



## **Raise Up Massachusetts – Fair Share Tax Polling Information**

### **The Public Supports Raising Taxes on the Wealthiest Residents in order to Fund Critical Investments**

- 64% of voters believe millionaires pay less than their fair share in taxes
- 67% of voters support a fair share tax on the wealthy, and 71% believe income above one million dollars should be taxed at a higher rate.
- If a vote were held today, 68% would support a 4% tax increase for income over \$1 million.
- At a 2-to-1 margin, voters believe taxing the wealthiest residents is needed to produce new revenue to invest in major improvements for the state, not simply because it's right to ask the rich to pay more
- 68% of voters would rather use new revenue from higher taxes on the wealthy to make investments in the state, not to bring down tax rates for other income levels
- At a 2-to-1 margin, voters believe new revenue generated from higher taxes on the wealthy should be dedicated to specific investments in the state

### **The Public Supports Investing New Revenue in Education and Transportation Infrastructure**

- When given a choice, voters list education and transportation as the top priorities to spend new revenue on.
- Voters prefer having the new revenue dedicated specific sources by a 2 to 1 margin
- Support is higher for a combination of education and transportation than on either choice alone.
- Voters prefer across the board improvements in education: quality, affordable public schools and colleges.
- Voters also prefer across the board improvements in transportation: repairing and maintaining roads, bridges, and public transportation.