which unit is the adop	ting body for
- Select unit from list -	✓ Save binding unit
Return	





# Township and City/ Town Fiscal Body Section

On the "Township and City/Town Fiscal Body Section" page, users will enter all fiscal body members and indicate whether they are volunteer firefighters in a volunteer fire department or a fire department that provides fire protection services to the taxing unit. To do this, users will enter the name of the Fiscal Body Member, indicate whether or not the Fiscal Body Member is a Volunteer Firefighter, and then click the "Add Board Member" button.

Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > Township and City/Town Fiscal Body Section Township and City/Town Fiscal Body Section Township, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet Please enter all fiscal body members and indicate whether they are volunteer firefighters. Pursuant to IC 36-1-23, a member of a fiscal body of a city, town, or township may not participate in a vote on the adoption of the city, town, or township's budget if the member is a volunteer firefighter in a volunteer fire department or a fire department that provides fire protection services to the taxing unit. If a fiscal body seat is currently unfilled, please list "Vacant" for that seat. Add/Edit Fiscal Body Member Name of Fiscal Body Member is the Fiscal Body Member a Volunteer Firefighter in a volunteer fire department or a fire department that provides fire protection services to the taxing unit? O Yes O No Add Board Member "User must enter at least 3 board members to mark this section complete Return

Pursuant to IC 36-1-23, a member of a fiscal body of a city, town, or township may not participate in a vote on the adoption of the city, town, or township's budget if the member is a volunteer firefighter in a volunteer fire department or a fire department that provides fire protection services to the taxing unit.





#### **County Estimates Section**

On the "County Estimates Section" page, users will enter their 2022 estimates for their developmental disabilities levy adjustment. Please be sure to click the "Save Estimates" button after entering your 2022 estimates.

Select Unit > Manage Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > County Estimates Section

#### County Estimates Section

Gateway County, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet

Counties should estimate their developmental disabilities levy adjustment for YYYY. The maximum allowable developmental disabilities levy adjustment cannot be calculated until the Assessed Value Growth Quotient is released. YYYY levy adjustments are listed as an aid when developing estimates. These estimates are not binding.

Please note that, pursuant to HEA 1141-YYYY, beginning with YYYY budgets, the mental health levy adjustment will be automatically computed for counties.







# **Public/ Adoption Meeting Section**

On the "Public/Adoption Meeting Section" page, users will use the pop-up calendar to select the estimated dates of the public hearing and adoption meeting to be held in 2021. These dates are estimates only and are not binding. Please be sure to click the "Save Public/Adoption Meeting information" button after entering your hearing date and meeting date.

Select Unit > Manag	e Unit > Pre-Budget Worksheet > Township and City/Town Fiscal Body Section
	option Meeting Body Section ounty, YYYY Pre-Budget Worksheet
Please enter Pu	blic/Adoption Meeting information. These dates are estimates only and are not binding.
	Public Meeting Info  Hearing Date:
	Hearing Time: 12:00 AM   Adoption Meeting Info
	Meeting Date:
	Meeting Time: 12:00 ✓ AM ✓
	Save Public/Adoption Meeting information
	Return

#### **Additional Information**

The bottom of the main page also includes an optional text box where users may enter additional information. Please enter any information in this textbook that you believe is important to share.

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## **Questions**

Questions related to the submission of the Pre-Budget Worksheet may be directed to the Department's Support team at <a href="mailto:support@dlgf.in.gov">support@dlgf.in.gov</a> or (317) 234-4480.