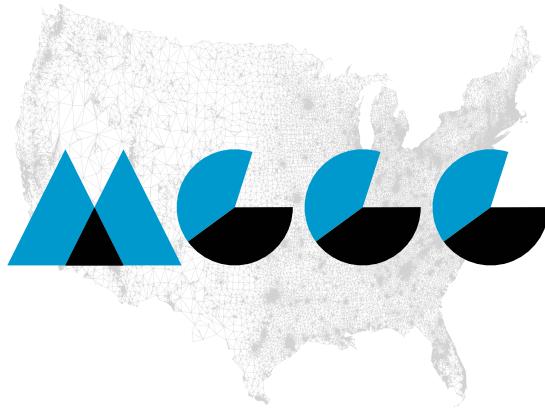


COI Clusters for Michigan



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1 Introduction

This report summarizes *Community of Interest (COI) clusters* extracted from public commentary submitted to the MICRC from March through the end of August 2021.

An initial round of clusters provided to the commission chose a resolution that produced 36 clusters, numbered A1-A36, using all submissions to the public portal through early August. We chose a data resolution that produced 36 clusters in an attempt to create a number that would be manageable for the commission to use in their work, with each cluster still reflecting a synthesis of many views. The resolution of clustering is a choice, but it's important to choose a resolution that balances usability with richness—too many (therefore small) clusters will be overwhelming to consider in the process and will be supported by too little testimony, while too few (therefore large) clusters will be geographically diffuse and will lack clear themes. Detailed methods and code will be made publicly available in a separate report and repository.

On September 1, the full dataset of submissions collected through August 31 was subjected to geographic sorting, producing clusters B1-B36. In two cases, a pair of clusters that were small and proximal were merged, leaving 34 clusters total, which are now numbered C1-C34.

We begin with summary descriptions of the COI clusters around the state, followed by heatmaps, followed by the raw testimony that supported each cluster.

1.1 How to use this report

As the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission proceeds around the state to draw and adjust lines for its new districts, members of the commission and members of the public can consult this report to find synthesized and organized public testimony.

Steps

- Consult the **overview of cluster centers** (Figure 1) to see which clusters are most relevant to the part of the state under consideration.
- Begin with the **summary description and heatmap** in Section 2. This should help form a sense of the geographic scale of the cluster and will provide a summary of important themes. For large clusters, we have used a text classification technique to produce subclusters with different themes highlighted by submitters.
- Next to the name of the cluster is a link that will jump you straight to the **table of raw data** in Section 3. There, you can read the submissions for yourself! Some submissions are very long, so we have truncated them after a character limit equivalent to several tweets. In the first column of these tables, you can find a link that will take you straight to the detail page for the original submission in the public portal. Note that the top row of the table contains a link that jumps you back to the summary page for the cluster.

By flipping between the overview, the summary descriptions/heatmaps, the tables of supporting data, and the submission pages on the public portal, we hope that users will be able to form a high-level view of public testimony, supported by specific detail.

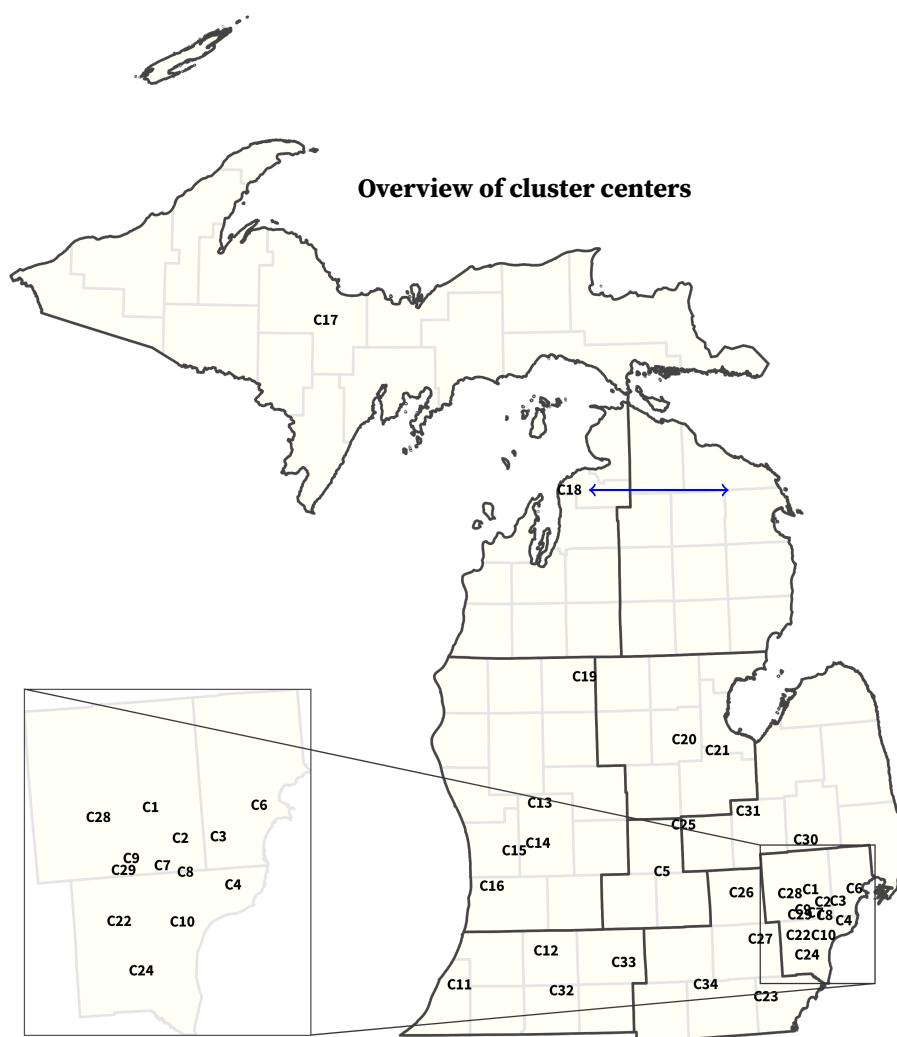
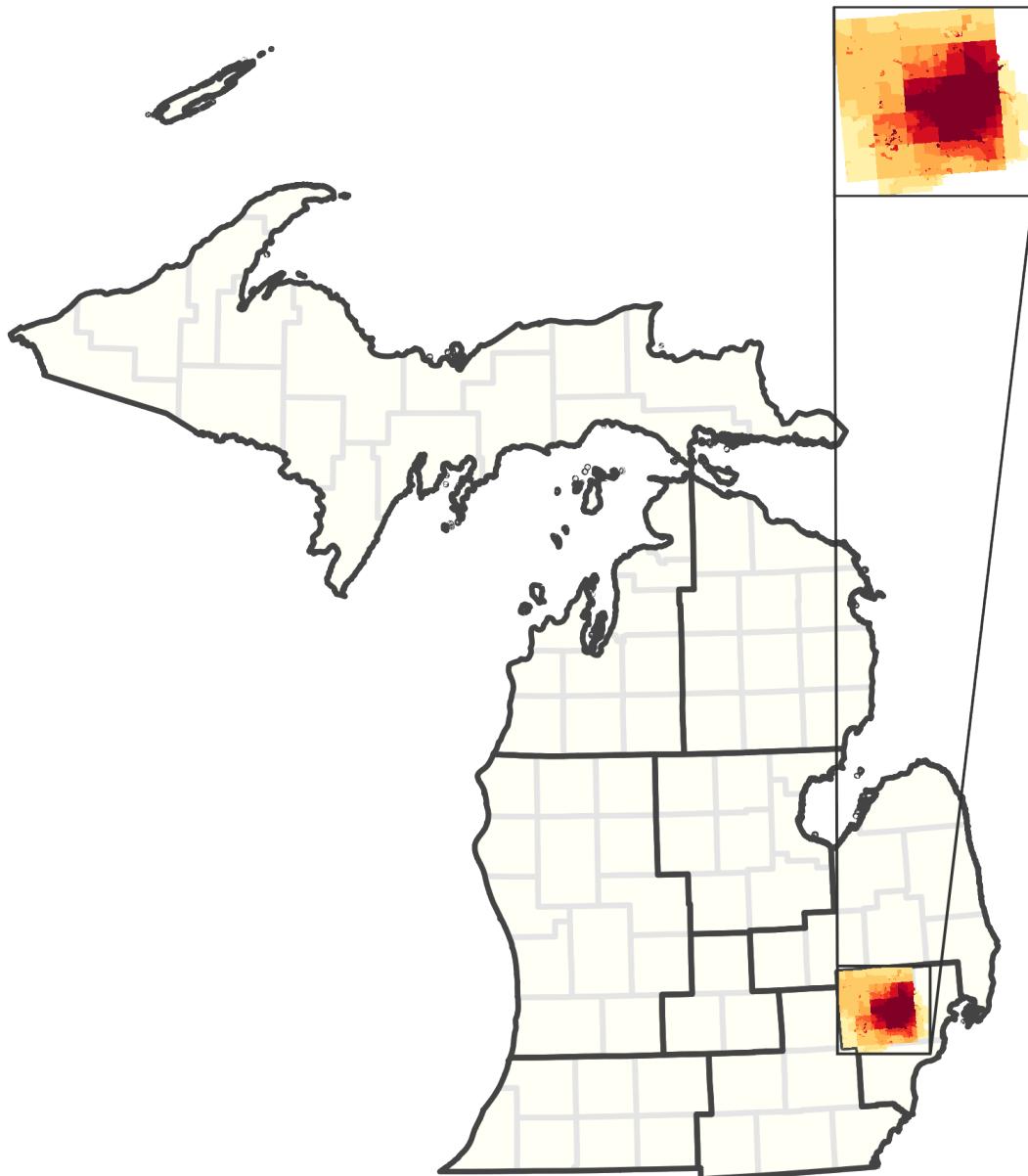


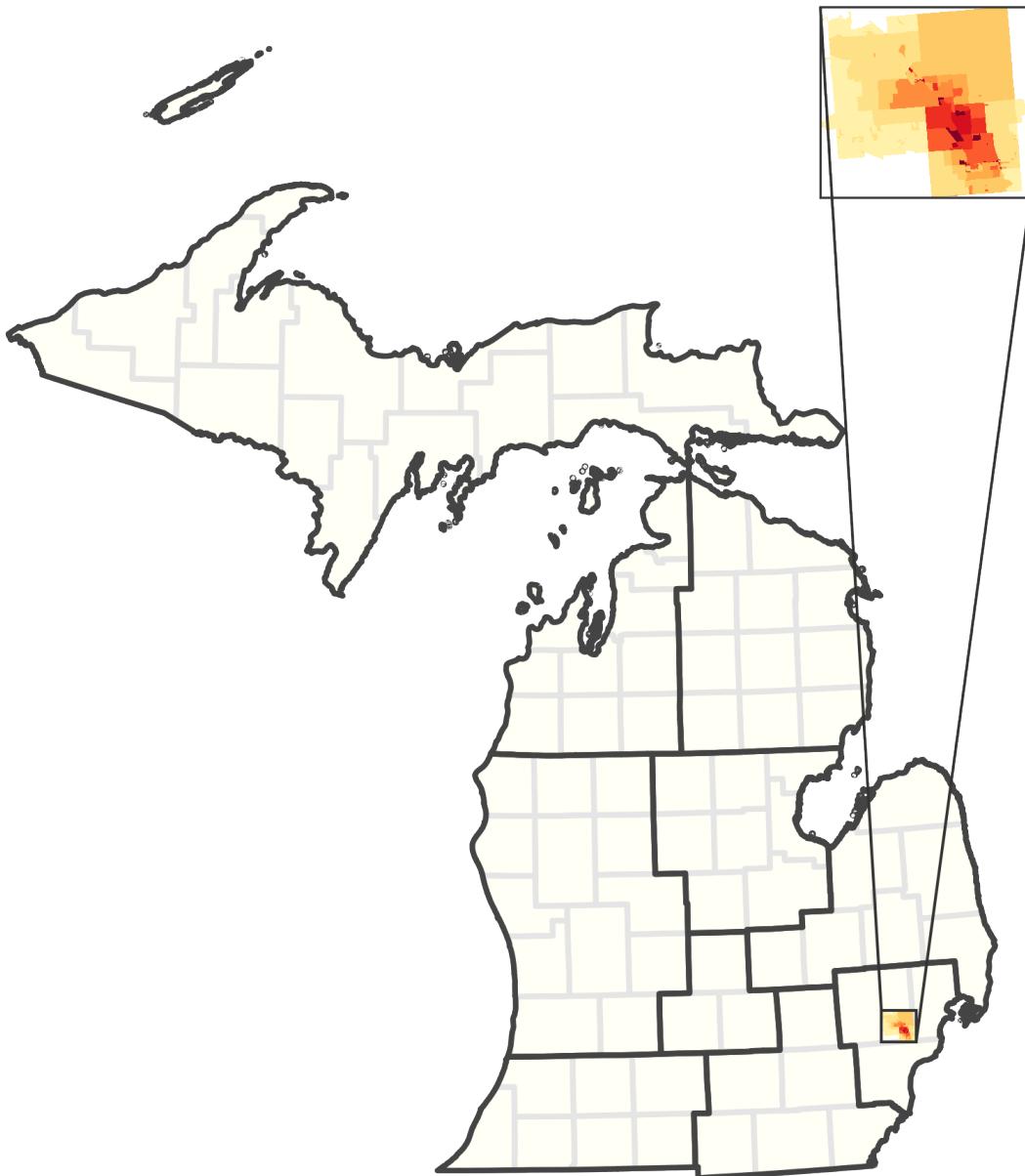
Figure 1. Overview of cluster centers, shown against the backdrop of the counties of Michigan (lighter lines) and the ten regions in use by the MICRC (darker lines).

2 COI clusters: Summary descriptions and heatmaps

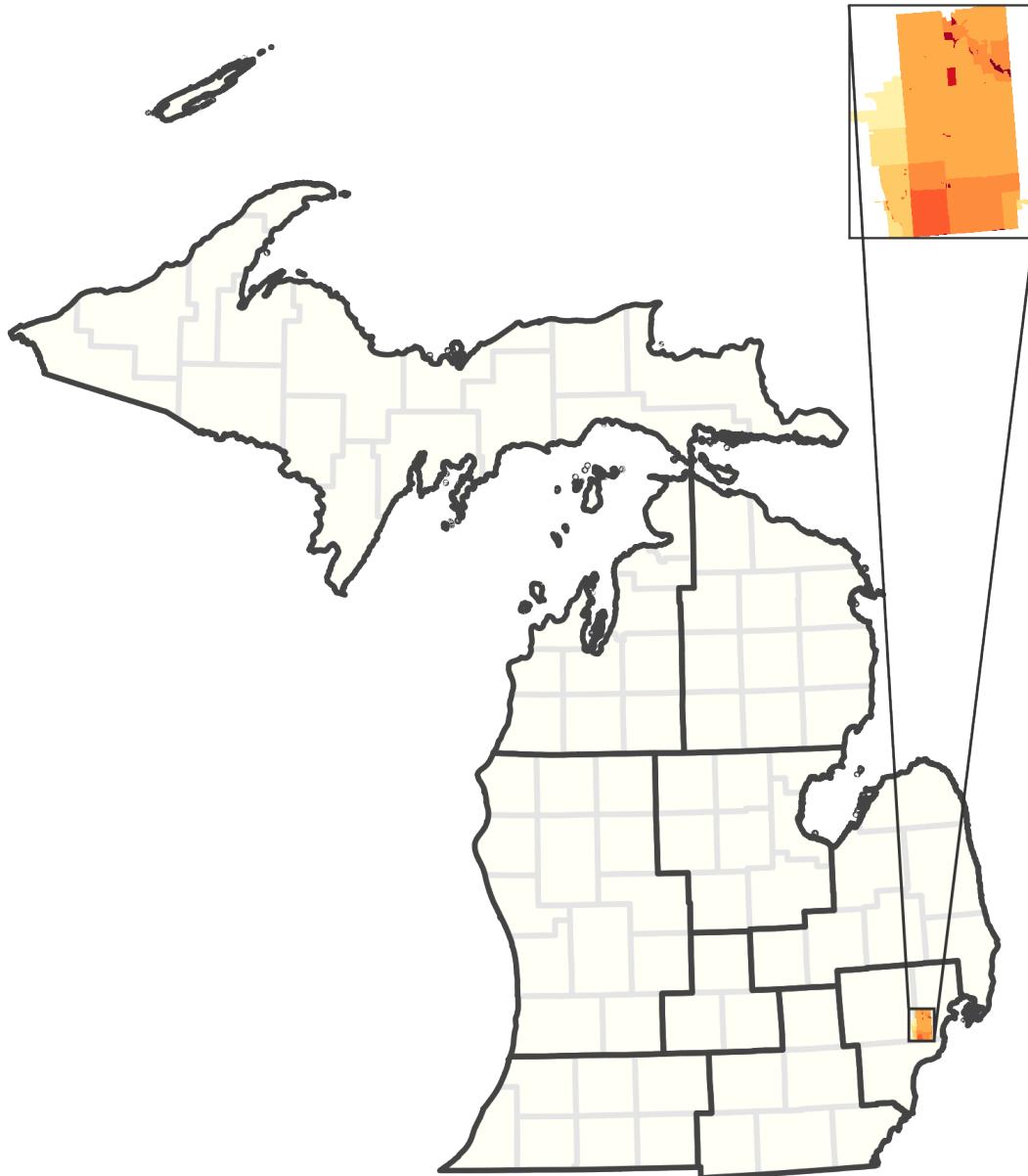
Cluster C1 – Oakland County. ([27 submissions](#)) Collection of small, interdependent towns with common transportation corridors. Commuters travel within the county for employment and shared businesses, community spaces, recreational areas, and services.



Cluster C2 – Royal Oak Area. (17 submissions) Predominantly White, inner ring suburbs. Strong local economy with commercial areas that attract shoppers. Connected to Detroit via Woodward Corridor.



Cluster C3 – Southwest Macomb County. (15 submissions) Area includes White, working class suburbs, as well as growing immigrant and Black population in South Warren. LGBTQ community is cited in Hazel Park.

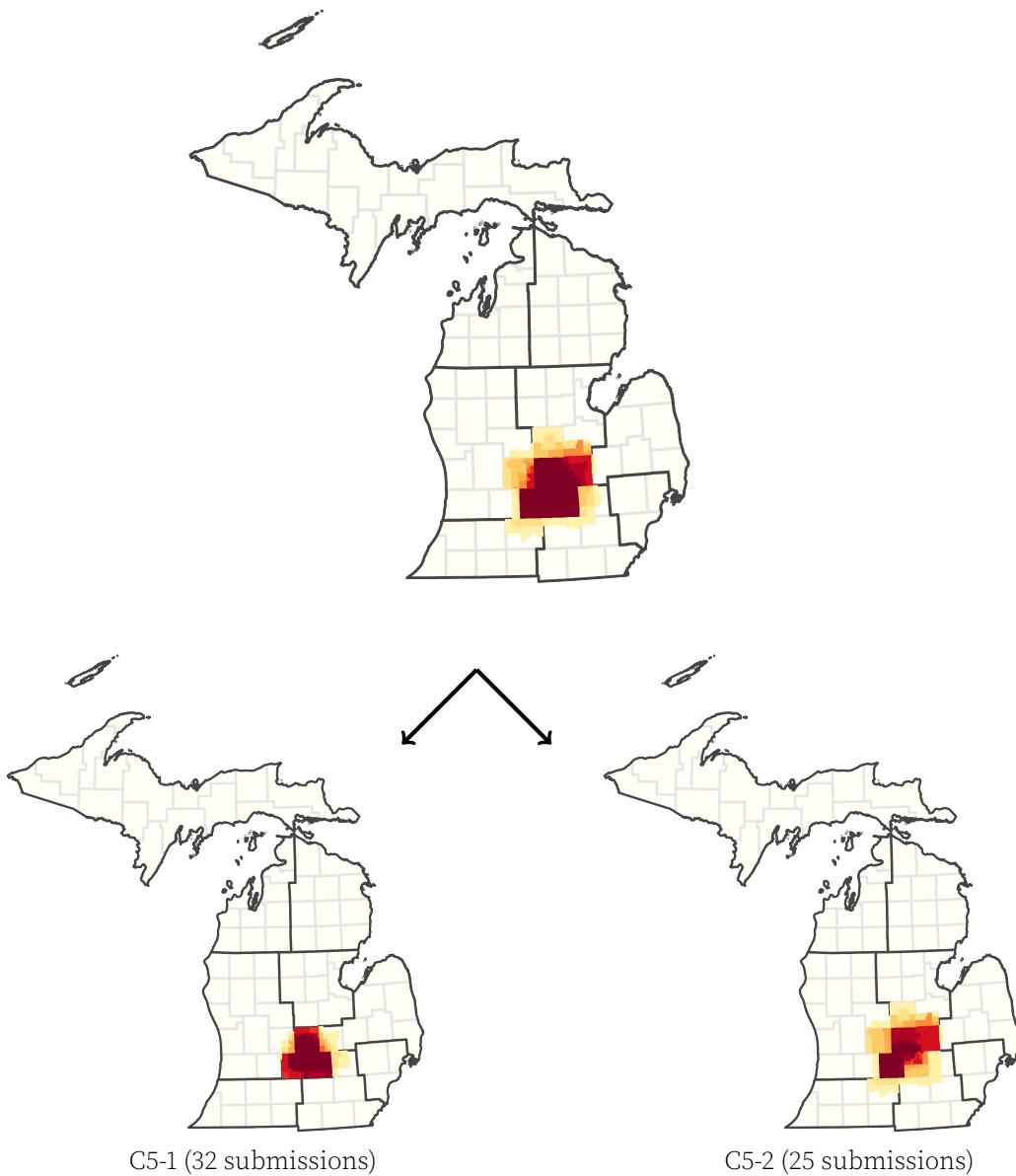


Cluster C4 – East Detroit / Grosse Pointe. (42 submissions) Diverse area with significant Arab-American and Bangladeshi (Bangla-speaking) population. Important employers include the auto industry, with the Chrysler Plant cited. Concerns about industrial waste, cost of living, and gentrification. Grosse Pointe described as upscale, white-collar community with shared public services. Disagreement about whether East Detroit and Grosse Pointe belong in one district.



Cluster C5 — Greater Lansing Area*. (59 submissions) Residents are concerned with keeping the Lansing area and "Tri-Counties" together. Shared metro area services.

This cluster splits thematically into C5-1, whose top-cited themes concern economic conditions and racial/ethnic diversity, and C5-2, whose themes are more rural, suburban, and school-based.



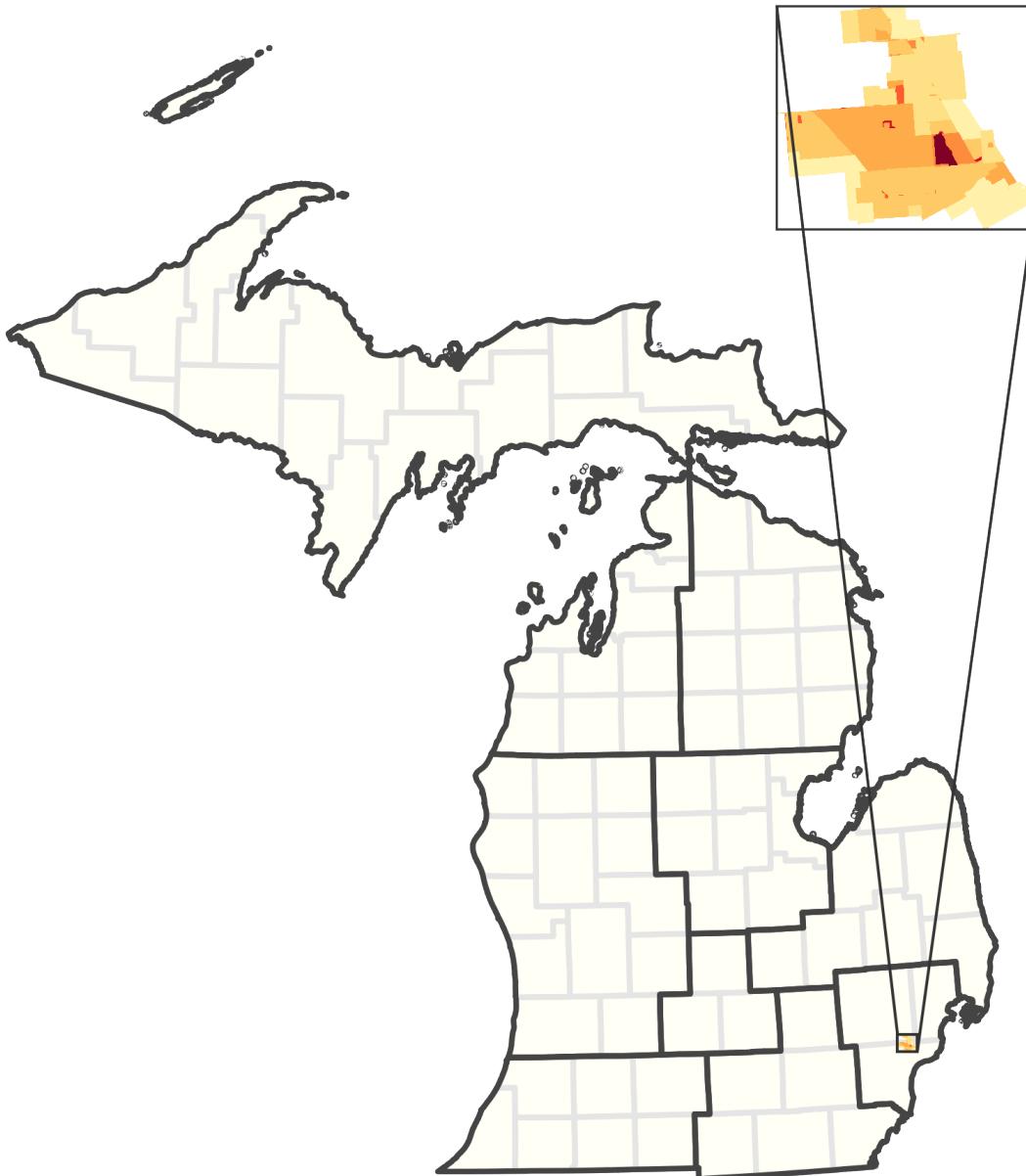
Cluster C6 — Lake St. Clair. (29 submissions) Dependence on the infrastructure, economy, recreation and lifestyle surrounding Lake St. Clair. Environmental conservation of the lake is important. Lakeshore communities shade into Grosse Pointe.



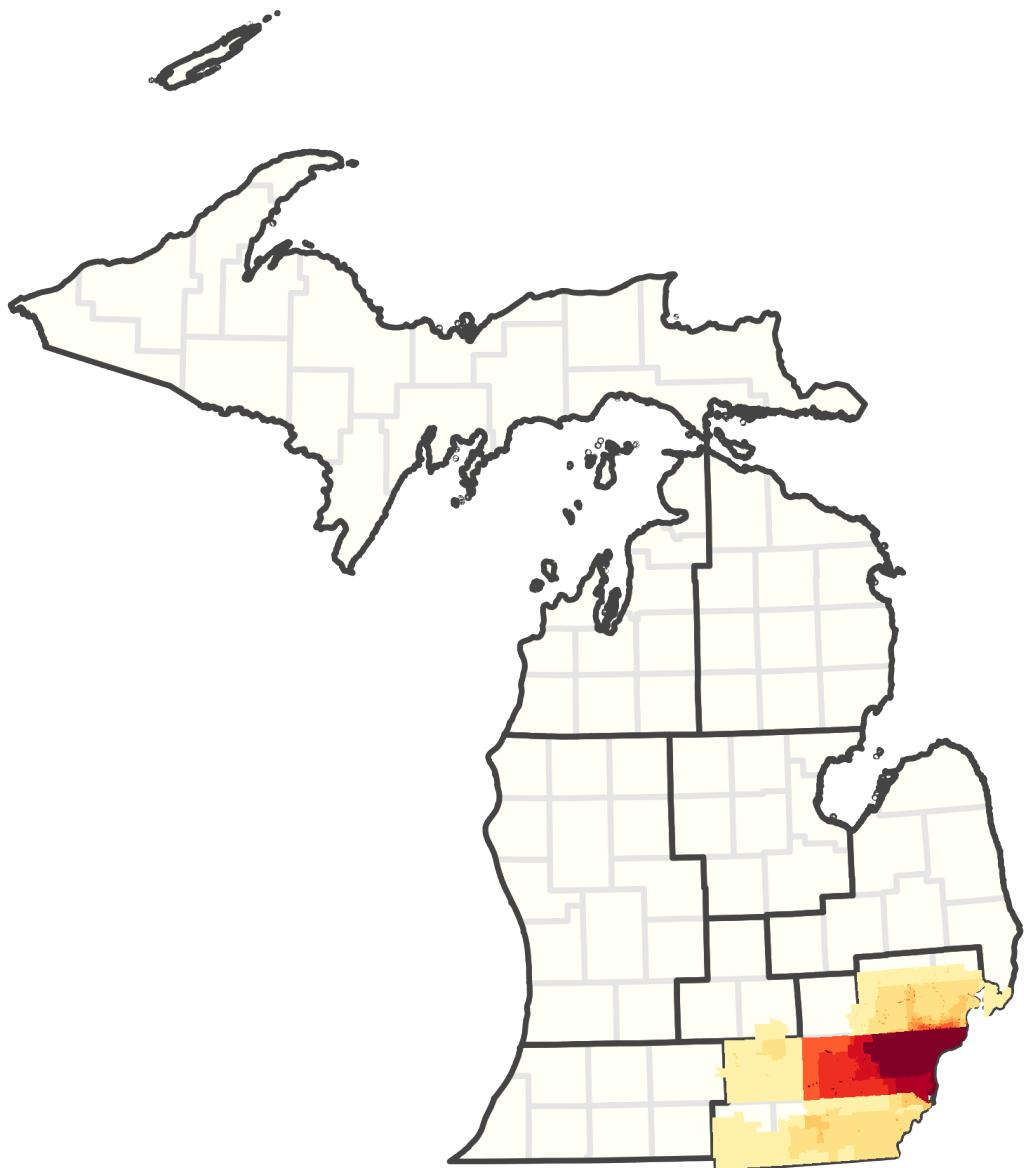
Cluster C7 — Northwest Suburbs. (7 submissions) Mix of middle and working class suburbs. Many cite important Black and Jewish population. Sizeable Caribbean community, concerns about resources for navigating education system and criminal justice system. Freeways link area to Detroit.



Cluster C8 – Northwest Detroit and Palmer Park. (7 submissions) LGBTQ and African American residents. Lower income and middle class neighborhoods, with pockets of wealth.



Cluster C9 – Western Wayne County. (9 submissions) Commenters highlight a clear distinction between rural areas and urban/university areas.



Cluster C10 — Southwest Detroit. (21 submissions) Several submitters urge commission to keep Dearborn and Dearborn Heights together as one community. Diverse area with significant Hispanic and Arab-American population. Includes some Detroit waterfront communities.



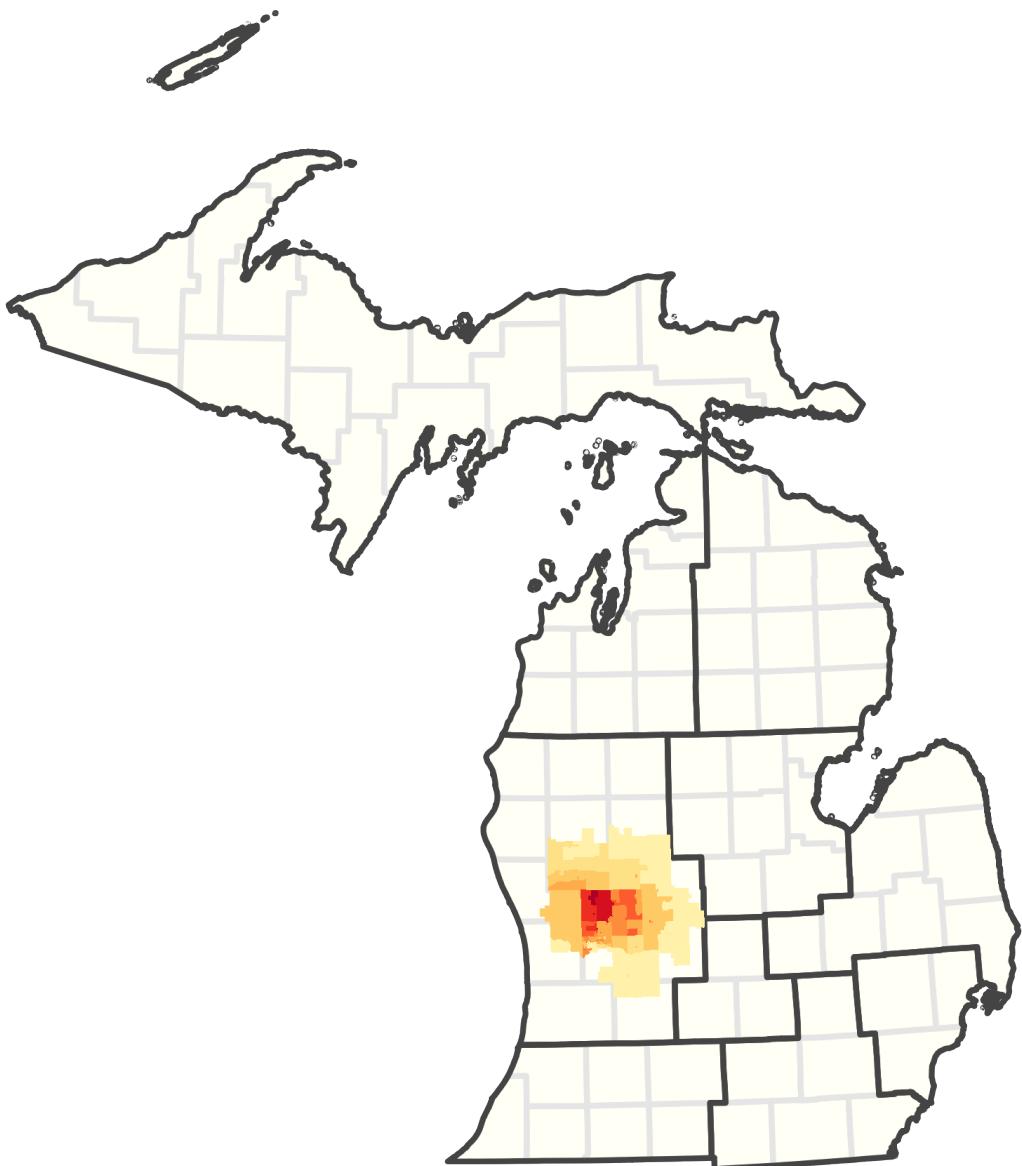
Cluster C11 — Benton Harbor area. (36 submissions) Benton Harbor itself is described as a small city with concentrated Black population. Shared health care and agricultural networks in the area. Environmental concerns regarding lakeshore conservation. Berrien, Cass and Van Buren share tourism-based economy with surrounding townships.



Cluster C12 — Kalamazoo and Battle Creek. (22 submissions) Universities and shared infrastructure, especially transit, make these areas economically interdependent. Area has many recreational opportunities. Focus on K-12 school districts and suburban atmosphere.

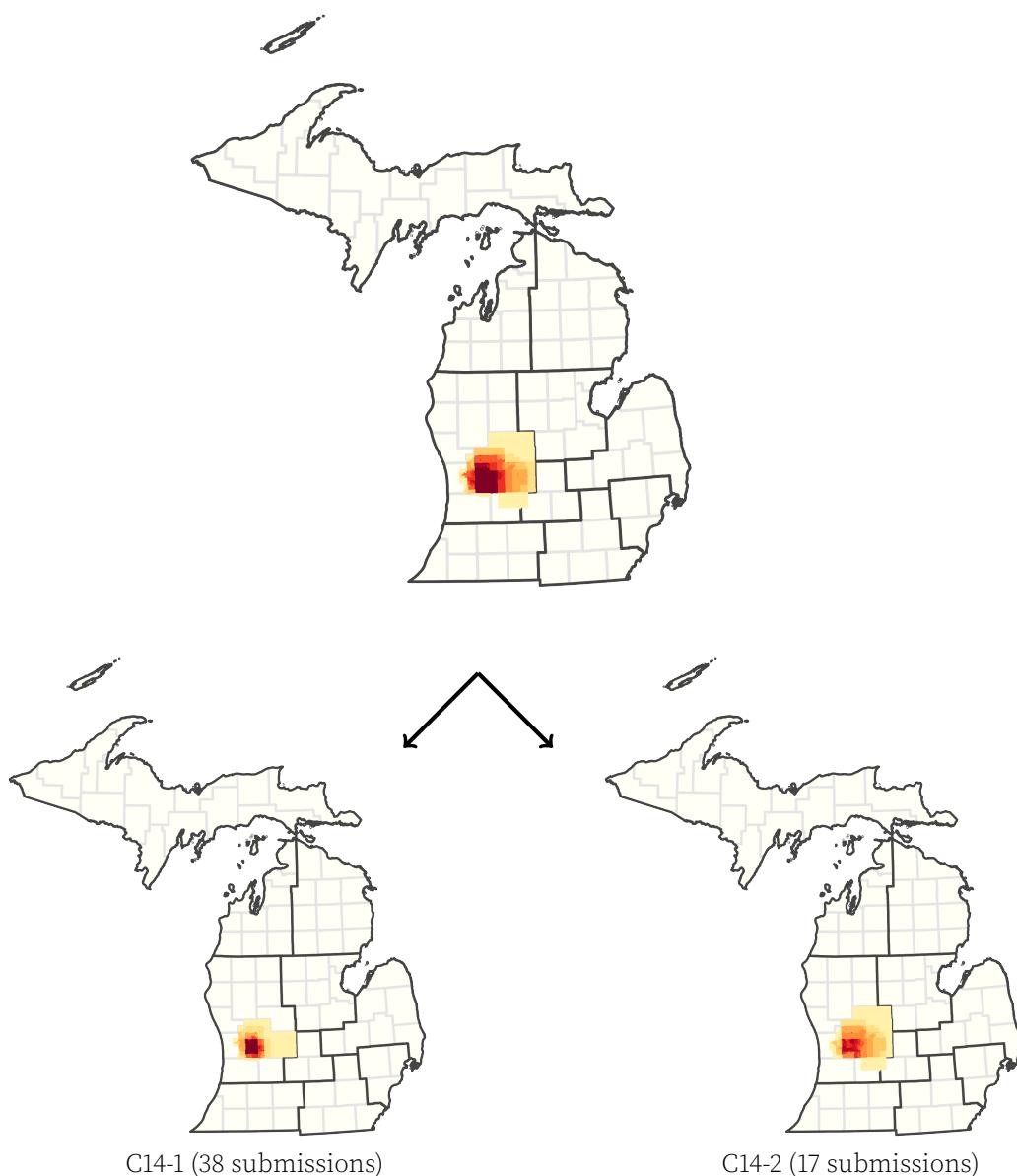


Cluster C13 — Northern Grand Rapids. (17 submissions) Rural and agricultural community extending north from Grand Rapids, with important fruit-growing industry. Creston neighborhood in Grand Rapids cited for local businesses and restaurants.

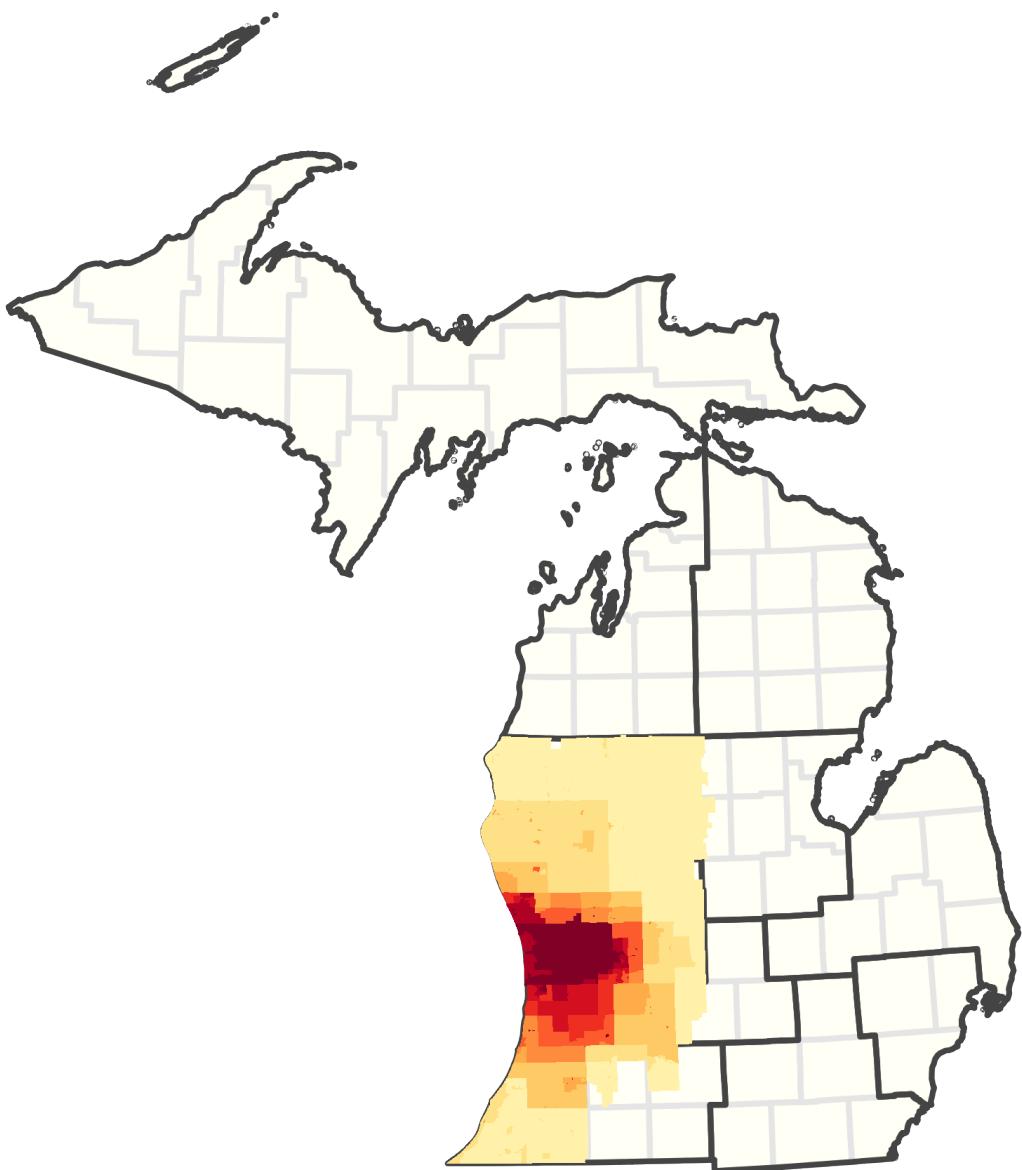


Cluster C14 — Grand Rapids Metro. (55 submissions) Within the greater Grand Rapids area, special importance was placed on school districts, shared public services, and infrastructure needs. Kentwood is frequently cited as cohesive and some submitters hope it can be kept whole.

This was thematically split into two subclusters, with C14-1 more focused on infrastructure and city schools, while C14-2 cited suburban themes with greater frequency. Geographically, these overlap substantially.

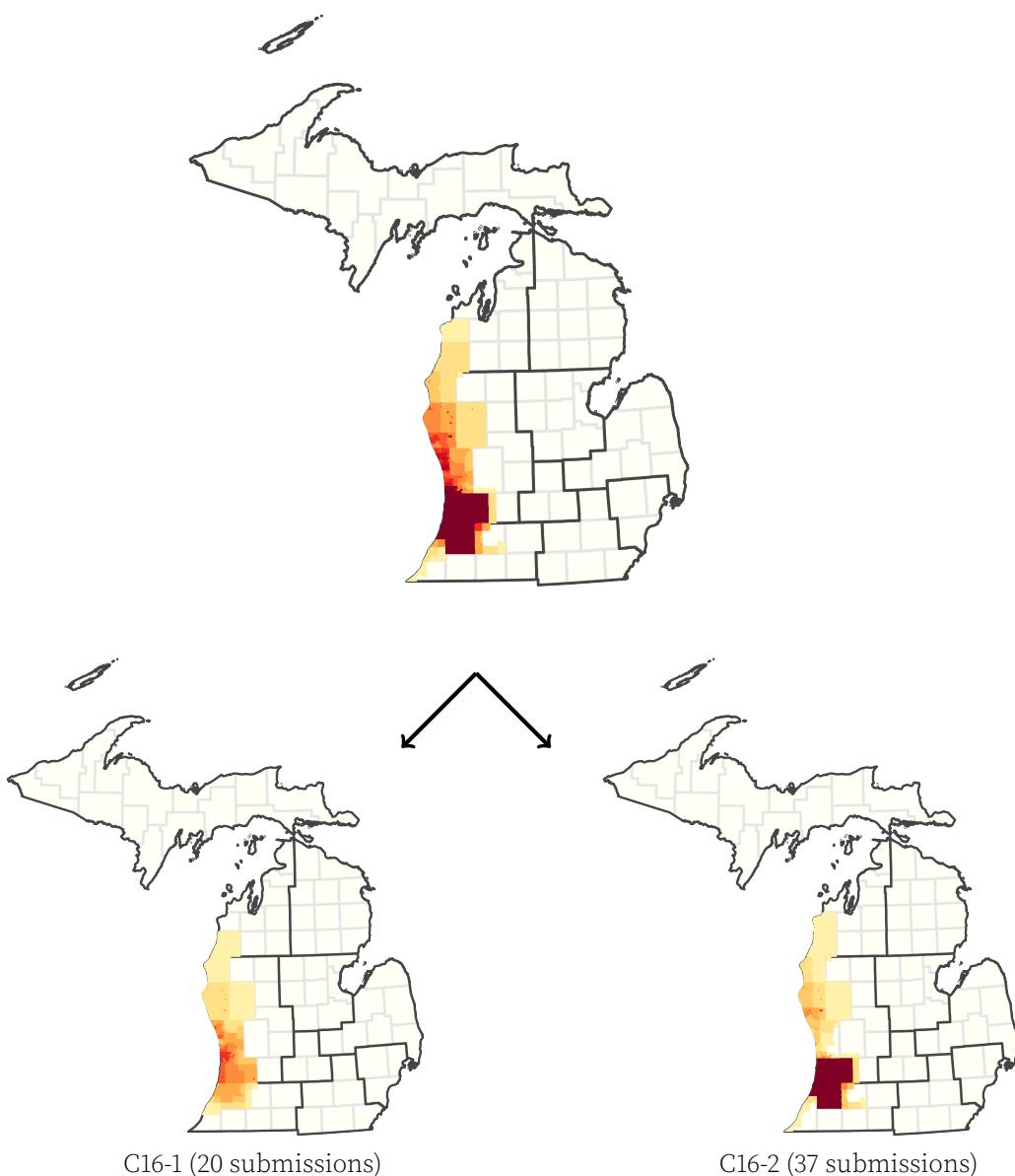


Cluster C15 — West Central. (16 submissions) Rural and suburban combination, relies on Grand Rapids for public services. Shared infrastructure. Rural, farming areas near Lake Michigan.

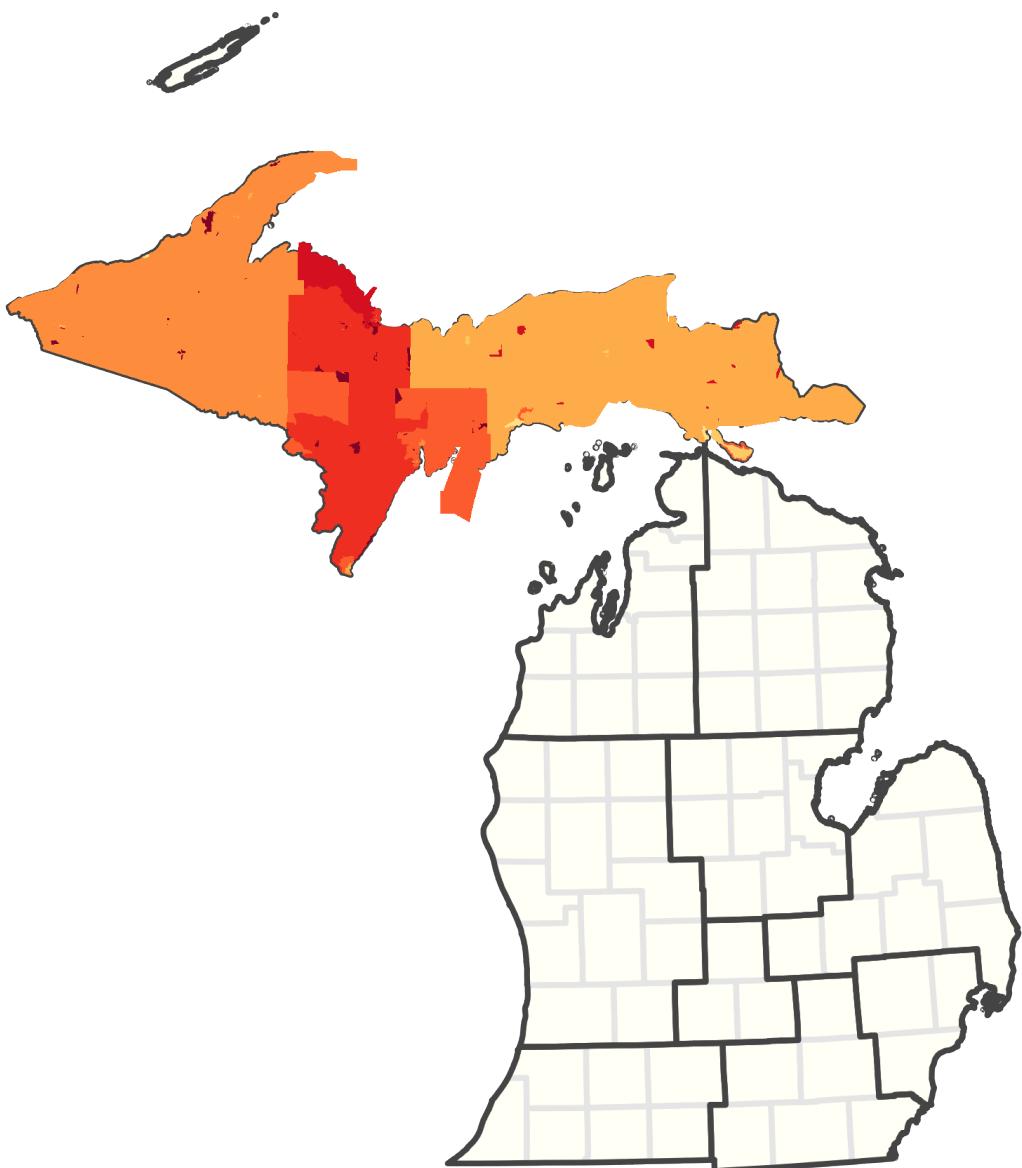


Cluster C16 — Van Buren and Allegan Counties. (57 submissions) Lakeshore community with agricultural and tourism industry, outdoor and recreational activities, environmental and watershed concerns. Shared cultural events. Shared rural identity reported between Allegan and Van Buren Counties.

Subcluster 16-1 describes the area in terms of waterways, tourism, and recreation; subcluster 16-2 is more thematically focused on rural/agricultural issues and local businesses.

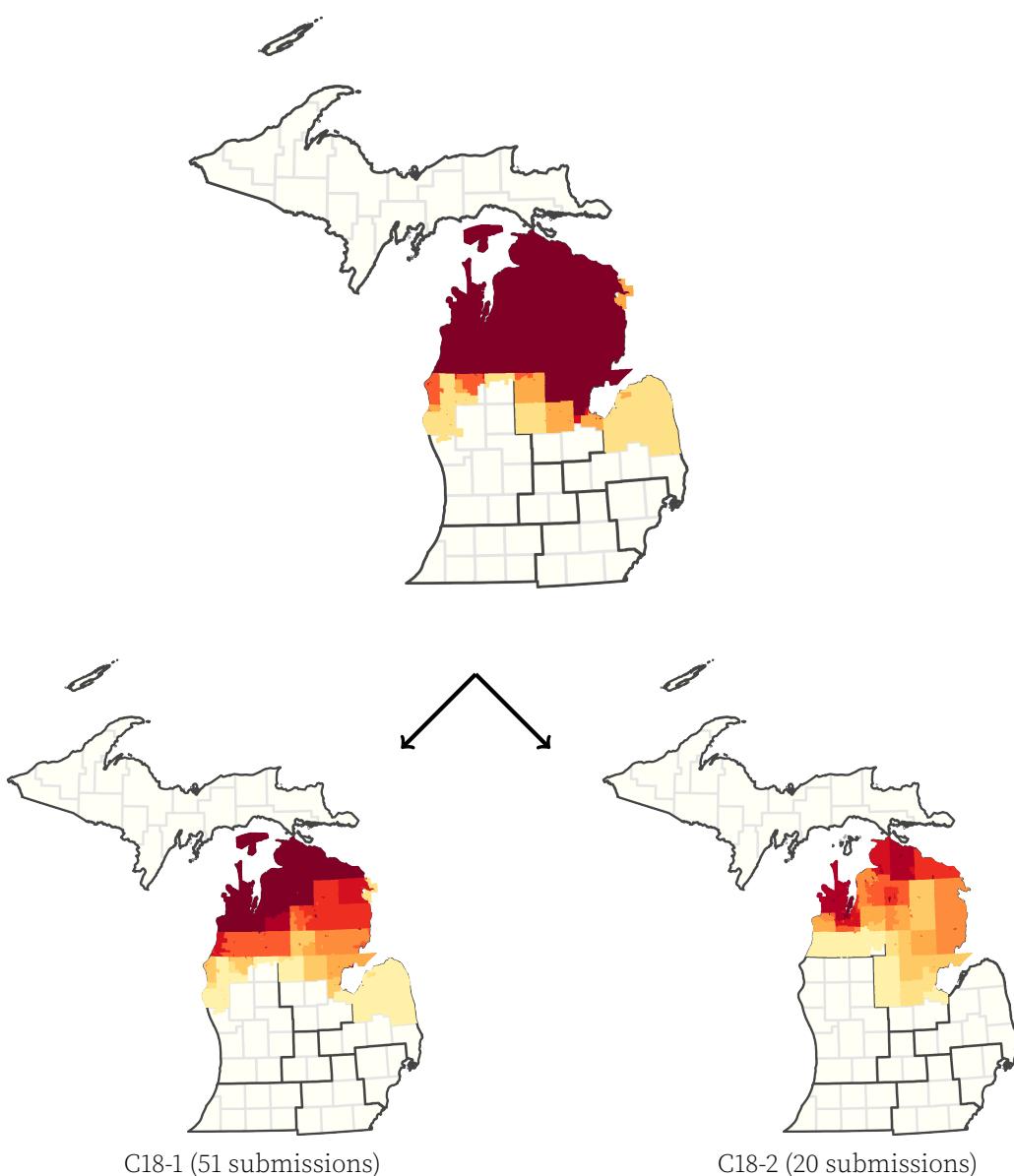


Cluster C17 – Upper Peninsula. (12 submissions) Submissions emphasized a strong Upper Peninsula regional identity. This region also identified three main zones: communities bordering Lake Superior, communities bordering Lake Michigan, and those that border the Wisconsin border. Main concerns in this area were about environmental threats and the prosperity of tribal communities. Regional economies depend on Marquette County and many public services are available closer to Marquette City.

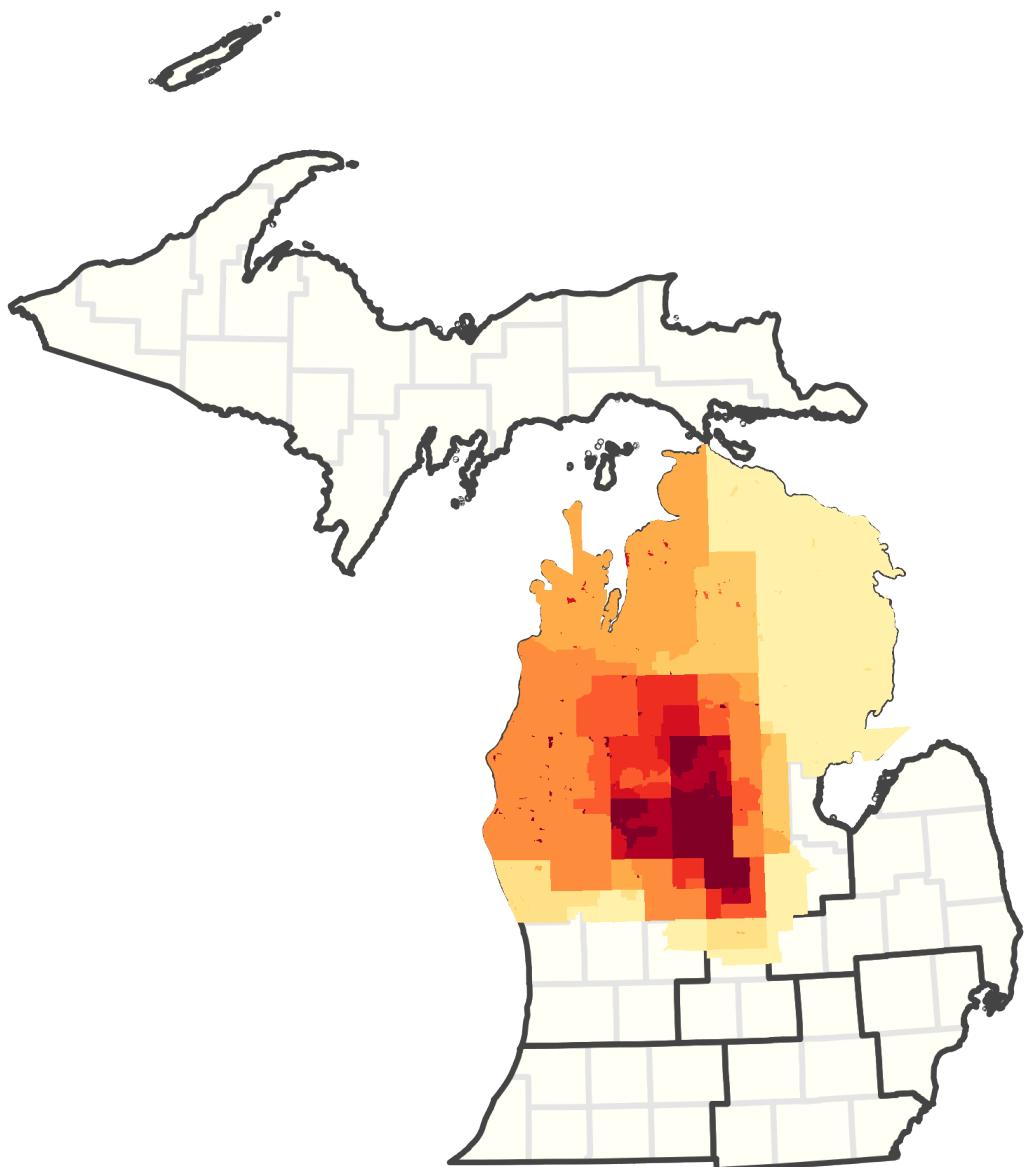


Cluster C18 – Upper Mitten. (71 submissions) Small towns and rural communities united by seasonal, tourism-based economy and agriculture. Commuters travel to nearby counties for goods, services, and hospitals. Concerns include a lack of essential services, access to broadband, and keeping the coastline and watersheds clean. Local universities, particularly Central Michigan University.

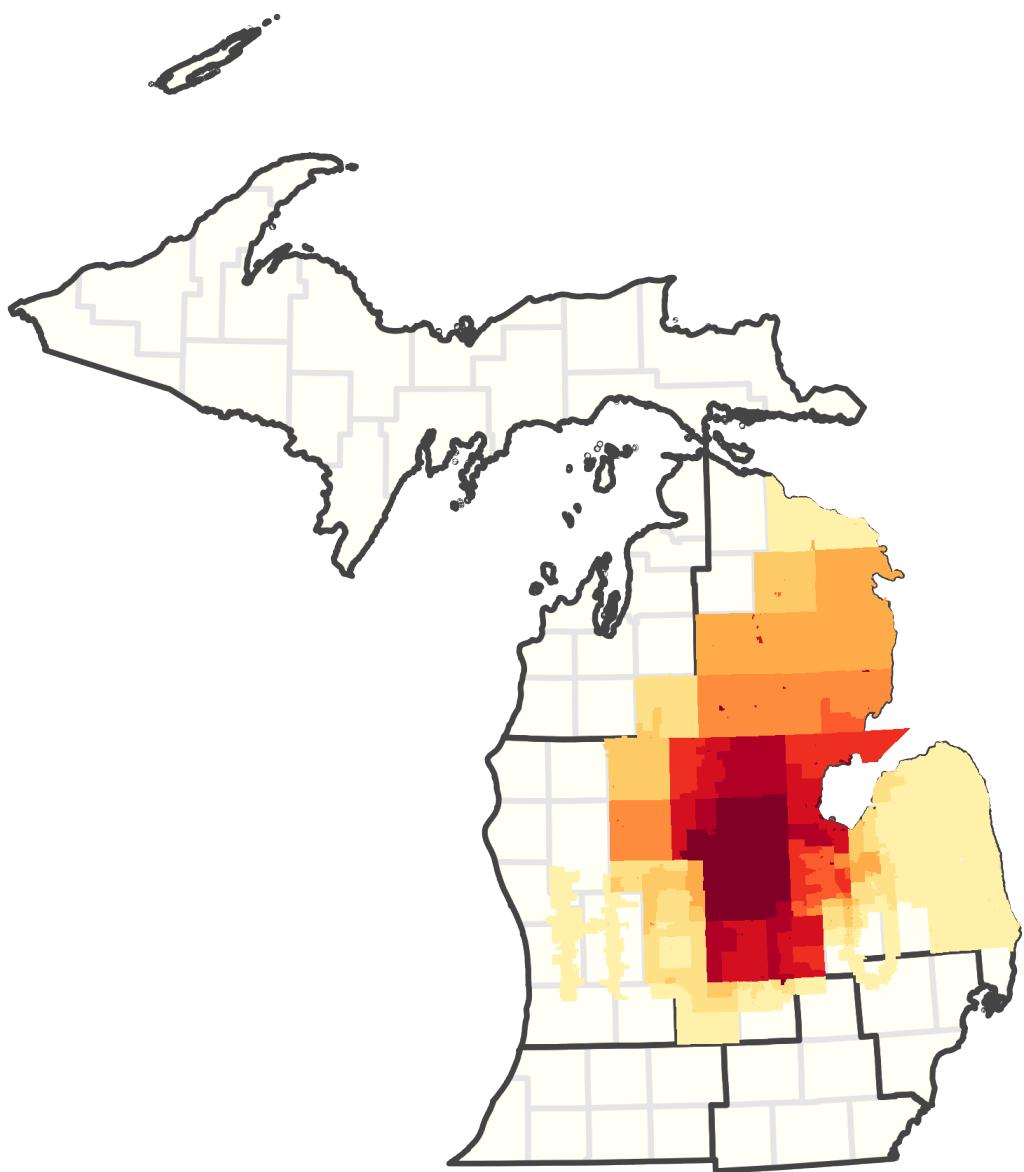
Subcluster 18-1 has major themes of outdoor and recreational spaces, environment, and agriculture, with many submitters describing shared services. Subcluster 18-2 has discussion of shared values and identity, including religion.



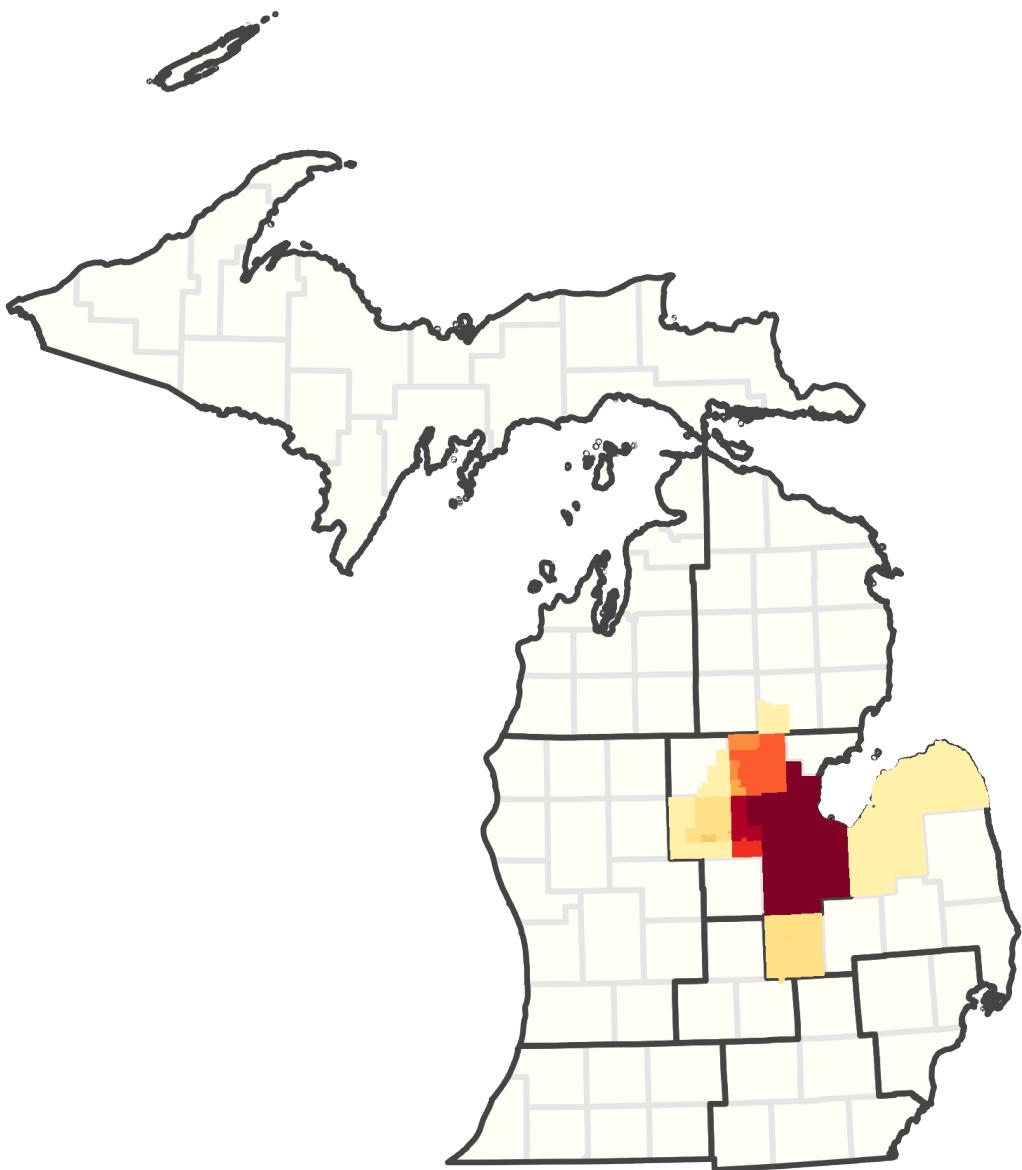
Cluster C19 – Central Zone. (22 submissions) Commitment to education and health care service availability for the region. Water conservation and environmental preservation was a key concern. Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations, while contributing jobs and economic activity to the region, pose several environmental concerns to residents. This cluster centered around environmental concerns, especially those affecting river conservation. Submissions were made up of small towns and rural communities.



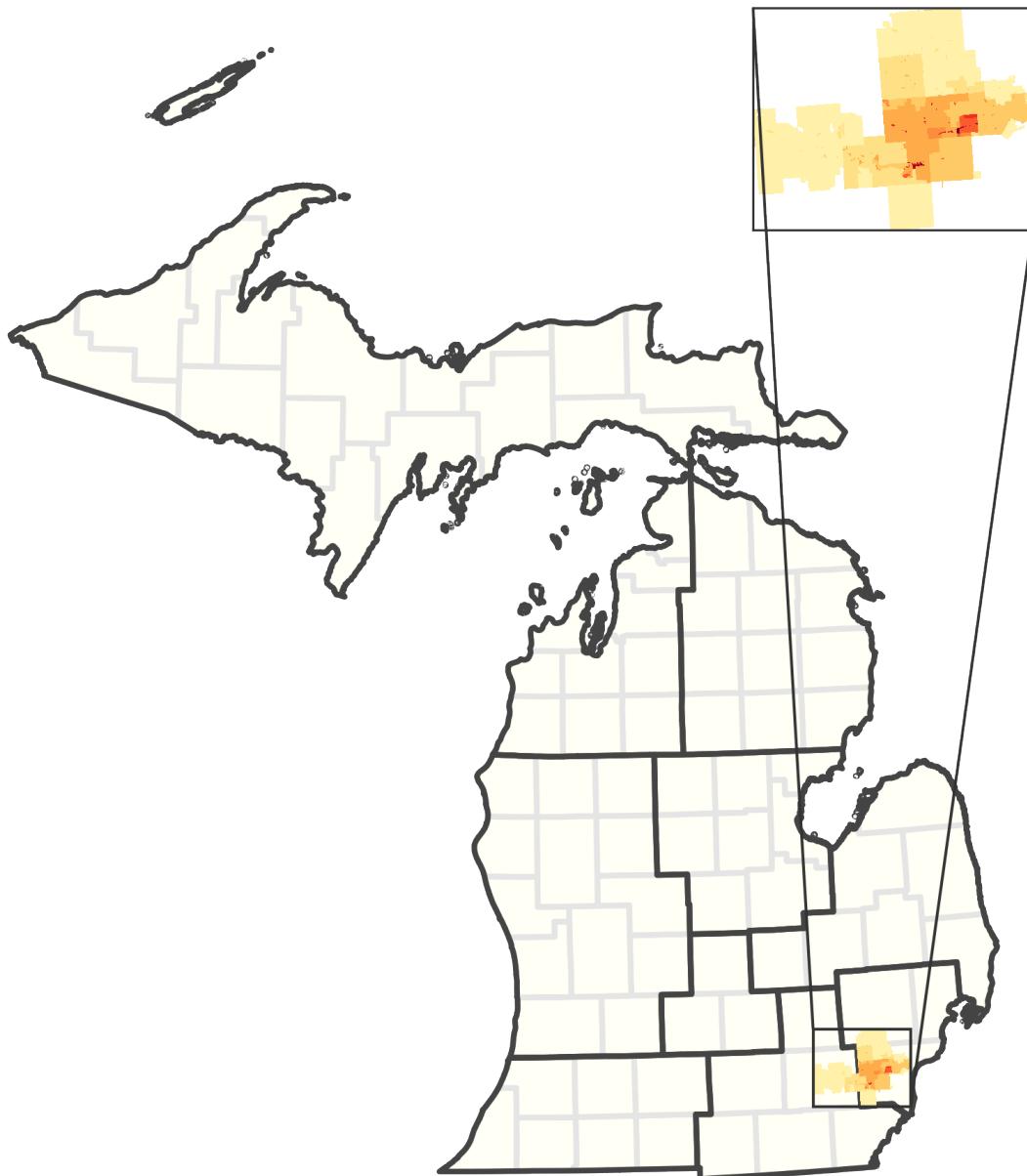
Cluster C20 – Mt. Pleasant. (12 submissions) Combination of rural, small towns, and medium-sized cities. They share resources with the Grand Traverse Bay Area, and report several farming communities.



Cluster C21 – Tri-Cities. (35 submissions) Regional economy mixing urban, suburban and rural areas in the Tri-cities of Saginaw, Bay City, and Midland. Residents have pollution and flooding concerns, particularly in the Tittabawasee and Saginaw Rivers. Several submitters cite Delta College and SVSU as regionally important.



Cluster C22 — Wayne County Suburbs. (13 submissions) Diverse area with significant Black, Hispanic, and Arab-American communities. Residents mention pollution, K-12 schools, and community centers.



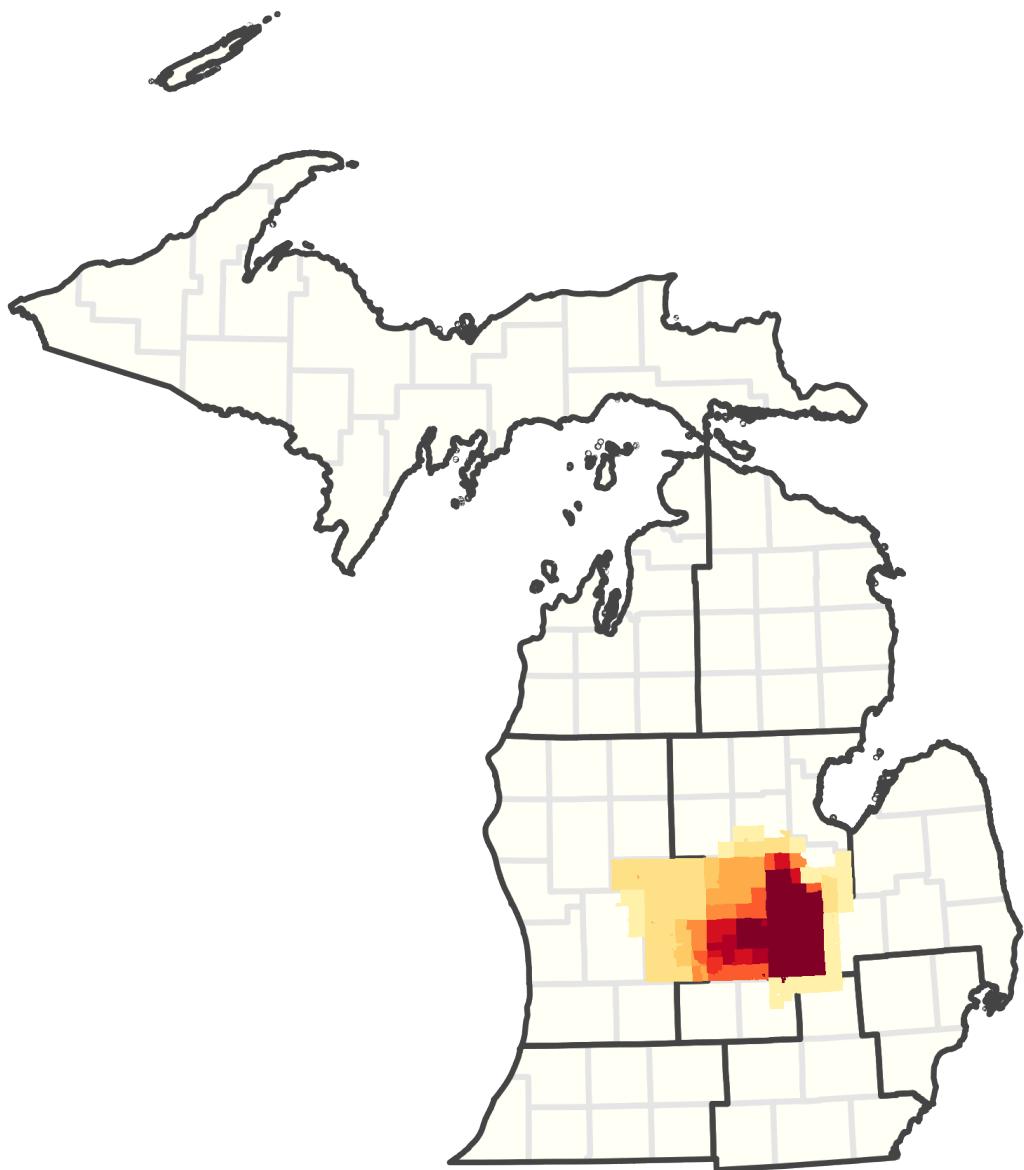
Cluster C23 – Monroe Area. (21 submissions) This area is described as a "bedroom community." Some commenters mention environmental concerns and needs for infrastructure maintenance. Some suggested that Monroe County (more agricultural but with community connections to the other two counties), Wayne County, and Lenawee County should be kept together.



Cluster C24 — Downriver. (23 submissions) Includes cities and townships South of Detroit. Working-class character and access to and organization around the Detroit river. This is a diverse community with a large Arab-American population. Farms/agricultural areas and a mix of manufacturing plants are cited. Residents mention environmental and pollution concerns.



Cluster C25 – Shiawassee Area. (27 submissions) Includes rural farming communities, with several submissions drawing distinctions from the values of nearby Lansing. Shared traditions and festivals. School districts share resources.

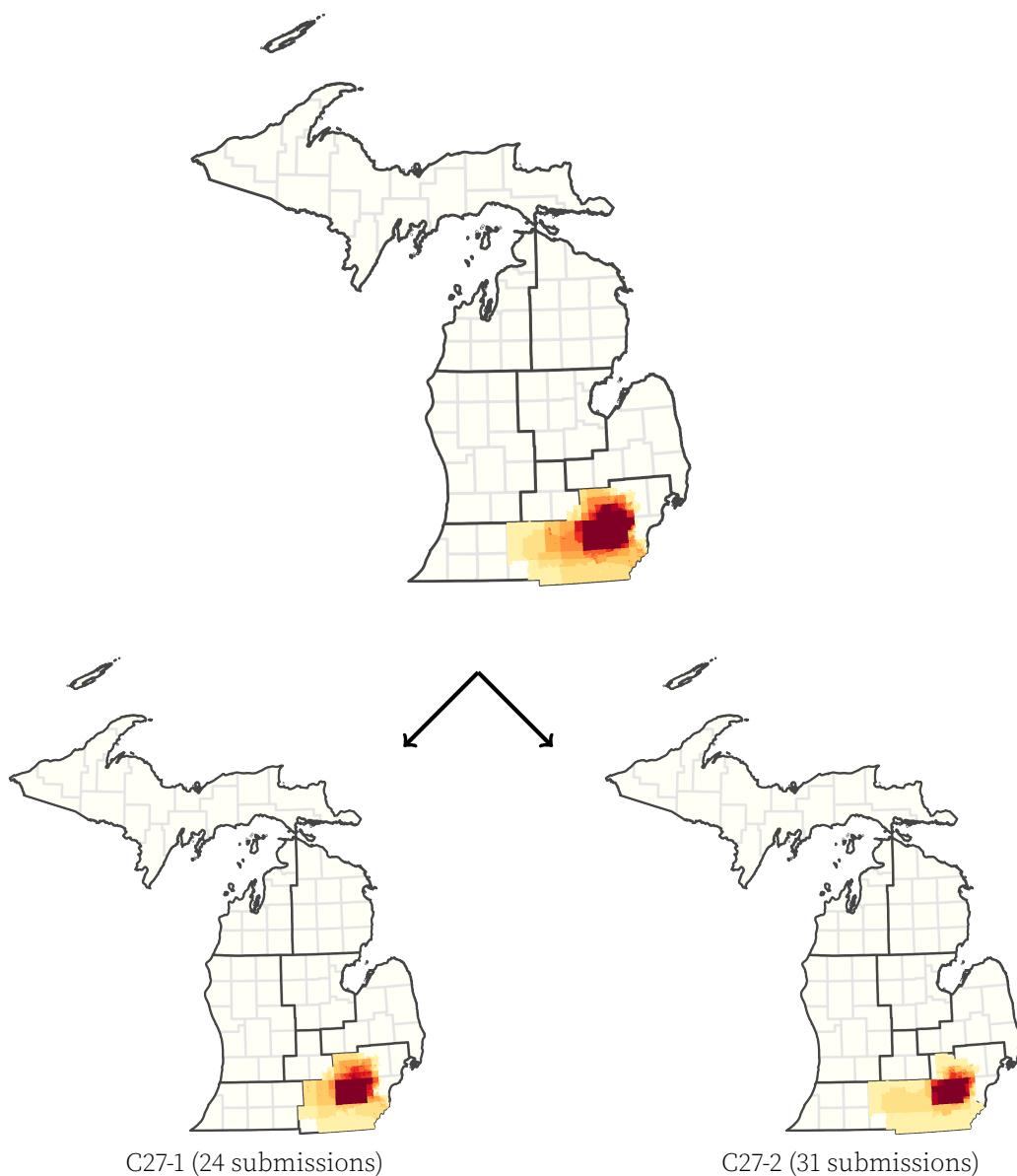


Cluster C26 — Livingston Area. (48 submissions) Recreational activities on Dunham Lake. Wildlife conservation and agriculture are important. Shared "traditional rural values," community services, and family focus are cited. Maintaining Livingston County whole was a concern for many submitters.



Cluster C27 – Greater Ann Arbor. (55 submissions) Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti anchor the area, together with surrounding suburbs. Many commuters rely on Ann Arbor for employment and amenities. Shared recreational spaces and environmental concerns regarding water quality in Huron River Valley.

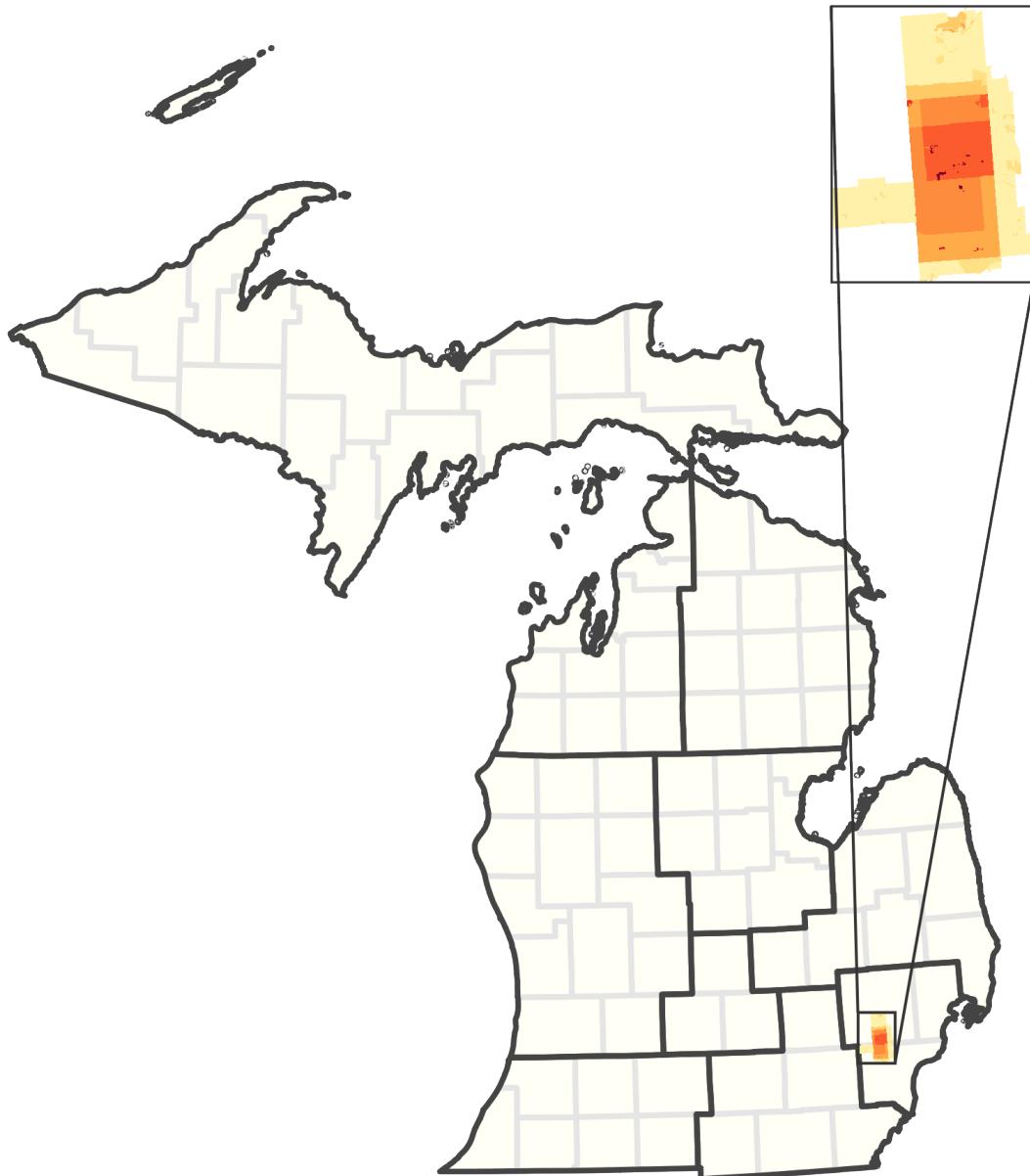
Subcluster 27-1 has an emphasis on K-12 schools, local business, and universities (UM and EMU). Subcluster 27-2 draws out comments on suburban themes, family themes, and the environment. Though thematically separable, they have substantial geographic overlap.



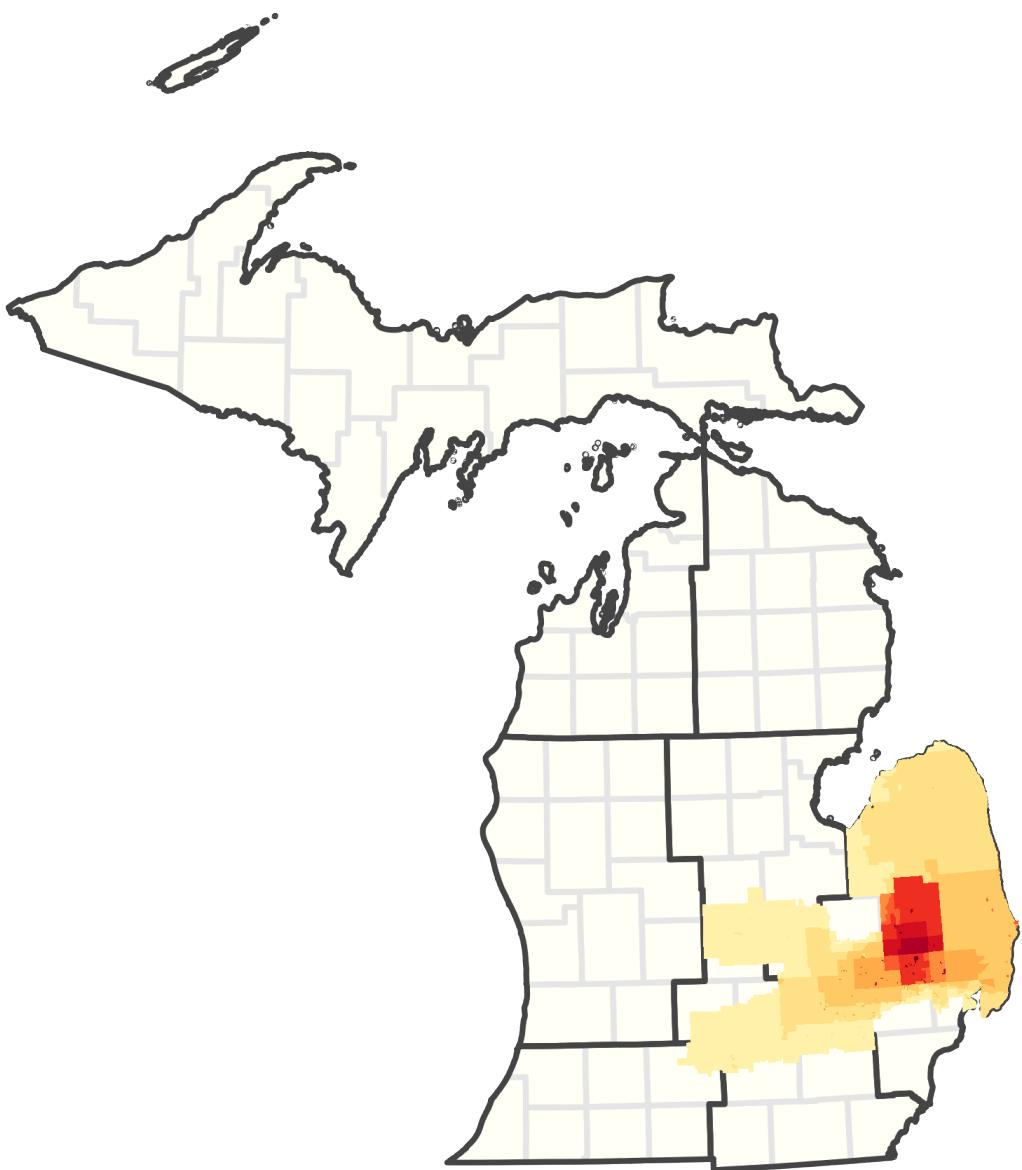
Cluster C28 — West Bloomfield. (9 submissions) Huron River Valley water quality important.
Shared public services.



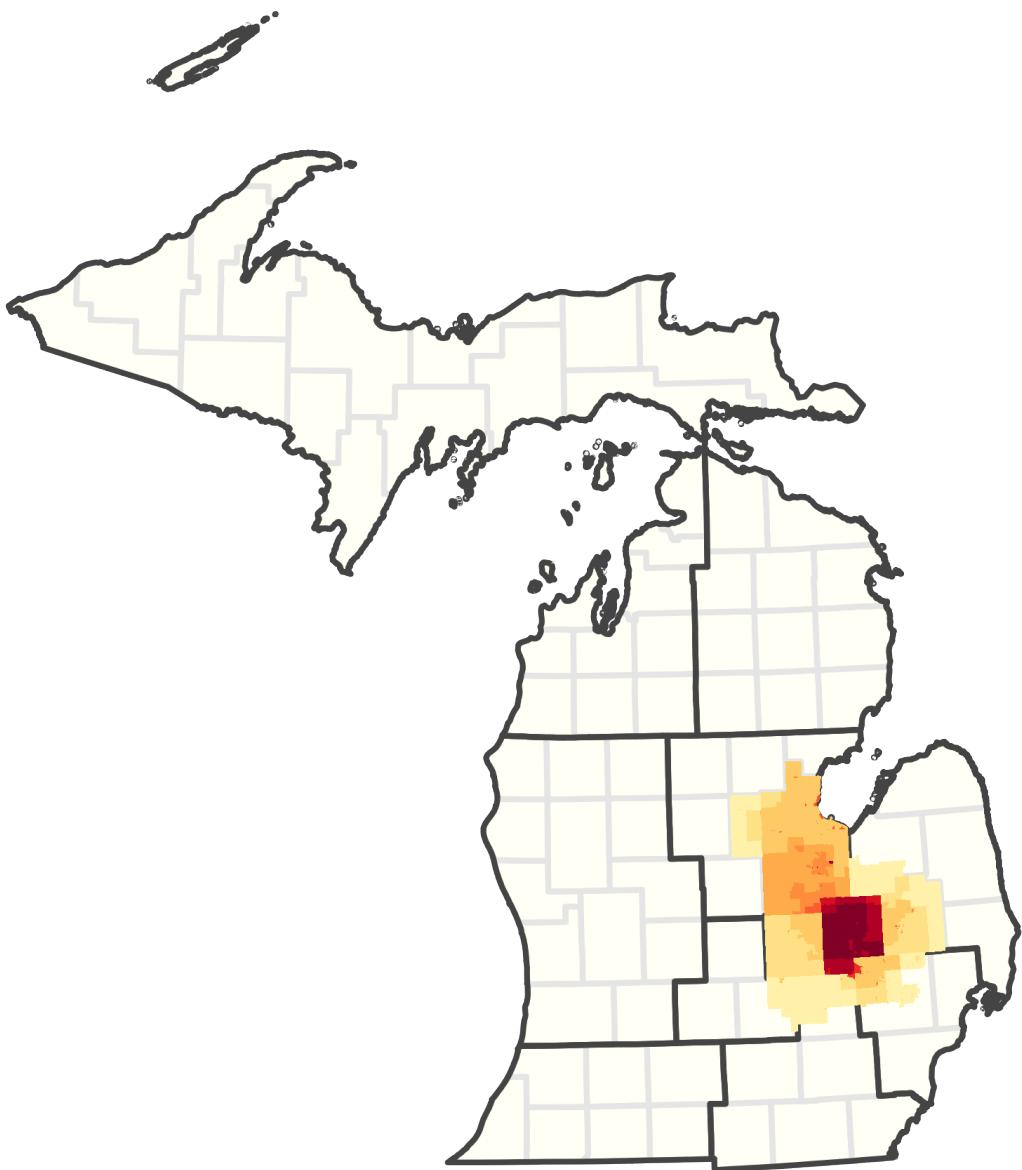
Cluster C29 – Farmington Area. (10 submissions) Northwest Detroit suburbs with shared community services, centers, libraries, school systems and resources.



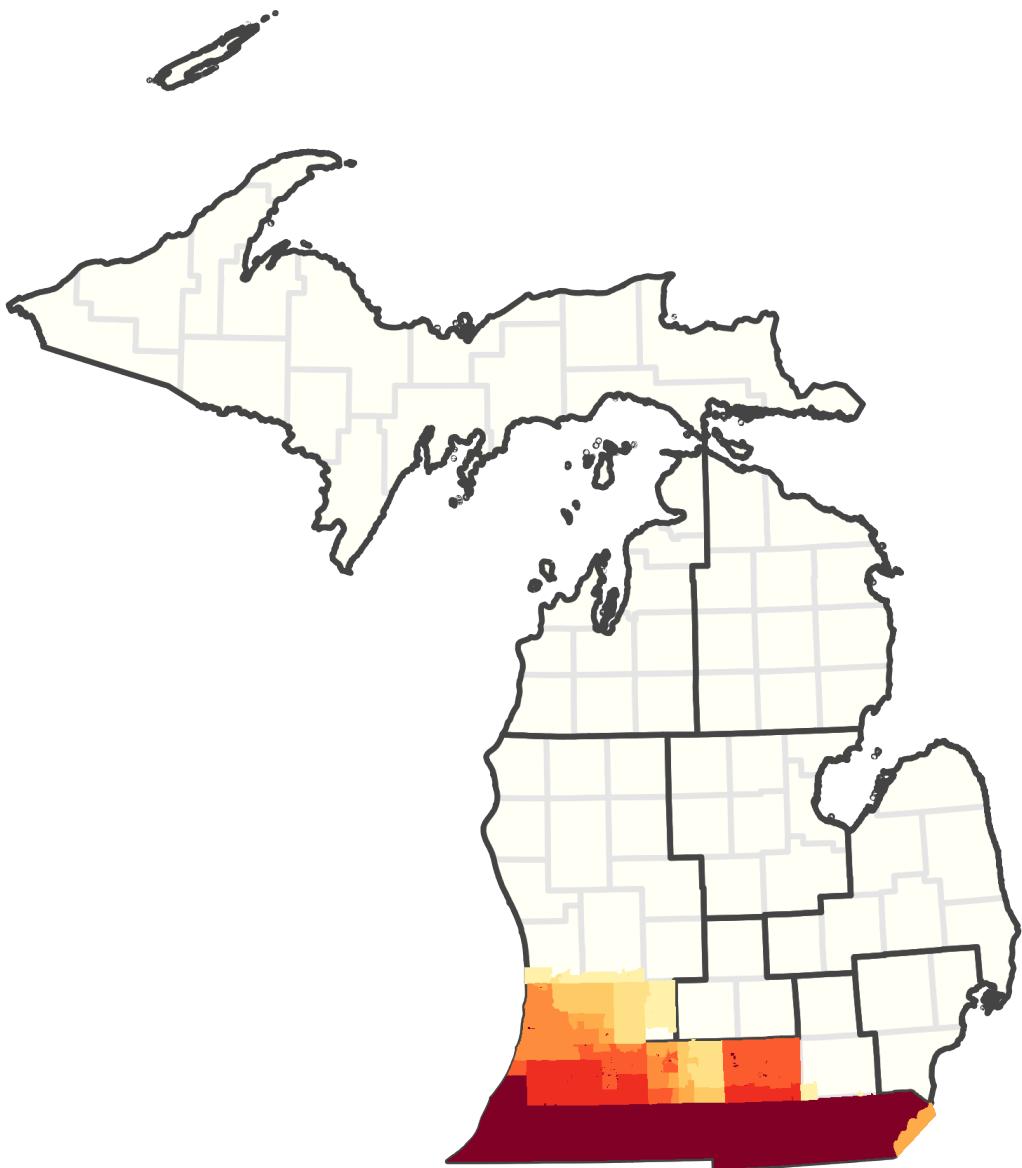
Cluster C30 – Lower Thumb. (14 submissions) Small towns and farming communities. Shared local economy and rural lifestyle. Heavily shaped by shared school districts.



Cluster C31 — Flint. (15 submissions) Concerns over flooding are cited, among other infrastructure needs. Diverse community with significant Black, Latinx, and Arab-American population. The Tri-cities (Saginaw, Bay City, and Midland) and Flint are mentioned as key urban areas. Historically associated with auto industry. Regional colleges are mentioned.

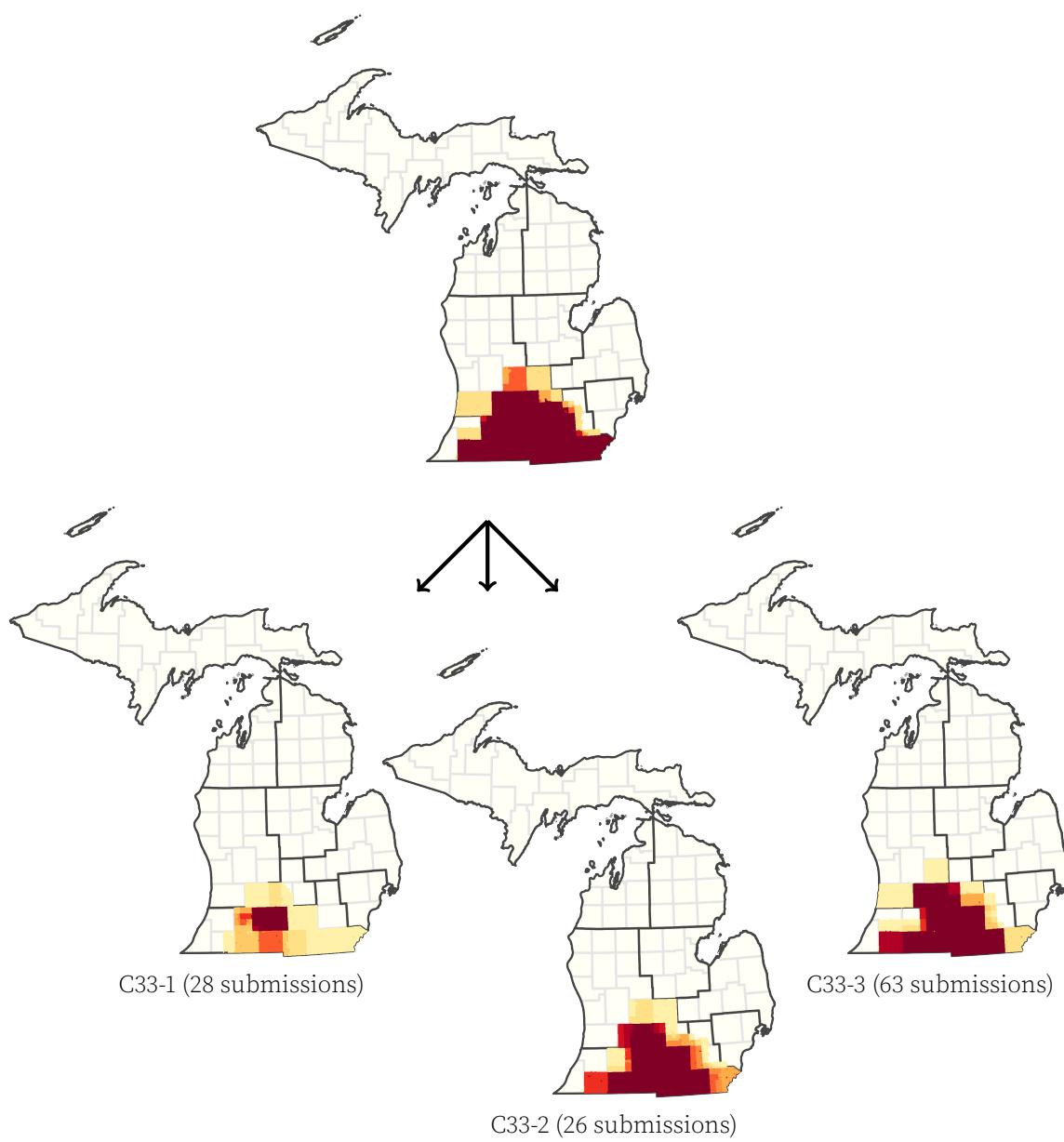


Cluster C32 — Southern Border Counties. (36 submissions) Rural identity. Shared concerns about interstate commerce across with Ohio and Indiana. Agricultural industries, shared health care services, and recreation opportunities. Edges into the Allegan/Van Buren County area, identified as rural lakeshore communities. (See Cluster C16.)



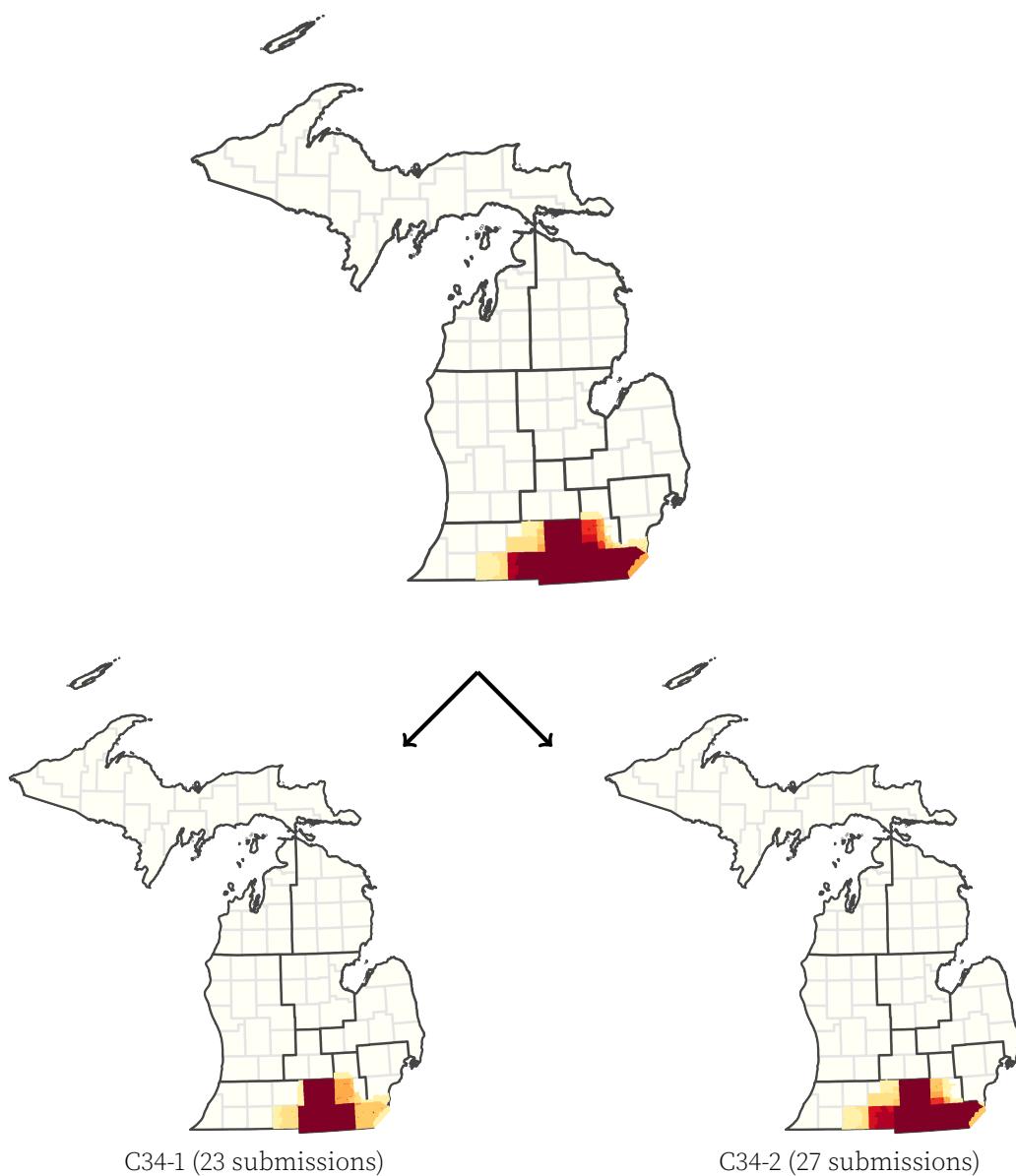
Cluster C33 – Rural Calhoun-Jackson Counties. (117 submissions) Kalamazoo-Battle Creek and Calhoun-Jackson Counties are described as having distinct identities. Calhoun-Jackson share rural and agricultural economy and identity. Military presence and the need for veteran resources highlighted. Several discuss the desire for a distinctive immigration policy for "guest workers."

The subclusters highlight the subthemes of military (33-1), small towns (33-2), and rural areas (33-3), but they are particularly hard to separate because of extensive similarities across submissions. *These submissions appear to be the focus of a coordinated campaign centered on the current 7th Congressional District. See for instance [this Tweet](#) pointing to a Detroit News story.*



Cluster C34 – Hillsdale Area. (50 submissions) Monroe, Lenawee, Jackson, and Hillsdale Counties are rural and agricultural. Public services, including Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA), and regional government agencies cited. School districts are important. Some submitters make use of resources in Ann Arbor, but consider the community to be distinct.

Subcluster 34-1 emphasizes public services and recreation/tourism, while 34-2 highlights the rural/agricultural economy.



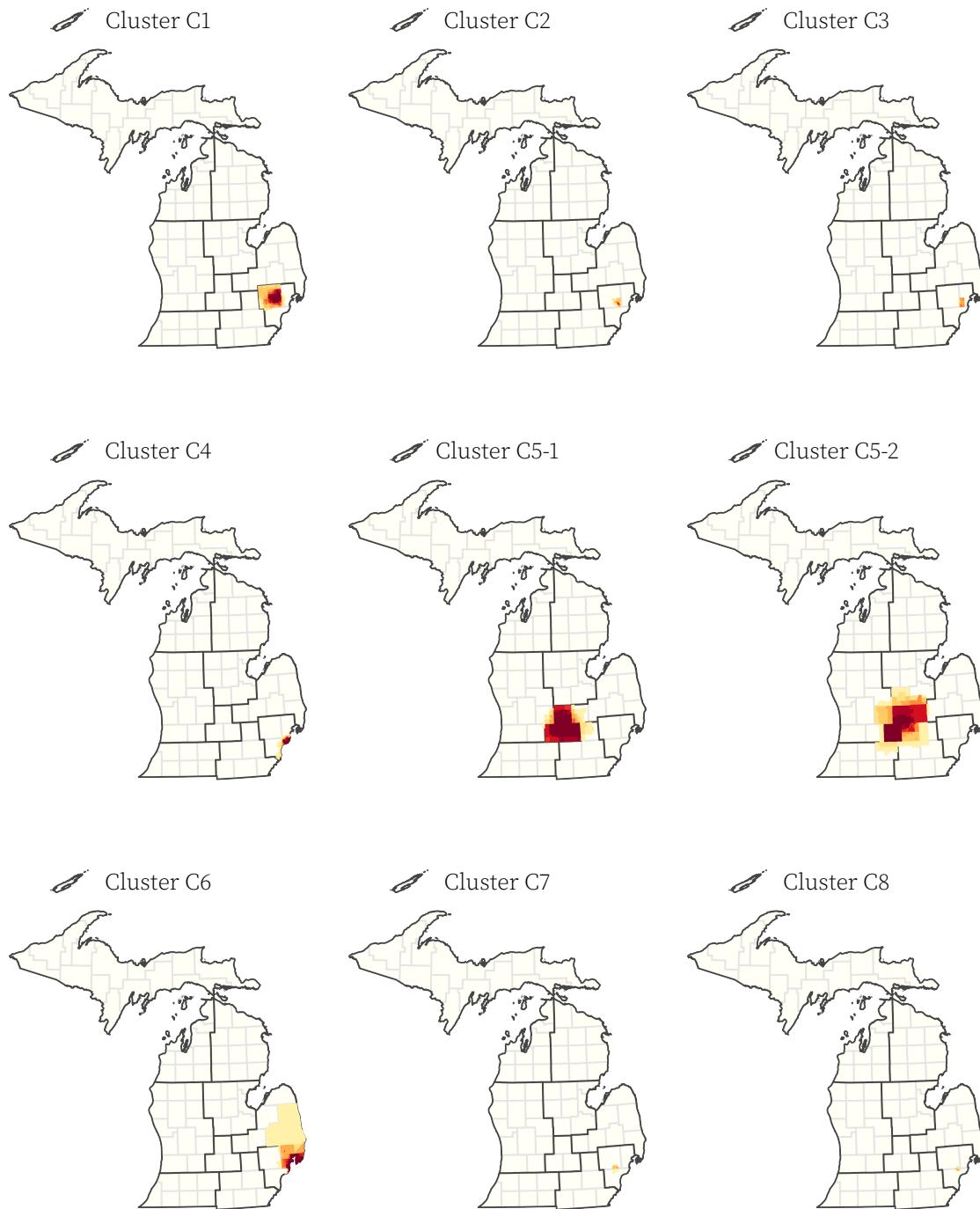


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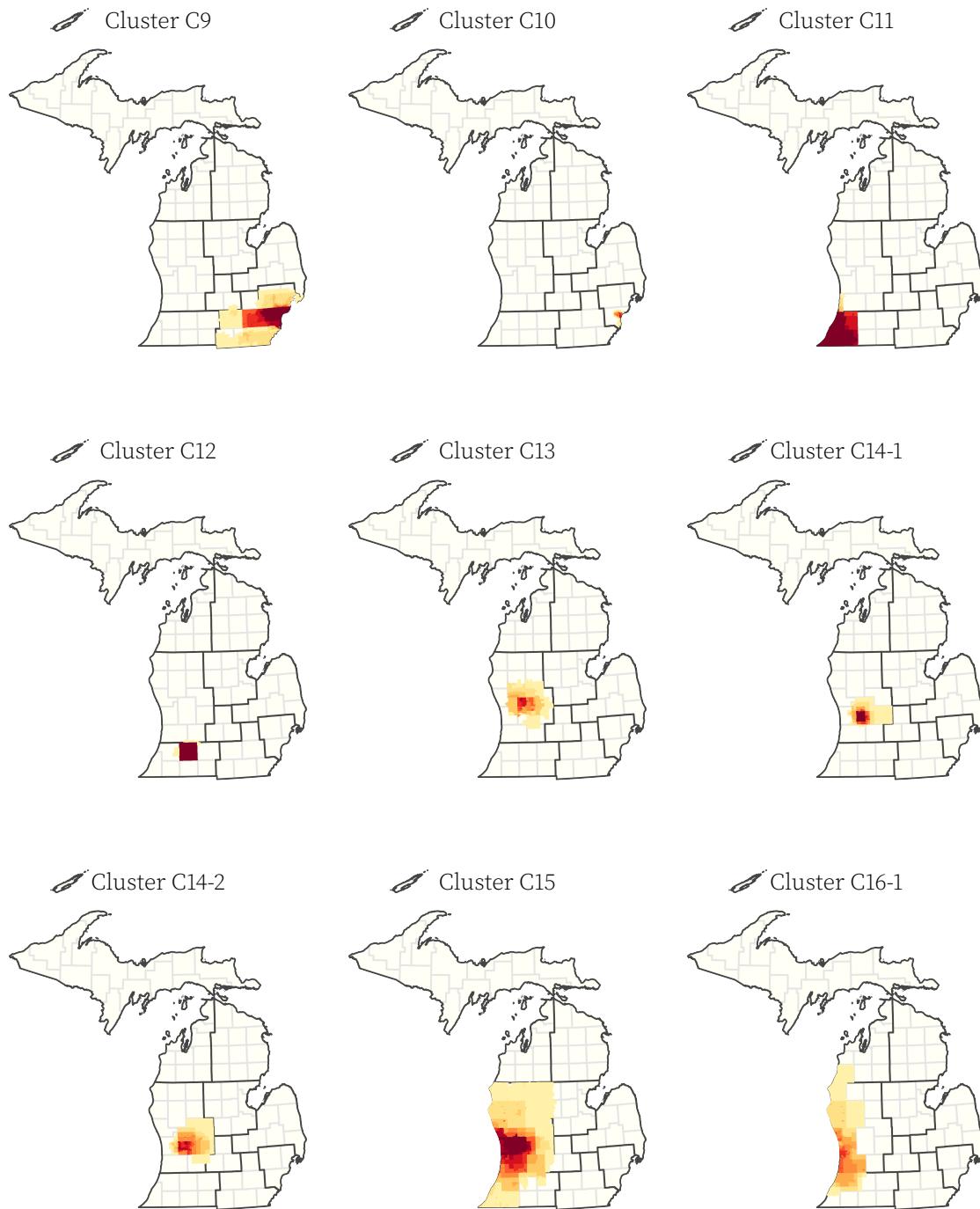


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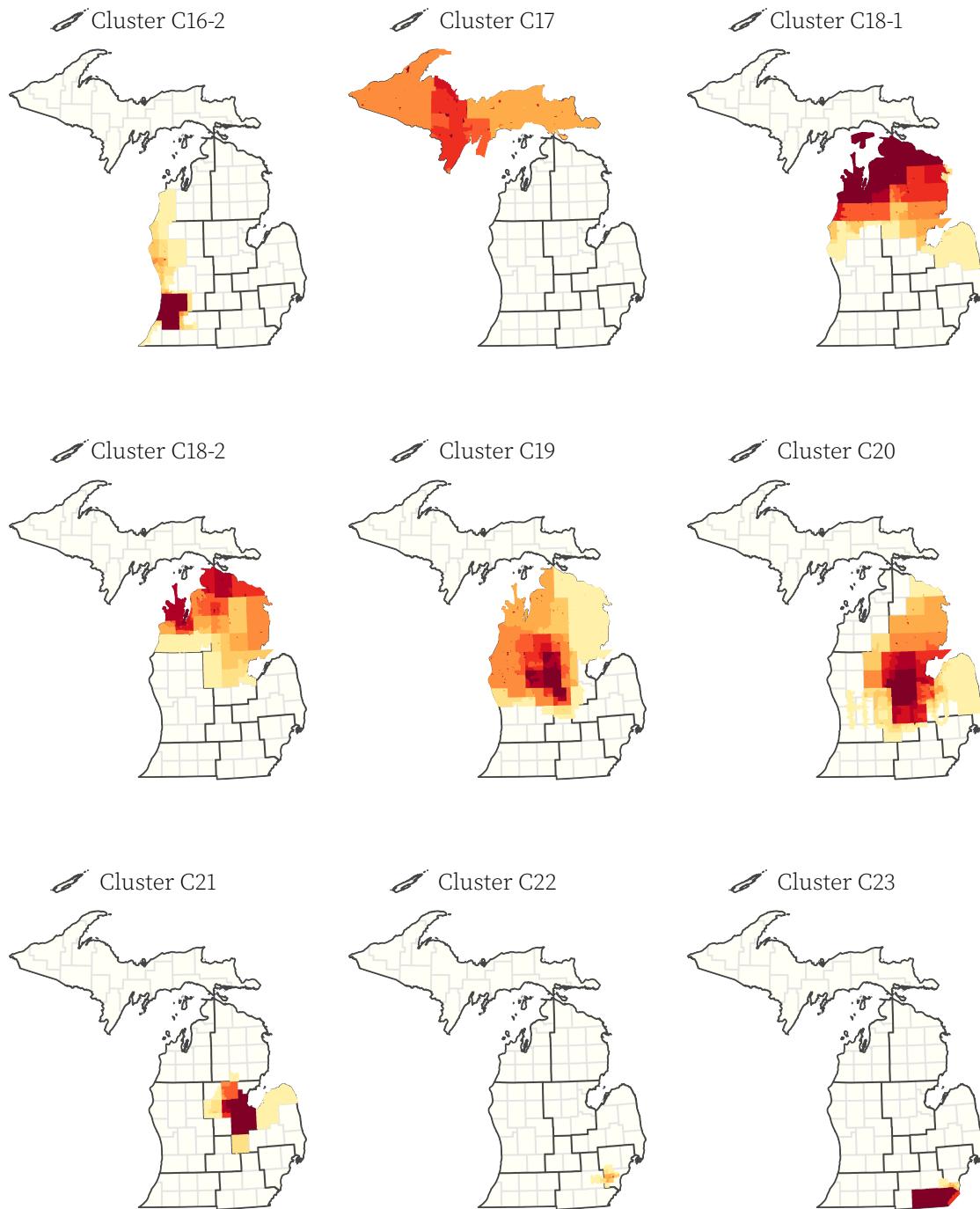


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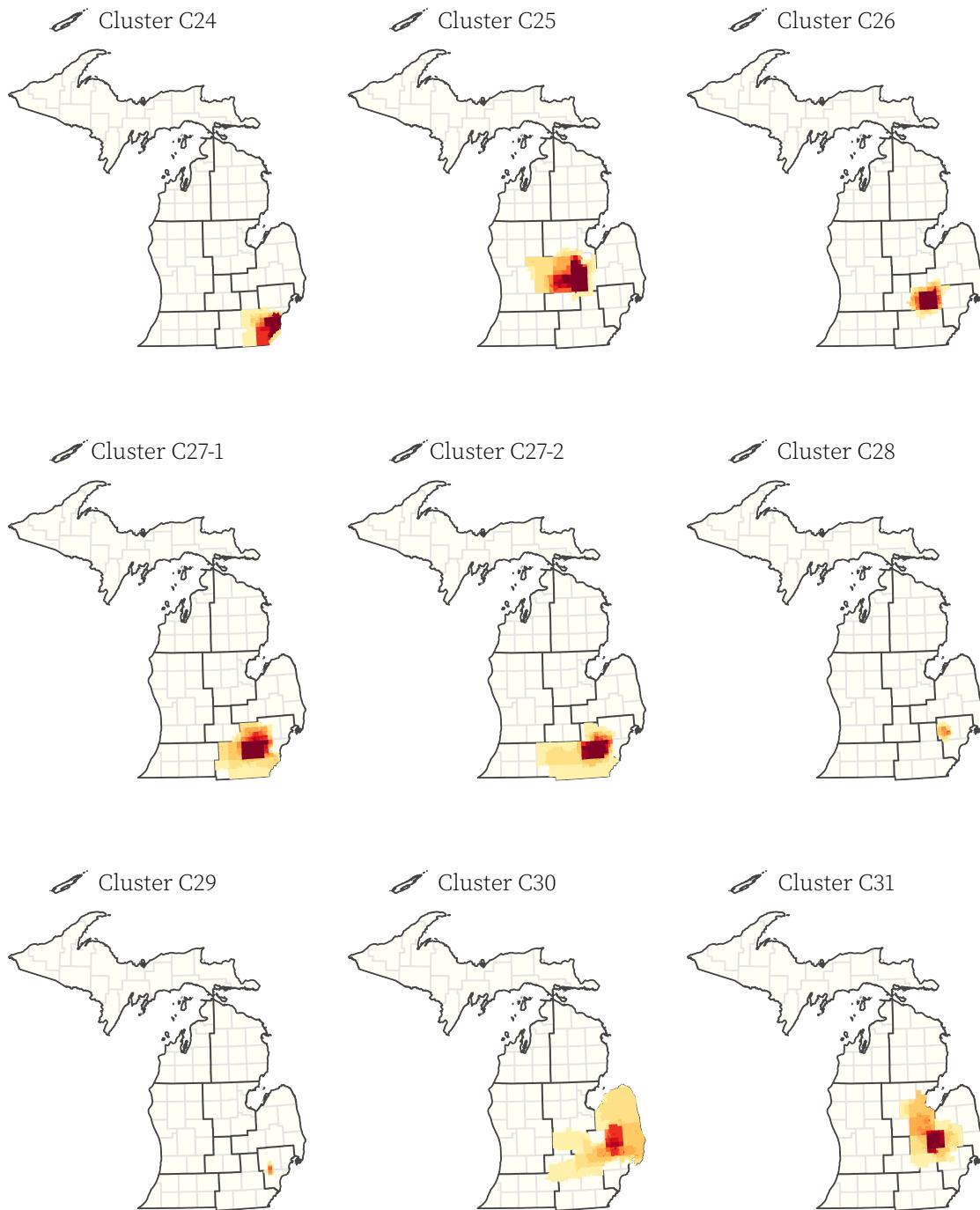


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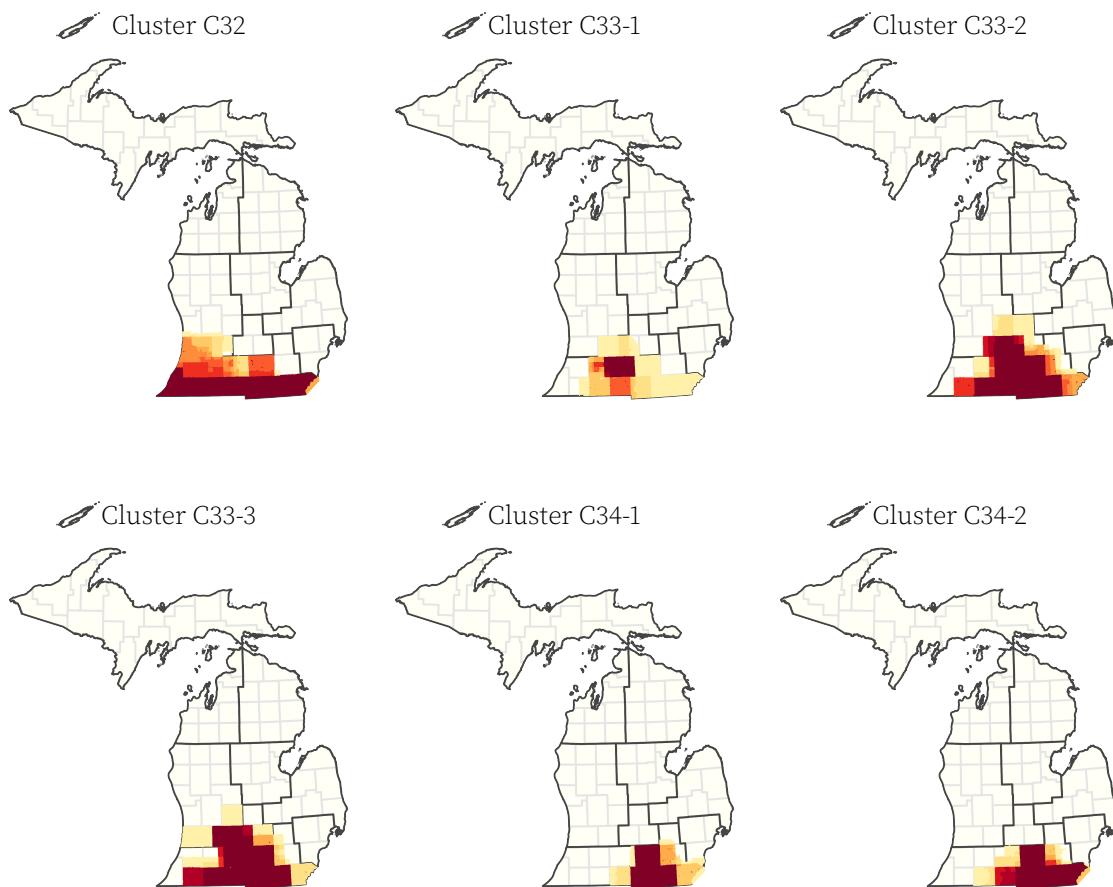


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3 COI clusters: Supporting data

Supporting Data for Cluster C1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1538 (29556)	Detroit Northern Suburbs: suburban communities north of Detroit, mid- to upper-income	Community 1: Detroit Northern Suburbs
c1547 (29598)	Regional issues in shared communities: Shared schools and issues around I 75, Pontiac and M 59 in Oakland County. Interurban vs suburban or rural.	Community 1: Roughly the Avondale School District and areas bordering I75 and M 59 in Oakland County
c1548 (29595)	Greater Rochester Area COI Map: Thank you for letting me discuss my Community of Interest with you on June 10 in Pontiac. The Greater Rochester Area is home for me (for over 30 years). Rochester, Rochester Hills and Oakland Twp work together to share services like ONE Senior Center, ONE Library, ONE School District, ONE Chamber of Commerce, ONE Recreational Authority, etc. Please keep these communities together when drawing Cong...	Greater Rochester Area: Greater Rochester area includes all of Rochester City, Rochester Hills City, and Oakland Township.
c1692 (31252)	Paint Creek Corridor.	Paint Creek Corridor: The Paint Creek Trail, a historic rail-way bed, connects the towns of Rochester and Lake Orion as it follows the Paint Creek between the two. This mix of professional and working class, mostly white but with growing racial diversity are connected by their values of green space, bicycling, and small isolated downtown areas.
c1770 (31992)	Pontiac COI: See my submission of 7/27/21 on Proposed Congressional District Based on Two Similar, Adjoining Communities of Interest and a Smaller, Overlapped Community of Interest for related testimony. Also see public comment #6 at Pontiac Hearing, 6/10/21 for related testimony.	Community 1.
c1796 (32409)	Brent Neighborhood.: This is an up and coming community bringing in new homeowners and businesses weekly.	300 Block: This is an up and coming community that is bringing in new homeowners and businesses weekly.
c1797 (32415)	Oakland County Kirk Bagg.	Community 1.
c1862 (32725)	Carl's Pontiac Plan: You need to keep the area around Pontiac together.	Pontiac Area: Northern Oakland County and specifically area around Pontiac
c2538 (37225)	Rochester Hills and Rochester COI: Rochester Hills and Rochester	Roch Hills COI.
c2541 (37225)	Rochester Hills and Rochester COI.	Roch Hills COI.
c3068 (40058)	CB920 COI Map: Primarily Bloomfield Twp, City and City of Birmingham. Surrounding areas of daily life	Community 1: Community in which I conduct my daily life 90% of the time. It consists of schools, banks, stores and local governments across a Bloomfield Twp., Bloomfield Hills City, Birmingham City (Primary), Cities of Troy, Pontiac , Auburn Hills, and Rochester Hills, LakeAngelus and Townships of Addison, Orion and Waterford. Also includes universities and places of worship



c3183 (40593)	Rochester, Rochester Hills, Oakland Twp: The Rochester, Rochester Hills, and Oakland Township community share a school district, as well as numerous shared resources including the Older Persons Commission and Rochester Avon Recreation Authority. Community events including the Christmas Parade serve to unite these three cities. Furthermore the Rochester Regional Chamber advocates for businesses in these three communities, business whom ...	Community 1: The Rochester, Rochester Hills, and Oakland Township community share a school district, as well as numerous shared resources including the Older Persons Commission and Rochester Avon Recreation Authority. Community events including the Christmas Parade serve to unite these three cities. Furthermore the Rochester Regional Chamber advocates for businesses in these three communities, business whom ...
c3369 (41649)	COI for Greater Rochester Area: COI for Greater Rochester Area. All of Rochester, Rochester Hills (missed one Prec by mistake), and Oakland Twp. Greater communities that share many services for Seniors, Youth, Business and also a school district. Please keep them together.	COI for Greater Rochester Area: City of Rochester, Rochester Hills, Charter Township of Oakland. Communities share many services and also a school district.
c3377 (41682)	Rochester COI: Includes Rochester, Rochester Hills, Oakland Twp. Home to my son's school district, communities share a Christmas parade and many services including our Library. Please keep them together!	Rochester COI: Includes Rochester, Rochester Hills, Oakland Twp.
c440 (22062)	Auburn Hills area Community of Interest: I feel like this community where I live is sufficiently compact and encloses people who live, work, and are related to each other. These are the communities I visit, shop, work and live in. These are the cities and townships where my coworkers and friends live in large part. This is what I would describe as my community of interest.	Community 1: Currently district 11 connects Livonia and Canton with Waterford, wrapping around Pontiac, and down into parts of Troy and Birmingham. This is insane. This community is more compact and I believe the people of Auburn Hills, Pontiac, Waterford, Clarkston, Lake Orion, Rochester, and Rochester Hills should make up a community of interest. Many of the people who work in Auburn Hills live in Lake Orion...
c600 (23642)	Dr. Jennifer Umphress's Bloomfield Commu: This is my community where I live, shop, worship, volunteer, and receive health care services. At the very least, the communities of Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township, and West Bloomfield should be in the same district.	Bloomfield Community: This is my personal community space - the local areas where I live, worship, shop, receive health care services, and recreate.
p1785 (32036)	Royal Oak to Commerce State Senate: Greetings Redistricting Commission. Attached you will find a map that highlights a potential State Senate district stretching from Royal Oak to Commerce township. This community of interest is important to myself, my family, and my friends. It represents the bulk of the area where we spend most of our time living, working, and playing. Our residence is in West Bloomfield township, we conduct most ...	District 1.
p1833 (32502)	SCF Map: Contiguous communities of Southern Oakland County	District 1.
p1872 (32749)	SCF Map.	District 1.
p3326 (41288)	Northern Oakland County House District: My recommendation would be to keep middle and northern Oakland County together. In the past some of the northern townships have been separated from the rest of the county. Many individuals who live in these northern townships work in the lower townships. Many individuals who live in the northern townships visit the lower townships on a regular basis for entertainment, family, and other services. O...	District 1.
c2481 (36879)	Racially Integrated Suburbs(2020 Census): 2020 Census Data has been loaded at the Dave's Redistricting website, including demographic data. If Commissioners haven't gotten updated Data from EDS yet, they can play with the maps at Dave's Redistricting website to build their knowledge about the population shifts in the 2020 census. . . . One thing I am proud to see is the unprecedented racial integration in the suburbs. The blue area, whi...	Pontiac: Pontiac has gone from

c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Auburn Hills: Identified as a community of interest.</p>
c2561 (37418)	<p>Keeping Michigan competitive.</p>	<p>Pontiac/Waterford: I identify as a community of interest due to the Hispanic community in Pontiac moving into Waterford.</p>
c1839 (32521)	<p>Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.</p>	<p>Community 5.</p>
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Community 7: Northville, Plymouth</p>
c1839 (32521)	<p>Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.</p>	<p>Rochester Hills/Rochester: Identified together as a community of interest.</p>
		<p>Community 9: Pontiac, Waterford</p>

Supporting Data for Cluster C2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Royal Oak: Royal Oak is a predominantly middle class city with some affordable housing and an increasing amount of high end, more expensive houses and condos. Its walkable downtown area has attracted significant development, and it is an entertainment and dining destination for metro Detroit.
c1359 (27291)	Suburban Corridors: I wanted to submit this as food for thought. Many suburbs of Detroit have historically been developed in corridors along the spoked roads that lead out of Detroit. This has created some corridors in which suburbs of similar character have developed together with shared historic, cultural, and economic ties. My maps here are not necessarily precise to the precinct but they demonstrate the...	Woodward Corridor.
c1558 (29663)	Mark's Redisctting.	Community of people living near each other: All the people living in Berkley, Royal Oak, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge and Ferndale. If an insufficient number of people then add Birmingham and Troy. If still insufficient then add people in surrounding areas so that the shape remains as square-like as possible.
c1800 (32416)	My community of interest.	Community 1.
c1930 (33272)	Woodward Corridor Communities: The Woodward Corridor is composed of multiple older, inner-ring suburban communities that were split mostly from the former Royal Oak Township in the early-mid 20th Century; however, if the communities of the former township were not fractured during their establishment in the early 20th century, and still one municipality such as Livonia, Sterling Heights, or Troy, it would be the second largest...	Woodward Corridor; Oakland County: The Woodward Corridor is composed of multiple older, inner-ring suburban communities that were split mostly from the former Royal Oak Township in the early-mid 20th Century; however, if the communities of the former township were not fractured during their establishment in the early 20th century, and still one municipality such as Livonia, Sterling Heights, or Troy, it would be the second largest...
c700 (23968)	City of Troy: The City of Troy is united by its beliefs in strong education, multiculturalism and volunteerism. As a 25 year resident, I was first drawn to this exact area by the the community's commitment to education: it is consistently rated as one of the best school districts in the state with high numbers of students attending university after high school. Another important piece is that the children in...	City of Troy: The City of Troy is united as a community by their commitment to excellence in education, multiculturalism and volunteerism.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Royal Oak: Royal Oak is a predominantly middle class city with some affordable housing and an increasing amount of high end, more expensive houses and condos. Its walkable downtown area has attracted significant development, and it is an entertainment and dining destination for metro Detroit.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Birmingham/Bloomfield: Upscale suburb north of Royal Oak. Wealthier and whiter than its neighbor to the south, but a draw for shopping, dining and entertainment.

c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Birmingham/Bloomfield: Upscale suburb north of Royal Oak. Wealthier and whiter than its neighbor to the south, but a draw for shopping, dining and entertainment.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Troy: Troy has a strong mix of residential and commercial areas, and is a big draw for shoppers and diners the area. It has one of the largest South Asian immigrant populations in Metro Detroit.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Troy: Troy has a strong mix of residential and commercial areas, and is a big draw for shoppers and diners the area. It has one of the largest South Asian immigrant populations in Metro Detroit.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Woodward Corridor: Mentioned together as a community of interest in a post.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Clawson: The northernmost of southeast Oakland County's inner ring suburbs. It has the a bit of a walkable downtown around 14 Mile and Main, but it's more residential. It's predominantly white and working and middle class.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Clawson: The northernmost of southeast Oakland County's inner ring suburbs. It has the a bit of a walkable downtown around 14 Mile and Main, but it's more residential. It's predominantly white and working and middle class.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Berkeley: Predominantly white and middle class bedroom community, with a downtown centered along 12 Mile between Coolidge and Greenfield.
c1839 (32521)	Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.	Community 5.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Berkeley: Predominantly white and middle class bedroom community, with a downtown centered along 12 Mile between Coolidge and Greenfield.

Supporting Data for Cluster C3		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1880 (32800)	The Best Diverse Community: My community stretches a few cities. It's wonderful and diverse. Everyone either gets along or minds their business. It's a really good area.	Community 1.
c1951 (33539)	Community of Interest.	Clinton River - south: Sterling Heights Clinton River Basin. Mostly Residential.
p991 (26010)	Carole Chi's COI for State House Seat: This is my Community of Interest, for I live in Sterling Heights, but I grocery shop and eat at restaurants in Warren, have lots of friends in Warren, go to other events there, swimming pool, Friday Fish Fries at local churches and community centers, as well as pursuing the same interests in Sterling Heights. This will make for a better, more fair, more representative balance of population, in eve...	District 1.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Warren: Mostly working class city in southwestern Macomb County.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Warren: Mostly working class city in southwestern Macomb County.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Center Line.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Center Line.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count... Suburban Corridors: I wanted to submit this as food for thought. Many suburbs of Detroit have historically been developed in corridors along the spoked roads that lead out of Detroit. This has created some corridors in which suburbs of similar character have developed together with shared historic, cultural, and economic ties. My maps here are not necessarily precise to the precinct but they demonstrate the...	Sterling Heights. Madison Heights: Predominantly working class community with a large immigrant population. John R and Dequindre roads host many Asian businesses, as well as big box stores like Target and Best Buy. Van Dyke / Mound Corridor.



c2428 (36475)	NE Suburbs Black Representation: The suburban black community northeast of Detroit is completely unrepresented. There is no black state rep or state senator covering Macomb County. But the new 2020 census results show us what we already knew. The black suburban communities between Gratiot and I-94 and in south Warren are growing. The Gratiot corridor suburbs include Eastpointe, Harper Woods, Roseville, Mount Clemens, and the ...	South Warren / Center Line Black Representation Area.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Madison Heights: Predominantly working class community with a large immigrant population. John R and Dequindre roads host many Asian businesses, as well as big box stores like Target and Best Buy.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Hazel Park: The southeast corner of Oakland County is traditionally white and working class, but in recent years has drawn more young people priced out of Ferndale and Royal Oak. It has a visible LBGTQ population and a smattering of high end restaurants and bars, as well as more traditional businesses and light industry.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Hazel Park: The southeast corner of Oakland County is traditionally white and working class, but in recent years has drawn more young people priced out of Ferndale and Royal Oak. It has a visible LBGTQ population and a smattering of high end restaurants and bars, as well as more traditional businesses and light industry.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Sterling Heights: Identified as a community of interest in a post.



Supporting Data for Cluster C4		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1353 (27250)	Gayle ONeal's Redistricting Comments: I believe we share similar values and concerns, mostly African American, of all age demographics.	Gratiot - Grand Area: Census Tract 5162 - My neighborhood.
c1542 (29581)	South Warren COI: At the Commission's request for more information, I created this map to provide a very very rough image of potential communities of interest including South Warren that I hope will be better served by politicians.	South Warren and North Detroit Suburbs: Warren neighborhoods south of I696 have been neglected economically and politically in favor of neighborhoods north of I696. South Warren may be better served by partnering with neighborhoods that share economic and cultural priorities.
c1545 (29591)	REUNITE FIVE GROSSE POINTES: This process can allow the five Grosse Pointe municipalities and Harper Woods to reunite. For ten years, Pointers have had their collective voices in Congress and the State Legislature muted. TEN THINGS WE HAVE IN COMMON 1)\tTaxpayers of the five Pointes together with a portion of Harper Woods share a common GP Public School District unified by a common superintendent and millage rates. 2)\tThe ...	Five Grosse Pointes: TEN THINGS WE HAVE IN COMMON 1)\tTaxpayers of the five Pointes together with a portion of Harper Woods share a common GP Public School District unified by a common superintendent and millage rates. 2)\tThe same school boundaries define our united Grosse Pointe Library District with its three branches. 3)\tFire response is unified by a mutual-aid agreement covering the six municipalities. 4)\tEach ...
c1546 (29591)	Five Grosse Pointe municipalities: TEN THINGS WE HAVE IN COMMON 1)\tTaxpayers of the five Pointes together with a portion of Harper Woods share a common GP Public School District unified by a common superintendent and millage rates. 2)\tThe same school boundaries define our united Grosse Pointe Library District with its three branches. 3)\tFire response is unified by a mutual-aid agreement covering the six municipalities. 4)\tEach ...	Five Grosse Pointes: TEN THINGS WE HAVE IN COMMON 1)\tTaxpayers of the five Pointes together with a portion of Harper Woods share a common GP Public School District unified by a common superintendent and millage rates. 2)\tThe same school boundaries define our united Grosse Pointe Library District with its three branches. 3)\tFire response is unified by a mutual-aid agreement covering the six municipalities. 4)\tEach ...
c1563 (29741)	Diverse East Side: Intent of the community is to create a contiguous geographic area which is economically, racially, socially, educationally diverse yet share common goals due to geographic area and natural or man made boundaries.	Diverse East Side: Intent of the community is to create a contiguous geographic area which is economically, racially, socially, educationally diverse yet share common goals due to geographic area and natural or man made boundaries.
c1570 (29944)	Diverse East Side District: This community includes the diverse communities of the East Side which share the common interest in the shore of Lake St. Clair and the common interest and border of Highway 94, and are all within Wayne County. It also is bordered by the Chrysler Plant, a natural barrier. It is almost equally black/white and the total population count is very close to the ideal for a state representative.	Diverse East Side Detroit 1: This community includes the diverse communities of the East Side which share the shore of Lake St. Clair and the common border of Highway 94, and are all within Wayne County. It also is bordered by the Chrysler Plant, a natural barrier. It is almost equally black/white and the total population count is very close to the ideal for a state representative.
c1597 (30733)	Fix Detroit: More monies need to be combined to repair infrastructure racism.	Community 1: Detroit-heart of the community is the city!
c1666 (31164)	Middle Class Diverse Neighborhood: This is a diverse neighborhood with mostly middle class and working class families. The neighborhood is adjacent to wealthier areas along Lake St. Clair. There are therefore some areas of stark inequality and vast differences in access to resources.	Middle Class Diverse Neighborhood: This is a diverse neighborhood with mostly middle class and working class families. The neighborhood is adjacent to wealthier areas along Lake St. Clair. There are therefore some areas of stark inequality and vast differences in access to resources.
c1687 (31215)	East Side Community.	East side: The neighborhoods known as the "Cabbage Patch," Jefferson-Chalmers, and Islandview share common economic interests. We also have similar concerns about flooding and other climate change issues, due to our proximity to Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River.



c1807 (32433)	Angela's community of LIFE.	Community 2: District 4 community
c1815 (32446)	Grosse Pointe Communities: The Grosse Pointe communities share a broad variety of cultural, historic, economic, environmental and recreational interests. These include everything from public schools and libraries to shared civil society institutions such as community service organizations, fraternal organizations, cultural institutions, youth sports leagues and more.	Grosse Pointes: The five Grosse Pointe communities share a broad variety of cultural, historic, economic, environmental and recreational interests. These include everything from a public school district to shared civil society institutions such as community service organizations, youth sports leagues and more.
c1851 (32662)	Grosse Pointe Communities' Plan: Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods and Eastside Detroit Neighborhoods that border the Pointes and Harper Woods need to be united as a collective district to have the appropriate representation in the Michigan House of Representative and elsewhere.	Community 1: The five Grosse Pointe Communities: Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe City, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods & Grosse Pointe Shores.
c1940 (33333)	Gerry-mandered district: The grosse pointe cities and harper woods share a school district and a long established community of interest. The district was redrawn some years ago to make a gerry-mandered district stretching into Oakland County by a long narrow strip of land, joining communities that have no relationship whatsoever. The district I now live in is the most extremely gerry-mandered district in the State. This trav...	Community 1: Grosse pointes
c1944 (33415)	Detroit Eastside: Detroit should be represented by Detroiters. The Eastside is ignored too much and has serious needs. Some people with good intentions think Detroit and Grosse Pointe should be in districts together. I mean no disrespect to anyone but I disagree. Healing our divides needs to done person to person and not by putting us in districts together. We've already been in the same legislative districts ...	Community 1.
c1970 (33714)	Grosse Pointe Community of Interest: We are six municipalities (GP City, GP Park, GP Shores, GP Farms, GP Woods and Harper Woods) in one community. All are in Wayne County and share a library and school district as well as little league teams, recreational and cultural institutions. Please consider drawing boundaries that take this into consideration.	Grosse Pointe/Lakeshore: This community is comprised of six municipalities that share a County government, school district, library district, and little league teams. The residents are politically diverse but share concerns for education and protection of the great lakes. Thanks to previous gerrymandering, the Pointes are so sliced up they have never been truly represented in the state legislature.
c1978 (33770)	Colton's Grosse Pointe District Map: Keep Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, and the East Side of Detroit Together in New Maps Link: https://ccba90df-b71a-4504-b117-304el1b82c5.filesusr.com/ugd/bc40bl_ab987cbf0ec646d6abd0e06954c3e454.pdf	State House District 1: Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, and East Side of Detroit.
c1990 (33078)	Wayne County - Together not Disjointed: Michigan Avenue (route 12) – I am within walking distance of this main shopping and ethnic restaurant corridor. It runs through the diverse communities of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, and Westland. Dearborn is especially diverse because it holds one of the largest Arab populations in the US. "tCity of Dearborn Recreation and Performing Art Center contains a fitness center, a...	Waterfront: This area is teaming with waterfront activities and fairs etc. This area also has many issues in regards to flooding during the summer months. Somehow it has not been resolved.
c2047 (34748)	East Detroit: Eastpointe used to be called East Detroit for a reason. This is a working class community that shares Gratiot with Detroit and shares the Eastland shopping area with Detroit and Harper Woods. Eastpointe is very diverse and has a strong connection to nearby areas of Detroit . Especially around Gratiot and I-94.	Community 1.

c3130 (40393)	Grosse Pointes: The five Grosse Pointes are a clear community of interest in Wayne and Macomb Counties. The five Grosse Pointes are Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe City, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods, and Grosse Pointe Shores. These cities should not be divided. The Grosse Pointes act as a single cultural and economic unit due to their shared history as lakefront suburbs on Lake St. Clair. The re...	Community 1.
c3192 (40665)	Grosse Pointe Community: The five Grosse Pointes are a Community of Interest. We are suburbs in Wayne and Macomb counties, with shared history of development together as a single community. We share a public school system and other services. During the last round of redistricting, our community was divided. That was wrong and our community should be reunited.	Community 1.
c539 (23196)	COI: Unification of services is the key and should be integrated across the board as this COI utilizes the benefits of Detroit city as well as the local neighborhood features...	Grosse Pointe/Detroit area: Where I live... we share common neighborhood services.
c567 (22253)	Down/MidtownDetroit Youth Hang Out Spots: The Community Map we are sharing here is Downtown/Midtown Detroit Youth Hang Out Spots. We wanted to draw your attention to this map because it is important that more young people are involved in redistricting to share their experiences. In this map, we highlight places where young Detroiters and students might gather, have fun, and consider important. There are many high schools nearby in this a...	Spots Where Students of Detroit Hang Out: Centered around Cass Tech and other places downtown where young people like to visit
c780 (24541)	Mapping zip codes 48211,48212, 48213: These are extremely ethnically, culturally, religiously diverse communities and are composed of members of the Black, Middle-Eastern, South Asian and Polish communities, amongst others. A large portion of the communities living in this area are living under the poverty threshold. As an example, based on City-Data.com, the estimated median household income in Hamtramck in 2019 was \$29,149. Wit...	Detroit-Hamtramck Coalition for Advancing Healthy Environments: This map includes the City of Hamtramck , the City Airport Neighborhood, the Farnsworth, Milwaukee Junction and East Poletown neighborhoods, to name a few. These are extremely ethnically, culturally, religiously diverse communities and are composed of members of the Black, Middle-Eastern, South Asian and Polish communities, amongst others. A large portion of the communities living in this are...
c798 (24637)	Grosse Pointes: The 5 Grosse Pointe Communities	Grosse Pointes: The 5 Grosse Pointes are a single community of interest.
c826 (23554)	Detroit East communities work together: I moved to Yorkshire Ave. in Detroit 1983 because of the gorgeous, affordable housing and the racially integrated population of the neighborhood Soon afterward, neighbors organized the blocks between Mack and I-94 and Cadieux and Outer Drive/Whittier into East English Village, which has a newsletter, elected leadership, committees and regular meetings. That helped us support each other in the diff...	Mecca communities - EEV, Morningside & Cornerstone: These three communities work together in an organization called MECCA to help conditions and development in all three neighborhoods. It includes Balduck Park, East English Village high school and St. John's Hospital, which are important resources for the entire neighborhood. Population 25,518
c829 (24907)	East English Village District: Our community contains multiple major thoroughfares that contain many large businesses, small businesses, schools, parks, waterways, and industry. These community assets provide jobs, education and many shared interest venues that are not only vital but beloved to our community. Our core district is the East English Village Community . Our proposed District would tie together the interest of mul...	East English Village District: A community that is bordered by I-94, I-75, the Detroit River, and Moross Rd.
c856 (24994)	Southeast Detroit: This is the southeast portion of Detroit. Importantly, it keeps East English Village, Morningside and Cornerstone together as the tight knit tri-neighborhood community that we are.	SE Detroit: This map keeps East English Village, Cornerstone and Morningside together which is a top priority. It also keeps other neighborhoods on the eastside together.

c858 (24206)	EEV - Southeast Detroit: I'm a resident of East English Village on the east side of Detroit. We have an ongoing relationships with Morningside and Cornerstone neighborhoods, and we are a part of the City of Detroit. Many of us work, play, shop, and vote within Detroit. When our neighborhoods meet (we have regularly scheduled monthly meetings), topics of discussions are focused on the city. For example, we have a devel...	EEV, Morningside, Cornerstone & Surrounding area: I reside in East English Village. Our neighborhood has strong ties with Morningside and Cornerstone neighborhoods. But, most importantly, we are a part of Detroit, and I would like to emphasize the importance of being connected to other residents of the city.
c909 (25280)	Detroit east & suburban neighbors share: As twenty-nine-year residents of East English Village, my husband and I are extremely involved in our beautiful, diverse, eastside community. My husband has served as Block Captain for twenty-four years! I have served in various capacities including Editor of our monthly newsletter, First Vice President of EEVA, an advisory member of the E. Warren Streetscape Team as well as being involved in re...	Detroit's EEV, Morningside, Cornerstone & Jefferson Chalmers, and Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park: These East Side communities have many shared cultural and economic interests. We work together to develop commercial strips along Mack Ave. and Warren Ave. We share the same waterfront and have many cultural activities the residents in the area attend
c913 (25321)	We need districts that unite not divide: https://www.michigan-mapping.org/submission/x822 Judith Wiliams I moved to East English Village in 2002. Having lived in downtown Detroit for 16 years, I was excited about all the beautiful, affordable, and well-built brick homes in East English Village. Many of these homes with their unique characteristics were designed by the original owners. East English Village was also home to many Police...	Shared interests in Southeast communities: Our 5th Police Precinct encompasses East English Village, Cornerstone, Jefferson Chalmers, and Morningside Neighborhoods. They work closely with us to provide community support. We also have many ties to the surrounding cities.
c916 (25335)	Shared shopping, recreation, jobs: I am Eugene Brown from East English Village, and here is my consideration for community. It shows places where we go to shop, places we go to for recreational relaxation. I tried to include all these things and more, and used I-94 as an anchor in my corridor, because in my map I wanted to show that I-94 is easily accessible from the whole area. It includes downtown and the aquatic park in Chandler...	East side communities share resources, recreation: I live in East English Village. My map shows places where we go to shop, places we go to for recreational relaxation. I tried to include all these things and more, and used I-94 as an anchor in my corridor, because in my map I wanted to show that I-94 is easily accessible from the whole area
p1037 (26206)	Asian American Community/Hamtramck COI: My community of interest is the Asian American community of Hamtramck MI. I grew up in Hamtramck and it's home to many Bangladeshi Americans; it has a high concentration of Asian Americans and many other immigrant communities representing about 35% of the population. In recent years Asian Americans in Hamtramck have expanded into Detroit due to the high cost of housing, and limited access to affo...	District 1.
p1206 (26894)	Global Detroit Community of Interest Map: This is a Community of Interest Map created in Districtr as a District Map for the purpose of illustrating the exact precincts it contains. This map and narrative of the Hamtramck-Banglatown Community of Interest was built out by Global Detroit, a community and economic development organization, with community feedback. Since the arrival of German farmers in the 1800s, Hamtramck has been known ...	District 1.
p1511 (29337)	Hamtramck & Detroit APIA/ACCESS: ACCESS has different locations throughout Metro Detroit, namely in Dearborn, Sterling Heights, and Hamtramck. We are honored to serve the immigrant community with partners like the Asian Pacific Islander American community (APIA Michigan). We reaffirm their statement that highlights the diverse immigrant community that resides in Hamtramck and Detroit. Indeed the area has the highest population of...	District 1.
p1971 (31392)	Optimist Neighborhood Association: This is a community of interest map submitted in district format so that the exact precincts in our neighborhood are known. Optimist Neighborhood Association's (ONA) mission is to create safe sustainable ecosystems within our community boundaries. ONA provides resources to the residents by partnering with neighboring community groups, nonprofits, local businesses, the City of Detroit, and the Sta...	District 1.

p756 (24395)	East Side Detroit - Csystems: This community of interest covers the east side of Detroit and the City of Hamtramck. Includes Bangladesh community and City Airport	District 1.
c1353 (27250)	Gayle O'Neal's Redistricting Comments: I believe we share similar values and concerns, mostly African American, of all age demographics.	Lower East Side of Detroit.
c1944 (33415)	Detroit Eastside: Detroit should be represented by Detroiters. The Eastside is ignored too much and has serious needs. Some people with good intentions think Detroit and Grosse Pointe should be in districts together. I mean no disrespect to anyone but I disagree. Healing our divides needs to done person to person and not by putting us in districts together. We've already been in the same legislative districts ...	Community 2.
p1973 (31391)	Detroit City Council District 4: Detroit City Council District 4, which includes Conner Creek, Chandler Park and Fox Creek neighborhoods are steeped in history with the Algonquin and Iroquois indigenous people. The area is now becoming a key industrial job area where Chrysler is making new vehicles for the future. This also includes neighborhood revitalization with Chandler Park and the Conner Creek Greenway to actively connec...	District 2.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	East Detroit: Identified as a community of interest with Detroit as mapped. (I know of nobody in Eastpointe who wants to be combined with Detroit.)
c1990 (33078)	Wayne County - Together not Disjointed: Michigan Avenue (route 12) – I am within walking distance of this main shopping and ethnic restaurant corridor. It runs through the diverse communities of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, and Westland. Dearborn is especially diverse because it holds one of the largest Arab populations in the US. The City of Dearborn Recreation and Performing Art Center contains a fitness center, a...	Downtown. Community 6.



Supporting Data for Cluster C5-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1534 (29546)	Delta Township/Lansing Township Cmty: This district would provide community continuity between Delta Township in Eaton County and the adjacent Lansing Township community in Ingham County. Both these communities have similar racial, socioeconomic and voting attributes	Delta Township: This district would provide community continuity between Delta Township in Eaton County and the adjacent Lansing Township community in Ingham County. Both these communities have similar racial, socioeconomic and voting attributes
c1611 (30783)	The Greater Lansing Area: My community includes the City of Lansing and Michigan State University and surrounding suburbs in Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties	Community 1: Michigan State University, and the Greater Lansing Area-Ingham Co., Clinton County and Eaton County
c1661 (31160)	Dr. M. O submission for EL Community.	East Lansing Community: The service-based mid-Michigan economy centered around Sparrow Hospitals and Michigan State University.
c1739 (31403)	Lansing Cultures/Economic Subdivisions: Lansing area and some cultural and economic subdivisions within it. The idea was to give the commission a sense of what areas of town a local might consider to be things like "the sticks, but still in town", "rich suburb", "up-and-coming bougie parts", "declining parts", "low-income", etc. Economic details are more granular around the city of Lansing because it's the area I know better than the su...	Lansing and Neighborhoods: Includes Lansing city center as well as neighborhoods within and without the city boundaries that would be considered part of "Lansing":
c1750 (31632)	Dave Vick's Community of Interest Map: Greater Lansing area CoI	Community 1: Central MI / Greater Lansing CoI
c1802 (32421)	Lansing/East Lansing Communities: This splits up Lansing and East Lansing as separate communities, but recognizes that the influence of Lansing on surrounding areas is relatively large.	MSU/East Lansing: This community generally is centered around MSU as a primary employer and political entity. The fate of these communities is impacted greatly by MSU, and MSU is impacted greatly by these communities.
c1832 (32473)	The Lansing Area: The Lansing area should not be carved up into different districts.	Community 1: When people in the "lansing area" talk about our city, this is what we think of. Splitting any of this area up into different districts is like deliberately trying to mitigate the "lansing vote".
c1986 (33926)	Sarah's East Lansing and Okemos Plan.	Okemos Area: Closely connected to Michigan State University, since many residents work there or have other ties to the university, but with many more long-term, well-established residents and families.
c1988 (33955)	Greater Lansing Area.	Greater Lansing Area: The Greater Lansing Area
c2053 (34791)	Lansing Plan.	Community 1: Greater Lansing Area
c2404 (36124)	Lansing the Mickey Way: Lansing is closely coupled with its surrounding communities, sharing economic and residential needs. This map captures the co-dependencies of the greater Lansing area, as well as much of its diverse population.	Lansing My Way: Many communities are closely coupled with Lansing, sharing border, interests, or both. Economic and residential needs are co-dependent.

c2479 (36855)	Ingham County - Keep Us Together: It's important for Ingham County to remain whole, and not be divided by multi Congressional Districts.	Community 1.
c248 (19892)	Lansing Community of Interest.	West Lansing: All Lansing addresses and most of Waverly school district and half of Lansing school (Sexton)
c2508 (37087)	Keep Greater Lansing Together: Keep the Greater Lansing Metropolitan area together as one congressional district. This is a community in the economic , social and cultural sense and is not served by being divided up for political purposes.	Greater Lansing.
c2707 (38659)	Clarification from Eid: The map attached shows the Tri-Counties. Commissioner Eid seemed to claim that because people think of it as one community of interest, that it can be divided in a way that makes two Lansing/Urban - dominated state senate districts. I listened to commissioner Eid's rationale for splitting the City of Lansing and combining urban and rural areas and I request clarification. He stated that it was ...	Community 1.
c452 (22199)	Greater Lansing Community: Ingham, Eaton and Clinton counties make up the Greater Lansing region, also called the Tri-County area. These counties share economic and cultural interests.	Greater Lansing: Ingham, Eaton and Clinton counties make up the Greater Lansing region, also called the Tri-County area. These counties share economic and cultural interests.
c511 (22028)	Lansing from the View of Young People: The Community Map we are sharing is Lansing from the Perspective of the Young People. We know that these maps will go into effect for 10 years, and we will all be of voting age by then. Our voice is important in this process too. We hope you reach out to other youth to educate them on this process and hear their opinions. We are Peace & Prosperity Youth Action Movement, a group of young people fr...	Lansing Community: We care about the road quality, racial equity, diversity, healthy lifestyles, high school dropout prevention.
c612 (23666)	Lansing Area Community of Interest: This area that I have mapped out should at least be a foundation for a district within Michigan. These communities all have heavy economic ties to the Lansing metropolitan area. Additionally, this area is also demographically similar to the overall demographics of Michigan as a whole.	Greater Lansing Area: This community of interest is a group of various cities, towns, and townships,
c749 (24320)	Tri-County Greater Lansing COI: Commission members, thank you for your important work. The Greater Lansing region includes Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties. The three counties are actually a formal planning region in Michigan, and for good reason. Although there are diverse communities within this region, ranging from quite urban to quite rural, the entire area is centered on the Lansing Metro area - indeed, each county cont...	Tri-County Greater Lansing Region: The Greater Lansing region includes Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties. The three counties are actually a formal planning region in Michigan, and for good reason. Although there are diverse communities within this region, ranging from quite urban to quite rural, the entire area is centered on the Lansing Metro area - indeed, each county contains part of the urban and suburban complex of Lansing. ...
p1877 (32766)	Stan's capital tri-county plan: This plan brings together 3 counties which share numerous attributes. Common health care , schools play each other in sports, all three counties intricately tied to the Lansing area and Capital	District 1.
c1739 (31403)	Lansing Cultures/Economic Subdivisions: Lansing area and some cultural and economic subdivisions within it. The idea was to give the commission a sense of what areas of town a local might consider to be things like "the sticks, but still in town", "rich suburb", "up-and-coming bougie parts", "declining parts", "low-income", etc. Economic details are more granular around the city of Lansing because it's the area I know better than the su...	South Lansing: Lower-income part of town, much more ethnically diverse than many other neighborhoods. Some areas are in decline but many living here often take pride in themselves and their culture – a sense of "we look out for us because the city government won't".

c1802 (32421)	Lansing/East Lansing Communities: This splits up Lansing and East Lansing as separate communities, but recognizes that the influence of Lansing on surrounding areas is relatively large.	Lansing: This area has a strong influence on the surrounding areas, with the majority of people living and working in and around the Lansing area
c1891 (32909)	Lansing & Ann Arbor area districts: Having lived for many years only in two different Michigan communities, I'm offering my input on the boundaries around the greater Lansing area, and the greater Ann Arbor area. While a resident of these places, these are the bounds of my mental map that always felt as though they were in the social and economic "gravity" of their respective largest cities.	Greater Lansing Metro: Having grown up in the Lansing area for many years, this is the community that, in my experience, residents perceive as having Lansing as its geographic/cultural center. Many people within these bounds work in and commute to Lansing. Outside this area that impression shifts to be centered around Flint, Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor Battle Creek/Kalamazoo, etc
c1986 (33926)	Sarah's East Lansing and Okemos Plan.	East Lansing Area: Mostly students at Michigan State University, mostly young and living here temporarily.
c248 (19892)	Lansing Community of Interest.	Lansing/East Lansing: Lansing (Everett and Eastern) school district and East Lansing school district
c2591 (37662)	Latinx COI on the Greater Lansing Area: This submission is about a community of interest centered on the Latino Population on the so-called Greater Lansing Area, which roughly comprises the also called tri-county area of Ingham, Clinton and Eaton. On the current situation, our area of interest is cracked in at least three US Congressional districts causing serious loss of ability to be represented to the Latino Population on the Greater...	Capital Area.
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c1739 (31403)	Lansing Cultures/Economic Subdivisions: Lansing area and some cultural and economic subdivisions within it. The idea was to give the commission a sense of what areas of town a local might consider to be things like "the sticks, but still in town", "rich suburb", "up-and-coming bougie parts", "declining parts", "low-income", etc. Economic details are more granular around the city of Lansing because it's the area I know better than the su...	East Lansing: City of east lansing, including Michigan State University
c248 (19892)	Lansing Community of Interest.	Bath/Haslett/Okemos: Bath, Haslett and Okemos schools
c1739 (31403)	Lansing Cultures/Economic Subdivisions: Lansing area and some cultural and economic subdivisions within it. The idea was to give the commission a sense of what areas of town a local might consider to be things like "the sticks, but still in town", "rich suburb", "up-and-coming bougie parts", "declining parts", "low-income", etc. Economic details are more granular around the city of Lansing because it's the area I know better than the su...	Wealthy-to-Middle-Class Suburbs: Suburbs that would be considered "in town" rather than out in the countryside. Mostly Holt, Okemos, and Haslett. Okemos is the wealthiest, Holt and Haslett have a broader range of incomes across the middle class.
		Gentrifying Neighborhoods: historically diverse but rapidly-gentrifying neighborhoods in the city of Lansing and nearby. Gentrification, however, is frequently happening against a strong backdrop of community identity and organization
		Declining Neighborhoods: Areas where homes and industrial parks are declining and getting more run down, with little or no new investment



Supporting Data for Cluster C5-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1593 (30716)	Consolidate Lansing Metro Area: In reply to your request for a map of community of interest	Lansing metro area.
c1628 (30975)	Shelly Ochodnick - COI/Map: I was asked to draw a COI to explain my written comment.	Community 1: Our COI is rural including small towns, farming communities, and small villages. Please keep our community of interest together as much as possible. Please respect county, township, and city lines when drawing maps. Compactness matters as well.
c1637 (30975)	Greater Lansing Area: Drawn to reflect geography, not politics.	Community 1: Lansing and surrounding areas
c1650 (31138)	Delta Township: Delta Charter Township should be included with other urban areas around Lansing.	Delta Township: This a left leaning suburban bedroom community in Eaton County. The interesting thing about this area is that it is more connected to Lansing, MI and Mason, MI in Ingham County than Charlotte in Eaton County. Our representation has been frustrating because our reps haven't been tied into the Lansing Region, and we've been included in more rural areas that some districts extend to Lake Erie Coastal...
c1763 (31856)	Shiawassee - Mid Central Michigan.	Shiawassee-Central Michigan Rural COI: Our community of interest is comprised of small towns, farming communities, and villages that have very specific needs and interests separate from urban or suburban areas. Please consider county lines, township lines, and city lines when drawing maps.
c1799 (32417)	East Lansing area.	Community 1: East Lansing and surrounding areas
c1820 (32473)	The Lansing Area: This is the what people who live around here think of as "the Lansing area". It shouldn't be split up between multiple districts. That is just an obvious attempt to split the "Lansing vote".	Community 1: When people in the "lansing area" talk about our city, this is what we think of. Splitting any of this area up into different districts is like deliberately trying to mitigate the "lansing vote".
c1901 (32612)	Recognize communities: The greater Lansing area represents a community. Don't divide it up to suit the gerrymandering of the past. Don't make a dumbbell shaped district to link Lansing voters to those in the Brighton area.	Community 1: Greater Lansing area
c2507 (37077)	My map for Greater Lansing: This follows my written testimony submitted to the portal on 6/14/21 on the importance of keeping the Greater Lansing area in one congressional district.	Community 1.
c2573 (37432)	Fair Maps Project - SD-23 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners - On August 4th we published (submission o1993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...	Fair Maps Project - SD-23 - 2020 Census update.



c2574 (37433)	Fair Maps Project - SD-24 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...	Fair Maps Project - SD-24 - 2020 Census update.
p1080 (26398)	Shiawassee/Clinton/Eaton/Saginaw Senate: The current State Senate district includes Clinton, Eaton, and Shiawassee Counties. We have a strong connection and a Community of Interest which includes small towns, farming communities, and rural suburban areas that have specific needs. Part of Saginaw County could be included in the district to meet the maximum population requirement.	District 1.
p1587 (30582)	Tom DeFouw - Senate District: I submitted written comment defining COIs and I was asked to submit a Senate map included Clinton County	District 1.
p1749 (31627)	Dave Vick's Plan.	District 1.
p896 (25225)	"Shiawassee Senate District".	District 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Greater Lansing: Identified as a community of interest in a post. Ingham County: Contradicts other communities of interest, but Ingham County was identified in a comment.
c1754 (31718)	Community of Interests: To introduce myself, my name is Susan Nickels. I have been a resident of the state of Michigan my entire life. I am a graduate of our public schools and currently live in Genoa Township, zip code 48116, located in Livingston County. Livingston County is largely rural. Including my community with other rural communities is my desire. I support local farms in Howell and Brighton for our meat, ...	District 2.
p1139 (26629)	Gail Ross: Shiawassee Senate District: Please keep our current Senate District together. We share a very interconnected Community of Interest. Our counties are mostly made up of small towns, farming communities, and rural/suburban areas. We believe our representation should keep our interests and needs as primary.	District 34.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Eaton County: Conflicts with a few others, but identified as a community of interest.
c1739 (31403)	Lansing Cultures/Economic Subdivisions: Lansing area and some cultural and economic subdivisions within it. The idea was to give the commission a sense of what areas of town a local might consider to be things like "the sticks, but still in town", "rich suburb", "up-and-coming bougie parts", "declining parts", "low-income", etc. Economic details are more granular around the city of Lansing because it's the area I know better than the su...	North Lansing: Mixture of industrial, neighborhoods, the airport, and farming-community-turned-suburbs like southern Bath Twp Lansing Surrounding Communities: The first layer of farming communities that would be considered "out of the city" but also still often are economically tied to Lansing. People live here and work in the city or vice versa, will come into the city for goods and services, and could be broadly considered part of the "Lansing Area".



c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region, and the needs of the population in each region.	Lansing: The state capitol has unique requirements and should be likewise represented in itself.
p1624 (30890)	Betty Jo Nelson - Shiawassee Senate: Thank you for considering my map plan for the Shiawassee County area.	District 6.
p1136 (26625)	Rick Ross: Shiawassee Senate District: The current 24th Senate District should remain as is. We are a Community of Interest that is highly interconnected because of our small towns and farming communities. We have similar needs/interests and we feel that our representatives/senators should reflect that.	District 7.

Supporting Data for Cluster C6		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1060 (24631)	Lake St. Clair Community of Interest: I was born and raised in Macomb County (St. Clair Shores and later in Clinton Twp.). As an adult, I have also lived in Grosse Pointe Woods and now live with husband and kids in Grosse Pointe Park. My community of interest is the Lake St. Clair Community of Interest. This includes all of the cities around the coast of Lake St. Clair, including Harsen's Island, New Baltimore, Harrison Twp., St. C...	Lake St. Clair Community: This community of interest includes those municipalities bordering Lake St. Clair. The stewardship of the Lake is essential to local economies and property values of these municipalities and, historically, binds these municipalities in common interest. This also represents the Eastside suburbs of Detroit, which are often overlooked in comparison to the suburbs in Oakland County and those west of...
c1093 (26454)	Eastpointe-Roseville Rec Authority: Recreation creates a strong relationship between communities.	Recreation Authority of Roseville and Eastpointe (RARE): Eastpointe and Roseville share recreation services.
c1436 (28396)	St. Clair River Watershed: The vision for this community: We value and protect our environmental, social and economic assets equally and collaboratively.	St. Clair River Watershed: The vision for this community: We value and protect our environmental, social and economic assets equally and collaboratively.
c1524 (29422)	Lakefront Suburbs: The suburbs along Lake St. Clair should be together because of common interests. Residents enjoy lakefront parks and recreation. Non-lakefront communities literally dump sewage into our water. Look it up. Millions of gallons of sewage come from as far away as Oakland County and flow into our lake. This is especially a problem when there are heavy rains. If we are split up into different ...	Community 1.
c1527 (29458)	Lake St. Clair: The cities surrounding Lake St. Clair are a community of interest. We are all drawn to live in our particular towns because of the lakefront parks, dining, boating, fishing, and other amenities. We have shared concerns with regard to lake levels, flooding, and sewer/storm outflows. We have never had common representation and so our concerns go largely unaddressed. We could and should all be in...	Community 1.
c1573 (30054)	Lakefront cities: Hi. I will vote someday in the districts that you draw, even though I'm still in school now. I live part of the time in Grosse Pointe Woods and part of the time in Grosse Pointe Park. My community is where almost all of my grandparents, aunts, uncles, great aunts and uncles, and cousins live. Some live in St. Clair Shores, some live in Harrison Township, and some in Grosse Pointe. My dad gr...	Community 1.
c1638 (30980)	Lake St. Clair / School Districts: I am from a lakeside community. I like bass fishing, but everyone where I live enjoys the beaches, parks, boating, and just being by the lake. My map tries to do two things. A. It includes the townships and cities along Lake St. Clair, where we are different from other cities/suburbs. B. It tries to use School Districts as building blocks. The mapping software wouldn't let me fill in all of ...	Community 1.
c1672 (31178)	Macomb Co. as a single district: Macomb County is economically, politically, culturally, and socially a unified entity. This is not always true of every county, but it is particularly true in the case of Macomb County. Historically, residents have identified 8 mile road as a southern dividing line; hills topography, and lack of multiple significant roadways (apart from M-59) have further isolated Macomb County from Oakland Coun...	Community 1: Macomb County



c1725 (31440)	Common Interest & Balanced Districts.	Lakeshore: Communities fronting Lake St. Clair
c1821 (32476)	Southern Macomb County: This community is composed of the children and grandchildren of people who moved from Detroit to the suburbs in the mid-20th century. Independence from the decisions of Detroit and Wayne county have always been very important to this community. I feel I-696 represents a good southern dividing line, but the line should absolutely, in no circumstance move south of 8-Mile Rd	Southern Macomb County: This community is composed of the children and grandchildren of people who moved from Detroit to the suburbs in the mid-20th century. Independence from the decisions of Detroit and Wayne county have always been very important to this community. I feel I-696 represents a good southern dividing line, but the line should absolutely, in no circumstance move south of 8-Mile Rd
c1876 (32758)	Kristen's definition of Community of: I am a vice chair to Moms For Liberty and I represent all of Macomb County. Macomb County should remain whole.	Community 1: Macomb County with crisp, straight lines. Utica Community School district is a huge part of Macomb County and should remain whole.
c2187 (35141)	Lake Saint Clair Community: The suburbs surrounding Lake Saint Clair all share a lot of common history, culture and interest. We need common representation that can focus on protecting our lake.	lake saint clair.
c2298 (35474)	Lake Saint Clair: New Baltimore is on the north side of Anchor Bay in Lake St. Clair. It was founded as a local port but even as it has become a suburb, it is still a nautical community. It is obviously connected to Chesterfield and Ira, but also to all of the other nautical towns along the lake. Everyone living in a lakeside town shares an interest in caring for the lake and an interest in our international bor...	Lake Saint Clair Community of Interest.
c2428 (36475)	NE Suburbs Black Representation: The suburban black community northeast of Detroit is completely unrepresented. There is no black state rep or state senator covering Macomb County. But the new 2020 census results show us what we already knew. The black suburban communities between Gratiot and I-94 and in south Warren are growing. The Gratiot corridor suburbs include Eastpointe, Harper Woods, Roseville, Mount Clemens, and the ...	Gratiot & I-94 Black Representation Area.
c2458 (36679)	Lake St. Clair / St. Clair River: St. Clair Shores is home the Nautical Mile, where they say we have more dock space than anywhere else in Michigan. To the South, the Grosse Pointes were built as vacation communities and then developed into suburbs, just like St. Clair Shores. To the North, Harrison Township and Nee Baltimore were built as local ports before developing into suburbs. Chesterfield developed from a rural area into...	Lake St. Clair Community of Interest.
c2644 (38154)	Macomb Gratiot Suburbs: I am writing to support the Macomb Gratiot community. The residents here are working class. A lot of Macomb County is. But we have less heavy industry than Warren. Instead, we are centered on the Gratiot commercial area. We are also definitely different than the areas east of I-94 on the lake and the newer subdivisions further north. The people on the lake and north of Hall Road just have fe...	Community 1.
c3159 (40485)	Cruising Gratiot: My community of interest is the area centered on Gratiot Ave in Macomb County. One important thing about this area is that we have smaller school districts that have more needs than the bigger districts. Southern Clinton Twp in the Gratiot area is in the Clintondale Schools, which don't get the same resources as the bigger Chippewa district.	Gratiot.



c3195 (40672)	<p>Lake St. Clair Community: The cities along Lake St. Clair are a community of interest. We share a common water resource and have common interests in protecting that resource. Our cities all have lakefront parks and our citizens all enjoy the lakefront amenities. In redistricting, our Lake St. Clair Community should be kept together as much as possible, including in State Senate and Congressional Districts. Cities and t...</p>	<p>Lake St. Clair Communities.</p>
c3224 (40860)	<p>Lake St. Clair Community: This is to ask that the MICRC recognize the communities bordering Lake St. Clair as the "community of interest," which—in fact—they already are. •tEach of the five Pointes and shoreline Macomb townships have an orientation toward a common geographical feature: Lake St. Clair. Many boaters and sports fishermen also live in Harper Woods. •tCounty lines are of no consequence, with one of the municipi...</p>	<p>Lake St. Clair community: Lake St. Clair Community This is to ask that the MICRC recognize the communities bordering Lake St. Clair as the "community of interest," which—in fact—they already are. •tEach of the five Pointes and shoreline Macomb townships have an orientation toward a common geographical feature: Lake St. Clair. Many boaters and sports fishermen also live in Harper Woods. •tCounty lines are of no consequen...</p>
c3361 (41592)	<p>Lake St. Clair - Not Industrial: IMPORTANT - WE ARE NOT INDUSTRIAL ON LAKE ST. CLAIR. I previously submitted this COI but I needed to add some really important detail before the portal closes, especially because lakeshore COIs have been unfairly called into question. My COI is the Lake St. Clair Community of Interest. So that no one is confused about the dividing line for our lakeshore community of interest, we are the suburbs...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c3418 (41793)	<p>The Grosse Pointes and Communities North: Greetings to the Redistricting Commission: This is to document my testimony delivered directly to you at your Public Regional Meeting conducted on 22 June 2021 at the Blue Water Convention Center in Port Huron. My name is John Daniele and I reside in the city of Grosse Pointe Woods located in the northern portion of Wayne County. I first wish to express my sincere thanks to the Commissioners for...</p>	<p>Grosse Pointes and Lake Communities: The Lake St. Clair communities including the five Grosse Pointes</p>
c59 (18197)	<p>Lake St. Clair Community: This is the community surrounding Lake St. Clair that depends on the lake.</p>	<p>Shores of Lake St. Clair: This is the community of municipalities that share the shores of Lake St. Clair and depend on it for water, business, fishing, boating, swimming and other recreation</p>
c794 (24631)	<p>Lake St. Clair Community of Interest: This community of interest includes those municipalities bordering Lake St. Clair. The stewardship of the Lake is essential to local economies and property values of these municipalities and, historically, binds these municipalities in common interest. This also represents the Eastside suburbs of Detroit, which are often overlooked in comparison to the suburbs in Oakland County and those west of...</p>	<p>Lake St. Clair Community: This community of interest includes those municipalities bordering Lake St. Clair. The stewardship of the Lake is essential to local economies and property values of these municipalities and, historically, binds these municipalities in common interest. This also represents the Eastside suburbs of Detroit, which are often overlooked in comparison to the suburbs in Oakland County and those west of...</p>
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Shoreline: Described as a community of interest in a post.</p>
c1359 (27291)	<p>Suburban Corridors: I wanted to submit this as food for thought. Many suburbs of Detroit have historically been developed in corridors along the spoked roads that lead out of Detroit. This has created some corridors in which suburbs of similar character have developed together with shared historic, cultural, and economic ties. My maps here are not necessarily precise to the precinct but they demonstrate the...</p>	<p>Gratiot Corridor.</p>



c2481 (36879)	<p>Racially Integrated Suburbs(2020 Census): 2020 Census Data has been loaded at the Dave's Redistricting website, including demographic data. If Commissioners haven't gotten updated Data from EDS yet, they can play with the maps at Dave's Redistricting website to build their knowledge about the population shifts in the 2020 census. . . . One thing I am proud to see is the unprecedented racial integration in the suburbs. The blue area, whi...</p>	<p>Macomb Integrated Suburbs: This area has gone from 17% African-American VAP to 31% African-American VAP based on the 2020 census numbers.</p>
c1359 (27291)	<p>Suburban Corridors: I wanted to submit this as food for thought. Many suburbs of Detroit have historically been developed in corridors along the spoked roads that lead out of Detroit. This is has created some corridors in which suburbs of similar character have developed together with shared historic, cultural, and economic ties. My maps here are not necessarily precise to the precinct but they demonstrate the...</p>	<p>Jefferson / Mack Corridor.</p>
c2561 (37418)	<p>Keeping Michigan competitive.</p>	<p>Community 4.</p>
p390 (21621)	<p>Mary's SE Macomb plan: This submission adheres to the guidelines for mapping with about 76 person flexibility. It is contiguous without gaps and includes multiple communities of interest. Based on the number of "unassigned populations," this map would be a good place to start adding populations.</p>	<p>District 6.</p>

Supporting Data for Cluster C7		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1803 (32425)	Orthodox Jewish Community.	Orthodox Jewish Community.
c2481 (36879)	Racially Integrated Suburbs(2020 Census): 2020 Census Data has been loaded at the Dave's Redistricting website, including demographic data. If Commissioners haven't gotten updated Data from EDS yet, they can play with the maps at Dave's Redistricting website to build their knowledge about the population shifts in the 2020 census. . . . One thing I am proud to see is the unprecedented racial integration in the suburbs. The blue area, whi...	NW Integrated Suburbs: This area has gone from 53% African-American VAP to 65% African-American VAP
p837 (24920)	Caribbean Community of Interest Detroit: This is a community of interest map submission created to demonstrate the exact precincts it contains Good Afternoon, 'tMy name is Sophia Chue. I am the Executive Director of the Caribbean Community Service Center in Detroit. 'tCCSC's mission is the SEA, to support, empower and advocate for Caribbean nationals who are here in the Americas, as well as those who are new arrivals. 'tThe Ca...	District 1.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	District 13.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Southfield/Lathrup Village: An original inner ring suburb, Southfield is predominantly Black and Jewish. It doesn't have a walkable downtown, but it has shopping, entertainment and a vibrant and diverse neighborhood culture.
c1140 (26626)	Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...	Oak Park: Mostly residential, with a mix of middle class and affordable housing. Oak Park is home to a large chunk of Metro Detroit's Orthodox community and a sizable and established Black community.
c999 (26055)	Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time	Oak Park: Mostly residential, with a mix of middle class and affordable housing. Oak Park is home to a large chunk of Metro Detroit's Orthodox community and a sizable and established Black community.

Supporting Data for Cluster C8		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c777 (20409)	<p>Palmer Park: The Palmer Park area began attracting a notable LGBTQ residential base in the late 1960s as much of the white population that remained in Detroit moved to the farther reaches of the city. The Palmer Park Apartment District had its initial gay heyday in the 1970s, when popular gay bars and restaurants opened nearby along McNichols and on Woodward Avenue. It was at Menjo's, which is still operating ...</p>	<p>Palmer Park: African American, LGBT+, low-income</p>
c819 (20409)	<p>Palmer Park 2.0: The Palmer Park area began attracting a notable LGBTQ residential base in the late 1960s as much of the white population that remained in Detroit moved to the farther reaches of the city. The Palmer Park Apartment District had its initial gay heyday in the 1970s, when popular gay bars and restaurants opened nearby along McNichols and on Woodward Avenue. It was at Menjo's, which is still operating ...</p>	<p>Palmer Park: African American, LGBT+, low-income</p>
c879 (25123)	<p>Eastern Huntington Woods + Surroundings: Eastern Huntington Woods, downtown Royal Oak, and parts of Pleasant Ridge. Lots of walking and biking between these streets! The rest of Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge could also be included, as could Berkley, Ferndale, and the rest of Royal Oak, but this is really my local community.</p>	<p>My Local Community: Eastern Huntington Woods, downtown Royal Oak, and parts of Pleasant Ridge. Lots of walking and biking between these streets! The rest of Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge could also be included, as could Berkley, Ferndale, and the rest of Royal Oak, but this is really my local community.</p>
c999 (26055)	<p>Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time</p>	<p>Northwest Detroit: The part of northwest Detroit south of 8 Mile and north of 7 Mile between Woodward and the Lodge Freeway has a fair amount of overlap culturally and economically with Southfield, Oak Park and Ferndale. It's predominantly Black with a mix of wealthy, middle class and working class residents.</p>
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Detroit's Palmer Park: Identified as a "safe" GLBT community.</p>
pl1974 (33192)	<p>The Golf District: DCC2: This is a community of interest map submitted in district format to accurately reflect the exact precincts involved in our community. The Golf District consists of Palmer Woods, Sherwood Forest, Green Acres and University District and Grindale Farms Neighborhood Associations . West of livernois is Bagley, Pembroke, Schulz and Greenwich Communities.These communities have over 78% of homeownership ...</p>	<p>District 3.</p>
c2481 (36879)	<p>Racially Integrated Suburbs(2020 Census): 2020 Census Data has been loaded at the Dave's Redistricting website, including demographic data. If Commissioners haven't gotten updated Data from EDS yet, they can play with the maps at Dave's Redistricting website to build their knowledge about the population shifts in the 2020 census. . . . One thing I am proud to see is the unprecedeted racial integration in the suburbs. The blue area, whi...</p>	<p>Community 5.</p>

c1140 (26626)	<p>Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...</p>	<p>Ferndale: Inner ring suburb bordering Detroit, home to a sizable young population. It has a mix of middle class and affordable housing, which is mostly concentrated east of Woodward. That area overlaps Hazel Park as a similar community. It has a big dining and entertainment corridor centered on Woodward and 9 Mile.</p>
c999 (26055)	<p>Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time</p>	<p>Ferndale: Inner ring suburb bordering Detroit, home to a sizable young population. It has a mix of middle class and affordable housing, which is mostly concentrated east of Woodward. That area overlaps Hazel Park as a similar community. It has a big dining and entertainment corridor centered on Woodward and 9 Mile.</p>
c1140 (26626)	<p>Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...</p>	<p>Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge: The wealthiest of southeast Oakland County's inner ring suburbs. Predominantly white and linear.</p>
c999 (26055)	<p>Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time</p>	<p>Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge: The wealthiest of southeast Oakland County's inner ring suburbs. Predominantly white and linear.</p>
c1140 (26626)	<p>Charlotte's inner ring Detroit suburbs: The starting point for me is not a specific building, but the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 696. These are the main arteries that connect the inner ring suburban communities where most of my friends and family live and work. I live in Royal Oak, but I spend as much time in Madison Heights, Ferndale, Oak Park and Troy as I do in my own city. The border of Oakland and Macomb count...</p>	<p>Royal Oak Township: Mostly low income community bordering 8 Mile in Detroit. Predominantly Black.</p>
c999 (26055)	<p>Charlottes communities of interest: Inner rings suburbs in southeast Oakland County, southwest Macomb and northwest Detroit. This is where I live and spend my time</p>	<p>Royal Oak Township: Mostly low income community bordering 8 Mile in Detroit. Predominantly Black.</p>



Supporting Data for Cluster C9		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1097 (26458)	Looked over and Forgotten (District 3): District 3 is where i have been living for over 34 years and I am very concern about the conditions of my community and the welfare of my people.	Community 1: District 3 is a community that has been looked over and forgotten for years where I live on 7 mile and Hoover. There is heavy traffic. low income families and there is so much blight and vacant buildings and lots Housing is very limited and there is none or very few groceries store we can shop at we need all the necessary necessities to survive in our District.
c1831 (32497)	KB County COI.	Community 1.
c1870 (32738)	Detroit as a whole: The city should vote together	City District: Detroit should vote as a community since it is one.
c2065 (34882)	Improving Regions: I have mapped two communities of interest. One is Washtenaw and Wayne county, the other is the border counties and Jackson county. These two communities have little in common, and should not in any way be combined in representation. For example, the commission decided to lump Washtenaw County and Monroe county together in a regional plan. While these regions are starting points and were determined...	Urban Areas: Urban infrastructure, higher average median income, dense population.
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.	Detroit Metro: The heart of industry in Michigan! The communities within this region share a common metro-center and city-culture, knowing best what is needed for the city of Detroit and immediate surrounding areas.
c2501 (37048)	SE MI: These areas are close in proximity but very different. In Ann Arbor and Detroit they have very different interests than we do in Monroe, Adrian, and Hillsdale. Our industries differ too, they are focused on high tech manufacturing and we focus on traditional industrial.	Major cities: This area is comprised of several major cities and universities.
c2785 (38959)	Eid needs to work together: I have been following this process closely, and I feel like over the past two days you all have gone from working as a commission to now some are trying to pursue an agenda. Please stick to following the communities of interest submitted to you all by individuals at the hearings and by individuals in this portal, not maps and communities submitted by special interest groups. And do the work together...	Your system isn't work: I have been trying to submit just a comment for days and my comment is showing up. Even after having confirmed my email. Also when you click to draw a state house map it is showing congressional district parameters.
c3196 (40691)	Roz's COI Southwest Detroit: This map represents some of southwest Detroit downriver area. This community of interest share common economic status.	Community 1.
c3381 (41706)	Eid Pushing Systemic Racism: I have tried to educate some on the portal about the Voting Rights Act and the importance of protecting the voice of minority communities; however, this week, one commissioner mentioned an incredibly disturbing thought: change the number of majority-minority districts. If he was talking about bumping up the number from 2 to 3, then I hope he clarifies and I will support this effort. But, I have a ...	Community 1.



c352 (21392) Audrey Anderson trees, parks, diverse:	My community is Pittsfield Twp, it has Ann Arbor Schools and Ypsilanti postal address. My community is diverse and we are in eastern Washtenaw county.	Pittsfield Township: We have Ann Arbor schools and ypsilanti mailing address. We are a community with lots of diversity in the population. We have great access to I-94 and US 23. We have retail, grocery, business, Universities in both Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.
p2989 (39870)	Black Bottom Test 1: First test training map	District 1.
c1990 (33078)	Wayne County - Together not Disjoined: Michigan Avenue (route 12) – I am within walking distance of this main shopping and ethnic restaurant corridor. It runs through the diverse communities of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, and Westland. Dearborn is especially diverse because it holds one of the largest Arab populations in the US. "tCity of Dearborn Recreation and Performing Art Center contains a fitness center, a...	North central Wayne Co.
c2317 (35584)	Rural vs Urban Lifestyle: Washtenaw and Wayne counties are vastly different than counties like Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale and Berrien.	Community 2.
c2321 (35588)	Suburban Lifestyle vs Border Counties: As someone who grew up and raised a family in rural Michigan, and now living in urban Michigan, I can say firsthand that these are two distinctively different communities, and therefore should not be stuck together in representation. They have different values, lifestyles, family structures, etc. They have different income levels, paces of life, and economies. Any attempt to combine these two comm...	Community 2.
c2392 (35925)	College Life: As someone who goes to college in one of the communities of interest, and spend my summer months in the rural community, I can attest to the differences between these two areas. The Chi ties of Washtenaw and parts of Wayne are much more affluent, have different infrastructure needs, and have public universities. The rural parts are much more agricultural, smaller communities, etc. These two commun...	Community 2.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 3.

Supporting Data for Cluster C10		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1510 (29333)	Arab & Middle Eastern/North African COI: The Arab or Middle Eastern/North African (MENA) Community As the leading Arab American community-based organization, ACCESS (ARAB COMMUNITY CENTER FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES) has worked for 50 years as a service provider. The agency services 70,000 individuals from disenfranchised communities—primarily those representing the Arab American community—on an annual basis. This on-the-ground exp...	COI Arab and/or MENA Ancestry.
c1745 (31585)	Northwest Dearborn neighborhood map.	Northwest Dearborn: What they have in common: brick houses, all of the kids went to Bryant Middle School. Michigan Avenue and Ford Road are major dividers (big roads that are tough to cross). The Ford Estate and Rouge River are a natural barrier to the east.
c181 (19298)	Detroit River Waterfront Communities: Communities on the waterfront of the Detroit River should have common representation.	Community 1: Detroit River waterfront communities
c1829 (32496)	Dearborn/Dearborn Heights/Allen Park.	Community 1: A mixture of black/white/hispanic/muslim - recent immigrants and less recent immigrants. High Muslim population.
c1861 (32710)	Dearborn-Dearborn Heights: Keep Dearborn and Dearborn Heights together.	Community 1: Dearborn-Dearborn Heights - Keep together at least congressionally and if possible state
c1868 (32735)	Keep all of Dearborn in one state house: Keep all of Dearborn in one state house district	Community 1: Dearborn - keep all of Dearborn in one state house district
c1959 (33595)	Allen Park, MI: City of Allen Park, MI; such 'small communities' should be entirely within 1 district & should be the COI.	Allen Park, MI (BAG): City of Allen Park, MI
c3244 (40982)	Latino Community Detroit: This is the Latino community of Detroit. Please do not split it up.	Latino: The Latino Community of Detroit
c3360 (41620)	Colleen's Industrial Neighborhoods Map.	Industrial Neighborhoods: Residents in this area (and around it) are more affected by pollution as a result of living near various manufacturing plants as well as MI's only refinery. These citizens' concerns about clean air/water pollution, green space, and physical health need to be heard cohesively.
c38 (17124)	Dearborn Cultural District: Cultural venues in Dearborn. Important that they be combined in some way for financial support (grants, direct subsidies) for the institutions.	Community 1.
c39 (17128)	Dearborn neighborhoods near Ford Field: Area includes residents west of Brady, north of Michigan Ave., east of Outer Drive who count Ford Field as their local park. They have a common interest in working together to maintain and improve the park.	Dearborn Ford Field Neighbors: Neighborhoods using Ford Field, north of Michigan Rd.
p2078 (34961)	Latinx Community. SW Detroit/Downriver.: This plan would unify the largest Latinx population in the state, and provide a voice for Latinx residents that the state house that has been missing.	District 1.



<p>p553 (23331)</p>	<p>Roslyn's Detroit State House 9 Map Plan: My plan was based on the current line already in existent but expanding to ensure complete blocks and community stay connected not separated due to political agenda.</p>	District 1.
<p>p851 (24397)</p>	<p>CAJ Research Team: This district keeps the same boundaries as the House District 5. The population loss was not in Detroit but outstate Michigan. Finally in my duties as a Census enumerator, SW Detroit was under-counted</p>	District 1.
<p>c2560 (37414)</p>	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Snow Woods subdivision: Should be in the same district as Dearborn, according to a post.</p>
<p>c3196 (40691)</p>	<p>Roz's COI Southwest Detroit: This map represents some of southwest Detroit downriver area. This community of interest share common economic status.</p>	Community 2.
<p>c2560 (37414)</p>	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Latino community in Detroit: Identified by a post.</p>
<p>c3196 (40691)</p>	<p>Roz's COI Southwest Detroit: This map represents some of southwest Detroit downriver area. This community of interest share common economic status.</p>	Community 3.
<p>p1972 (31394)</p>	<p>District 7 We Care Community (Hartwell): This is a Community of Interest map submitted in district format to show the exact precincts involved in our community. Detroit's City Council District 7 is made up of We Care ,Barton Mcfarland, Joy-Schafer, Plymouth Hubbell Neighborhoods. This once strong community has seen several schools close over the years. Even with more blight than many areas of Detroit and with higher taxes than almost ...</p>	District 3.
<p>c2453 (25164)</p>	<p>Latinx Community. SW Detroit/Downriver: This map represents the region of SW Detroit with the largest Latinx/Hispanic population. This is a region with deep common roots on language, music, food and traditions. This region used to be at the heart of the 8th. District of the Michigan House of Representatives. In 1999 Belda Garza became the first Latinx Immigrant to represent this district. In the year 2000, after the 2000 census, the M...</p>	Community 4.
<p>c3196 (40691)</p>	<p>Roz's COI Southwest Detroit: This map represents some of southwest Detroit downriver area. This community of interest share common economic status.</p>	Community 4.



Supporting Data for Cluster C11		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1270 (27091)	Southwest Michigan Lakeshore COI: The south west coast of Michigan, including South Haven, St. Joseph, and as far south as New Buffalo confront similar challenges facing all Michigan citizens. However the factors contributing to our issues are unique to the lakeshore area, and the citizens of our communities will be best represented by someone that lives and works in our area. Lakeshore erosion, beach preservation, local control o...	Southwest Michigan Lakeshore Community: Southwest Michigan area along the Michigan lakeshore that sharing similar factors impacting the lives of its residents.
c1594 (30719)	Historic Underground Railroad Community: This is roughly the corridor of historic Underground Railroad communities, places where formerly enslaved persons were brought and settled. It is diverse, integrated and more bi-partisan than much of rural and small town Michigan.	Historic Underground Railroad corridor: This area is integrated, diverse and bi-partisan, since it was settled by formerly enslaved persons and their descendants. Most of rural and small town Michigan is segregated and solidly Republican, so keeping this community intact may satisfy the requirements of diversity and bi-partisanship.
c1631 (30927)	Ontwa Township/Cass County COI Map: This COI map is to accompany written testimony ID: wl255	Community 1: This map is to accompany written testimony ID:wl255, submitted by Ann Tideman. I surveyed 10 members of Ontwa Township for our community of interest. On the map, I marked our most frequently visited places for various activities and services. These included locations in Cass County, Berrien County and communities in Indiana (not mapped). I concluded that our community of interest extends east to C...
c1651 (31141)	Benton Harbor City Limit: Benton Harbor City we would like the best rezoning for our city	Community 1: Benton Harbor is my community please keep us in mind.
c1653 (31146)	Cass, VanBuren, & Berrien Counties COI.	Community 1: Cass, Van Buren, and Berrien Counties are connected through educational, governmental, socio-economic, healthcare, and recreational ties. I am focusing here on education. As a life-long educator, I want to talk about some of the educational connections that help to make Cass, Van Buren, and Berrien Counties a community of interest. These same connections do not exist with St. Joseph County to o...
c1707 (31353)	Paul's Plan for SW Michigan.	State house representatives: While hard to draw on this map my suggestion is to divide Berrien County into two districts using the St. Joseph River as the division line. This may be a concern in the Niles area but it's a clean way to set the lines.
c1709 (31358)	Paul's Plan for SW Michigan: SW Michigan Senate Rep,	State Senate: My idea for State senate boundary in SW Michigan is to include the counties of Berrien, Cass and Van Buren. These counties work together now and it just trades St. Joseph county for Van Buren.
c1798 (32413)	Southwest Lakeshore Community: This is the Lake Michigan Coast district of SW Michigan. These communities have incredibly similar economic, cultural, and historical backgrounds. They all rely on agriculture and tourism for their well-being.	Southwest Lakeshore: The southwestern lakeshore of Michigan from South Haven to the Indiana border have much in common. I hope the Commission can value their similarities and keep them conjoined whenever possible



c1885 (32851)	SW mIchigan.	Southwest Michigan: This is SW michigan, unlike the gerrymandered layout of Fred Upton's district of today.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Dowagiac with Ontwa Twp.: Observed community of interest in a post, also included in a post about keeping SW Michigan counties together.
c3294 (41171)	Lakeshore community of interest: https://districtr.org/COI/41171	Lakeshore community of interest: This community shares economic, historical, educational and infrastructural commonalities that make its needs important and different from the inland communities. It also presents a fair makeup of partisan splits and keeps recognized communities together.
c3300 (41234)	Eid=Boy who cried wolf: Commissioner Eid has consistently worked to redraw the collaborative maps and break-up COIs for the sole purpose of creating districts that benefit one party over the other. One example of this was his attempt to separate Ypsilanti from Ann Arbor, when the two were identified in many public comments as being a community of interest. His attempt to add Ypsilanti to Monroe (which was supported by ...	Community 1.
c3379 (41691)	Lakeshore is 100% Community of Interest: Lakeshore cities and towns in Berrien and VanBuren are definitely a community of interest. These communities have a shared commitment to diversity (racial, cultural, and LGBTQ+). They have tourism economies as well as some fishing industry. They are well connected by the I96 and I94. They are distinct from the more inland townships which are predominantly rural and agricultural. Those who are advo...	Community 1.
c3384 (41733)	Tri City Record: This is an area covered by one of the very few small town newspapers left in Michigan. The Tri City Record covers Coloma, Watervliet, Hartford, Bainbridge, and Hagar. This small newspaper is the source of news for these northern communities, and its readers are a natural community of interest.	Community 1.
c3385 (41740)	Different Types of Communities: The Townships along the coast are completely different than the tourist centers that are New Buffalo and South Haven. Lincoln, St. Joseph, Lake, Bridgeman, and Hagar deserve to have their voices heard, not be lumped in with tourist towns just so there can be a gerrymandered Democrat district on the coast.	Community 1.
c3409 (41777)	LGBTQIA+ Friendly and Diverse Lakeshore: Hello. My name is Drew Stanton and I live in Douglas. I am a member of the LGBTQIA+ community and I am writing to ask the commission to draw districts that reflect the lakeshore community of interest in Western Michigan. Communities on the lakeshore are more diverse, tolerant, and inclusive. Additionally, we have shared interests including protecting our natural resources and attracting diverse to...	Community 1.
p1141 (26635)	Benton Harbor to South Haven - Fair: I have lived in Berrien County since I was 10-years-old. I want to make the case for why we need a connected district from Stevensville up to South Haven; African American representation on the state level is non-existent in Berrien County. Benton Harbor is over 90% African American; South Haven has a sizeable African-American population; and Benton Charter Township also has a size-able latino po...	District 1.



<p>p1143 (26646)</p> <p>Michigan's southwest lakeshore district: Southwest Michigan's lakeshore area in Berrien County, an area that stretches along Lake Michigan from New Buffalo in the south to South Haven in the north, is an area that is unique from even the inland communities that are adjacent to it. While not homogenous, the citizens of this area are largely united in their interests. The area is heavily reliant on tourism and service industries. In part...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1147 (26647)</p> <p>Southwest Michigan Faith Community: This map is the best way this district should be drawn considering the religious community. I have experienced and been part of many efforts to form coalition between faiths and denominations that strive towards community building and ministry to our community's most vulnerable people. By including South Haven in a district with the Benton Harbor, Benton Charter Township, Benton Heights, Niles com...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1148 (26643)</p> <p>Lakeshore community of interest for 79th: The lakeshore communities have many economic, historical, cultural, educational and recreational similarities. The economic commonalities revolve around lakeshore specific industries such as recreation (boating, fishing, golfing, kayaking, hiking etc.), tourism (retail, restaurants, summer rentals, etc.) and lakefront real estate to name a few. Educationally there are unique student needs that spa...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1713 (31375)</p> <p>JFW Plan Senate.</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1908 (33008)</p> <p>Eric's North Berrien Map: I reviewed a recent meeting held, and I appreciate the commission's commitment to taking history of our communities into account while they draw districts for the 2022 election. Since its founding, Berrien County has always been split into a North/South County mentality. Our founding townships were St. Joseph Township and Niles Township. St. Joseph encompassing the Northern parts of the County a...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1909 (33009)</p> <p>Tom - North Berrien + Baroda: As the commission looks to draw new lines for our districts at the state and federal level, I would encourage them to keep North and South Berrien County together. Since our county is too big for one district, maintaining the North/South split is critical to preserving our communities of interest. From a public safety point of view, our county has already split itself into a North/South territo...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1910 (33013)</p> <p>Rodney's AG Community - N/S Berrien: As the commission looks to draw new lines for the state house and senate, I'm writing to encourage you to do everything you can to keep Michigan's Agricultural communities of interest intact. Agriculture in Michigan is more than a \$100 billion industry, with our state producing more than 300 commodities on a commercial basis, including tart cherries, blueberries, dry beans, floriculture products,...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1911 (33016)</p> <p>Steve - Municipalities: There is nothing that describes a community of interest more than a local municipality, be it a city, township, or village. Local control is always paramount, and if you ask any voter, they'd prefer more decisions to be made at the local level instead of a faraway capital. If this commission splits up municipal lines, it would be the single greatest disservice to the people of Michigan in rece...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>



<p>p3309 (41252)</p> <p>Lake Shore District: This plan is concise and contiguous. It offers a voice to those who share a similar community of interest. Their tourism is more alike than the rest of the county they reside in terms of economy & diversity. This district would create a more diverse voting base and increase the diversity in Lansing. Please consider this House District as a community of interest.</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p3351 (41504)</p> <p>Lakeshore District - 79th: We need to ensure lakeshore communities are represented fairly - so that the voices are heard. Please consider a district inclusive of St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, Covert and South Haven. We could go all the way down the lakeshore to include New Buffalo, etc.</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p3367 (41639)</p> <p>Great 1st Draft: I appreciate the commission's first draft for Berrien County. This keeps several communities of interest together such as the Northern readers of the Tri City Record, which includes Hagar, Coloma, Watervliet, Hartford, and Bainbridge. This map also builds on the realization that not all municipalities on the coast share the same values. Lake Township, Lincoln Township, Bridgeman, St. Joseph Tow...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>p1145 (26648)</p> <p>Senate District Tri-county SWM: As a long time resident of Berrien County, it is clear that Berrien, Van Buren and Cass counties are more closely linked than Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph counties. Berrien and Cass are naturally linked by their shared border. Van Buren and Berrien are both part of the I-94 corridor and also share Lake Michigan shoreline. Van Buren and Berrien counties also share educational resources at the K...</p>	<p>District 13.</p>
<p>c1270 (27091)</p> <p>Southwest Michigan Lakeshore COI: The south west coast of Michigan, including South Haven, St. Joseph, and as far south as New Buffalo confront similar challenges facing all Michigan citizens. However the factors contributing to our issues are unique to the lakeshore area, and the citizens of our communities will be best represented by someone that lives and works in our area. Lakeshore erosion, beach preservation, local control o...</p>	<p>Larger African American Community: African American community of southwest Michigan divided by current electoral maps, but with new maps, bringing these communities together, will realize more equitable representation.</p>
<p>c1707 (31353)</p> <p>Paul's Plan for SW Michigan.</p>	<p>State Representative lines.: My suggestion is to divide Berrien County into two districts using the St. Joseph River as the boundary. This may need 'tweaking' in the Niles area but it does set clear lines.</p>
<p>c3386 (41743)</p> <p>Indiana Community: The proximity to Indiana most definitely has an effect on the people of Berrien and Cass County. Folks may work in Indiana, shop in Indiana, and spend their free time in Indiana. Due to the proximity of South Bend and Notre Dame, there is considerable influence on our southern townships, creating a completely different community than Northern Berrien County.</p>	<p>Community 2.</p>
<p>p1152 (26664)</p> <p>South Berrien County Communities: I think there is a natural link, or connection, between the cities of Niles and Dowagiac, as well as Niles and Buchanan—seem to be sister cities to me. The district I have drawn contrasts the rural areas of the County with the lakeshore cities; I see quite a difference there.</p>	<p>District 2.</p>
<p>p1149 (26637)</p> <p>Proposed Senate District in SW Michigan: My State Senator should represent communities that have shared interests and cultural activities with the population they will represent. Since Van Buren and Cass Counties share a Health Department it is critical that their state senator represents those interests. All services that are shared between Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren Counties such as Head Start, the Area Commission on Aging, Health De...</p>	<p>District 29.</p>

c3385
(41740)

Different Types of Communities: The Townships along the coast are completely different than the tourist centers that are New Buffalo and South Haven. Lincoln, St. Joseph, Lake, Bridgman, and Hagar deserve to have their voices heard, not be lumped in with tourist towns just so there can be a gerrymandered Democrat district on the coast.

c3409
(41777)

LGBTQIA+ Friendly and Diverse Lakeshore: Hello. My name is Drew Stanton and I live in Douglas. I am a member of the LGBTQIA+ community and I am writing to ask the commission to draw districts that reflect the lakeshore community of interest in Western Michigan. Communities on the lakeshore are more diverse, tolerant, and inclusive. Additionally, we have shared interests including protecting our natural resources and attracting diverse to...

Community 3.

Community 4.

Supporting Data for Cluster C12		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1575 (30108)	Gull Lake Community Schools StRep map: Gull Lake Community schools: should have one state representative	Community 1: Gull Lake Community Schools
c1699 (31306)	Kalamazoo.	Kalamazoo.
c1857 (32689)	melanie - kzoo.	Community 1.
c1888 (32882)	Greater Kalamazoo Metro Area.	State Rep District, Greater Kalamazoo Metro Area: College town, with shifting demographics of urban, rural, and suburban. A mixture of center-left, leftist, social conservative, and fiscally liberal views.
c1979 (33776)	Military Communities in Battle Creek: Battle Creek has a populous Veteran community. We have a large VA Hospital, Air National Guard Base, National Cemetery, and many other military establishments. Some are located in Calhoun County, but a few are in Kalamazoo County. It would be nice if all the establishments were in the same District. It would help the Veterans here with resources if we had a Representative who understands what Vete...	Veteran Community, Military establishments: There are several Military establishments throughout Calhoun County, primarily in Battle Creek. The majority of these locations are in Calhoun County, including the Battle Creek VA Medical Center. Other parts of this military community is in Kalamazoo County. If possible could we keep these places in one District. It would be nice to have the same Representative who understands the many things Vet...
c2003 (34207)	The rural and urban divide in Oshtemo: As in most communities, rural districts value sewer systems, metro transit, trails, sidewalks and parks and urban communities value property rights, water rights, land use rights, etc...	Oshtemo - Urban: Oshtemo spends the majority of tax dollars developing rural areas. Values sewers, public water, sidewalks, metro transit, biking trails, etc...
c2083 (34980)	Mattawan/ Antwerp Township: Mattawan is located in eastern Van Buren County in SW Michigan along the I-94 corridor. The Village of Mattawan itself is 4 square miles, encompassing a downtown area of small restaurants, churches, and public park where community events happen, as well as an area of development just south of the I-94 interchange. North of that interchange are restaurants, small manufacturing, trucking companies. ...	Mattawan Community/Antwerp Township: Mattawan is located in eastern Van Buren County in SW Michigan along the I-94 corridor. The Village of Mattawan itself is 4 square miles, encompassing a downtown area of small restaurants, churches, and public park where community events happen, as well as an area of development just south of the I-94 interchange. North of that interchange are restaurants, small manufacturing, trucking companies. ...
c2517 (36806)	Lorraine's SW Michigan Plan: There are several communities in SW Michigan that should be kept together as much as possible. Border counties rely on other states and cities like South Bend, IN more than others to the north. Van Buren and Allegan share many functions of government and interests as manufacturing and agricultural communities along the lakeshore. Kalamazoo forms a self-contained community of interest as well. For ...	Kalamazoo Area.
c3223 (40859)	Hearing Comments Excel Incomplete: I attended and gave live comments on my COI at a hearing. I identified the location, the reasons it is a COI, and what districts it should be included in. A spreadsheet was now posted on the MICRC website that summarizes some live comments on COI's. My COI was omitted. In fact, only 144 entries are on the new spreadsheet. Commissioners should take the time to read the hearing transcripts so no...	Community 1.

c502 (22797)	Kalamazoo Higher Education COI: 3 institutions of post-secondary education strongly connect the Kalamazoo area as a Community of Interest.	Kalamazoo Higher Education COI: Higher education characterizes the greater Kalamazoo area, given the three important institutions of post-secondary education in a concentrated area. Many residents of the area are directly connected to those institutions, such as students, employees or persons who enjoy the enrichment activities offered by those institutions, such as performances, exhibits, sporting events, Osher Lifelong Learn...
c2003 (34207)	The rural and urban divide in Oshtemo: As in most communities, rural districts value sewer systems, metro transit, trails, sidewalks and parks and urban communities value property rights, water rights, land use rights, etc...	Oshtemo - Rural: Green spaces, farms, few subdivisions, value privacy, land use, gun use, farming, etc...
c2514 (37133)	Southwest Michigan - KM from Hamilton: Southwest Michigan has 3 distinct communities - Van Buren/Allegan which are rural with small towns/cities Kalamazoo County is urban and the 3 border counties of Berrien, Cass and St. Joe share a border with Indiana which is a huge community factor.	Kalamazoo/Portage Metro Area: Metropolitan area
c2556 (35815)	Southwest Michigan counties: These counties share many functions of government and similar economies.	Kalamazoo County: Kalamazoo County itself forms a community on its own
c1601 (30746)	State Senate District: It just seems better balanced and less politically secure.	Community 3.
c2377 (35737)	West and Southwest Michigan: Allegan and Van Buren counties are a natural fit. They are shoreline, non-border counties with rural communities and small towns. They are largely based on agriculture, manufacturing and tourism businesses, the local governments work together, and they face the same environmental and access to broadband challenges. Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph counties are a community of interest. They are border...	Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo and immediate surrounding areas form a Community of interest
c2395 (35737)	Southwestern Michigan: Growing up in West Michigan, I'm very familiar with which counties should be combined together for Senate districts. Allegan and Van Buren counties are a clear community of interest-agriculture, manufacturing, tourism, shoreline, rural with small towns, and schools, communities, businesses, and local telecommunications providers that cover both counties. Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph are all border...	Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo and immediate surrounding areas form a Community of interest
c2402 (36073)	West and Southwest Michigan: From experience living throughout West Michigan, certain areas fit together as communities of interest: Grand Rapids, Kentwood and East Grand Rapids share the same economic, culture and overall focus around Grand Rapids. Local hospital systems, public transportation, and infrastructure overlap, and many of the largest "Grand Rapids" manufacturers are in Kentwood, along with the big "Grand Rapids" ...	Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo and immediate surrounding areas form a Community of interest
c2410 (36204)	West Michigan Map: Muskegon-Oceana-Newaygo: Muskegon based district with nearby counties. Good mix of urban and rural. Close proximity so easy for a Senator to represent and visit all areas of the district in-person. Allegan-Van Buren: Rural communities along the shoreline, with heavy agriculture, tourism and manufacturing economic engines. Overlapping broadband and government services. Berrien-Cass-St. Joseph: Bo...	Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo and immediate surrounding areas form a Community of interest

c2512 (36805)	Southwest Michigan communities: I feel that communities should be kept whole and people have gotten use to having adjoining communities, and adjoining communities have similar interest and interact with each other. I do not feel township should be broken up. This could change our schools, churches. We came to this area for the reason that I have stated Van Buren, and Allegan should be together. Rural counties should stay together...	SW Central.
c2519 (37149)	Southwest Michigan Community: Between Allegan and Van Buren they are very similar, share the Kalamazoo River, farmland industry, lakeshore.	Kalamazoo.
c2378 (35825)	South and West Michigan Communities: These are several communities that each feature something unique. While they are mostly rural with some larger cities, the rural areas go together well on a map and share many interests, challenges, and governmental functions. The differences are based on location and proximity to other cities. Kalamazoo fits into its own community.	Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo is unique as a community itself
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Kalamazoo/Oshtemo: Identified as a community of interest.

Supporting Data for Cluster C13		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1665 (31161)	<p>Creston neighborhood in Grand Rapids: This community of interest is the Creston neighborhood of Grand Rapids. It is a historic neighborhood within the city, uniting local businesses and residents within this common identity.</p>	<p>Creston Community of Interest: This map describes the neighborhood of Creston in Grand Rapids. As a community of interest, it is united by the common identity of Creston.</p>
c1776 (32111)	<p>Creston Environmental Group: Our neighborhood is very committed to environmentally and racially just growth and development.</p>	<p>Creston Neighborhood Environmental Group: This is a neighborhood of members that are super invested in Creston Neighborhood, the economic growth and development of the neighborhood, and the environmental and racially just application of policies and projects.</p>
c1955 (33557)	<p>Ashland Township and surrounding areas.: Wonderful rural community to relax and raise your children.</p>	<p>Ashland Township and surrounding areas: Ashland township includes river and lake communities that primarily include lower-middle-class individuals that have concerns about flooding and invasive underwater growth such as algae. Also included are the town merchants that are primarily individually owned businesses. The community is primarily a rural farming community and relies on it for sustainability.</p>
c2050 (34731)	<p>Grand Rapids NE COI: I have lived in Grand Rapids for over 40 years, and in NE Grand Rapids for almost 30. People here enjoy Riverside Park and the Grand River. We walk, ride bikes, take public busses, or drive to the neighborhood businesses and restaurants, or to downtown.</p>	<p>Grand Rapids NE: NE Grand Rapids is a community roughly bounded by the Grand River to the west, 4 Mile to the north, M-44 to the east, and Fulton St to the south. This mostly bedroom community shares the Grand River, common bus lines, and the Medical Mile hospital complexes on Michigan St. The Leonard Fuller Plaza holds the main local grocery store, restaurants, and retail stores in the middle of NE Grand Rapids. ...</p>
c2529 (37164)	<p>Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.</p>	<p>Rockford Area: The people of the townships of Algoma, Cortland, Plainfield, and Cannon share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Rockford Public Schools and live/work in neighboring townships.</p>
p1039 (26223)	<p>Kent Cty NW MI Representative District: These communities are centered around the agriculture business of growing fruit like apples, cherries, peaches, etc. The area starts on the southern end in Walker and progresses to the north through the small towns of Sparta, Kent City, and Casnovia to the northern border of Kent County on the western border of Kent County-mostly the current district 74. We are a rural community with life, comme...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
p1041 (26230)	<p>Kent Cty NW MI Representative District: These communities are centered around the agriculture business of growing fruit like apples, cherries, peaches, etc. The area starts on the southern end in Walker and progresses to the north through the small towns of Sparta, Kent City, and Casnovia to the northern border of Kent County on the western border of Kent County-mostly the current district 74. We are a rural community with life, comme...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>

p1151 (26667)	Rockford resident area: circled around like communities	District 1.
p1153 (26670)	Northern Kent County: northern kent county residents deserve to be represented by a common legislator	District 1.
p1667 (31166)	New Northern Kent/Ottawa House District: This district would more closely align rural and agricultural interests in Kent, Ottawa, Muskegon, and Newaygo counties. It would be a very, very competitive district.	District 1.
p2562 (37219)	Redistricting Thoughts: As a State Representative candidate in 2020, 2018 and 2014, and as a result of knocking tens of thousands of doors, I believe I have some unique insight to the redistricting plan. I have seen first hand how the district has changed; not simply with the increase in population, but how different communities changed voting patterns and interests. For example, when I moved to East Grand Rapids in 20...	District 1.
c2529 (37164)	Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.	Comstock Park Area: The people of the precincts in southern Alpine Township and City of Walker share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Kenowa Hills Schools and work in the Comstock Park area. Grand Rapids: These precincts in the City of Grand Rapids are considered to be the downtown region and heart of Kent County. The people here share the same cultural and economic interests.
p2058 (34833)	RHowell 28th Senate District: The past gerrymandering took this senate district and pushed it south to Cities of Wyoming only to include the homes of the strong party candidates and did not reflect the rural nature of NE Kent County and beyond	District 19.
c2529 (37164)	Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.	Rural Kent County: The people of the townships of Spencer, Oakfield, and Grattan share similar cultural and economic interests. This is a large agricultural area where many own farms. Cedar Springs Area: The people of the townships of Solon, Nelson, and the City of Cedar Springs share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Cedar Springs Schools and work in Cedar Springs.
		Sparta Area: The people of the townships of Tyrone, Alpine, Sparta, and the Village of Sparta share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Sparta Public Schools and work within the Village of Sparta.



Supporting Data for Cluster C14-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1011 (26114)	Kent County Core 6 Cities: In Kent County there are 6 core metro cities. These are Grand Rapids, Walker, Grandville, Wyoming, Kentwood, and East Grand Rapids. They are a clear community of interest based on shared services and similar forms of government. The 6 cities have several unique partnerships that they do together and not with outlying townships. The most well known is that they share the Rapid Transit System. They ...	Core 6 Cities: In Kent County there are 6 core metro cities. These are Grand Rapids, Walker, Grandville, Wyoming, Kentwood, and East Grand Rapids. They are a clear community of interest based on shared services and similar forms of government. The 6 cities have several unique partnerships that they do together and not with outlying townships. The most well known is that they share the Rapid Transit System. They ...
c1333 (27185)	Six Metro City Community of Interest: As a resident of East Grand Rapids, I'm writing to ask you to keep the core metro six cities together as much as possible in state house, state senate, and congressional districts. These urban cities (Grand Rapids, Walker, Grandville, Walker, Kentwood, and East Grand Rapids) are significantly different from the surrounding townships that are mostly rural or far out suburban and therefore are int...	Community 1.
c1539 (29568)	Greater Grand Rapids.	Community 1: Greater Grand Rapids
c1557 (29633)	Grandmas to the Rescue: We would like to express our deepest gratitude to each of you serving on this redistricting commission, for taking our plans into account and seriously in order to enhanse life for all Michigan residents. . . por un mundo mejor inclusivo.	Community 1: Our community is spread over several densely populated neighborhoods and one of the most diverse neighborhoods in Grand Rapids with a large population of Latino families living along side populations of African immigrants, Black and White families.
c1766 (31895)	Wyoming/Grandville: Wyoming/Grandville area both have common interest such as resources, parks, education, transit and much more	Wyoming/Grandville: Wyoming and Grandville have many resources, parks, and schools in common. If you blink you will miss where one ends and begins.
c1801 (32419)	Why competitive elections are important.	Community 1: This community is a community of people who work for a living, or struggle financially, or often lack what is necessary for a good life. They are a multiracial, multigendered class. they come from many countries, hold many religious beliefs, or none at all. They are black, Brown, and white people. They sometimes vote for one of the two major parties because they don't have many options, don't have...
c1852 (32665)	Metro Grand Rapids: The metro Grand Rapids area (including Wyoming, Kentwood, and Plainfield Charter Township) is demographically similar and you don't realize when you cross from one municipality to another. It all feels like the same area. It make sense that we should have our own representation in state and national government. It is also logical to group us with Kalamazoo, a similar community, if needed for US co...	Community 1: This community is metro Grand Rapids. Wyoming, Kentwood, and Plainfield charter township are included because the borders are indistinguishable from the city of Grand Rapids. So, they have the look, feel, and demographics of Grand Rapids. This district might be too large to be just one state house district, but it is representative of our community as a whole. If a larger district is needed (congr...
c1918 (33119)	Tina's community of interest map: Communities tied by similar educational interest	Greater GR: Congruent communities with close educational interests
c1977 (33766)	Liz's city plan of interest: Living in Heritage Hill, I literally see how segregated the city is. A few blocks from my house, you go from an almost 100% white population to 100% black. The funding in the areas are markedly different, as well as the opportunities the inhabitants can enjoy. I see an opportunity for diversity and for change, especially when it comes to schools and housing. The area I selected was heavily red-dis...	Community 1: This area of Kent County represents an area that is extremely gentrified and segregated. It has an opportunity to become more diverse, if proper funding and districting were to be implmented.



c24 (17892)	Example: Grand Rapids center and exurbs: This map shows the Grand Rapids urban center and the surrounding communities.	urban center: The denser and more urbanized part of Grand Rapids
c2557 (37348)	Josie's State Senate map: These 3 communities have common shared interests. They have similar high minority populations, high immigrant populations, school systems, economic and shopping interests are shared also. It makes sense to group based on these key areas.	GR State Senate District: Grand Rapids, East Grand Rapids and Kentwood areas that are communities of interest.
c2755 (38765)	Kent123: An area we share community services, school districts, shared open spaces, and a great quality of life shared by all	Community 1: A community that has shared School Districts and combined County and municipalities within it.
c442 (17892)	ADA reviews.	urban center: The denser and more urbanized part of Grand Rapids
c51 (18093)	Kentwood Public Schools: Home to over 9,000 students, Kentwood Public Schools is one of the most diverse districts in the state. East Kentwood High School has been named the most diverse high school in Michigan and one of the most diverse in all of the United States, with students from over 60 countries. (Go Falcons!) This map includes all of the Kentwood Public School District, plus a few neighboring blocks (which I had...)	Kentwood Public Schools (approximate): Home to over 9,000 students, Kentwood Public Schools is one of the most diverse districts in the state. East Kentwood High School has been named the most diverse high school in Michigan and one of the most diverse in all of the United States, with students from over 60 countries. (Go Falcons!) This map includes all of the Kentwood Public School District, plus a few neighboring blocks (which I had...)
c701 (23972)	Southern Grand Rapids Metropolitan Area: My name is Charlie and I live in Grand Rapids, Michigan. My Community of Interest is called the Southern Grand Rapids Metropolitan Area. I'm asking the commission to draw districts that keep our community intact! We are compromised of the southern half of Grand Rapids, and the entire cities of Wyoming, and Kentwood. There are roughly 200,000 residents in our community of interest. The City o...	Southern Grand Rapids Metropolitan Area COI: My name is Charlie and I live in Grand Rapids, Michigan. My Community of Interest is called the Southern Grand Rapids Metropolitan Area. I'm asking the commission to draw districts that keep our community intact! We are compromised of the southern half of Grand Rapids, and the entire cities of Wyoming, and Kentwood. There are roughly 200,000 residents in our community of interest. The City o...
p1005 (26099)	Grand Rapids Senate District: This district is within the County and retains the communities of interest held in common between northeast Grand Rapids and Plainfield and northwest Grand Rapids and Walker. Grand Rapids is a metro area part of the Six Cities community. These areas have a lot in common with each other and I strongly associate with them. North and West of this area are areas which I have much less in common.	District 1.
p1008 (26101)	KentCounty State Senate: redraws state senate seat to keep Grand Rapids Metro areas together	District 1.
p1013 (26117)	Urban Township/City Plan: Grand Rapids Township belongs in a district with Grand Rapids and East Grand Rapids. They are our neighbors. We use their business areas. We shop their stores. We use their roads to work and play. Currently we are in a district with Oakfield and Spencer Townships. These are rural areas which are miles away and very different from our urban township. And Grand Rapids Township is becoming more ur...	District 1.
p1040 (26227)	Grandville-Wyoming Kent Cty District: Suggesting that Grandville and Wyoming are an ideal combination of two of the main six cities in Grand Rapids City Metro Area for a State House of Representatives seat. In these two adjacent cities, the constituency frequently interacts in work, shopping and education environments. Our communities have interconnecting transit services, school systems, utility services, and share many community se...	District 1.

p1043 (26232)	<p>Grandville-Wyoming Kent Cty District: Suggesting that Grandville and Wyoming are an ideal combination of two of the main six cities in Grand Rapids City Metro Area for a State House of Representatives seat. In these two adjacent cities, the constituency frequently interacts in work, shopping and education environments. Our communities have interconnecting transit services, school systems, utility services, and share many community se...</p>	District 1.
p1228 (26950)	<p>An equal 73rd district: This takes Grand Rapids Township and combines it with other developed suburbs to create a more equal house district.</p>	District 1.
p1252 (27044)	<p>Idea for Kentwood-centered district: Kentwood has a lot in common with both Gaines Township and far southern Grand Rapids. Many Kentwood residents either work or do errands in either southern Grand Rapids or in Gaines Township, and vice versa. For example, many residents shop at Family Fare in Gaines Township or at Meijer at either 28th and Kalamazoo or 68th and Kalamazoo. My dad and I (who live in Kentwood) often go to both the Ken...</p>	District 1.
p1273 (26825)	<p>Keep Wyoming and Grandville Together: I am a Grandville resident and would like to state my support of a MI house district that includes the entire cities of Grandville and and Wyoming. The cities of Grandville and Wyoming are closely intertwined through agreements of shared water and sewer services; connected emergency fire services; and an overlapping school district. Due to the shared interest of these communities, it makes sense t...</p>	District 1.
p1762 (31839)	<p>Proposed State House District: I gave oral testimony about this plan on July 1 in Grand Rapids. These 3 contiguous suburbs of Grand Rapids shar many transportation methods, services, and natural resources and form a natural community of interest. They should be together in a State House District.</p>	District 1.
p1774 (32014)	<p>Sue's state senate district: As a resident of Grandville I was one of the many people who spoke at the July 1 meeting in GR that Grandville and Wyoming fit together perfectly to create a state senate district. Since I was speaker #100 that night and everyone was a little tired by then, I am including a copy of my remarks. My first suggestion is to follow county lines when possible. Grandville, where I live, is on the weste...</p>	District 1.
p1999 (34074)	<p>Divide Grand Rapids Dists North & South: My name is Dorothy Munson. I am a representative for the non profit, non partisan group PROACTIVE here in Grand Rapids. PROACTIVE represents underserved people primarily on the south side of the metro Grand Rapids area. The group works on voter registration, voting rights, vaccine distribution and other community issues. Eighteen months ago, I decided that getting 100 people to vote regularly w...</p>	District 1.
p2210 (35222)	<p>Hispanic Center of Western Michigan: This is a community of interest map submitted in district format so that the exact precincts contained can be easily understood by map makers. There are around 100,000 Latinx people living in West Michigan. In Kent County the Latinx community makes up about 10% of the total population. The Hispanic community in West Michigan is a mix of recent immigrants and multigenerational families with hist...</p>	District 1.



<p>p56 (18136)</p> <p>KENT COUNTY-3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: JUSTIFICATION FOR KENT COUNTY MICHIGAN IN ITS ENTIRETY BEING THE 3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT This paper supports making Kent County Michigan in its entirety the 3rd congressional district. Following are the stated criteria for redistricting in priority order: (a)\tDistricts shall be of equal population as mandated by the United States constitution, and shall comply with the voting rights act and ...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
<p>c24 (17892)</p> <p>Example: Grand Rapids center and exurbs: This map shows the Grand Rapids urban center and the surrounding communities.</p>	<p>exurbs: Extending past Hudsonville to the West, these areas are more suburban/exurban</p>
<p>c2529 (37164)</p> <p>Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.</p>	<p>Southeast Grand Rapids: The precincts of southeast Grand Rapids, City of East Grand Rapids, and City of Kentwood are a community of interest. These individuals share the same economic and cultural interests.</p>
<p>p1297 (27083)</p> <p>State Senate District 29 - Proposal 2: If your desire and goal is to "square off" and simplify districts, it would make a LOT of sense to keep the similar urban communities together and utilize city lines to draw the district. Proposal 2 for State Senate District 29 includes the City of Grand Rapids, City of East Grand Rapids, and the adjoining City of Wyoming. The population for this proposal is 270,857 (2010 Census Data) with a De...</p>	<p>District 29.</p>
<p>c2529 (37164)</p> <p>Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.</p>	<p>Southwest Kent County: The people of the City of Grandville, City of Wyoming, and Byron Township share similar economic and cultural interests.</p>
<p>c1578 (30166)</p> <p>Listening to the voters - with COI: Michigan voters across the state voted for this proposal because they believe in the fairness of democracy. The maps this commission creates for districts should reflect the voices of the voters of all political parties. Democracy is strongest when everyone's voice can be heard. I am a resident of Grand Rapids, and yet I do not exist solely in the city of Grand Rapids. I go on walks in East Grand ...</p>	<p>Community of Interest - Redistricting.</p>
<p>c2402 (36073)</p> <p>West and Southwest Michigan: From experience living throughout West Michigan, certain areas fit together as communities of interest: Grand Rapids, Kentwood and East Grand Rapids share the same economic, culture and overall focus around Grand Rapids. Local hospital systems, public transportation, and infrastructure overlap, and many of the largest "Grand Rapids" manufacturers are in Kentwood, along with the big "Grand Rapids" ...</p>	<p>Grand Rapids: City of Grand Rapids, Kentwood and East Grand Rapids.</p>
<p>c2529 (37164)</p> <p>Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest: I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.</p>	<p>Southern Kent County: The people of the townships of Gaines and Caledonia share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend South Christian High School and live/work in neighboring townships.</p>
<p>p1009 (26105)</p> <p>State senate: diversity of GR metro: I'm a resident of Southeast Grand Rapids, and I strongly support having state senate districts that accurately represent the Grand Rapids metro area and our unique and diverse populations. My proposed state senate district centers around the south part of Grand Rapids, the city of Kentwood, the city of East Grand Rapids, and Grand Rapids Township. As a resident of SE Grand Rapids, we have a dive...</p>	<p>District 4.</p>



c2529 (37164) **Grand Rapids Area Community of Interest:** I have created a map of 11 communities of interest within the Grand Rapids area.

Suburbia of Grand Rapids: The people of the townships of Grand Rapids, Ada, and Cascade share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Forrest Hills Public Schools and live/work in neighboring townships.

Lowell Area: The people of the townships of Lowell, Vergennes, Bowne, and the City of Lowell share similar cultural and economic interests. Many attend Lowell Public Schools and work within the City of Lowell.



Supporting Data for Cluster C14-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1648 (31131)	Ionia Mi area.	Rural/Small Town West to Middle Michigan: This community is heavily influenced by being between Lansing and Grand Rapids, while consisting of smaller towns/rural areas
c1805 (32430)	Wil's Area of Interest: It's the area where my home is located.	Community 1.
c1816 (32458)	Hudsonville/ Allendale Plan.	Community 1.
c1920 (33122)	Northern Grandville/Jenison/Wyoming: Mid-age suburbs with primarily middle and lower-middle class residents.	Wyoming/Grandville/Jenison: mid-age suburb with primarily middle class residents
c1922 (31740)	Six Community Redistricting-Kent County: Let me start by thanking members of the Redistricting Commission for volunteering their time and effort to this very important project which is the very definition of our democracy. My name is Cary Fleischer. I live in East Grand Rapids and moved here from Chicago 5 years ago. I am here today on my own behalf and on behalf of my Jewish faith based organization, Temple Emanuel which is locate...	6 Cities.
c1931 (33302)	Reducing the fractioning of Kentwood: Kentwood currently is chopped up between districts, not allowing our rich city culture to gain an identity. Kentwood is a highly diverse but community-oriented part of West Michigan centered around an incredibly inclusive school system. That school system's identity ties together the diverse voices of the area and allows people to find their first "home." Statistically, this cultural hearth I beli...	Kentwood Community: Kentwood currently is chopped up between districts, not allowing our rich city culture to gain an identity. Kentwood is a highly diverse but community-oriented part of West Michigan centered around an incredibly inclusive school system. That school system's identity ties together the diverse voices of the area and allows people to find their first "home." Statistically, this cultural hearth I beli...
c1963 (33629)	Where I live and work: You asked me to describe my community of interest. This is where I spend 90% of my time living and working. So it is my community of interest. I did not look any factors other than geographical location.	Community 1: where I live and work
p1998 (34070)	Grandville-Wyoming Kent Cty District: My name is Dorothy Munson. I am a representative for the non profit, non partisan group PROACTIVE here in Grand Rapids. PROACTIVE represents underserved people primarily on the south side of the metro Grand Rapids area. The group works on voter registration, voting rights, vaccine distribution and other community issues. Eighteen months ago, I decided that getting 100 people to vote regularly w...	District 1.
p2750 (38759)	Kent123: Senate Districts should not crave out rural or cities in order to have a District.	District 1.
p2758 (38771)	Kent123: Keeps most of Kent County together as a single Senate District	District 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	GR communities of interest: I doubt it conforms to population requirements, but this area contained communities of interest in GR according to a post.



c442 (17892)	ADA reviews.	exurbs: Extending past Hudsonville to the West, these areas are more suburban/exurban
c627 (23725)	My good community....: My community if Grand Rapids City with it's four unique areas, our great suburbs, our extended bedroom communities and our lovely adjacent small cities and rural counties that give us our unique and diverse flavor!	Community 2.
p1296 (27079)	State Senate District 29 - Proposal 1: If your desire and goal is to "square off" and simplify districts, it would make a LOT of sense to keep the similar urban communities together and utilize city lines to draw the district. Proposal 1 for Senate District 29 includes the City of Grand Rapids, City of East Grand Rapids, and portions of the City of Wyoming and City of Kentwood with a natural southern border of 44th Street. The popul...	District 29.
cl814 (32448)	Adam's grand rapids plan: I have lived in GR my whole life. I want to make it a better and fair place for its citizens.	Community 4.
p1294 (27069)	Michigan House District 86 - Proposal 1: If your desire and goal is to "square off" and simplify districts, it would make a LOT of sense to keep The Townships District communities together and utilize township lines to draw the district. Proposal 1 encompasses 12 adjoining townships with a population of 94,537 and a Deviation from the target population of 5.21%. This proposal meets all the statutory requirements of balanced population...	District 86.
p1295 (27073)	Michigan House District 86 - Proposal 2: If your desire and goal is to "square off" and simplify districts, it would make a LOT of sense to keep The Townships District communities together and utilize township lines to draw the district. Proposal 2 encompasses 12 adjoining townships with a population of 89,911 (2010 Census Data) and a Deviation from the target population of 0.07%. This proposal meets all the statutory requirements of ...	District 86.

Supporting Data for Cluster C15		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1565 (29810)	MR: This is an attempt to show areas of Southwest Michigan that share a common bond of urban and suburban lifestyles which are very different from those in true rural areas . Rural voters should not be mixed with urban/suburban voters as their lifestyles and needs do not align with rural voters very well and diluting one or the other interests in the current districts creates unfair tradeoffs in repre...	Urban/Suburban Communities - SW Michigan: Attempt to show areas that share common bod of urban and sub-urban lifestyles which are completely different from those living in true rural areas. Rural voters should not be mixed with urban/suburban voters as their lifestyles and needs do not align very well and diluting one or the other interests in the current districts creates unfair tradeoffs in representatitton.
c1664 (31158)	Western Michigan Agricultural Interests: This map encompasses a large amount of the agricultural interests in West Michigan for a congressional district.	Western Ag Interests- New MI-3: This area represents a majority of the apple, blueberry, and vegetable growers in Michigan. It is a mostly rural and suburban district, that encompasses a huge majority of the grain and livestock farms west of US 131. The folks in this demographic share commonality based on agriculture. The one drawback of this proposed district that I one foresee is a lack of African-American representation out...
c1711 (31373)	Paul's Plan for SW Michigan: SW Michigan	US House of Rep. District 6: This also is along county lines and includes Berrien, Cass, Van Buren, Allegan, Holland and Muskegon counties. With us loosing one seat all districts must change. I fell this will represent Western Michigan well.
c1825 (32482)	Kent County-based Congressional District: With Grand Rapids being the regional economic anchor, a Kent County-based Congressional District that keeps the county whole is essential. Muskegon County's demographics best align with Kent County in both rural and urban settings. This district outline represents the best alignment while including whole municipalities and by only splitting one county (Muskegon). *This map reinforces my previously...	Kent County based Congressional District: With Grand Rapids being the regional economic anchor, a Kent County-based Congressional District that keeps the county whole is essential. Muskegon County's demographics best align with Kent County in both rural and urban settings. This district outline represents the best alignment while including whole municipalities and by only splitting one county (Muskegon).
c3349 (41457)	Community of Interest for Grand Haven: Dear Commissioners. I live in Grand Haven and this is my community of interest. We are closely tied to other lakeshore communities including Muskegon and Saugatuck as well as Grand Rapids and its northwest suburbs. Important industries for this area include tourism, manufacturing, fishing, healthcare, and education. Important natural features are the lakeshore and Grand River. Please keep this in ...	Community 1.
c3354 (41570)	Muskegon to Grand Rapids I96 Area: I think the communities around I96 from Muskegon to Grand Rapids are a community of shared interests. Many people in this area commute into Grand Rapids and access services like the hospitals and colleges there. Many people also access amenities and recreation in Muskegon. We also have shared interests regarding the Grand River. Also many Black residents of Muskegon have relatives in Grand Rapids ...	Community 1.
c667 (23815)	Lower West Michigan: This is my idea of what I call the "Lower West Michigan"community; i.e. the area shared between Grand Rapids, Holland, Muskegon, and Grand Haven primarily. This community shares interests in our beaches and many institutions of higher education, among other things.	Lower West Michigan: This area is very closely bound by both business and culture. While the Grand Rapids metro area is the anchor of lower West Michigan's population, the residents of this Kent County community are prone to frequent tourist excursions to the lakefront communities of Muskegon, Grand Haven, and Holland. The commerce-rich 196 corridor between Grand Rapids and Holland also connects the two cities with no...



p2031 (34593)	KFK's GR Congressional Plan: No	District 1.
p65 (18255)	Jakob's West Michigan Plan: This represents about what I'd consider my "west Michigan community." What I've shaded roughly encompasses the area I'd say us west Michiganders frequently commute to. When I think of west MI, this is what I think of. People within these bounds often travel for work or business; it's often people from the lakeshore go to Grand Rapids and vice versa. This is the area that shares the same local news...	District 1.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 11.
c1779 (32172)	Western Michigan Communities of Interest: I think this is the best representation of communities of interest in Western Michigan	Community 2.
c2378 (35825)	South and West Michigan Communities: These are several communities that each feature something unique. While they are mostly rural with some larger cities, the rural areas go together well on a map and share many interests, challenges, and governmental functions. The differences are based on location and proximity to other cities. Kalamazoo fits into its own community.	West Coast Farmland: Farming and industry communities along the coast of Lake Michigan have a lot in common and neatly form a community of interest
c3346 (41432)	SW MI COIs: Here is how I would delineate SW MI COIs: Community 1 (tourism-oriented, more diverse)- Lakeshore cities and townships; Community 2 (urban/inner suburb, more diverse): Grand Rapids, inner Kent Suburbs, inland Ottawa, Muskegon; Community 3 (smaller urban, eds/meds, more diverse): Kalamazoo, Portage, Battle Creek; Community 4 (suburban-rural fringe, less diverse): Eastern Kent, Western Ionia, Barry...	Community 2.
p2553 (37322)	Nancy Weber constituent of Mich. 26 Dist: My Plan would keep Allegan and Van Buren Counties in One district. These areas need to stay in the same district as our many of our schools and municipalities have rural townships which share their facilities and want to continue to have a senator and representative representing us who are familiar with the needs of these communities and are responsive to the needs of the area and its people.	District 2.
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region, and the needs of the population in each region.	West: With both the population center of Grand Rapids and one of our largest natural forests, this region has specific needs not found in other parts of the state and its people require particular representation.
c3346 (41432)	SW MI COIs: Here is how I would delineate SW MI COIs: Community 1 (tourism-oriented, more diverse)- Lakeshore cities and townships; Community 2 (urban/inner suburb, more diverse): Grand Rapids, inner Kent Suburbs, inland Ottawa, Muskegon; Community 3 (smaller urban, eds/meds, more diverse): Kalamazoo, Portage, Battle Creek; Community 4 (suburban-rural fringe, less diverse): Eastern Kent, Western Ionia, Barry...	Community 4.

Supporting Data for Cluster C16-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1452 (28631)	<p>Grand River/Muskegon River watersheds: This COI covers the watersheds of Muskegon River and the Grand River, as well as municipalities along these waterways. Both watersheds share concerns about condition of the rivers, preservation of the rural and peaceful use of the rivers, water use. All blocks share a concern about overdevelopment of our pristine waterways. The towns included offer diversity of other interests and together are a s...</p>	<p>Community 1: Grand River watershed M-11</p>
c1601 (30746)	<p>State Senate District: It just seems better balanced and less politically secure.</p>	<p>Community 1: State Senate District</p>
c1633 (30935)	<p>COI of Tri-Cities, Ferrysburg & Muskegon: The cities of Grand Haven, Spring Lake and Ferrysburg comprise The Tri-Cities area of Northern Ottawa County and they form the southern portion of my COI. Residents in the Tri-Cities area share commonalities that have their focal point in being Lakeshore communities located in very close proximity to each other. Residents engage in similar recreational activities, including beach-going, swimming, ...</p>	<p>North Ottawa Tri-Cities COI: The cities of Grand Haven, Spring Lake and Ferrysburg comprise The Tri-Cities area of Northern Ottawa County and they form the southern portion of my COI. Residents in the Tri-Cities area share commonalities that have their focal point in being Lakeshore communities located in very close proximity to each other. Residents engage in similar recreational activities, including beach-going, swimming, ...</p>
c1751 (31662)	<p>Holland city and surrounding communities.</p>	<p>Community 1: Holland city and surrounding communities</p>
c1806 (32432)	<p>Muskegon Map.</p>	<p>Muskegon.</p>
c1812 (32442)	<p>Rick's protect these waterways plan..</p>	<p>Northern Ottawa Harbor Area: These communities hold a significant amount of the Grand River, Spring Lake and channel to Lake Michigan. This area produces a large amount of tourism dollars and the boating community. We collectively have an interest in preserving the waterways and the natural habitats for all to enjoy. A balance between commerce and preservation must be established. Growth should be scrutinized at all costs to ...</p>
c1968 (33685)	<p>Zeeland and the Lakeshore: https://districtr.org/COI/33685 #Zeeland, #Lakeshore #Holland</p>	<p>Community 1: Zeeland and the Lakeshore.</p>
c2484 (36921)	<p>Ottawa County: Ottawa County is an incredible place to live and work and enjoy the outdoors. Residents have strong family values, moral integrity, good schools, an incredible number of parks, several recreation departments, bike trails, hiking trails, lakes and a long border on Lake Michigan. I would love to see Ottawa County stay as one complete Community of Interest in the Redistricting process. Thank you.</p>	<p>Ottawa County.</p>
c2528 (37157)	<p>Van Buren, Allegan Community: Van Buren and Allegan should be kept together because: They share Courts often, the law enforcement agencies work well together, they both have many senior citizens and veterans, both county seats are on M-40, and M-40 connects both counties. Both have local tv and radio markets, and Bloomingdale Communications serves both counties.</p>	<p>Van Buren and Allegan Countiescommunity 1.</p>

c2545 (37246)	Ottawa County - A Community of Interest.	Community 1.
c971 (25885)	Southwest Michigan Lakeshore COI: The Southwest Michigan Lakeshore COI preserves the environmental aspect and is based west of the I-196 corridor. Residents in these communities are committed to preserving the shoreline and natural dunes; most are boaters (of one kind or another) or general outdoor enthusiasts; tourism is our main economy. This COI also consists of orchards and wineries.	Lakeshore Community: Maintaining the health of Lake Michigan along the lakeshore. Communities include Saugatuck, Douglas, Ganges, South Haven; west of the I-196 corridor.
c973 (25913)	Macatawa Park area: My name is Lisa Jevens and I have a home in Macatawa Park. Macatawa Park is a very special community of several hundred historic cottages dating from the 1800's on Lake Michigan, just south of the Holland, MI lighthouse. It is a beautiful peninsula that lies between Lake Michigan and Lake Macatawa. The Macatawa Park Cottagers' Association (MPCA) is our volunteer homeowner association. Macatawa its...	Macatawa area: Macatawa Park is a very special community of several hundred historic cottages dating from the 1800's on Lake Michigan, just south of the Holland, MI lighthouse. It is a beautiful peninsula that lies between Lake Michigan and Lake Macatawa. Macatawa itself is not a town, but it does have a post office, a large marina and yacht club. The community is populated by year-round homeowners, seasonal ow...
c997 (26038)	Holland/West Ottawa School Dist. Parents: This community is made up of parents in the Holland and West Ottawa School Districts. Both school districts have a fair percentage of minority students and students receiving free and reduced-price school meals. Right now, these parents have to talk to 2 Michigan House Representatives/district and their influence is diminished when they try to lobby their representatives. They should all be part...	West Ottawa & Holland School District Parents: This community is made up of parents in the Holland and West Ottawa School Districts. Both school districts have a fair percentage of minority students and students receiving free and reduced-price school meals, meaning their parents have many social and economic interests in common. Right now these parents have to talk to 2 Michigan House Representatives/district and their influence is diminishe...
p1170 (26188)	Lakeshore Senate Seat: Muskegon has more in common with other lakeshore communities than they do with rural inland areas like Newaygo.	District 1.
p1715 (31383)	JFW US.	District 1.
p3304 (41242)	Allegan/Van Buren/Berrien Senate District: This plan incorporates Allegan County and Van Buren County with just one sliver of Berrien County that is similar to the surrounding areas. It is concise, contiguous, and is a strong community of interest.	District 1.
p687 (23907)	HOLLAND/Lake Macatawa House District: The Holland/Lake Macatawa area is a very culturally and historically unified region, based on migration patterns from 1850 through to the modern day. It is likewise based on similarities in pastimes, religious participation and family cohesion and connections. It is a diverse mix of long-time Dutch, Hispanic, Southeast Asian, African African, and others, who work together, pray together and play t...	District 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Muskegon community of interest: Listed as a community of interest in a post. Ottawa County: Identified as a community of interest in a post. Van Buren/Allegan Counties: Contradicts another request, but identified as combined a community of interest.

Supporting Data for Cluster C16-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1020 (26136)	<p>Blue Star & M89 Allegan Co Corridor: Blue Star M89 Allegan County corridor shares many economic, cultural, geographical, and social similarities.historic summer resorts, Native American culture, geography and citizens, small independent family businesses and farms, working artists and studios, Buddhist religious colony and retreat. Small weekly newspaper, community agreements for services, Lake Michigan small inland lake conservati...</p>	<p>Blue Star & M89 Corridor Allegan County: The COI made up of small entities of Saugatuck, Douglas, Saugatuck Twp,Ganges Twp.,CascoTwp,Fennville, Hutchins Lake Area and the Lake Shore by South Haven</p>
c1605 (30758)	<p>Comments from Kalamazoo Hearing: Rural community of interest</p>	<p>Community 1: Rural community of interest</p>
c1660 (31155)	<p>South Haven: South Haven has consistently voted in alignment with the boundaries I have suggested. I believe Mattawan and Paw Paw belong to Kalamazoo.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1808 (32434)	<p>Grand Haven/Tri-Cities plus rural.</p>	<p>Community 1: Grand Haven/Tri-Cities is the town closest to me, plus the rural area around it is where I live.</p>
c1859 (32703)	<p>Muskegon Airport Area Plan: My community can not be created using the politically biased, racist, and socially egregious map blocks provided by this program.</p>	<p>Muskegon airport community: You have already forced political lines in to the mapping process and there is no way to create an appropriate map using this tool. This method of mapping is inherently racist, socially egregious and politically biased. No appropriate map could ever be drawn from the blocks. Your constitutional mandate can not be upheld using this method.</p>
c1874 (32760)	<p>Lakeshore/ag.</p>	<p>Community 1: Lakeshore agriculture and tourism. Below median incomes - shoot, prolly below most Michigan medians, lol. Little industry, little opportunity. Mostly white and hispanic. Mostly high school diplomas. Lots of outdoor activities.</p>
c1879 (32791)	<p>One Community: I made notes in the map, but the shorthand version is this is one community. People work and travel and daily shop in this entire area.</p>	<p>Community 1: I live in the northwest section of the painted areas. I work in the southern section of this map. I shop in the entire area. Most of my neighbors do so as well. Traveling between their homes in the area to their jobs in Muskegon. Then shopping in Whitehall or Muskegon. The activities their children participate in are all over this area. I cannot see how this area has been divided into two district...</p>
c1943 (33399)	<p>Three Southwest MI Communities: Much of rural Michigan is similar, though in order to keep districts compact and contiguous it will need to be broken up. Allegan + Van Buren Counties + surrounding rural areas and small towns make a lot of sense as a Community of Interest. While they share similarities with rural areas to the south, the border counties have more in common and more reliance on Indiana than the counties to the nort...</p>	<p>Van Buren + Allegan + Rural, Small Towns: Rural and small town communities surrounding Van Buren and Allegan Counties. Both counties share a lot in common so keeping them together makes sense from a CoI point of view. Some surrounding small town and rural areas added in as well for district ideas. Holland also fits very well with Allegan County. Included small towns are similar in size, quality/cost of living, and they all rely heavily o...</p>

c2377 (35737)	West and Southwest Michigan: Allegan and Van Buren counties are a natural fit. They are shoreline, non-border counties with rural communities and small towns. They are largely based on agriculture, manufacturing and tourism businesses, the local governments work together, and they face the same environmental and access to broadband challenges. Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph counties are a community of interest. They are border...	Allegan/ Van Buren: Allegan and Van Buren Counties Community of Interest
c2395 (35737)	Southwestern Michigan: Growing up in West Michigan, I'm very familiar with which counties should be combined together for Senate districts. Allegan and Van Buren counties are a clear community of interest-agriculture, manufacturing, tourism, shoreline, rural with small towns, and schools, communities, businesses, and local telecommunications providers that cover both counties. Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph are all border...	Allegan/ Van Buren: Allegan and Van Buren Counties Community of Interest
c2402 (36073)	West and Southwest Michigan: From experience living throughout West Michigan, certain areas fit together as communities of interest: Grand Rapids, Kentwood and East Grand Rapids share the same economic, culture and overall focus around Grand Rapids. Local hospital systems, public transportation, and infrastructure overlap, and many of the largest "Grand Rapids" manufacturers are in Kentwood, along with the big "Grand Rapids" ...	Allegan/ Van Buren: Allegan and Van Buren Counties Community of Interest
c2410 (36204)	West Michigan Map: Muskegon-Oceana-Newaygo: Muskegon based district with nearby counties. Good mix of urban and rural. Close proximity so easy for a Senator to represent and visit all areas of the district in-person. Allegan-Van Buren: Rural communities along the shoreline, with heavy agriculture, tourism and manufacturing economic engines. Overlapping broadband and government services. Berrien-Cass-St. Joseph: Bo...	Allegan/ Van Buren: Allegan and Van Buren Counties Community of Interest
c2514 (37133)	Southwest Michigan - KM from Hamilton: Southwest Michigan has 3 distinct communities - Van Buren/Allegan which are rural with small towns/cities Kalamazoo County is urban and the 3 border counties of Berrien, Cass and St. Joe share a border with Indiana which is a huge community factor.	VanBuren/Allegan Counties: Van Buren & Allegan Counties are similar in rural character
c2519 (37149)	Southwest Michigan Community: Between Allegan and Van Buren they are very similar, share the Kalamazoo River, farmland industry, lakeshore.	Van Buren Allegan.
c2524 (37155)	Van Buren & Allegan Community: Allegan and Van Buren are like minded counties, we are rural and farming communities. As a Hamilton Township Treasurer for twenty years, i can say that every time we would send out a survey to update our zoning, the residents wanted the township and county to stay rural. Van Buren and Allegan counties share history of farming and walking trails and hunting.	Allegan Van Buren COI.
c2532 (37165)	Van Buren-Allegan Community of Interest: Allegan and Van Buren counties are cooperative in local government with a shared public defender, juvenile courts, and are similar in size. Both county seats sit along M-40 which stretches through both counties. They are also both very rural with a focus on agriculture and farms operating in both counties.	Van Buren and Allegan Community.
c2533 (37169)	VBC and Allegan Co: These two counties share many things in common with agriculture, small towns, and manufacturing. Aside from their similar economic needs and interests, Allegan and VBC have similar struggles with internet infrastructure and a need for public infrastructure funding that is different from more urban areas.	VBC-Allegan Cos.

<p>c2536 (37173)</p> <p>Keep Van Buren and Allegan Cos Together: Please consider keeping Van Buren and Allegan Counties together in legislative districts. I have many reasons for this request as the counties are very similar as a community. Both counties have a heavy Christian population with a large variety of churches represented. Also, our agricultural community between the two counties are very supportive of one another. As a small business family, we also ...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p> <p>Allegan and Van Buren: These counties share many functions of government and similar economies</p>
<p>c2556 (35815)</p> <p>Southwest Michigan counties: These counties share many functions of government and similar economies.</p>	<p>Allegan VanBuren 1: Allegan and VanBuren Counties have similar economic interests—tourism on Lake Michigan, small communities, small agricultural and independent businesses. A large and active LGBTQ community is active in many of the small towns and cities. Many Native Americans live in these counties. Culturally, they identify with Kalamazoo and St. Joseph Counties, NOT Ottawa or Kent counties</p>
<p>c2566 (37510)</p> <p>AlleganVanBuren means COMPETITIVE DIST.: Allegan and Van Buren Counties share many common economic, cultural and social interests. On your regions map, already Allegan Co has been put in the Western District and Van Buren in the SouthWestern region. Please read the 11 COI submissions regarding keeping Allegan and Van Buren Counties together. Economic: small farms, small independent businesses, working artists, strong tourism economy. C...</p>	<p>Van Buren, Allegan, Small Towns & Rural Areas: Van Buren and Allegan Counties as a COI including Holland and several surrounding rural areas & small towns.</p>
<p>c2617 (37790)</p> <p>Allegan, Van Buren and rural small towns: After watching the MICRC meeting on 8/20 I felt it necessary to resubmit my specific COI with tighter boundaries and more specific comments rather than including multiple COIs in a single Districtr map. I believe that Van Buren and Allegan Counties form a COI and nearby rural areas and small towns also fit into this COI. I believe this COI also includes the City of Holland which is already part...</p>	<p>Lake Michigan - Agriculture: Van Buren and Allegan are similar in the Lake Michigan border and heavy abundance of fruit crops and other agriculture.</p>
<p>c3200 (40714)</p> <p>SW and Border Communities: My communities are explained in the map, but in a nutshell my communities are defined by their economics, agriculture, and community sizes.</p>	<p>Van Buren - Allegan: Van Buren and Allegan counties are similar in terms of demographics, economics, values, communities, and challenges. This community has distinct needs from those of urban areas such as Kalamazoo. Towns like Paw Paw, Otsego, Mattawan, and Plainwell are more similar in nature than urban areas in Kalamazoo. These communities are focused on common sense, small town values. Cities, villages, and to...</p>
<p>c3345 (41436)</p> <p>Allegan - Van Buren: Almena and Antwerp Townships must stay part of Van Buren County in any state house or state senate district. Folks who live here do so because they do NOT want to be part of Kalamazoo! They left the city and those urban areas for a rural community that is focused on small town and common sense values. Van Buren and Allegan Counties are much more similar in terms of demographics, values, and commu...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
<p>c3346 (41432)</p> <p>SW MI COIs: Here is how I would delineate SW MI COIs: Community 1 (tourism-oriented, more diverse)- Lakeshore cities and townships; Community 2 (urban/inner suburb, more diverse): Grand Rapids, inner Kent Suburbs, inland Ottawa, Muskegon; Community 3 (smaller urban, eds/meds, more diverse): Kalamazoo, Portage, Battle Creek; Community 4 (suburban-rural fringe, less diverse): Eastern Kent, Western Ionia, Barry...</p>	<p>Van Buren & Allegan Counties: Allegan & Van Buren Counties are joined at the hip with rural townships, small towns, vacation areas along the coast and with inland lakes, and agriculture processors making up a large part of the small town economies.</p>
<p>c3406 (41771)</p> <p>Allegan & VanBuren=Community of Interest: Van Buren & Allegan Counties are joined at the hip as a Community of Interest through cultural & government institutions, education, economics, transportation, and history. School districts cross the border (Bloomingdale, South Haven, Otsego, Gobles. Agriculture processors dominate the small towns: for example Birds Eye in Fennville, Welch's in Lawton, Naturipe in Bloomingdale, Dole in Decatur, ...</p>	

c918 (24500)	Lakeshore, Ludington to Whitehall: In addition to the COI map I submit for my groups of residents, I add the following concerns from them: • Affordable rental housing is much needed for migrant workers as well as owned housing for low-income year-round residents; • There is need to promote more public appreciation and celebration of Native American and LatinX cultural traditions along with those of other residents in programming,...	IO & OD 1: Michigan Lakeshore Ludington to Whitehall
p1374 (27440)	West Michigan Tourism and Agriculture: Allegan County, Van Buren County and the Holland coastal area are a community of interest for the senate: * Area consists of significant agriculture and tourism economies. * County governments routinely collaborate, including veterans court and public defender between Allegan and Van Buren. * School districts, infrastructure services, churches, and business operations overlap. * The coastal, touri...	District 1.
p3306 (41242)	Ryan's Community of Interest Plan.: This is my community of interest. It is diverse in economically similar, religiously similar, and ethnically diverse. Farmers and businesses transcend county lines. Careers transcend county lines and so do families and churches. Please consider this as a community of interest and senate district.	District 1.
p3310 (41255)	Allegan Van Buren House District/COI: This is concise and contiguous and a great community of interest. This representative would be representing a diverse population. The economies are very similar with a vast array of farmers and manufacturers. Though it falls just shy of the suggested constituency I hope you consider this a House District and a community of interest.	District 1.
c2380 (35834)	My South Michigan Map: I was born and raised in South MI and also believe that county lines are a good basis for communities of interest in Michigan. These four communities each share interests and cooperate within themselves in many ways such as government, economy, and tourism. They are also uniquely different from one another due to where they sit on a map. These communities would be a good base for our maps in Michi...	Allegan and Van Buren: These two counties are distinct from the other rural communities because of their cooperation in government and shared lakeshore communities such as South Haven. Many people from both counties work in the other and frequently visit their lakeshore towns.
c2512 (36805)	Southwest Michigan communities: I feel that communities should be kept whole and people have gotten use to having adjoining communities, and adjoining communities have similar interest and interact with each other. I do not feel township should be broken up. This could change our schools, churches. We came to this area for the reason that I have stated Van Buren, and Allegan should be together. Rural counties should stay toge...	SW Lakeshore.
c3385 (41740)	Different Types of Communities: The Townships along the coast are completely different than the tourist centers that are New Buffalo and South Haven. Lincoln, St. Joseph, Lake, Bridgeman, and Hagar deserve to have their voices heard, not be lumped in with tourist towns just so there can be a gerrymandered Democrat district on the coast.	Community 2.
c3409 (41777)	LGBTQIA+ Friendly and Diverse Lakeshore: Hello. My name is Drew Stanton and I live in Douglas. I am a member of the LGBTQIA+ community and I am writing to ask the commission to draw districts that reflect the lakeshore community of interest in Western Michigan. Communities on the lakeshore are more diverse, tolerant, and inclusive. Additionally, we have shared interests including protecting our natural resources and attracting diverse to...	Community 2.

c2517 (36806)	<p>Lorraine's SW Michigan Plan: There are several communities in SW Michigan that should be kept together as much as possible. Border counties rely on other states and cities like South Bend, IN more than others to the north. Van Buren and Allegan share many functions of government and interests as manufacturing and agricultural communities along the lakeshore. Kalamazoo forms a self-contained community of interest as well. For ...</p>	Van Buren Allegan Area.
c2635 (35796)	<p>Communities of Southern and Lakeside MI: I was born and raised in Southern Michigan. The people of this rural and agrarian region value small, close-knit communities. The communities near the border of Michigan are distinct in terms of culture, economics, and values from other small communities through the state, as are the lakeside communities where my wife and I enjoy vacationing.</p>	District 3.
c2410 (36204)	<p>West Michigan Map: Muskegon-Oceana-Newaygo: Muskegon based district with nearby counties. Good mix of urban and rural. Close proximity so easy for a Senator to represent and visit all areas of the district in-person. Allegan-Van Buren: Rural communities along the shoreline, with heavy agriculture, tourism and manufacturing economic engines. Overlapping broadband and government services. Berrien-Cass-St. Joseph: Bo...</p>	Muskegon.
c2635 (35796)	<p>Communities of Southern and Lakeside MI: I was born and raised in Southern Michigan. The people of this rural and agrarian region value small, close-knit communities. The communities near the border of Michigan are distinct in terms of culture, economics, and values from other small communities through the state, as are the lakeside communities where my wife and I enjoy vacationing.</p>	<p>Mid-West Michigan Community: This community features many similar rural and agricultural interests along with many popular lakeside areas where tourism is very important.</p>

Supporting Data for Cluster C17		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1564 (29749)	U.P. counties linked by geography: The regions of the UP are divided into: Counties on Lake Superior, Counties on Lake Michigan and Counties affiliated with Wisconsin. My personal COI is a liberal-based group in Munising and Marquette that is concerned with diversity, preservation of the Lake Superior shoreline and our tribal communities.	Community 1: These are the counties along Lake Superior
c1685 (31207)	Upper Peninsula districting: The economy, culture, industry, demographics, weather, lifestyle, healthcare and nearly every other metric of the Upper Peninsula is different than downstate Michigan. It would be best for the Upper Peninsula to be one district and Lower Michigan to be divided into two other districts one the northern tier of counties and the other the southern tier of counties for a total of 3 districts statewide...	Community 1: The Upper Peninsula region of Michigan is a unique cultural and economic region of Michigan and as such has particular concerns distinct from elsewhere in Michigan or the US.
c1840 (32594)	Entire Marquette County.	Community 1.
c274 (20348)	The UP is a Community of Interest: To state the obvious, the UP is a strong community of interest. We have unique needs, a unique people, and often feel our voice is underrepresented. I would encourage the commission to not treat Michigan's northern district as an "everything else" category. Consider that, even though they are in the same district, it takes almost as much time to drive from Ironwood to Traverse City as it does to d...	Michigan's UP.
c3013 (39923)	108th District: I would like the 108th District to remain the same which includes all of Dickinson, Menominee and Delta Counties. I feel that this map represents the people and are in which I live.	108th District: 108th District should be ALL of Dickinson, Delta and Menominee Counties.
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.	UP West: A vast region with some of our most beautiful forests bordering Wisconsin and Canada, this region has specific requirements for the community.
c1564 (29749)	U.P. counties linked by geography: The regions of the UP are divided into: Counties on Lake Superior, Counties on Lake Michigan and Counties affiliated with Wisconsin. My personal COI is a liberal-based group in Munising and Marquette that is concerned with diversity, preservation of the Lake Superior shoreline and our tribal communities.	Community 2: Counties along Lake Michigan
c1608 (30771)	Powell Twp, Marquette Co, MI: Powell Township is the largest land wise township in the largest county (Marquette) with the smallest population in the county. It literally is "at the end of the road" All activity...shopping, doctors, some worship, hospital, high schools, are in the City of Marquette or surrounding area. We are predominantly a recreational community, with service types of business. 2 churches, 2 bars, a communi...	Community 2.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Powell Township: Put them with Marquette City.

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c2560 (37414)

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Community 3: Counties affiliated with Wisconsin

Upper Peninsula: Identified as a community of interest.

Iron Mountain: Community of interest with Menominee and Delta Counties

Supporting Data for Cluster C18-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1161 (26704)	<p>Natural Environment quality of life: Quality of Life and Natural Environment in Northern Lower MI- people migrate to northern MI largely due to loving the natural environment, whether they come for a weekend or decide to stay and live up here. The vast public forests, rivers, and lakes provide quality recreational opportunities, great tourism, clean air, peace and quiet, clean water, and wildlife providing a higher quality of life f...</p>	<p>Environmental Quality: People live in and come to northern MI for quality of life- to enjoy the natural environment around them, have clean air and clean water, and outdoor areas to recreate in (fish, hunt, bike, ski, hike etc)</p>
c1533 (29545)	<p>Districts That Represent Their Peoples: Map related to my previous comments for the Commission. Thank you for your service! This would be one possible, and compact, mapping for the 1st Congressional District.</p>	<p>Upper Peninsula and Northern Lower: Mostly rural in character, with the exception of a few larger cities such as Marquette, Escanaba, and S.S. Marie. Southern counties could go to another Congressional district as needed, to keep districts compact.</p>
c1571 (29974)	<p>Mary's Upper and Lower plan: Rural, farm, Near Lakes, streams and rivers, tourist area, logging, mining and small businesses</p>	<p>Community 1: Rural, Farming, Logging, close to water (Lakes, rivers and streams) Tourist areas, mining and small businesses.</p>
c1576 (30125)	<p>proposed 104th house: The communities of interest include the wine industries of Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas. The Bay Area Transportation Authority (BATA) serves more of Leelanau County than the current southern third of Grand Traverse County. The tourist industry of GT County and Leelanau Counties are more similar with tourism being the prime industry for both areas. The southern third of Grand traverse Cou...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1620 (30858)	<p>Schwantes ideas on Traverse Region.</p>	<p>Community 1: This community shares tourism, educational, transportation, agricultural (fruit and wine)and conservation resources and infrastructure</p>
c1636 (30970)	<p>Whitney's Community of Interest in Water: N.W. Michigan Community of Interest. The intent is to bring together those whose interests and livelihoods are dependent on the waters of the area.</p>	<p>N.W. Coast Community of Interest: Would include most of Leelanau County and the Northwestern portion of Grand Traverse County including East Bay . All areas dependent upon and effected by the quality of our water.</p>
c1654 (31151)	<p>Straits of Mackinac and Eastern UP: These communities are demographically, economically, culturally, ethnically, and religiously the same. They represent the Straits of Mackinac and Eastern Upper Peninsula.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1673 (31185)	<p>Up North/Lake Michigan: These communities represent Up North and the Lake Michigan coast. They are demographically similar; religiously, culturally, economically, ethnically. They should form their own state Senate district.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1813 (32444)	<p>Emmet & Charlevoix.</p>	<p>Emmet / Charlevoix counties: Emmet and Charlevoix counties share a lot of similarities, have economies that rely heavily on tourism, and take pride in outdoor recreation and care for the land. The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is an important part of this community as well.</p>

c1823 (32485)	Charlevoix county.	Charlevoix county: Small towns, mostly white, rural, significant impact of tourism on the area, some farming.
c1824 (32477)	End the practice of gerrymandering: I live in a county filled with Republicans. That being said, I would like a better representation of the differing political interests in Cheboygan county. IMO, the only way to do this is to end politically drawn gerrymandered districts. To achieve this goal, the state created Redistricting Committee is critical not only to Cheboygan county, but the entire state.	Benton Twp., Cheboygan Co.: Twp. located approximately 8 miles from the city limits of Cheboygan, in Cheboygan Co.
c1838 (32563)	North Eastern Lower Peninsula: Rural, marginalized economically	Community 1: North Eastern Lower Peninsula
c1878 (32772)	The sunset district: This community is heavily based in tourism. It differs greatly to anywhere else in Michigan. This area includes towns that are on or close to the coast of Lake Michigan. Outlined in the map are the major towns that will make up this district. Though the diversity is minor in scale to the state of Michigan, this district does host two tribal communities in the Traverse Bay Band, and the Little ...	District lines: These communities are a combination of small business, agriculture, tourism along Lake Michigan. By having these district lines you have Petoskey and Charlevoix (highest populated areas in the district) in the middle with 131 and 31 serving as a west boarder for the various precincts. All the important places are marked as small towns that need the attention and representation of someone that ...
c1907 (32977)	Northern Michigan tourist concerns.	Northern Lower MI: Tourist based - major economic activity created by visitors. Outdoor focus striving for year around attraction to stabilize economic swings.
c1950 (33531)	Grand Traverse Community: This region involves Traverse City and surrounding areas that have tourism and outdoor recreation as a income and recreation focus	Grand Traverse Region: Traverse City and Surrounding Region with similar tourist and outdoor focus
c1981 (33828)	Northern Michigan and Eastern U.P.: The map drawn reflects the area represented by District 1 of the U.S. House of Representatives. My interest in these areas is to see a State of Michigan map that represents specific areas by county, school district, etc. so that the needs of the community remain consistent with other elected offices: i.e. local Board of Education, township boards and national districts, etc.	Community 1: Interested in these counties as this represents my US Representative area which affects how the rest of the state allocated districts are drawn. I live in Emmet and have resort property along the St Mary's River in Chippewa.
c2399 (36046)	Primary tourist and agriculture: Population significantly under represented many months of the year as households are secondary and primary residency is credited somewhere else. Very seasonal economy.	Northwest Lower: Tourism and Agriculture, seasonal economy, many second home properties not reflecting true size of population.
c2542 (37227)	Karan Josephus' plan for Leelanau County: Leelanau County differs greatly from Grand Traverse County, and I'd like to preserve our agriculture and our lifestyle. Although it's Northern Michigan, our big cities vary differently from rural counties such as Leelanau County. It's a special place and I'd like to keep it that way.	Community 1.
c3293 (41168)	Grand Traverse County: Keep Grand Traverse County as one entity.	Grand Traverse County.
c3298 (41198)	Keep Communities together: I have lived in this community for nearly thirty years. I have seen many changes, but one thing has always remained: Grand Traverse County as a whole is a cohesive, vibrant community, each portion relying on the other in a symbiotic relationship. We must not fracture the community, or it will be a detriment to the citizens of Grand Traverse County.	Grand Traverse County: The most fascinating aspect of Grand Traverse County is that, although there are many rural areas branching out from the city, there is a cohesive nature within the county as a whole. For example, Long Lake township has a huge crossover with Garfield township as it relates to work, school, and recreational destinations. So, although they are different townships, they create a greater community tog...

c95 (18651)	Casey's N. MI District Recommendation: Tourism-based economy on the northwest coast of the lower peninsula. Health care, manufacturing, and retail are the primary industries beyond tourism. Well-funded local governments due to so many second homes in the area. Similar cultural values with a mix of Democrats and Republicans since Charlevoix, Petoskey, Harbor Springs, and Traverse City all lean left with the rural areas leaning Republica...	Community 1: The Harbor Springs to Traverse City coastal region of northern Michigan has a tourism heavy economy. They have many retirees that are wealthier and own second homes in the area. Due to those second homes, property values are high and most local governments are well funded. Health care, manufacturing, and retail are the primary industries beyond summer tourism supported ones.
p1172 (25917)	Keep Cheboygan County whole: We need to have Cheboygan County in one state house district instead of in two. It is two confusing for voters because they are not sure which district they are in.	District 1.
p1173 (25810)	Cheboygan County's friends: Cheboygan County shares coastlines and watersheds with these counties. We have common interests in keeping our coastlines and rivers clean.	District 1.
p1211 (25810)	Joanne Cromley's Cheboygan County: Cheboygan County is directly connected to our neighbors by both land and water, and we want to make sure our voices as a community of interest are represented properly for the next 10 years or more. The Inland Waterway directly connects Cheboygan and Emmet counties, the Sturgeon and Pigeon River connects Cheboygan and Otsego counties. · We have no hospital, so must travel to Emmet, Mack...	District 1.
p1213 (25917)	Joanne Cromley - Cheboygan County map: Cheboygan County is directly connected to our neighbors by both land and water, and we want to make sure our voices as a community of interest are represented properly for the next 10 years or more. The Inland Waterway directly connects Cheboygan and Emmet counties, the Sturgeon and Pigeon River connects Cheboygan and Otsego counties. · We have no hospital, so must travel to Emmet, Mack...	District 1.
p1305 (25188)	Leelanau, GT, Benzie, Antrim, Kalkaska: The mission of the Leelanau Early Childhood Development Commission (LECDC.) is to "provide families access to a high quality, comprehensive, accountable system of care and pre-school experience for children birth through age 5." The LECDC Board members are long term, and some life long, residents of Leelanau County. We are all active in our community and can say with certainty that we know the h...	District 1.
p1417 (25810)	Cheboygan County Plan: Cheboygan County is directly connected to our neighbors by both land and water, and we want to make sure our voices as a community of interest are represented properly for the next 10 years or more. The Inland Waterway directly connects Cheboygan and Emmet counties, the Sturgeon and Pigeon River connects Cheboygan and Otsego counties. · We have no hospital, so must travel to Emmet, Ma...	District 1.
p1418 (25917)	Cheboygan County Plan: Cheboygan County is directly connected to our neighbors by both land and water, and we want to make sure our voices as a community of interest are represented properly for the next 10 years or more. The Inland Waterway directly connects Cheboygan and Emmet counties, the Sturgeon and Pigeon River connects Cheboygan and Otsego counties. · We have no hospital, so must travel to Emmet, Ma...	District 1.
p1444 (25917)	House District 107: I live in Cheboygan County. Currently, two state House districts (106 and 107) zigzag through our county, dividing our townships and school district. Which leads to a lot of confusion. I live 2 miles outside the city limits of Cheboygan, which is the largest city in the county, and I, like a large portion of people who live in the townships here, have a Cheboygan address. But, our district wa...	District 1.

p1445 (25810)	<p>Senate District 37: I live in Cheboygan County. This district reflects the way that people in our area live, work, and play. Cheboygan County does not have a large range of shopping options, major industries, or even a fully functional hospital, so residents are regularly forced to travel to Emmet, Mackinac, Otsego, and Grand Traverse County for provisions, work, and medical care. Like other areas of Northern Michi...</p>	District 1.
p1591 (25810)	<p>Cheboygan Co Districting Plan: As a resident of Indian River, Mi, Cheboygan county, I would like to comment on our deep connections to our neighboring counties and make certain we have aligned representation. During the last pandemic year, issues like broadband access become exponentially critical to our rural areas in Northern Michigan. Hospitals are also a pressing concern since Cheboygan co residents must travel to Emmet, Ot...</p>	District 1.
p1592 (25917)	<p>Districting Plan for Straits of Mackinac: As a resident of Indian River, Mi, Cheboygan county, I would like to comment on our deep connections to our neighboring counties and make certain we have aligned representation. During the last pandemic year, issues like broadband access become exponentially critical to our rural areas in Northern Michigan. Hospitals are also a pressing concern since Cheboygan co residents must travel to Emmet, Ot...</p>	District 1.
p1621 (30871)	<p>Barbara Conley MI house distr plan: accounts for COI of Leelanau County with cherry/fruit growers, intermediate school district, transportation and health</p>	District 1.
p1871 (25180)	<p>Proposed State House Map: This proposed map accompanies the commentary given in my July 2 written testimony. Five counties (Leelanau, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Antrim and Kalkaska) with approximately 172,000 residents has too great a population to be in one state house district. Historical and cultural characteristics as well as economic interests should be considered a "community of interest" and kept together as much as po...</p>	District 1.
p1967 (25810)	<p>CD1: Cheboygan County is directly connected to our neighbors by both land and water. The Inland Waterway directly connects Cheboygan and Emmet counties, the Sturgeon and Pigeon River connects Cheboygan and Otsego counties. If something were to happen to Line 5, it would be a direct disaster for Emmet, Cheboygan, Charlevoix, Mackinac, and Presque Isle counties.</p>	District 1.
p2176 (25810)	<p>Cheboygan County: Cheboygan County depends on neighbors along the water for services not available here--such as hospital services and compatible tourism options.</p>	District 1.
p2400 (36047)	<p>State representative district: This area has a lot in common with tourism being the driving economy, and agriculture and light industry second.</p>	District 1.
p2744 (38751)	<p>Tourist Towns as community of interest: Keeps the northwest michigan cities and towns together.</p>	District 1.
p2836 (39404)	<p>State House map Leelanau and GTcounties: This map would preserve communities of interest: tourism, cherry farming, wineries, medical availability, transportation. Most people will shop in Traverse City;</p>	District 1.
p2838 (39396)	<p>fair cong distr NW Mi: preserves COI along coast: fruit growing, tourism, water related work and leisure</p>	District 1.
p2839 (39358)	<p>state senate NW Mich: COI is along the coast - tourism, fruit growing, wineries, medical and shopping in Traverse City, transportation, intermediate school district</p>	District 1.

p990 (26002)	<p>Leelanau County Communities of Interest: this plan preserves the commerce, transportation, fruit-growing and healthcare common interests of Grand Traverse and Leelanau Counties</p>	District 1.
c2463 (36705)	<p>Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.</p>	<p>Northwest: Including traverse city and lake borders with Wisconsin and the UP, unique requirements to this region should be considered.</p>
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>UP East: The region of many borders both with Canada, Mainland Michigan and lake borders with other regions, it requires specific consideration.</p>
pl182 (26791)	<p>Larry from Bay County: State House Map: The counties I have included in this map have very similar needs. We are a Community of Interest that is made up of agricultural communities, small towns, and villages that depend on each other for commerce and other needs. Please consider keeping them together in one state house district. This is well within reasonable compact lines and it respects county and township lines as well.</p>	Tourist & Agriculture: Defined as a community of interest, but includes and contradicts the Leelanau County community of interest.
pl181 (26788)	<p>Sandra from Bay County : State House Map: I live in Northern Bay County and our community shares the same needs and interests as Bay, Gladwin, Arenac, and Iosco Counties. We are a Community of Interest with many small towns and rural farming communities that have very different needs that are quite different than Bay City, City of Saginaw , and the City of Midland. We need our voices represented by one elected official that puts our needs...</p>	District 3.
pl1307 (25443)	<p>Leelanau, GT, Benzie, Antrim, Kalkaska: The mission of the Leelanau Early Childhood Development Commission (LECDC) is to "provide families access to a high quality, comprehensive, accountable system of care and pre-school experience for children birth through age 5." The LECDC Board members are long term, and some life long, residents of Leelanau County. We are all active in our community and can say with certainty that we know the h...</p>	District 4.
pl1875 (25443)	<p>State Senate Map: This proposed state Senate map accompanies the written testimony I submitted on July 2. The five counties (Leelanau, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Antrim and Kalkaska) with their population of 172,000 residents could comprise a state Senate District with the addition of several adjacent counties. These counties share cultural and historical characteristics and economic interests and should be considere...</p>	District 5.
pl1314 (25185)	<p>Federal House Lower Peninsula, W.Cost: The broader lower northwest Michigan counties we have included in our federal house map proposal share several bonds. These counties are known for year round tourism: beaches in the summer, skiing in the winter and hunting, camping and the color tour in the fall. The counties that we have included in our map proposal are along main transportation arteries in the northern western Lower Peninsula, n...</p>	District 5.
pl1314 (25185)	<p>Federal House Lower Peninsula, W.Cost: The broader lower northwest Michigan counties we have included in our federal house map proposal share several bonds. These counties are known for year round tourism: beaches in the summer, skiing in the winter and hunting, camping and the color tour in the fall. The counties that we have included in our map proposal are along main transportation arteries in the northern western Lower Peninsula, n...</p>	District 8.

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Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region, and the needs of the population in each region.

Northeast: Including the population center of Alpena and much of interstate 75 along with vast natural forestland and a lake border with Canada, this region has unique and specific needs.

Supporting Data for Cluster C18-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1553 (29622)	Leelanau County and Traverse City: Add to written statement	Community 1: Leelanau County, Old Mission Peninsula, plus Traverse City
c1652 (31142)	Lake Huron Sunrise Side: The counties here are known as the Sunrise Side, the Lake Huron coastline. They are demographically, economically, culturally, ethnically, and religiously the same.	Community 1: Lake Huron Sunrise Side
c1663 (31163)	Lake Huron: The communities on this map are demographically, economically, culturally, ethnically, and religiously the same. They represent the coastal counties along Lake Huron, also known as the Sunrise Side. They should be united in a state Senate district.	Community 1.
c1671 (31174)	Inland Northern Michigan: These communities represent predominantly inland Northern Michigan and share similar demography; culture, ethnicity, religion, and economics. They should be their own state Senate district.	Community 1.
c1688 (31223)	Northern Michigan: The communities on this map are of similar interests and share demographics: religion, ethnicity, economics, culture. They are also linked by Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant by and through its public TV station. Together, the communities have the approximate population of a congressional district.	Community 1.
c1691 (31237)	Sault+: I'm sure our district will end up being the whole UP plus most of the northern lower, but really, I don't feel any connection to the Western UP, and once you add Petoskey & Traverse City, I don't feel like UP voices are heard at all.	Sault Ste. Marie & Countryside: I'm sure it's very low population, but this is the area that feels like my "home district." Any further afield, and that's "away."
c1850 (32661)	My (Proposed) US House District: Northern Michigan	US House District.
c1938 (33317)	Northern MI house seat: See my letter dated June 28, 2021 that suggests the two contiguous counties of Leelanau and Grand Traverse form a MI House seat. This map is submitted because of your request dated 7/19/21. Darlene Doorlag	Community 1: Northern MI US Senate Seat
c2652 (38377)	Leelanau County: I am happy with the way the district lines are currently drawn. I would like it to continue to be designated as agricultural/tourism. Please do not combine us with the Traverse City area, as we are unique and have our own needs and interests.	Leelanau County: I am happy with the way the district lines are currently drawn. I would like it to continue to be designated as agricultural/tourism. Please do not combine us with the Traverse City area, as we are unique and have our own needs and interests.
c3234 (40914)	Do not split Grand Traverse County: Grand Traverse County in its entirety meets the general guidelines for districts and should not be divided.	Grand Traverse County: Grand Traverse County
c639 (23748)	northern region.	Grand Traverse Region: This region has people who live and work here mostly because of the values they hold and should be able to be grouped together with the same representation

p1946 (25917)	Cheboygan County.	District 1.
p1947 (25810)	Mike's Cheboygan County plan.	District 1.
p1992 (33998)	Michael's Plan for the 101st: A more sensible northwest Michigan district	District 1.
p326 (21033)	Districting plan for 107th house district: West end of Mackinac County and Luce County form a geographic COI. This plan achieves a near-perfect district population balance and historically provides a partisan balance.	District 1.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 13.
p2401 (36048)	State Senate district.	District 2.
p3270 (41078)	House District: Keep Grand Traverse County intact as a State House district.	District 4.
p1622 (30884)	Redistricting suggestion: This is my suggestion for a community of common interest.	District 5.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Leelanaw County: Identified as a community of interest in a post.



Supporting Data for Cluster C19		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1364 (27293)	Pine Chip Community of Interest -.	Our Commitment to Education , Economic and Health of Our Community of Interest: Our Community of Interest (COI) is our commitment to education and vital health care support. We like having universities, community colleges and great public schools , to bolster our economy and provide excellent health care for our rural districts. The map included outlines our idea for Michigan's 102nd House of Representatives District. It is important to work on making education ...
c1366 (27358)	Pine Chips Community.	Pine Chips Community: Our community is based on the purities of the Pine and Chippewa Rivers that have their headwaters in Mecosta County. We believe the essential economic, education and environmental contributions of hospitals, schools and universities along with our water-sheds and waterways need stewardship. As you draw the lines for state and federal districts,please keep in mind this extremely vital fact: The ...
c1686 (31212)	Rural broadband access: This community suffers from both poor economic opportunities and extremely limited access to broadband internet. Due to ineffective federal policy defining access' most community members are unable to secure a reasonably affordable internet service, and often unable to secure any service at all. With economic development a high priority, the limited access to broadband exacerbates the economic ch...	Coleman Area: Rural community with low income and extremely limited access to broadband internet.
c1690 (31231)	West Michigan and Sunset Side: The communities represented on this map are communities of interest that share religion, ethnicity, culture, economics and other demographics. In short, a shared way of life. The approximate population of this community is equivalent to a congressional district.	Community 1.
c1700 (31314)	Central MI US-127 Corridor: People in this community tend to shop, work and play along the US-127 corridor.	Central MI 127 corridor: Communities along the US 127 corridor tend to shop, work and play along its route.
c1726 (31437)	Zachary R. Wilson's Mid-Michigan Region.	Mid-Michigan: Rural heart of the lower peninsula of Michigan. Bounded by the bay area cities to the east, Lansing to the south, Grand Rapids/ the western coast, and the north of Clare. My reason of picking these is because of being from St .Louis and thinking of the bounds of what I would consider my "home range." These are areas frequently mentioned and within the areas of sports and familial connections.
c1743 (31581)	Isabella County - Congressional District: Isabella County. northern lower Michigan, this map shows a Congressional District that I feel best defines our area of the state.	Lake Isabella, Isabella County: This would be an appropriate Congressional District for our community.
c1856 (32679)	School District.	Community 1: This would be a school services community. These school districts have similar economic status in common.

c1866 (3219)	Proposed US Congressional District: Proposed US Congressional District to accompany written input from July 2. These Michigan counties include the 5 counties (Leelanau, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Antrim and Kalkaska) that share more interests and cultural and historical history than our current vast geographic District 1 encompassing 25,000 square miles, all of the 15 Upper Peninsula counties and 17 Lower Peninsula counties.	US Congressional District: I sent public comment on a proposed "community of interest" on July 2 and am now adding a map for the US Congressional District. My original request was to pair Leelanau and part of Grand Traverse counties, but this is too small a federal district. The larger proposed district shares common interests and has historical and cultural similarities way beyond those counties comprising the current fede...
c3127 (40390)	Test: This is only an arbitrarily drawn area to test of the software; it does not intentionally represent a meaningful community.	Test community: This is an arbitrary polygon to test the software
c3390 (41751)	Keep Clare county together: Clare is a cohesive community with a population that generally has similar interests, values, and use of public and private resources. I live a half mile over the Clare county line in Isabella county but work in Clare county and most of my interactions are in Clare county.	Keep Clare county together: Clare county is a pretty cohesive rural community with similarities throughout the county in terms of population characteristics, interests, and use of public and private resources.
p1438 (28407)	Central Michigan State House Plan.	District 1.
p1439 (28409)	Central Michigan State House Map: I draw a state house district for the Central Michigan region that includes Isabella County and the northern portion of Gratiot County. There are numerous communities of interest linking the two areas, a few examples being education, transportation, watersheds and tribal land. Also this makes a competitive district with no party having an advantage.	District 1.
p2213 (35174)	Mt. Pleasant and County Need Change.	District 1.
p2250 (35333)	Central Michigan State House district: The redistricting of the state is a large burden but a necessary one deemed by the voters. I have created a map for the central Michigan district that includes all of Isabella county and the northern half of Gratiot county. These areas are tied together by various means. We share the RESD, the Chippewa River watershed, and tribal community to name a few. Our economic ties are shared with the 127 hi...	District 1.
p2259 (35338)	Isabella and Gratiot State House Map: This is a tough job that has been tasked to the commission by the people of Michigan. We have an opportunity to create a fair map for our citizens to have an equal vote for our government. As a resident of Mt Pleasant in Isabella County, I feel the best way to represent Central Michigan is by having a state house district include Isabella County and the northern portion of Gratiot County, around...	District 1.
p2323 (35582)	New 99th State house: I am asking you to consider pairing Isabella county and the northern part of Gratiot county in Michigan House District for 99th. There are a lot more ties between Isabella and northern Gratiot. The Gratiot- Isabella Regional Education Service district serves students in public, private and parochial schools in our community. Higher education is an economic and cultural driver. Central Michigan Uni...	District 1.
p3210 (40814)	Include Osceola Co: The 33rd Senate District should include Osceola County. Clare and Osceola are very similar in demographics and population. As a bordering county, we find that we work together on cases that cross county lines. I feel that if Osceola was included we would be better served and represented in Lansing on the similar needs of our communities.	District 1.

c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 12.
p359 (21434)	99th House dist educational catchment: Good evening, and thank you for the opportunity to address you. My name is Cathy Willermet and I live in Mt. Pleasant, home of Central Michigan University (Fire Up Chips!) I ask that you consider educational catchment in your redistricting efforts for the State House district #99. Mount Pleasant is a town of about 26,000, surrounded by smaller rural communities right in the center of the state. W...	District 2.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Mt. Pleasant community of interest: Identified as a community of interest in a post
p1310 (25445)	Federal House Lower Peninsula, W.Cost: The mission of the Leelanau Early Childhood Development Commission (LECDC) is to "provide families access to a high quality, comprehensive, accountable system of care and pre-school experience for children birth through age 5." The LECDC Board members are long term, and some life long, residents of Leelanau County. We are all active in our community and can say with certainty that we know the h...	District 3.



Supporting Data for Cluster C20		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1619 (30844)	Rose's submission plan for DeWitt: Re-Districting My name is Rosemarie DeLoof and I live in south DeWitt township in Clinton county. Clinton is just north of Ingham county. I grew up on a dairy farm in south DeWitt township. When I married I moved out of the area. My parents and siblings continued to live in the township. This community reflected my values then and it does today. In our retirement years my husband and I have moved ...	Community 1: These counties are all rural and have similar interest and population. It would be a disservice to have them mixed with urban communities.
c1732 (31506)	Mid-Michigan: Combination of rural, small towns, and medium sized cities	Mid Michigan: Combination of rural, small towns, and medium sized city.
c1884 (32841)	Hello Township: This is a very important community of interest that always greets you with a smile.	Hello Township Area: This is a very friendly community in the state of Michigan that is always welcoming and greets you the way you want to be greeted.
c814 (24762)	Central MI District Proposal: These are all the places I range for work, within the community I have built among friends and co-workers. These boundaries represent the areas from which I have worked with contractors on professional or community projects. I only propose my district (roughly) due to admittedly not knowing much about areas outside their outside of tourism.	Central Michigan.
p1588 (30585)	Tom DeFouw: Mi Congressional District: I have submitted a House, Senate, and Congressional District as requested. Thank you.	District 1.
p1625 (30891)	Betty Jo Nelson - Congressional: Thank you for considering my congressional district map. Betty Jo Nelson	District 1.
p1626 (30891)	Betty Jo Nelson - Congressional: Thank you for considering my congressional district map. Betty Jo Nelson	District 1.
p1731 (31482)	Continuity in Central Michigan: I drew this based on my residence in Midland and what I believe to be commonalities for my area. Midland County is an interesting blend of highly technical industry, primary area for health care and has smaller communities in adjoining counties commuting to the City of Midland.	District 1.
p977 (25937)	Bay City/Midland/Mt. Pleasant District: Justifiable Community of Interest. Small cities, small towns, rural communities, farming communities, industry, fits population threshold - compact	District 1.
p1188 (26799)	Lupe Petroff, central Michigan congress: These counties share similar interests. Lots of farms and small towns with very different needs than more populated areas. I live in Shiawassee County and we deserve to have a member of Congress that looks out for us. My map breaks no county lines and it is compact.	District 12.
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.	East Central: Including Mt Pleasant, Midland, Saginaw and Bay City which has a unique position of potentially providing sustainable hydro-power to the rest of the state through methods being explored in the industry.



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Supporting Data for Cluster C21		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1405 (27742)	Dow-Midland PCB & Dioxin Cleanup: Dow Corporation of Midland, Michigan has a long history of discharging dioxins, PCBs and other chemicals into the Tittabawassee River, from where they flowed into the wetlands of Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge and on down the Saginaw River through Saginaw and Bay City to Saginaw Bay. Much of the discharged material remains in the river sediment and in flood plains, with a result that there ar...	Dow-Midland PCB & Dioxin cleanup: Dow Corporation of Midland, Michigan has a long history of discharging dioxins, PCBs and other chemicals into the Tittabawassee River, from where they flowed into the wetlands of Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge and on down the Saginaw River through Saginaw and Bay City to Saginaw Bay. Much of the discharged material remains in the river sediment and in flood plains, with a result that there ar...
c1604 (30747)	The Tittabawassee River Community.	Community 1: The Tittabawassee River Community. A community that encompasses rural areas as as well as small towns and small cities that the residents live and work next to and depend on the river for recreational activities as well as the tourism the river brings that helps drive the local business in the area. This is also an area that has recently seen devastating flooding that has also strengthened the sen...
c1746 (31587)	Saginaw/Bay City Area: The Saginaw and Bay City area is where I live and work.	Community 1: Saginaw/Bay City area
c1782 (32214)	Midland Bay and Saginaw Counties: This community consists of the three counties, Midland, Bay and Saginaw. Historically, they have cooperated in providing Air Transportation (MBS) and post High School Education (Delta College) For these reasons and others, this diverse community should be able to vote in such a way as to keep our common interests at the forefront of our representative government.	TriCounty Saginaw Bay: This is a community that shares an Economic Interest in that employees, employers and NGO services are shared in this geographic Area
c1827 (32472)	Robert's submission plan: The community is multi cultural. Many activities revolve around waterfront and a variety of cultural events. The area is connected by rail trails as will as the Saginaw Bay and the Tittabawassee and Saginaw waterways.	Community 1.
c1828 (32491)	Sally's Greater Midland Area Map: As a lifelong Midlander, I made an effort to include communities surrounding the City which I feel should be included in a congressional district. I think the Midland area is distinct from Bay and Saginaw Counties, and has more in common with some of the rural municipalities to the North and Northeast of the City of Midland.	Greater Midland Area: I chose to draw this community surrounding where I live, in the City of Midland.
c1903 (32967)	Bay area Plan.	Community 1: Midland and Bay County
c1914 (33044)	Matt - Midland-Bay City-Saginaw: The exact size of this district is open for revision, however there is no doubt these communities' economies, families, and overall success will forever be linked. A large number of residents work in Midland, Bay City, or Saginaw but live in more rural communities like Swan Creek, Auburn, Freeland, etc. Youth sports, school activities, and entertainment consistently cause residents to move fre...	Midland-Bay City-Saginaw: The exact size of this district is open for revision, however there is no doubt these communities' economies, families, and overall success will forever be linked. A large number of residents work in Midland, Bay City, or Saginaw but live in more rural communities like Swan Creek, Auburn, Freeland, etc. Youth sports, school activities, and entertainment consistently cause residents to move fre...



c2012 (34317)	Community if interest is the Tri-Cities: My community if interest is the Tri-Cities of Bay City, Midland, Saginaw.	Tri Cities- Bay City, Midland, Saginaw: The Tri Cities composed of Bay City, Midland, and Saginaw have long had cultural, historical, and economic ties. Today they continue to expand toward each other, along with the smaller surrounding communities creating a diverse metropolitan area. The Tri Cities should not be separated, but considered as a whole community of interest as they always have .
c2013 (34317)	Community of interest is the Tri-Cities: The Tri Cities composed of Bay City, Midland, and Saginaw have long had cultural, historical, and economic ties. Today they continue to expand toward each other, along with the smaller surrounding communities creating a diverse metropolitan area. The Tri Cities should not be separated, but considered as a whole community of interest as they always have .	Tri Cities- Bay City, Midland, Saginaw: The Tri Cities composed of Bay City, Midland, and Saginaw have long had cultural, historical, and economic ties. Today they continue to expand toward each other, along with the smaller surrounding communities creating a diverse metropolitan area. The Tri Cities should not be separated, but considered as a whole community of interest as they always have .
c2480 (36858)	Martha's Community of Interest: Saginaw County is where I and my family live, work, and play. My special needs son receives special services in our county, our place of worship, employment, and recreation occur primarily within our county. My care and concern is focussed on the people within my own community. I want it to be easier to work together for stronger families and economic growth.	Community 1.
c253 (19762)	MBS: Midland, Bay and Saginaw Counties: Midland, Bay and Saginaw Counties are united by shared history, interests and challenges. Unifiers include MBS Airport, Delta College, Saginaw Valley State University, the I-75/US-10 Crossroads, the Tittabawassee/Saginaw Rivers, Dow Chemical operations, The Dow Event Center and much more. They are "Tri-Cities" in almost every sense—except for the current, blatantly gerrymandered boundaries between...	MBS: Midland-Bay-Saginaw Counties: The 3 counties of Midland, Bay and Saginaw are united by common ties of transportation, education, culture, environment and commerce. MBS International Airport serves and is jointly operated by the region. The I-75 / US-10 intersection links road traffic. Delta College serves and is operated by the 3 counties. Saginaw Valley State Univ. draws most of its students from these 3 counties. Many busin...
c2544 (37241)	Saginaw County.	Community 1.
c2552 (37329)	Saginaw County.	Saginaw County.
c3082 (40102)	Midland and Gladwin Counties Together: Midland and Gladwin counties should stay together for both Senate and Congressional districts; and you could even consider all of Midland county plus a portion of Gladwin county (the Tittabawassee rivershed portion) for a House district. There are several reasons to do this . My name is Anne and I live in Lincoln Township, which is in Midland County, with a Sanford mailing address. Tonight, I wa...	Midland and Gladwin Counties: Midland and Gladwin counties should stay together for both Senate and Congressional districts; and you could even consider all of Midland county plus a portion of Gladwin county (the Tittabawassee rivershed portion) for a House district. There are several reasons to do this . My name is Anne and I live in Lincoln Township, which is in Midland County, with a Sanford mailing address. Tonight, I wa...
c3391 (41753)	Keep Isabella county together: Isabella county is a fairly cohesive community with people of common values and interests and using the same public and private resources. It is best served keeping it together.	Keep Isabella county together: Isabella county is a fairly cohesive community with similar values and interests and are served by the same public and private resources. It would be best served being kept as one in redistricting plans.
c353 (21400)	Tri-Counties for State Senate District: Bay County is the Community of Interest. The map is my request for State Senate redistricting as well as those who are in my community of interest, called I-75, A River Runs Through It.	Bay County Community of Interest: Bay County is a community where residents are connected by many gathering places, by many annual festivals that residents volunteer to make happen, by Tall Ships Festival, by Bay Sail, by Dow Bay Area Family YMCA, by the famous St. Patrick's Day Parade, by the St. Stan's Polish Festival. By Fishing Competitions.

c373 (21544)	Tittabawassee River Community: This community is closely linked by a shared waterway, the Tittabawassee River. The area has also experienced extreme flooding due to dam failures last year. The area is still working together to recover.	Community 1: Tittabawassee River Community
p1529 (29467)	Tri-Cities Senate District: Hello again commissioners, based on many recent comments from people within my area talking about how they want a State Senate district that included Bay City, Saginaw, and Midland, so I created just that. Within this plan, it connects the Tri-Cities into one state Senate district in which it includes the main cities, Bay City, Saginaw and Midland, as well as the other cities and towns of Auburn, ...	District 1.
p1817 (30490)	Monumental Map- By Ezekiel Project: This is a community of interest map made in precinct format to demonstrate our exact location/s This map marks a new beginning for our district. It is our desire to create a more challenging and more competitive district. We want to ensure that folks work to earn our vote and get us representation for what we need and deserve in order for us to thrive as a community. To that end, we want to be ...	District 1.
p899 (25238)	Tri-Cities State Senate District: As a resident of Bay City, I feel very little in common with the other places in my current Senate district (Lapeer and Tuscola Counties). I feel like a district that contains Bay City, Midland, and Saginaw would be better suited to meet the representation needs of this area, as we share more in common with them than the other two counties in the current district.	District 1.
p976 (25932)	Saginaw/Shiawassee State Senate Dist.: Almost two whole counties that have similar communities of interest - small towns, small cities, rural communities, farms. Also very compact.	District 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Tri-Cities: Contradicts another request, but Midland/Bay City/Saginaw together as a community of interest in a post.
p1126 (26195)	MBS-Tri-Cities: To the Michigan Redistricting Commission: As we look to Michigan's 32nd senate district, there are several reasons this district must be redrawn. Historically, Saginaw, Midland and Bay City have been known as the Tri-cities. Three communities working together, pooling resources for mutual benefit has and should continue to be our moniker. In the content below you will find that these communite...	District 15.
c353 (21400)	Tri-Counties for State Senate District: Bay County is the Community of Interest. The map is my request for State Senate redistricting as well as those who are in my community of interest, called I-75, A River Runs Through It.	Community 2 Midland City: portion of Midland County
p2625 (37871)	Tri-City State Senate District: This is a rough idea of what I would like to see as a State Senate district. Bringing the City of Midland, Bay City, and the City of Saginaw together as the tri-cities because of the cultural, travel, and business connections between them. I think that this would better represent the people in these cities than the current State Senate districts.	District 23.
p2486 (36940)	Bay-Sag-Midland/St Senate: This would be a state senate district that aligns the cities of Bay City, Saginaw and Midland as an "urban-metropolitan statistical area", the northernmost region in Mich that is so defined. The Tri-Cities converge at the intersections of the Tittabawassee and Saginaw Rivers and I-75 which is how our region thrives economically, culturally and socially as a Community of Interest.	District 27.

c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Saginaw County: Identified as a community of interest in a post.
c353 (21400)	Tri-Counties for State Senate District: Bay County is the Community of Interest. The map is my request for State Senate redistricting as well as those who are in my community of interest, called I-75, A River Runs Through It.	Community 3 Saginaw County.
p1585 (30401)	Tri-Counties for State Senate District: I am submitting this Community of Interest Map as a State Senate District. Saginaw, Bay City and Midland are called the Tri-Cities. All three cities are urban/suburban communities with similar history, economy, industry, and environmental interests. Twenty years ago, Bay County was gerrymandered away from the Tri-County region in terms of state representation. Bay County was joined with Tuscola ...	District 3.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Bay County: Keeping the county intact was requested as a community of interest. Titawabasee River watershed: Identified as a community of interest Mid-Michigan/Midland: Conflicts with other communities of interest, but identified as a community of interest.
p1185 (26796)	Peter's Saginaw County Senate District: This respects county lines. It's two full counties that serve a well balanced community of interest. I live in Brant Township. We are a rural community, but this district serves rural, suburban, and urban interests. It follows the rule of compactness that the commission should follow if possible.	District 5.
p1183 (26792)	Michael's Plan for Tuscola County: Tuscola County and Huron County are already together in our state rep district. We have many farming communities that make up a Community of Interest in the thumb area. This sticks with county lines and is compact.	District 7.

Supporting Data for Cluster C22		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1076 (26380)	Metro Detroit—Western Suburbs COI: I have lived in the western suburbs for more than 50 years. I grew up in Westland and attended Wayne-Westland schools, including Wayne Memorial High School in Wayne. I now live in Livonia, and my son attended Livonia public schools for his entire K-12 education. I also lived in Plymouth for a short time. I believe that K12 school districts, especially in the Detroit Metro area, should play a larg...	Community 1.
c1646 (31127)	DC's West Willow Voting District: This is the "west willow" neighborhood .	Community 1.
c2349 (35660)	Equity in Airport Zone: The black and Hispanic working-class in the airport zone has gone ignored for too long. Many work at the airports or in nearby industries but also suffer from the pollution. They deserve a majority black working-class state rep district.	Black Majority Airport Area.
c2677 (38058)	Canton Township - Community of Interest: Canton Township as a community of interest, should be kept together in mapping Congressional, State Senate and State House of Representatives districts. The 36 square miles of Canton is now the third largest community in Wayne County and the ninth largest local municipal unit in the State. With over 98,000 residents Canton has become a dynamic and uniquely diverse community with a range of socio...	Community 1.
c3215 (40833)	Ann Arbor, Ypsi, and western Wayne: Thanks Commissioner Witjes! Please continue to not let the regions define districts. Some regions do not align with communities at all because they were defined by DC politicians in 2017 – not by voters. Remember, this process is about voters, not politicians. I'd like to commend Commissioner Witjes for his defense of COIs and reminders to dismiss the politician-drawn regions. Additionally, I'd ...	Ann Arbor, Ypsi, and western Wayne: Thanks Commissioner Witjes! Please continue to not let the regions define districts. Some regions do not align with communities at all because they were defined by DC politicians in 2017 – not by voters. Remember, this process is about voters, not politicians. I'd like to commend Commissioner Witjes for his defense of COIs and reminders to dismiss the politician-drawn regions. Additionally, I'd ...
c586 (23540)	Van Buren Map of Community Interest: Map for public comment to the Michigan Redistricting Commission to keep the City of Belleville, Sumpter Township, and Van Buren Township in the same district.	Charter Township of Van Buren: Charter Township of Van Buren
p840 (24924)	Caribbean Community of Interest Inkster: This is a community of interest map submission designed to demonstrate the exact precincts it contains Good afternoon, •tMy name is Sophia Chue. I am the Executive Director of the Caribbean Community Service Center in Michigan. •tCCSC's mission is the SEA, to support, empower and advocate for Caribbean nationals who are here in the Americas, as well as new arrivals. •tThe Caribbean comm...	District 1.
c2481 (36879)	Racially Integrated Suburbs(2020 Census): 2020 Census Data has been loaded at the Dave's Redistricting website, including demographic data. If Commissioners haven't gotten updated Data from EDS yet, they can play with the maps at Dave's Redistricting website to build their knowledge about the population shifts in the 2020 census. . . . One thing I am proud to see is the unprecedented racial integration in the suburbs. The blue area, whi...	Western Wayne and Washtenaw Integrated Area: This area has gone from 28.1% African-American VAP to

c586 (23540)	Van Buren Map of Community Interest: Map for public comment to the Michigan Redistricting Commission to keep the City of Belleville, Sumpter Township, and Van Buren Township in the same district.	City of Belleville: City of Belleville
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Black/Hispanic Airport community: Identified as a community of interest in a post.
c586 (23540)	Van Buren Map of Community Interest: Map for public comment to the Michigan Redistricting Commission to keep the City of Belleville, Sumpter Township, and Van Buren Township in the same district.	Sumpter Township: Sumpter Township
p1552 (29623)	Cities of Westland and Wayne: I attempted to capture all of the City of Wayne and all of the City of Westland--however the population was greater than the ideal. So I adjusted the community of interest because the area of Westland in the NE is a very engaged community with the City, however are not represented by the same State House District. State House districts need to follow the geographic lines more.	District 3.
c1990 (33078)	Wayne County - Together not Disjointed: Michigan Avenue (route 12) - I am within walking distance of this main shopping and ethnic restaurant corridor. It runs through the diverse communities of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, and Westland. Dearborn is especially diverse because it holds one of the largest Arab populations in the US. The City of Dearborn Recreation and Performing Art Center contains a fitness center, a...	North Wayne County: Edward Hines Park is a 19 mile continuous park which connects Dearborn to Northville. It is used by the residents of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Westland and many others. Residents enjoy the picnic areas, walking trails, soccer fields, children playgrounds and the annual Christmas Light Festival displayed along the Edward Hines Drive. This road is also used by area resident....



Supporting Data for Cluster C23		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1384 (27493)	<p>Frenchtown Township's Resort District Au: My COI is the Frenchtown Resort District Authority in Monroe County. The Resort Authority was created 20+ years ago as a result of the need to build and maintain infrastructure for the area of Frenchtown commonly called "The Beaches". The physical area stretches from the property where the Fermi III nuclear power plant is to just south of Sterling State Park. A map is attached which outlines mos...</p>	<p>Frenchtown Resort Authority District: This COI is Monroe County Frenchtown Township Resort District Authority. It is a legal entity consisting of the beach areas lining Monroe County's Brest Bay which is bound primarily by the Fermi Atomic Power Plant II to the north and the City of Monroe's northern border to the south. The "Beaches" are primarily structures built between the 1920's and 1960's as summer resort areas along Lake Erie...</p>
c1402 (27694)	<p>Lenawee and Monroe - Don't Split Us!: Monroe and Lenawee County are connected in multiple ways, and therefore should not be broken up in Congressional representation as a community of interest. First of all, we share a major route of commerce and transportation, M-50. This major route of transit connects the two counties to Lake Erie, the City of Jackson, and many other small communities that rely on the route for daily transportation...</p>	<p>Community 1: Lenawee and Monroe County</p>
c208 (19624)	<p>Monroe as a suburb of Detroit: Monroe is more of a bedroom community of Detroit than it is a rural countryside.</p>	<p>Monroe: Monroe is a blue dot in the middle of a sea of red that was redistricted into obscurity in 2011 much to the chagrin of its residents. It really belongs to Southern Wayne County.</p>
c2496 (37033)	<p>Monroe/Lenawee: I am a lifelong resident of Monroe county and I have heard so many rumors that people think our area is like Ann Arbor and Detroit. We have more in common with each other than those Major Urban areas. We have smaller colleges and universities, not major universities like them. We have small cities that service surrounding area, they have major urban cores.</p>	<p>Monroe/Lenawee.</p>
c2497 (37038)	<p>Healthcare: In our area Promedica healthcare out of Toledo operates the hospitals in the region. This means for many specialized services we head into Toledo. Healthcare is a major industry in our area and our lack of connection to UM Health, St Joe, Henry Ford make us a unique community.</p>	<p>Healthcare: In our area Promedica healthcare out of Toledo operates the hospitals in the region. This means for many specialized services we head into Toledo. Healthcare is a major industry in our area and our lack of connection to UM Health, St Joe, Henry Ford make us a unique community.</p>
c2502 (37051)	<p>Partnerships: There are many partnerships in our region that unite us a large community. From the Michigan State Police to United Way our counties are used as a region for state organizations and nonprofits.</p>	<p>Partnerships: There are many partnerships in our region that unite us a large community. From the Michigan State Police to United Way our counties are used as a region for state organizations and nonprofits.</p>
c2503 (37054)	<p>back the blue: I was raised to back the blue and support the police. All over my region I see flags, signs, t-shirts of people supporting the police. This isn't true of other areas and I couldn't imagine living where the police aren't fully supported and respected.</p>	<p>Back the Blue: I was raised to back the blue and support the police. All over my region I see flags, signs, t-shirts of people supporting the police. This isn't true of other areas and I couldn't imagine living where the police aren't fully supported and respected.</p>
c2568 (37428)	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-6 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...</p>	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-6 - 2020 Census update.</p>

c2697 (38646)	Redistrict Brownstown: Brownstown is more like the surrounding south areas where there are small businesses and open areas unlike the towns north and east of us which are heavily populated. The socioeconomic situation of Taylor, Romulus, Lincoln Park have different needs than our area.	Community 1: Brownstown is more like the surrounding south areas where there are small businesses and open areas unlike the towns north and east of us which are heavily populated. The socioeconomic situation of Taylor, Romulus, Lincoln Park have different needs than our area.
c2699 (38654)	Redistrict communities: The composition of Brownstown is better aligned with the communities south and west from it rather than the communities it is clumped with now, such as with Allen Park and Lincoln Park which fit more closely with a Detroit neighborhood. We are also not like Ann Arbor which is a college town of transients.	Community 1: The composition of Brownstown is better aligned with the communities south and west from it rather than the communities it is clumped with now, such as with Allen Park and Lincoln Park which fit more closely with a Detroit neighborhood. We are also not like Ann Arbor which is a college town of transients.
c2727 (38728)	Listen to 20+ COIs on Monroe and Lenawee: I previously submitted a COI regarding the similarities and connections between Lenawee and Monroe counties. Many other individuals did the same, at least over 20 that I could find. It was extremely disheartening to see Commissioner Eid draw a State Senate map that split these two. As I previously stated, there are many good reasons to connect the counties as a community of interest. We share many...	Community 1.
c3232 (40904)	Lake Erie fishing: Working in the fishing industry I know the importance of our industry on the local economy. In line with this is the river raisin watershed. This watershed and its cleanliness is important to our industry. This community has worked hand in hand to support our industry.	Lake Erie fishing - river raisin.
c3396 (41767)	Anthony Eid Resign: Anthony Eid is a complete partisan hack. Eid claimed to not be affiliated with any party, but his social media has proven otherwise. Eid has not followed the majority of COIs submitted, which group specific communities that are alike together. Instead he is attempting to break communities apart in order to give a democrat the leg up. When I voted for the independent commission, I knew there might ...	Community 1: Anthony Eid is a complete partisan hack. Eid claimed to not be affiliated with any party, but his social media has proven otherwise. Eid has not followed the majority of COIs submitted, which group specific communities that are alike together. Instead he is attempting to break communities apart in order to give a democrat the leg up. When I voted for the independent commission, I knew there might ...
p228 (19765)	Redistricting plan: Please consider this redistricting plan	District 1.
p229 (19766)	House redistricting plan: Please consider this house redistricting plan including communities of interest and county lines. Thank you	District 1.
p2649 (38304)	Monroe is not rural: Monroe Commutes! Monroe county is tied-in with I-75/I-275 to work, shop, and dine. Over 50% of Monroe county workers leave the county to work!	District 1.
p2751 (38760)	Monroe Lenawee watershed to Lake Erie: Monroe is an agricultural county with natural connections to Lenawee County. We share the border with Ohio, share the river raisin watershed, and much of the same economic factors. Our local schools are connected to the agricultural community as well. MCCC has an agricultural program, and JC at LISD has an agricultural program as well. Even in northern Monroe, we identify more with Toledo than we ...	District 1.
p2752 (38762)	Monroe Lenawee Collaboration: Environmentally, socially, and economically Monroe is a rural area deserving to be combined with similar communities. Please let urban areas have representatives focused on the challenges associated with urban areas and rural areas have representatives focused on rural issues. Anything else and you will drown out the voices of both communities.	District 1.

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(23381)

Monroe & Lenawee: As a resident of Lenawee county and as an involved member of the community I feel strongly that the best representation for state senate in my area would be to elect a person from a district that is composed of Lenawee and Monroe counties. In my area there are many connections between the two counties that connect us economically and culturally. This region shares a state police post, family medic...

District 1.

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(23702)

Monroe-Lenawee Senate District: I am the Township Supervisor for Bedford Township. We are more similar to Toledo than we are to Detroit or Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti. To illustrate this point, here are some of the interests tying us more to our border than the vastly different communities to our north: shared infrastructure, unions, United Way, print and broadcast media, hospital (ProMedica), environmental concerns related to the River...

District 1.

c2560
(37414)

Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.

Monroe/Adrian: Identified as a community of interest in a post.

Supporting Data for Cluster C24		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1537 (29551)	Addition to Submission on Downriver: I previously submitted this comment. I live on Grosse Ile which is part of an area of Southeast Michigan often referred to as "downriver." As a community of interest, downriver has traditionally shared not only recreation, schools, churches, and community events but also police and emergency support through the Downriver Mutual Aid agreement that pairs local police, SWAT, hazardous spill responses...	Downriver Community of Interest: Allen Park Brownstown Township Ecorse Flat Rock Gibraltar Grosse Ile Township Huron Charter Township New Boston Lincoln Park Melvindale River Rouge Riverview Rockwood Romulus Southgate Taylor Trenton Woodhaven Wyandotte
c1560 (29684)	Downriver Community - Keep Together: Hi, my name is Brian Kelly. I have been a resident of Wyandotte, Michigan, going on 19 years. I moved here from Ohio in 2002 to work for the EPA as an emergency responder doing chemical and oil spill cleanup. I worked on the Enbridge Pipeline Spill, Flint Drinking Water Response, and cleaned up environmental hazards in every part of Michigan. I would have attended a live meeting of the Commission,...	Community 1.
c1641 (31050)	A2-Ypsi + Plymouth canton + upper downri: Having grown up downriver and spent much time in the AA-Ypsilanti-Plymouth/canton area, this is a common sense daily life, environmental, and economics community of interest	Community 1.
c1741 (31577)	Downriver metro Detroit: Downriver communities, while close to Detroit, Monroe County, and the western suburbs, is not anything like them.	Downriver: Downriver is not Detroit, Monroe County, or the western suburbs in any way. Bundling it up with those places is gerrymandering.
c1848 (32648)	Downriver: Downriver area - south of Detroit in Wayne County	Downriver: Downriver - south of Detroit in Wayne County
c1865 (32730)	Keep Downriver together: Keep Downriver together	Community 1: Downriver, keep together
c3347 (41008)	Monroe: Monroe is more than farmland: I am a long time Monroe resident and I wanted to provide the Commission with my community of interest. Monroe and Downriver share so many characteristics, from the Huron River, to a manufacturing economic base, to the shared value of hard work. Many factory plant workers from Downriver call Monroe there home, and many folks from Downriver take the time to enjoy Monroe's beautiful lake and riverfro...	Community 1.
c3383 (41728)	Eid Lied to Michigan: Michiganders put their faith in individuals to not lie about their party affiliation. There was no verification so all we had was trust. Eid broke that trust. He lied to Michigan. Now he refuses to work with his colleagues so he can gerrymander dividing communities, ignoring the constitution. He's a partisan hack who is ruining this commission. He has two options to restore the faith in this proce...	Community 1: Michiganders put their faith in individuals to not lie about their party affiliation. There was no verification so all we had was trust. Eid broke that trust. He lied to Michigan. Now he refuses to work with his colleagues so he can gerrymander dividing communities, ignoring the constitution. He's a partisan hack who is ruining this commission. He has two options to restore the faith in this proce...
c466 (22383)	Downriver: Downriver is the unofficial name for a collection of 18 cities and townships in Wayne County, Michigan, south of Detroit, along the western shore of the Detroit River. It's a community of interest that's distinct in the Detroit metro area. Characterized for it's working-class character and access to and organization around the Detroit river. Focused representation at the State House, Senate, an...	Downriver: Downriver is the unofficial name for a collection of 18 cities and townships in Wayne County, Michigan, south of Detroit, along the western shore of the Detroit River. It's a community of interest that's distinct in the Detroit metro area. Characterized for it's working-class character and access to and organization around the Detroit river. Focused representation at the State House, Senate, an...

c752 (24354)	Downriver Community of Interest: This is the area I live in. I live in Melvindale (one of the 18 Core Downriver communities). "Downriverites" have a great deal in common, and our area is a prime example of a community of interest. But Downriver has been split across multiple congressional districts for decades. Core Downriver has about half the population required for a congressional district, so I have also indicated "Greater Do..."	Core Downriver: These are the 18 core Downriver communities, which have a lot in common with one another. But for decades, these communities have never been in the same congressional district.
p1386 (27517)	Downriver/Northeast Monroe Co.: This plan creates a State Senate district that combines all the communities along the water - Southeast Detroit (River), River Rouge, Lincoln Park, Wyandotte and on down including the eastern part of Monroe County, including parts of Berlin Township, Frenchtown Township, City of Monroe, parts of Monroe Township, and part of LaSalle Township. It combines those communities of interest, areas that d...	District 1.
p2833 (39305)	Dearborn, Downriver & Monroe County: Dearborn, Dearborn Hgts., Downriver and Monroe County are connected through work, recreation, worship and more. There are 18 communities in the Downriver region. They should all be included in the same congressional district. Many of us work, go to school or church in Dearborn and Dearborn Hgts. They are an unofficial part of the Downriver region. Moving farther down the river is Monroe county w...	District 1.
p465 (22382)	A downriver Congressional District: The benefit of the current 12th district is it connects these mostly southwestern Wayne County communities to the Detroit river, with the bulk of them making up an important community of interest, downriver. These communities are distinct, with important interests that require focused political representation, and this is a rough illustration of a Congressional district that could help do that.	District 1.
p470 (22415)	Downriver-Monroe County-SE MI Corner: Downriver-Monroe County-Southeastern Michigan Corner Congressional District The proposed map for the Downriver-Monroe County-Southeastern Michigan Corner Congressional District keeps numerous important communities of interest together while building around key transportation corridors, economic development regions, natural features and educational institutions service areas. I. Highlights of th...	District 11.
p2997 (39864)	Perfect Downriver Congressional District: Hello Commissioners, Here I have made a congressional district including the entirety of the Downriver region, with some other nearby areas added to make the population equal. The additional areas, while not parts of the "core" Downriver area, are very similar, have very close ties to the core communities, and many of the residents there even identify as Downriverites. The current district plan ...	District 12.
c208 (19624)	Monroe as a suburb of Detroit: Monroe is more of a bedroom community of Detroit than it is a rural countryside.	The greater Monroe municipal area.: The name's tongue-in-cheek but I'm serious about being culturally closer to Wayne County than any of the largely rural counties to the West.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	South Detroit and suburbs: South Detroit and suburbs
c752 (24354)	Downriver Community of Interest: This is the area I live in. I live in Melvindale (one of the 18 Core Downriver communities). "Downriverites" have a great deal in common, and our area is a prime example of a community of interest. But Downriver has been split across multiple congressional districts for decades. Core Downriver has about half the population required for a congressional district, so I have also indicated "Greater Do..."	Greater Downriver: These nearby areas are sometimes considered to be part of Downriver, and a lot of the people here even identify as "Downriverites". So these areas should be added to the same congressional district as the core Downriver communities, to make the district's population even.

c1990 (33078)	Wayne County - Together not Disjoined: Michigan Avenue (route 12) – I am within walking distance of this main shopping and ethnic restaurant corridor. It runs through the diverse communities of Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, and Westland. Dearborn is especially diverse because it holds one of the largest Arab populations in the US. "tCity of Dearborn Recreation and Performing Art Center contains a fitness center, a...	Southeastern Community: this area has like community interest some of it is farm land, some neighborhoods and other spread out community
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	"Downriver": Community of interest, conflicts with several other communities of interest.
p1323 (27180)	US Congress Dist. with Downriver & Monroe: U.S. Senate Districts: I am very concerned that Wayne County is currently divided into parts of four Congressional districts: 11, 12, 13, and 14 with serpentine boundaries which extend into other counties in three of the districts. The City of Detroit with a total population of 670,052 is almost enough to be an entire Congressional District. I recommend that the 48217 section of SW Detroit (pop...	District 6.
p1554 (29630)	Tight, Compact and Fair-no safe seats: We need tight, compact districts based on municipality geographic lines and fair, competitive districts. We need to allow people to step up and represent the entire district, to earn their re-election, not just represent those who vote for them.	District 6.
p2821 (27180)	Downriver Congressional Map: Downriver is the unofficial name for a collection of 18 cities and townships in Wayne County, Michigan, south of Detroit, along the western shore of the Detroit River. Downriver cities of Allen Park, Brownstown Township, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Ecorse, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile Township, Huron Township, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, River Rouge, Riverview, Rockwood, Romulus, Southgate, Tayl...	District 6.



Supporting Data for Cluster C25		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1550 (29618)	Map of central Michigan farm community: Small towns, farms, should not be included with Lansing	Community 1: Farming, small towns, NOT the Lansing area
c1596 (30726)	different types of people, same values: People in Clinton County have different beliefs than those in Lansing. It has been shown recently with the attitudes towards the police. People in Clinton County want strong laws, courts, and police while those in the Lansing area are calling for defunding police. Financial responsibility is high in Clinton County, a county of low taxes and low reliance on government.	Community 1: This is a county that has the same values. It is diverse in people but the idea's are the same. Things like festivals and farmers markets and car shows are something that sets this area apart from those in the area of Lansing. Clinton county has different values and are more independent on themselves than on requiring goverment assistance. Views of the police, crime, schools , courts are equal a...
c2575 (37435)	Fair Maps Project - SD-35 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission o1993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...	Fair Maps Project - SD-35 - 2020 Census update.
c2743 (38746)	Clinton County and Similar Cof Interest: Clinton County needs to be excluded from Lansing/East Lansing or in other words, urban & high density university communities with vastly different interests and values. It needs to be put in districts that are rural, and suburban that are directly part of country/rural areas. People in the rural areas need representation because their voices will never be heard if diluted by the loud high densit...	Community 1 Clinton County: This is a suburban/rural county that has common goals, values, interests, history, that vastly differs from Lansing, East Lansing. Clinton County must not be included with Urban Communities such as Lansing/East Lansing. Lansing, EL, are government/public university urban communities with Vastly different needs for Representation. I lived in EL for 30 years and specifically moved to Bath Townshi...
p1078 (26394)	Saginaw/Shiawassee COI: Western Saginaw and Shiawassee share a community of interest. We have many small towns, rural framing communities, and rural/suburban communities, our sports teams play together as well. Please consider a map like the one I've drawn. Or at least consider keeping Shiawassee County and parts of Saginaw County together as a state house district.	District 1.
p1079 (26396)	Updated Saginaw/Shiawassee COI: Please ignore my first submission. I incorrectly added a portion to the district that was not contiguous with the rest of the district. I would also like to add that the towns along the M-52 corridor are a community of interest. This would include Shields, St. Charles, Chesaning, Oakley, Henderson, and Owosso.	District 1.
p1135 (26619)	Rick Ross: Shiawassee State House: Shiawassee County shares a Community of Interest (COI) with the towns along M-52 (Chesaning, St. Charles, Oakley) in Saginaw County. Right now St. Charles and Swan Creek Townships are not a part of the 85th House District. It would make sense that the existing district should remain the same with only a few additions of towns or townships that are similar and have common needs/interests. Regardle...	District 1.

p1144 (26659)	State House Map: Rural portions of Shiawassee, Saginaw, and Clinton Counties.	District 1.
p1150 (26665)	State Senate Map: Included the primarily rural areas of central Michigan, which is made up of very common culture and interests.	District 1.
p1586 (30579)	Tom DeFouw: Mi House District: I submitted written comment regarding COI and I was asked by the MICRC to draw a district map.	District 1.
p1892 (32919)	Clintonia House District.	District 1.
p895 (25224)	"Shiawassee County" District.	District 1.
p907 (25273)	Shiawassee/Saginaw State Rep Dist.: All of Shiawassee County and townships included in this map that are a part of Saginaw County are a Community of Interest.	District 1.
p975 (25930)	Shiawassee / Saginaw State House: Plan includes small towns, rural areas, farms, and suburban/rural precincts in northwest Saginaw county - all townships and towns have similar needs/interests. Under population threshold.	District 1.
p996 (26031)	Saginaw/Shiawassee COI: West Saginaw County and north Shiawassee County share a community of interest. It's a balance of small towns, rural areas, rural/suburban areas, and farming communities. Please keep these areas together in the state house district.	District 1.
c2389 (35880)	Michael Miller - Shiawassee County COI: Shiawassee County is a community of interest. The communities near M-52 are interdependent as well as our school districts. We also interact frequently and should stay in the same house, senate, or congressional districts . Please respect and strongly consider county lines and compactness when drawing maps that include Shiawassee County. If the maps do not respect our county lines and the interest...	Shiawassee County COI: Shiawassee County is a community of interest. The communities near M-52 are interdependent as well as our school districts. We also interact frequently and should stay in the same house, senate, or congressional districts . Please respect and strongly consider county lines and compactness when drawing maps that include Shiawassee County. If the maps do not respect our county lines and the interest...
c2391 (35902)	Robert Pangborn -Shiawassee COI: Please keep Shiawassee County in one compact district. Our economic and cultural interests are specific to our community and should not be drawn into other communities that deserve their own representation. Due to population, Shiawassee County will need to be connected to other counties when drawing maps. We would prefer being included with Clinton County or South Saginaw County. Thank you.	One Shiawassee: Please keep Shiawassee County in one compact district. Our economic and cultural interests are specific to our community and should not be drawn into other communities that deserve their own representation. Due to population, Shiawassee County will need to be connected to other counties when drawing maps. We would prefer being included with Clinton County or South Saginaw County. Thank you.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Shiawassee County: Identified as a community of interest in several posts.
p1894 (32920)	Clinton West State Senate District.	District 3.
c2021 (34425)	Karen Stites Community of Interest.	Shiawassee County - COI: Our county is our community of interest. We are a community of small towns, and farming community with similar interests. We are interdependent when it comes to our schools, farms, and local economies. Our interests are more aligned with Clinton County or South Saginaw County. Please respect county lines and township lines when drawing maps for House, Senate, and Congress.



<p>p1350 (27244)</p>	<p>Bruce's Shiawassee House District: My map is close to the current 85th district lines. It is compact and it focuses on the communities of interest along M-52. I live in Owosso. Chesaning and St. Charles are small towns with similar interests to Owosso. Finally, it does respect county and township lines.</p>	<p>District 4.</p>
<p>c2560 (37414)</p>	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Ingham County: Conflicts with another community of interest.</p>
<p>c2388 (35873)</p>	<p>Chris's Shiawassee County COI: Shiawassee County is an already established community of interest. Our small towns, farms, and villages around M-52 are interdependent. Our school districts also interact a lot and should stay together in whatever house, senate, or congressional district is drawn. Please respect the county lines when you draw maps that include Shiawassee County. If the maps do not respect county lines and the inte...</p>	<p>Community 5: Shiawassee County is an already established community of interest. Our small towns, farms, and villages around M-52 are interdependent. Our school districts also interact a lot and should stay together in whatever house, senate, or congressional district is drawn. Please respect the county lines when you draw maps that include Shiawassee County. If the maps do not respect county lines and the inte...</p>
<p>c1629 (30897)</p>	<p>COI Betty Jo Nelson.</p>	<p>Shiawassee County/M-52/St. Johns area: Shiawassee County, St. Johns/Ovid Area, southwest Saginaw County along M-52 share a community of interest. We are made up of small towns, farming communities - mostly rural areas. Please try to keep our community of interest together as much as possible.</p>
<p>c2390 (35894)</p>	<p>Shiawassee Community of Interest: Please keep Shiawassee County in the same district when drawing maps. We are very interdependent and have similar economic and cultural interests. We need the same representative in the house, senate, and congress. We ask that you respect county lines and township lines as much as possible when drawing maps. Compactness is also an important factor. Thank you</p>	<p>Shiawassee One COI: Please keep Shiawassee County in the same district when drawing maps. We are very interdependent and have similar economic and cultural interests. We need the same representative in the house, senate, and congress. We ask that you respect county lines and township lines as much as possible when drawing maps. Compactness is also an important factor. Thank you</p>
<p>p1623 (30889)</p>	<p>Betty Jo Nelson - Shiawassee House: Thank you for asking me to draw a specific map. I appreciate your attention to our public comment. Betty Jo Nelson</p>	<p>District 6.</p>
<p>p1137 (26627)</p>	<p>Gail Ross: Shiawassee State House: Please keep the current 85th State House District together. We are a community of Interest that is very much dependent on each other. The small towns and townships near the M-52 corridor in Shiawassee County and Western Saginaw County share very similar interests. We encourage the commission to keep it the same.</p>	<p>District 7.</p>

Supporting Data for Cluster C26		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1549 (29615)	<p>Livingston County House Districts: Southeast Livingston County is a community of interest with the Grand River corridor as its core, running from Howell to Brighton and with the townships on either side of Grand River. People go to the Grand River corridor for shopping, entertainment, post office, health care, restaurants, and more. The rest of the county is more rural and less of an exurban area. They should be two separate House ...</p>	<p>House District 42: This community of interest is the Grand River corridor from Howell to Brighton and the surrounding townships. Grand River is the center of entertainment, shopping, restaurants, health care, and more for the townships in the southeast part of the county. The northern part of Brighton Township tends to be more closely associated with Hartland Township than with the Grand River area so I would not in...</p>
c1556 (29634)	<p>People from "Fenton" vs People from Fent: Those these are different municipalities they are actually one community and should be kept together.</p>	<p>People who think they are from Fenton: People who think they are from Fenton</p>
c1569 (29873)	<p>Fairer State House Districts - Livingsto: This map neatly creates two equal-population State House districts in Livingston County, one urban/suburban and one rural/agricultural.</p>	<p>Livingston House District 42: This community consists of the main commercial districts of the county, centered in the cities of Howell and Brighton and along the road Grand River corridor that connects them. It also includes suburban, non-agricultural townships close to U.S. 23 with many people who commute to Ann Arbor.</p>
c1618 (30837)	<p>My Community of Interest - Livingston Co: We're a semi-rural community, small towns, close knit neighbors with like-minded people, our kids play other schools in our community in sports, we attend church together and most of us grew up in the community and have a long history here.</p>	<p>Community 1: This is Livingston County. We are a semi-rural community with similar values and priorities for our families and communities. We are all under the same Livingston Educational Services Agency (LESA), so the kids play one another in sports in this county, they go to church together and enjoy the community. We have nothing in common with Washtenaw County, where our values and interests are very diffe...</p>
c1668 (31167)	<p>Fenton area: Fenton area</p>	<p>Community 1: Fenton</p>
c1718 (31331)	<p>Brighton-Genoa Twp and surrounding area.</p>	<p>Brighton/Genoa Twp Area: The Brighton/Genoa area is small town with a rural feel.</p>
c1735 (31531)	<p>Dave's Greater Fenton Area Community: Fenton and the greater area are a great place to live, raise a family and share the amenities of with one another. Please keep it whole in every way possible!</p>	<p>Fenton City and Fenton Township Area: Centered along US23, this area tends to be the center of the overall area representing my Community of Interest. All other areas denoted in my COI tend to run together, centered from Fenton. The development in these areas run fairly contiguous throughout. With the overall COI area described then being bordered by countryside and farm land at roughly 90%.</p>
c1754 (31718)	<p>Community of Interests: To introduce myself, my name is Susan Nickels. I have been a resident of the state of Michigan my entire life. I am a graduate of our public schools and currently live in Genoa Township, zip code 48116, located in Livingston County. Livingston County is largely rural. Including my community with other rural communities is my desire. I support local farms in Howell and Brighton for our meat, ...</p>	<p>My communities of interest.</p>



c1757 (31818)	Local community.	Community 1.
c2475 (36810)	A Pennala - Livingston Co together as is: My name is Anna Pennala. I am a Michigan resident and I live in Brighton Township in Livingston County. My community of interest is Livingston County in general, particularly my school district of Brighton Area Schools. I have 4 children that attend this district and it is where almost all of their activities take place, their friendships reside and where my heart belongs. I love my community. It ...	Pennala - A Community of Interest is Livingston County: My Community of interest is my entire county of Livingston County. It is very important to me that it stay together. I explained this during the Novi MICRC committee meeting.
c2546 (37270)	Rural Livingston County.	Community 1.
c2547 (37273)	Livingston County - Keep Us Together!.	Community 1.
c2565 (37489)	Livingston County Community of Interest: I live in Genoa Township between Brighton and Howell. Our Community of Interest is Livingston County. We live in a semi-rural community where no municipality has over 25,000 people. In Genoa Township, we have a Brighton or Howell Address. we work with other communities in our county for Fire (Brighton area), Water (Brighton or Howell/Oceola area), Parks (Howell, Marion, Oceola, Howell Twp), school...	Livingston County and Genoa Twp: Our Community of Interest is Livingston County. We live in a semi-rural community where no municipality has over 25,000 people. In Genoa Township, we have a Brighton or Howell Address. we work with other communities in our county for Fire (Brighton area), Water (Brighton or Howell/Oceola area), Parks (Howell, Marion, Oceola, Howell Twp), schools (Howell, Brighton, Hartland, Pinckney), and the Brig...
c2572 (37430)	Fair Maps Project - SD-22 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...	Fair Maps Project - SD-22 - 2020 Census update.
c2657 (38429)	Livingston County as my COI: It was the appeal of the rural communities, the family-oriented culture, and respect for the farming, industrial, retail and recreational businesses that comprise the county that drew us here to make it our home. That balance across the the whole of the community of Livingston County is what is important to me.	District 1.
c2659 (38468)	Greater Brighton-Howell area: Brighton-howell area is a wonderful community of people who care for and support one another and also respect each other's fundamental liberties.	Greater Brighton-Howell area.
c2664 (38516)	Kathy's Livingston Plan: Rural community with like minded citizens in favor of lower taxes, freedom of ideas and self-reliance.	Livingston: Rural community with like minded citizens in favor of lower taxes, freedom of ideas and self-reliance.
c2672 (38590)	Rural and Outdoor Recreational Community: Our community shares a set of values, interests and lifestyles that can be found in the rural areas and small towns. We value individualism, hard work and personal responsibility. Religious faith and service to others is the norm, not the exception. Neighbors know each other and strangers are welcome.	Rural Recreation and Lifestyle: People devoted to a lifestyle that is both rural and outdoors recreational. We value individualism, hard work and personal responsibility. Religious faith and service to others is the norm, not the exception. Law abiding with respect for others is an identifying trait.
c2696 (38633)	LIVINGSTON COUNTY THREE DISTRICTS 2021: Map shows three specific communities of interest for Livingston County redistricting consideration. Each community has approximately 97K population.	Community 1.
c2756 (38766)	My community is Liv County.: I moved to Livingston County in 2003 and found a new way of life and happily raised my family here. Please do not combine us with Washtenaw County. I've lived there and never felt at home. Livingston County is my welcoming, relaxed, country home. I live, go out, school my children and play here. I enjoy visiting each Livingston County town and avoiding both Oakland and Washtenaw counties. Pl...	My community is Livingston County: I moved to Livingston County in 2003 and found a new way of life. Please do not combine me with Washtenaw County for political reasons. I've lived in Washtenaw County and did not feel at home there.

c2759 (38769)	James Capehart's community of interest: This is Livingston County, and it's residents are all of like mind and interests.	Livingston: Livingston County Voting Community
c2762 (38781)	Livingston County for Life: Livingston County is my home. I grew up here, chose to stay here, introduced my wife to this County, and am raising my family here. We are a unique county. I shop here, work here, go out here and support Livingston County businesses as my local businesses. It is important for me to retain the rural parts of Livingston County and no get blended into the nearby big cities. I'm a country boy, tr...	Livingston County: Livingston County is my home. I grew up here, chose to stay here, introduced my wife to this County, and am raising my family here. We are a unique county. I shop here, work here, go out here and support Livingston County businesses as my local businesses. It is important for me to retain the rural parts of Livingston County and no get blended into the nearby big cities. I'm a country boy, tr...
c2766 (38787)	Bekland Community: I hope there isn't any radical changes to my district such as dividing Livingston County and merging with Ann Arbor/Washtenaw as their politics don't align and change more red districts over blue which is my fear no matter how bi-partisan this new districting is supposed to be	Bekland County: The community that I moved to that in elections has elected officials that represent my concerns
c2770 (38802)	Livingston County: Livingston County is a community that coordinates together from a school and community standpoint. As such, much of what we do has a direct effect on each other and therefore, I feel strongly that our county should continue to be in the same district for voting.	Livingston County.
c2786 (38971)	Keep LIVINGSTON CO together - Age 15: I am 15 years old. I decided to voice my opinion regarding my community of interest because the lines that are drawn will be in place throughout my high school years, college years, all the way until I am 25. My community of interest is where I play sports with and against my friends. I play hockey and golf. Some of the best rivalries and friendships for me come from my home school of Brighton, b...	Keep LIVINGSTON CO together High school perspective: I am 15 years old. I decided to voice my opinion regarding my community of interest because the lines that are drawn will be in place throughout my high school years, college years, all the way until I am 25. My community of interest is where I play sports with and against my friends. I play hockey and golf. Some of the best rivalries and friendships for me come from my home school of Brighton, b...
c3096 (40149)	Keep Livingston County together.	Keep Livingston County together.
c3201 (40718)	Livingston County Community: This community embraces traditional values. The people living in this map coordinate educational services, senior services, community services, and most importantly share traditional rural values.	Livingston County Community of Interest: I have selected Livingston County.
c3398 (41756)	Livingston County: Hello: Thank you for your important work. My community of interest is the whole county of Livingston. I moved to Livingston County (LC) 6 years ago from Oakland County, and the main reason I moved to LC is because it's more rural, less populated, only has two larger cities, and has maintained the small-town flavor and agriculture atmosphere, which is what we prefer. It's a slower-paced and simpler...	Livingston County: My community of interest is Livingston County.
c542 (23218)	Dunham Lake: Dunham Lake is a private lake straddling the borders of Livingston and Oakland counties in Southeast Michigan split roughly in half by the county line. The same county line also separates State house, senate, and US congress districts in addition to local school and municipalities (Hartland and Highland). There are approximately 400 property owners who live around Dunham Lake in communities planne...	Dunham Lake: Dunham Lake is a private lake straddling the borders of Livingston and Oakland counties in Southeast Michigan split roughly in half by the county line. The same county line also separates State house, senate, and US congress districts in addition to local school and municipalities (Hartland and Highland). There are approximately 400 property owners who live around Dunham Lake in communities planne...

c930 (2509)	Quinn Livingston Cty/nearby areas COI: This community of interest is important to us as it contains nearby recreational areas and parks that we utilize as well as infrastructure such as the LETS transportation system, Senior Centers, Libraries, Livingston County United Way and Meals on Wheels	Livingston and Nearby Counties Region: Current make up of Livingston County and nearby county regions to include all the nearby recreation areas and parks, the LETS transportation system (Livingston Essential Transportation System) and the Howell, Brighton, Hartland Senior Centers, Brighton, Howell, Pinckney, Hartland libraries, and Livingston County United Way and Meals on Wheels are all important to remain in the same community of in...
p70 (18329)	51 State District plan: I believe that those that live within these communities see eye to eye on most issues and value the gift of loyalty and respect each other.	District 1.
p989 (25988)	Livingston County House Districts: This plan includes two House districts for Livingston County and incorporates the Grand River community of interest as described in my written testimony.	District 1.
c1839 (32521)	Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.	Community 11: Howell, Marion Townships Community 12: Fowlerville, Webberville, Williamston
c1549 (29615)	Livingston County House Districts: Southeast Livingston County is a community of interest with the Grand River corridor as its core, running from Howell to Brighton and with the townships on either side of Grand River. People go to the Grand River corridor for shopping, entertainment, post office, health care, restaurants, and more. The rest of the county is more rural and less of an exurban area. They should be two separate House ...	House District 47: This is the more rural part of the county that is less densely populated. The rural area has more in common than with the more exurban areas of southeast Livingston County.
c1556 (29634)	People from "Fenton" vs People from Fent: Those these are different municipalities they are actually one community and should be kept together.	People Actually from Fenton: People Actually from Fenton
c1569 (29873)	Fairer State House Districts - Livingsto: This map neatly creates two equal-population State House districts in Livingston County, one urban/suburban and one rural/agricultural.	Livingston House District 47: This community is the 47th House District and is the more rural, agricultural, less densely populated parts of the county that have more in common with each other than with the southeastern portion of the county. The townships of Unadilla and Iosco in the southwestern corner of the county are tied more to Ingham County due to being in the Stockbridge school district.
c1735 (31531)	Dave's Greater Fenton Area Community.: Fenton and the greater area are a great place to live, raise a family and share the amenities of with one another. Please keep it whole in every way possible!	City of Holly and Holly Township..
c1916 (33053)	Arab Americans Count!: Genesee County has an estimated population of over 20,000 Arab Americans in the metropolitan-Flint area. We want to make sure that the Arab community is seen, heard, and represented as new district boundaries are drawn.	Community 2.
c2696 (38633)	LIVINGSTON COUNTY THREE DISTRICTS 2021: Map shows three specific communities of interest for Livingston County redistricting consideration. Each community has approximately 97K population.	Community 2.
c1735 (31531)	Dave's Greater Fenton Area Community.: Fenton and the greater area are a great place to live, raise a family and share the amenities of with one another. Please keep it whole in every way possible!	Linden-Argentine Area..
c1839 (32521)	Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.	Community 3: Brighton, Hartland

c2696 (38633)	LIVINGSTON COUNTY THREE DISTRICTS 2021: Map shows three specific communities of interest for Livingston County redistricting consideration. Each community has approximately 97K population.	Community 3.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Fenton/Tyrone Twp.: Identified as a community of interest.
c1735 (31531)	Dave's Greater Fenton Area Community: Fenton and the greater area are a great place to live, raise a family and share the amenities of with one another. Please keep it whole in every way possible!	Grand Blanc.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Livingston County: County identified as a community of interest in a post.
c1735 (31531)	Dave's Greater Fenton Area Community: Fenton and the greater area are a great place to live, raise a family and share the amenities of with one another. Please keep it whole in every way possible!	Dunham Lake: Identified as a community of interest. Heartland Area.

Supporting Data for Cluster C27-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1235 (26977)	Community of Interest of A2 area: these communities are all inextricably linked and need to be together.	Community 1: these communities are all inextricably linked and need to be together
c1602 (30738)	Chelsea & Northwest Washtenaw Greenbelt: Chelsea and its surroundings in Northwest Washtenaw are what I would describe as greenbelt and should be characterized as an exurban area or as an I-94 Ann Arbor satellite community like Dexter, which is a similar size and has similar economic activity and commuting patterns. The main economic activities are manufacturing, retail, and healthcare. Many people commute to Ann Arbor or to Jackson for ...	Chelsea and Greenbelt Northwest Washtenaw: Chelsea and its surroundings are what I would describe as greenbelt and should be thought of as an exurban area or as an Ann Arbor satellite community like Dexter, which is a similar size and has a similar economy. The main economic activities are manufacturing, retail, and healthcare. Many people commute to Ann Arbor or to Jackson for work. The purpose of this map is to explain that land use in N...
c1606 (30722)	New 7th district: A lot of people live in Jackson and work in Ann Arbor, or vice versa. This would also make a more competitive district .	New 7th district: This will combine Jackson and Washtenaw counties in a new 7th district.
c1607 (30776)	Patrick Lagua Community of Interest: As requested. Thank you.	Community 1.
c1778 (32153)	My community: These are the areas I interact with most in my daily life. I live in Novi and work in the Livingston ESA.	Community 1.
c1835 (32522)	Chelsea/Dexter/Ann Arbor/Ypsi Community: We have lived in this community for 45 years. It is unique in that it has a combination of rural interest as well as a technological orientation. It is an innovative community with the University's providing the fuel.	Community 1.
c1839 (32521)	Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.	Community 1: Novi, Northville, Plymouth
c1994 (34002)	Headwaters & Contiguous Natural Areas: Jackson County serves as headwater for three major watersheds as well as the only large contiguous natural areas provided by the Pinckney-Waterloo State Park system and viable farmlands. Protecting and preserving these natural areas reduce flooding events downstream, recharge groundwater systems, provides varied habitats, and off-set carbon emissions.	Community 1 Jackson County: Jackson County serves as headwater for three major watersheds as well as the only large contiguous natural areas provided by the Pinckney-Waterloo State Park system and viable farmlands. Protecting and preserving these natural areas reduce flooding events downstream, recharge groundwater systems, provides varied habitats, and off-set carbon emissions.
c2551 (37326)	County Community of Interest: We depend on the county government to provide police and public services. Our community of interest is the county.	Community 1.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	West Outer Detroit: western Detroit suburbs and exurbs
c2582 (37563)	Huron River Watershed: I would like the commission to consider the Huron Valley Watershed as a Community of Interest. Many citizens living within the watershed advocate for important environmental causes such as safe drinking water (the watershed supplies more than 85% of Ann Arbor's drinking water supply) and many local causes. Recreational activities in the watershed include over 2.3 million paddlers and swimmers per...	Community 1.



c2851 (39566)	Following Constitutional Rank Order: The citizens of Michigan chose a Rank Order of redistricting factors. We established communities of interest as a more important than partisanship. This means community is more important than party. Any map that chooses party over community is a gerrymander, plain and simple. Importantly, if local representatives are responsive to common community needs first, we may actually return to a time...	Community 1.
c3037 (39995)	Combine Western Wayne-Washtenaw: Earlier in the process, I submitted a COI offering to make the commonsense combination of western Wayne with Washtenaw County. As the clusters were released yesterday, I noted Dr. Moon's suggestion that Ann Arbor-Ypsi cluster be combined with the Western Wayne cluster. I've also observed Commissioner Clark make this point numerous times. Anyone who has lived in this area knows the interconnectedne...	Community 1.
c3115 (40274)	Committee Assignments - Why COIs Matter: While communities of interest were deemed the "top" criteria for drawing districts by 61.3% of Michiganders in 2018 (only behind following existing law and contiguity), I want to explain the wonderful impact of COIs on government. Michiganders agree that we should be districted together with our community, not for partisan reasons; however, communities of interest will better our government throug...	Community 1.
c3126 (40388)	Correction: Huron Riv Valley COI Cluster: I am grateful for the commission deeming the Huron River Valley a COI cluster based on public feedback. However, this geographic cluster must be combined to include the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area. Ann Arbor receives 85% of its drinking water supply from the watershed and is at the center of the watershed in both a geographic sense as well as culturally. For a more detailed map, please refer to c258...	Community 1.
c3138 (40428)	The peri-urban interzone: Hello, my name is Maggie and I am a resident of Canton. I have attached my map of my community of interest. This area is an interzone between industrial and urban areas including Detroit, Pontiac, Ann Arbor, and Ypsilanti. While many people in my community access resources in these urban areas, this area is distinct from these cities as well as the suburban communities in central Oakland and Macom...	Community 1.
c3174 (40540)	AA-Plymouth Canton: Having lived in both Ann Arbor and Plymouth for many years, I think these are two similar communities and should be coupled together along with the nearby communities of greater A2 and the Plymouth-Canton area.	Community 1.
c3387 (41273)	Monroe/Washtenaw: Good afternoon, I live in Monroe County and work in Washtenaw County. The two counties have much in common. Monroe County isn't rural and is different from other border counties. Thank you.	Community 1.
c408 (21754)	South West Washtenaw County: Due to its agricultural economy and rural area, the Southwest corner of Washtenaw County is distinct from the rest of the county. It faces challenges far more similar to the small towns and townships to its south and west.	Community 1.
p223 (19760)	Congressional district Washtenaw/Livingst.	District 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Washtenaw County: Observed to be a community of interest in a post.

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Community 2.

c2561
(37418)

Keeping Michigan competitive.

Community 6.

c2560
(37414)

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Novi: Listed in a post as a community of interest. Not clear if other communities in the area were meant to be coupled with it.



Supporting Data for Cluster C27-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1084 (26437)	<p>Voting District Map: The Salem of Township is a unique rural/farming community in the Ann Arbor/Detroit Metro area. Our environment is so different from the residents of the surrounding large cities. Our township should be kept intact as a voting district and if needed should be combined with similar neighboring rural/farming townships such as Northfield, Webster, Dexter, Sylvan, Sharon, and Green Oaks</p>	<p>Salem Township: The voters of Salem Township</p>
c1614 (30805)	<p>Pittsfield Township: We are surrounded by resources from healthcare to education to programs and activity for all age groups. We have public safety and historical treasures and cultural treasures among an diverse and international population. We are Washtenaw County which is split by East and West. However, we rural and urban but we seek to be whole and receive the fullness of Federal dollars to support both our urba...</p>	<p>Pittsfield Twp 3: We are surrounded by resources from healthcare to education to programs and activity for all age groups. We have public safety and historical treasures and cultural treasures among an diverse and international population. We are Washtenaw County which is split by East and West. However, we rural and urban but we seek to be whole and receive the fullness of Federal dollars to support both our urba...</p>
c1655 (31137)	<p>Jim's Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti Plan: Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti is an island of urban and university liberalism sitting in an otherwise conservative rural area of southeast Michigan. It's political influence has been minimized by slicing and dicing it so there is one heavily democratic US District extending all the way to Detroit and Lake Erie (!) while the rest of the districts have been diluted with large rural areas calculated to prov...</p>	<p>Community 1: Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and surrounding suburbs. This area has been sliced and diced by gerrymandering to minimize the influence of all the urban, city, university people living there by diluting with large rural sections of Michigan.</p>
c1659 (31149)	<p>UM/Ann-Arbor COI: The Ann Arbor & U-M COI includes a community of people that depend on Ann Arbor and University of Michigan for Employment, Health Care, and Recreation. This COI shares educational attainment interests, employment interests, and economic interests related to U-M and the state of Michigan.</p>	<p>U-M/Ann Arbor: Members of Ann Arbor and surrounding community that depend on Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan for Health Care, Employment and recreation. I am currently stuck in a gerrymandered district that makes no sense from a COI perspective, and I am not attached to my community of interest.</p>
c1889 (32888)	<p>Moderation is the best policy: This will be a decent swing / moderate area who cares about nature and education</p>	<p>West Ann Arbor and Surrounding: Education-minded with appreciation of the outdoors and moderate political leanings regarding size of state</p>
c1891 (32909)	<p>Lansing & Ann Arbor area districts: Having lived for many years only in two different Michigan communities, I'm offering my input on the boundaries around the greater Lansing area, and the greater Ann Arbor area. While a resident of these places, these are the bounds of my mental map that always felt as though they were in the social and economic "gravity" of their respective largest cities.</p>	<p>Metro Ann Arbor: Having lived in Ann Arbor for many years, this is the community that, in my experience, residents perceive as the area with Ann Arbor as its geographic/cultural center. Many people within these bounds work in and commute to Ann Arbor. Outside this area to the East, and it feels much more like Detroit suburbs; to the West like Jackson; North like Flint; NW like Lansing, etc.</p>
c1984 (33855)	<p>Ann Arbor Surrounding Area Community: This community is diverse in race, education and income. It reflects the make-up of the state of Michigan and provides an opportunity for all voices to be heard and counted.</p>	<p>Ann Arbor / Saline / Ypsi Community: Community that is diverse in race, education and income.</p>
c2193 (35147)	<p>Ann Arbor Community: I have lived in Ann Arbor for 10 years and think that this map captures the greater Ann Arbor area. I have always been confused why Ann Arbor and Dearborn were in a district together because we have little in common beyond both having a UMich campus. I have spent much time in Ann Arbor associating with folks who lived in Ann Arbor, Ypsi, Pittsfield, Belleville, Scio Township, and Chelsea. There s...</p>	<p>Ann Arbor Community: I have lived in Ann Arbor for 10 years and think that this map captures the greater Ann Arbor area. I have always been confused why Ann Arbor and Dearborn were in a district together because we have little in common beyond both having a UMich campus. I have spent much time in Ann Arbor associating with folks who lived in Ann Arbor, Ypsi, Pittsfield, Belleville, Scio Township, and Chelsea. There s...</p>



c2448 (36623)	Night life vs in bed early: I wrote description on the map.	Night Life: These areas are where I go for a social and night life. These areas also have lots of international food, groceries, and entertainment that other areas of the state do not. I see lots of college students and millennials in this area too.
c2454 (36671)	Univ. of Michigan students: This is a map of our University of Michigan student community. It is hard to get exactly where students do and don't live, but I think this represents well the geographic area where students live. It's really important to remember that we live here too. We are affected by the decisions our elected officials make and we need to be properly represented. It is honestly hard to think of a more cohesive...	UMich student community: This is where many University of Michigan students live. They should be counted together.
c2571 (37424)	Fair Maps Project - SD-18 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...	Fair Maps Project - SD-18 - 2020 Census update.
c2581 (37566)	Ypsi - Arbor Area: Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor are linked as two sister cities in Washtenaw County. Most of the county is rural/ex-urban. The Ypsi-Arbor area is urban/suburban. These two cities developed as separate from the Detroit suburbs, although there is some cross-over now. The two cities share St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor hospital, which is just off of their shared commercial road, Washtenaw. The hospital i...	Community 1.
c2683 (38606)	A2Y and Red-lining: I had previously submitted a comment regarding the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti community. The Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti ties are near endless from environmental concerns to economic development projects to higher education (EMU/UM) to shared public transit. The Chamber of Commerce chapter is even called A2Y (Ann Arbor Ypsilanti). I have serious concerns with reimposing artificial separations, especially in lig...	Community 1.
c2938 (39791)	Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti: Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti are two very similar cities within Washtenaw County, Michigan. Both contain universities, have similar cultural ties, and are very close geographically. I am submitting this Community to reassure that commission that these two cities are both part of a close-knit community and that attempts to separate the two in early sessions of the Commission's mapping sessions appear to...	Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti: Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti are two very similar cities within Washtenaw County, Michigan. Both contain universities, have similar cultural ties, and are very close geographically. I am submitting this Community to reassure that commission that these two cities are both part of a close-knit community and that attempts to separate the two in early sessions of the Commission's mapping sessions appear to...
c2941 (39798)	Combine A16 & A17 Clusters: I would like to commend the commission and Dr. Duchin on the COI clusters. I would like to voice support for Dr. Duchin's suggestion that the Greater Ann Arbor Area (cluster A16) be combined with Western Wayne (cluster A17). As Commissioner Clark has noted numerous times, the Ann Arbor area is much more like western Wayne than it is like Jackson County or the border counties to the south. It seems...	Community 1.
c3123 (40323)	Suburban I-96 Corridor: My community is the suburban I-96 corridor. Many people in this area commute into Detroit or Ann Arbor for work/business. However, this area has distinct interests from both Ann Arbor, Detroit, and northern Detroit suburbs so I do not believe it should be included in the same district as these areas. This area is united by its suburban character, watershed natural resources, and family-oriented activ...	Community 1.



c3145 (40446)	My Community of Interest: I have drawn my COI based on school districts. My kids often interact with students from these other districts in debate competitions and track and field so I believe these districts are the most closely connected to us.	Community 1.
c3169 (40516)	Education in Washtenaw/Wayne: Western Wayne and Washtenaw counties are a good match to be districited together due to their populations having a high level of education, similar job opportunities, and shared cultural attributes. Washtenaw boasts two major universities (University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University) as well as several distinguished community colleges, so keeping all of Washtenaw County together should b...	Community 1.
c3190 (40650)	M14 Corridor: Ann Arbor-Plymouth Canton: I had lived in Ann Arbor for a number of years and see Plymouth-Canton as an extension of Ann Arbor. There are similar workforce and labor traits and an incredibly high emphasis on education amongst the population. I firmly believe that these two communities are a perfect fit to be grouped together. This area is connected by M14. The same medical institutions (Michigan Medicine and St. Joseph Merc...	Community 1.
c3191 (40656)	AA+Plymouth Canton+Novi: Both the Ann Arbor area and Plymouth-Canton have developed to the point where they are becoming a single community. This will only be strengthened over the next ten years with all of the development taking place in these areas. Additionally, these areas, along with Novi, boast a strong AAPI population which has been well documented in the portal. Combining these areas would allow for a strong voic...	Community 1.
c3358 (41599)	Respect Senior Citizens and their wishes: I wrote about a wonderful community Centennial Farm +55 neighborhood. Individuals average age is 80 and there are 320 family units. Because many do not drive any longer, we count on each other for assistance. We shop locally to support our neighborhood, go to church in South Lyon, enjoy the Brighton mall and New Hudson mall, car pool to local restaurants, enjoy the events that take place at our co...	Centennial Farm +55: 320 families live in Centennial Farm. It is an over 55 community. I have lived here since 2010 and was President of the Phase II Board of Directors. The average age of the residents is about 80 years old. Because many of the residents do not drive, we depend on each other. The community has a clubhouse and every day there is a club meeting based on one's interest, we are on a small lake and prov...
c3403 (41772)	Ypsi Arbor LGBTQ+: I ask the commission to please keep Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor together to avoid splitting the LGBTQ+ population in the area. I appreciate that some commissioners want to include Ypsilanti with Monroe county or some other areas in order to make more Democratic districts. Ordinarily I would be all for it. But the quality of representation matters. Simply put, I don't expect that a Monroe County De...	Ypsi Arbor LGBTQ+.
c525 (22956)	Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti+ Community: As a decades-long resident of Ann Arbor, these are the communities most inter-connected with the city, itself, and this community of interest should be preserved. Public transportation like "The Ride" runs various lines in an interconnected fashion between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. "The Ride" also has a route to Romulus and DTW. Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti are inseparable communities as the area aro...	Ann Arbor-Ypsi + Community: As a decades-long resident of Ann Arbor, these are the communities most inter-connected with the city, itself, and this community of interest should be preserved. Public transportation like "The Ride" runs various lines in an interconnected fashion between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. "The Ride" also has a route to Romulus and DTW. Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti are inseparable communities as the area aro...
c61 (18202)	NoVille - county line crossed COI: This community covers the former township of Plymouth, which now contains the communities of Plymouth Twp, Plymouth City, Northville Twp and Northville City. Northville City and the school district CROSS a county line. This COI should remain together, and not be split at "base line" which is 8 mile road between Wayne and Oakland Counties. Keep these communities together that have many shared servi...	No-Ville and Plymouth: The Northville Novi Community that crosses a major county line but is a single community. Northville City is in Oakland and Wayne. These NEED to be kept together. This is the original 6x6 mile Plymouth Twp plus some Northville City area to the north. This is a SINGLE COMMUNITY.

p1393 (27569)	<p>Mason's Ann Arbor Plan: Ann Arbor should be redistricted with the West Bloomfield and Farmington Hills parts of Oakland County. This would make the most sense, as the two areas share similar economic and cultural values.</p>	District 1.
c1543 (29587)	<p>Community of Interest map: The community of interest focus is on shared experiences in western Wayne county with school districts, infrastructure such as roads/bridges, parks, community college, retail and local employers and the need for better transit in this area.</p>	<p>Community 2: Shared main roads, community college, retail, employers and other resources also in western Wayne county.</p>
c2463 (36705)	<p>Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.</p>	<p>Southeast MI: Southeast Michiganders and residents of Anne Arbor share some culture and exchange of ideas with our southern Neighbors in Ohio. Whether it's a trip to cedar point or interstate commerce, they would be more familiar with the needs of people in the area.</p>
c2318 (35586)	<p>Washtenaw + Western Wayne: As a lifelong resident of rural southern Michigan, border counties, I do not want my representation to be taken away from me by lumping me in with Washtenaw and Western Wayne county. These should be separate. Thank you.</p>	Community 3.
p1189 (26798)	<p>Washtenaw/ US Senate: I'm an Ann Arbor resident, working in the school system and close to retirement, and I'm very connected to people in the rural part of the county. I've had the occasion to teach music and to substitute teach in Dexter, Chelsea, and Saline, and to do musical presentations in Jackson schools, and I feel strongly that we have a common interest in having equitable access to education- to funds and bud...</p>	District 4.
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>Plymouth/Northville: Identified as a community of interest.</p>
c1839 (32521)	<p>Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.</p>	<p>Community 6: New Hudson, South Lyon</p>



Supporting Data for Cluster C28		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1595 (30721)	<p>Water brings us together: Water is a profoundly important resource, not just in Michigan but for all live on planet Earth. Communities brought together to preserve and enjoy a particular watershed have great motivation to work together for common goals</p>	<p>Huron River Headwaters: The area of lakes and streams that feed into the headwaters of the Huron River</p>
c1697 (31259)	<p>White Lake redistricting: I believe this makes more sense for diversity.</p>	<p>Community 1: The voting districts changed for this community shortly after we moved here. I believe it was political. If you look at the state senate boundaries we are cut out to be with Milford a highly Republican area.</p>
c1710 (31354)	<p>New district.</p>	<p>Community 1: Milford Township, Milford Village and highland township. Oakland county MI</p>
c876 (25089)	<p>W. Bloomfield - A Community of Interest: I greatly appreciate the task the Independent Redistricting Commission is conducting and the bi-partisan manner in which the members are cooperating. I also thank each of you for your service. I would like to share my input on our "community of interest." The communities of West Bloomfield Township, Keeego Harbor, the City of Orchard Lake Village, and Sylvan Lake have a shared history as well as a...</p>	<p>Greater West Bloomfield: This area includes the original West Bloomfield Township and the communities which have since become independent incorporated entities; however, they still maintain many common and shared resources. The communities of West Bloomfield Township, Keeego Harbor, the City of Orchard Lake Village, and Sylvan Lake have a shared history as well as a continued close connection. The communities exist in wha...</p>
p1696 (31290)	<p>White Lake: I believe our State districts for congress and state senate were gerrymandered.</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
p1772 (32009)	<p>West Bloomfield State House seat: This district includes the West Bloomfield District plus a very small portion of Farmington in order to reach the preferred 88k population. This district is compact, very close knit within the community, and has a very strong balance in partisan fairness. Many communities all across the state have done a great job elaborating on their communities of interest. I have done so myself during my public...</p>	<p>District 1.</p>
c1839 (32521)	<p>Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.</p>	<p>Community 10: Highland, White Lake</p>
c2560 (37414)	<p>Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.</p>	<p>West Bloomfield: Identified as a community of interest in a post.</p>
c1839 (32521)	<p>Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.</p>	<p>Community 2: Commerce, Milford, Walled Lake Wolverine Lake</p>

Supporting Data for Cluster C29		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1543 (29587)	<p>Community of Interest map: The community of interest focus is on shared experiences in western Wayne county with school districts, infrastructure such as roads/bridges, parks, community college, retail and local employers and the need for better transit in this area.</p>	<p>Community 1: Shared public school district resources, parks, retail, employers and lack of connected public transit within Wayne County.</p>
c1714 (31369)	<p>Farmington and Farmington Hills together: Farmington and Farmington Hills should be in one US Congressional district, just as we are for State representation. Farmington Hills is in one of the most Gerrymandered districts in the State.</p>	<p>Community 1: Farmington and Farmington Hills should be together in the same congressional district. Farmington Hills is currently in one of the most gerrymandered districts in the State of MI and the Country. Our State senator and State congress person represent both Farmington and Farmington Hills. Our Federal representation should be this way, too.</p>
c1804 (32427)	<p>Farmington/Farmington Hills: 2 cities that share a school system, libraries, and many other city services</p>	<p>Farmington/Farmington Hills: 2 cities that share a school system, libraries, and many other city services</p>
c1917 (33107)	<p>Eugene Greenstein Farmington Area of Int: I live in Farmington Hills at 14 and Middlebelt a stones throw from West Bloomfield. Our school district also extends into West Bloomfield . Farmington and Farmington Hills are a community of interest that is important to me as we share a common School District, Libraries and other services. Downtown Farmington is in effect the Downtown of Farmington Hills. We should be a contiguous unit when it...</p>	<p>Farmington/Farmington Hills: I live in Farmington Hills at 14 and Middlebelt a stones throw from West Bloomfield . Farmington and Farmington Hills are a community of interest that is important to me as we share a common School District, Libraries and other services. Downtown Farmington is in effect the Downtown of Farmington Hills. We should be a contiguous unit when it...</p>
c1949 (33528)	<p>Northwest Metro Area Community TRC.</p>	<p>1950s NW Ring Suburbs: Heavily settled by WW II and Korean veterans and the cradle of baby boomers from the 1940s through 1970s. Solid Middle and upper middle class families in automotive related companies or educators and small business owners. Related by common experiences within this geography, cultural and religious affiliations.</p>
c2024 (34370)	<p>Linda Levy's Map: Farmington Hills and Farmington share strong historical, cultural, recreational and civic ties. The commonality is recognized by how local community centers, libraries and school systems define themselves and share resources. Even local news sources, print and online, recognize the affinity of these communities in their area of reporting.</p>	<p>Farmington Hills/Farmington: COI sharing historical and cultural connections, and shared resources such as our district library, school system, and community and activity centers.</p>
c2327 (35613)	<p>A Northwest Wayne County Community: The municipal areas of Redford Township, Livonia, Northville and Northville Township share major shopping and commercial corridors of 7 mile, I 96 and Plymouth Roads. My family travels easily between these municipalities when shopping, for personal medical care and veterinary services, libraries, farmers markets, festivals, and in seeking a variety of other services. Given the proximity of the co...</p>	<p>Redford Twp.-Livonia-Northville Corridor: An area encompassing the Western Wayne County communities of Redford Twp., Livonia, Northville and Northville Township. These communities combined at least approach the population requirements to form a compact state Senate District. Seven Mile, I-96 and Plymouth Roads are major shopping and commercial corridors for this area. These communities are within the service area of The Senior Allian...</p>

p1613
(30794)

Livonia and State House District 19: Currently, House District 19 is comprised of all of the City of Livonia less three precincts: 35A, 35B, 35C. These three precincts are on the southern edge of the city but a contiguous part of the city to the east and west. Please consider consolidating District 19 as all of the City of Livonia as we are a community of shared interests and it is unfair to the City and to the residents of these...

c1839 (32521)

Scott's NW Metro Community: My submission is based off of common boundaries by city/village/township in the NW section of the Metro Detroit area.

District 1.

Community 4: Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield

Community 8: Livonia

Supporting Data for Cluster C30		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1939 (33331)	My Community.	Community 1: It is the area I live in.
c2032 (34596)	Rachelle's Lapeer County: I believe I speak for others in my community by stating we want to KEEP our COUNTY TOGETHER. We are a close knit, secure, interdependent, rural & farming community. Our interests are absolutely separate from that of Oakland or Genesee Counties. Please RESPECT our COUNTY, TOWNSHIP & CITY LINES. If you must add us to another County, due to population, please add us to Counties of similar interests &...	Rachelle's Lapeer: I believe I speak for others in my community by stating we want to KEEP our COUNTY TOGETHER. We are a close knit, secure, interdependent, rural & farming community. Our interests are absolutely separate from that of Oakland or Genesee Counties. Please RESPECT our COUNTY, TOWNSHIP & CITY LINES. If you must add us to another County, due to population, please add us to Counties of similar interests &...
c2049 (34762)	Ann's Lapeer: In the interest of my community I do not want to see our county, city or township lines changed. We are a rural community that should never be part of Genesee or Oakland County. If you must combined counties due to population then please combined us with Tuscola and or Sanilac County. There will be protest organized if we are combined with Genesee or Oakland county. We want to be heard and we wil...	Ann's Lapeer: In the interest of my community I do not want to see our county, city or township lines changed. We are a rural community that should never be part of Genesee or Oakland County. If you must combined counties due to population then please combined us with Tuscola and or Sanilac County. There will be protest organized if we are combined with Genesee or Oakland county. We want to be heard and we wil...
c3302 (41240)	Community 1 Districting Plan.	Community 1: Ex-urban areas of northern Oakland, Genesee, Shiawassee, western northern Macomb Counties.
c722 (24114)	46th District: 46th District of Oxford, Lake Orion, Addison, & Brandon townships is a Community of interest. Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission MICRC PO Box 30318 Lansing MI 48909 Dear Commissioners, The area of Oxford, Lake Orion, Addison, & Brandon townships all share alike objectives of their communities. They work with each other to share services and ideas to create better communities....	Community 1: 46th district of Oxford, Lake Orion, Addison and Brandon Townships.
p1997 (34064)	thumb area plan: obviously this is less than ideal as far as the "ideal population" but the misrepresentation of Democrats in the thumb area is unfair.	District 1.
p557 (21946)	Macomb County MI House District: Presented in public comment live on 5/27/2021. Based on school districts, this plan encompasses roughly three school districts in which people within the community associate with. These districts all have a combination of rural and small town communities that then feed into the respective school districts. People within this region also shop within this boundary as well.	District 1.
p723 (24113)	46th District: Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission MICRC PO Box 30318 Lansing MI 48909 Dear Commissioners, The area of Oxford, Lake Orion, Addison, & Brandon townships all share alike objectives of their communities. They work with each other to share services and ideas to create better communities. They work with groups of people from different areas and backgrounds get together to solve p...	District 1.



p724 (24117)	8th Congressional District: The area indicated in the map drawn all share alike objectives of their communities. They can work with each other to share services and ideas to create better communities. They can work with groups of people from different areas and backgrounds get together to solve problems that affect them all and should be the next Federal 8th district. They would work together to learn from each other and ...	District 1.
c2030 (34583)	Renee's "Lapeer":	Lapeer COI: Lapeer County is a Community of Interest. Our community is a very close knit county of small towns, farming communities, and villages. Whether we are from Lapeer or Imlay City or North Branch or Brown City, we see ourselves as "Lapeer." We have very similar economic and social interests. We respectfully ask that you refrain from dividing our county when drawing state legislature maps or congression...
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Lapeer County.
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.	Northern Oakland County: Rural area identified as a community of interest.
p978 (25941)	Thumb Congressional District: Compact. Contains rural farms, small towns, and urban centers. Reflects communities of Interest.	East: Diverse culture ranging from rural to suburban and startup industrial, the eastern portion of Michigan stands near to but not directly on our centers of industry and has unique requirements.
		District 7.



Supporting Data for Cluster C31		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1071 (26355)	<p>People Count: Communities of interest encompass the Tri-Cities (Saginaw, Midland, Bay City) and Flint. These cities have shared history such as the automotive industry, geology, and environment with its shared lakes and rivers. We need to unite the Great Lakes Bay region away from bigotry, and rampant gerrymandering, voter suppression, and allow all votes to count! In Midland alone we have had only one party r...</p>	<p>Community 1: #MidBaySagGenesee Communities of interest encompass the Tri-Cities (Saginaw, Midland, Bay City) and Flint. These cities have shared history such as the automotive industry, geology, and environment with its shared lakes and rivers. We need to unite the Great Lakes Bay region away from bigotry, and rampant gerrymandering, voter suppression,- and allow all votes to count! In Midland alone we have ha...</p>
c1742 (31580)	<p>Karen's community: I live in Atlas Township but identify with Flint as that is where we spend much of our time</p>	<p>Home: my home town and areas I spend time in nearby</p>
c1768 (31990)	<p>Flint Metro League COI Map: See my submission of 7/27/21 on Proposed Congressional District Based on Two Similar, Adjoining Communities of Interest and a Smaller, Overlapped Community of Interest for related testimony. Also see public comment #6 at Pontiac Hearing, 6/10/21 for related testimony.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1769 (31983)	<p>Flint/Genesee County COI: See my submission of 7/27/21 on Proposed Congressional District Based on Two Similar, Adjoining Communities of Interest and a Smaller, Overlapped Community of Interest for related testimony. Also see public comment #6 at Pontiac Hearing, 6/10/21 for related testimony.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1844 (32619)	<p>Greater Flint Region: The city of Flint is an anchor for the small communities in Genesee, Shiawassee, and Lapeer counties. Most of the non-agricultural households in the region were connected to Flint due to the auto industry throughout the 20th century. Greater Flint continues to be a hub and point of connection for transportation, culture/arts, health care, commerce, and economic activity in the region.</p>	<p>Greater Flint region: All of the smaller towns in the three counties of Genesee, Shiawassee, and Lapeer have economic and social history going back to the time when the auto industry was dominant. Many non-agricultural households have auto industry workers in their recent past. Flint is the anchor point for commerce, hospital services, arts, and communications for the region.</p>
c1916 (33053)	<p>Arab Americans Count!: Genesse County has an estimated population of over 20,000 Arab Americans in the metropolitan-Flint area. We want to make sure that the Arab community is seen, heard, and represented as new district boundaries are drawn.</p>	<p>Flint.</p>
c2344 (35654)	<p>Saginaw-Flint Coalition: The black and Hispanic communities in Saginaw and Flint deserve representation. If they are combined, the coalition could elect 2 minority state reps from the area . This would give real representation to the black-Hispanic coalition in the area.</p>	<p>Flint - Saginaw Minority Community.</p>
c489 (22576)	<p>Flint & Genesee County's Latinx Communit: Flint & Genesee County's Latinx Population</p>	<p>Flint's Latinx Community: Flint's Eastside historically has had the highest concentration of the Latinx community throughout the years. The Eastside has been home to many Latin families, Latin owned businesses, the Latinx Community Center, and other culturally relevant businesses/places of community. Genesee County is the 5th largest county in the State of Michigan with a 4.4% Latinx population. Flint as a 4% Latinx popul...</p>

p1426 (28054)	<p>Flint and Tri-Cities District: Hello again commissioners, provided is a well thought out district that should be considered when creating the U.S. Congressional Districts. This area of the state is known as the Tri-Cities which are very economically tied together and they have much historical significance that includes Bay City, Saginaw, and Midland. Also Flint is included within this district to the same shared interests of th...</p>	District 1.
p1662 (31156)	<p>proposed state congressional map: suggested state representation district because it need to be more diverse in representation.</p>	District 1.
p1767 (31973)	<p>Pontiac, Flint & Flint Metro League COIs: Proposed Congressional District Based on Two Similar, Adjoining Communities of Interest and a Smaller, Overlapped Community of Interest Submitted by: Gary Morehead, Auburn Hills, MI See also Public Comment #6, Pontiac MICRC Hearing, 6/10/21 District Shape File: https://districtr.org/plan/31973 Three Adjoining/Overlapping Communities of Interest • District Level: Congressional District • Prin...</p>	District 1.
p1600 (30742)	<p>Tri-Counties/Flint/Genesee Confgregation: This map keeps the Tri-Cities (Bay City, Midland and Saginaw) together with Flint/Genesee in a Congressional District. There are numerous reasons to hold this region together in a Congressional District. Historically these cities emerged in similar fashion. Together they comprise an industrial corridor that is served by I-75, and the Saginaw, Tittabawasee, Shiawassee, and Flint Rivers. With the d...</p>	District 3.
p55 (18133)	<p>New Congressional map: Would like to see Dan Kildee pick up most of Saginaw county and all of Genesee county. I believe he would represent this area well.</p>	District 5.
c2561 (37418)	<p>Keeping Michigan competitive.</p>	Community 7.
c2463 (36705)	<p>Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.</p>	<p>Flint: The city of Flint has specific requirements, some of which have not seen proper representation such as the lead problems in the water. Identifying it as specific in requirement should help in the future.</p>



Supporting Data for Cluster C32		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1645 (31100)	Congressional District 6 Map.	Congressional District 6: A congressional district that includes the Kalamazoo and Battle Creek communities.
c1779 (32172)	Western Michigan Communities of Interest: I think this is the best representation of communities of interest in Western Michigan	Community 1.
c2044 (34720)	Border Counties: This is a rural community of interest. While it is not large enough to be a congressional district, I think it represents a community that should be united in representation due to its mostly rural lifestyle. If this should be used to make a congressional seat, it should not pick up any urban areas, as this would dilute the rural voice represented here. Border counties should be kept together and ...	Community 1.
c2317 (35584)	Rural vs Urban Lifestyle: Washtenaw and Wayne counties are vastly different than counties like Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale and Berrien.	Community 1.
c2321 (35588)	Suburban Lifestyle vs Border Counties: As someone who grew up and raised a family in rural Michigan, and now living in urban Michigan, I can say firsthand that these are two distinctively different communities, and therefore should not be stuck together in representation. They have different values, lifestyles, family structures, etc. They have different income levels, paces of life, and economies. Any attempt to combine these two comm...	Community 1.
c2383 (35842)	Beer: As a lifelong resident of a border county I know how often I make runs into Ohio and Indiana for groceries and cold beer, and I know many others who do the same. In border counties we are always competing with Ohio and Indiana for the price of goods and services as well as labor. I have many friends who drive south to work out of state, do a majority of their shopping, attend parks, and attend ch...	Community 1.
c2392 (35925)	College Life: As someone who goes to college in one of the communities of interest, and spend my summer months in the rural community, I can attest to the differences between these two areas. The Chi ties of Washtenaw and parts of Wayne are much more affluent, have different infrastructure needs, and have public universities. The rural parts are much more agricultural, smaller communities, etc. These two commun...	Community 1.
c2403 (36120)	Border Districts: Districts that border Indiana ought to be kept together based on having similar problems and people groups.	IN Border Counties: The counties along the Indiana border face similar economic challenges & opportunities and should be kept together as part of the redistricting process. Many people commute to Indiana & the competition for jobs is fierce between these border counties.
c2493 (37016)	Border county news: Living in border counties many don't realize how much rely on newspaper and stations for our local news. I've provided more specifics on my map.	Border News: Our area is very unique being border counties. Here in Lenawee county we get the Toledo Blade (newspaper) and get WTOL Broadcast (from Toledo, OH). Monroe county is the same. This counties across the southern border. I know over in Cass county they get the South Bend tribune and Indiana broadcast TV.

c2498 (37040)	Deposit: Living in the border county it is annoying, inconvenient, and an economic disparity to have to deal with the bottle deposit.	Deposit: Living in the border county it is annoying, inconvenient, and an economic disparity to have to deal with the bottle deposit.
c2512 (36805)	Southwest Michigan communities: I feel that communities should be kept whole and people have gotten use to having adjoining communities, and adjoining communities have similar interest and interact with each other. I do not feel township should be broken up. This could change our schools, churches. We came to this area for the reason that I have stated Van Buran, and Allegan should be together. Rural counties should stay tog...	SW Border.
c3136 (40425)	Jackson + Border Counties: Last week, Commissioner Szetela mentioned that Jackson County would be the most ideal candidate to be grouped with the border counties. I agree 100%. In so many ways Jackson County fits with the border counties. Throughout the Jackson public hearing, the predominant theme was that Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale are all tied closely with one another. Numerous intercounty agencies and organizations...	Community 1.
c3225 (40858)	Monroe is a Border County: Monroe County is much more tied together with other border counties than it is alike the large cities to the North like Detroit, Ann Arbor, and Ypsilanti. Economically, our focus is on farming and have great deals of interstate commerce due to the border. Just like Lenawee County, and the counties to the west, we have many cross-state commuters and our communities often tie us to individuals livin...	Community 1.
c3240 (40942)	Communities top priority: Communities of interest are a top priority to not just me, but also the voters of Michigan who approved this commission. Communities are more important according to the Constitution than other measures pushed by political consultants and even other measures like compactness. We don't want lines splitting us up. We've had politicians do this for years, we don't want random splits. I understand thes...	Community 1.
p1712 (31371)	JFW Plan.	District 1.
p624 (23703)	Border County Congressional District: I am the Township Supervisor for Bedford Township. We are more similar to Toledo than we are to Detroit or Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti. To illustrate this point, here are some of the interests tying us more to our border than the vastly different communities to our north: shared infrastructure, unions, United Way, print and broadcast media, hospital (ProMedica), environmental concerns related to the River...	District 1.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 10.
p83 (18482)	Carter's SW Michigan plan: Culturally significant SW Michigan plan. I've seen plans for the southwestern portion of the state which include Berrien County in the same district as Monroe County. This is deeply inaccurate and does not represent similar communities in the slightest. As a lifelong SW Michigan resident, I believe this district makes the most sense given our shared histories, commutes, and even aligned sports con...	District 10.



c1943 (33399)	<p>Three Southwest MI Communities: Much of rural Michigan is similar, though in order to keep districts compact and contiguous it will need to be broken up. Allegan + Van Buren Counties + surrounding rural areas and small towns make a lot of sense as a Community of Interest. While they share similarities with rural areas to the south, the border counties have more in common and more reliance on Indiana than the counties to the north...</p>	<p>SW MI Community: Cass, St. Joseph, Branch, Hillsdale, and most of Berrien Counties form a separate community that should be considered when drawing maps. Similarly rural + small town interests to the VBC/Allegan CoI, but it makes sense to separate the two communities when we consider compact and contiguous districts for state level seats. This part of Michigan also borders Indiana and many in Berrien, Cass, and S...</p>
c2065 (34882)	<p>Improving Regions: I have mapped two communities of interest. One is Washtenaw and Wayne county, the other is the border counties and Jackson county. These two communities have little in common, and should not in any way be combined in representation. For example, the commission decided to lump Washtenaw County and Monroe county together in a regional plan. While these regions are starting points and were determined...</p>	<p>Rural Areas: Heavily agricultural, smaller communities, lower median income.</p>
c2377 (35737)	<p>West and Southwest Michigan: Allegan and Van Buren counties are a natural fit. They are shoreline, non-border counties with rural communities and small towns. They are largely based on agriculture, manufacturing and tourism businesses, the local governments work together, and they face the same environmental and access to broadband challenges. Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph counties are a community of interest. They are border...</p>	<p>Border Counties: Community of Interest along Indiana Border</p>
c2395 (35737)	<p>Southwestern Michigan: Growing up in West Michigan, I'm very familiar with which counties should be combined together for Senate districts. Allegan and Van Buren counties are a clear community of interest-agriculture, manufacturing, tourism, shoreline, rural with small towns, and schools, communities, businesses, and local telecommunications providers that cover both counties. Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph are all border...</p>	<p>Border Counties: Community of Interest along Indiana Border</p>
c2402 (36073)	<p>West and Southwest Michigan: From experience living throughout West Michigan, certain areas fit together as communities of interest: Grand Rapids, Kentwood and East Grand Rapids share the same economic, culture and overall focus around Grand Rapids. Local hospital systems, public transportation, and infrastructure overlap, and many of the largest "Grand Rapids" manufacturers are in Kentwood, along with the big "Grand Rapids" ...</p>	<p>Border Counties: Community of Interest along Indiana Border</p>
c2410 (36204)	<p>West Michigan Map: Muskegon-Oceana-Newaygo: Muskegon based district with nearby counties. Good mix of urban and rural. Close proximity so easy for a Senator to represent and visit all areas of the district in-person. Allegan-Van Buren: Rural communities along the shoreline, with heavy agriculture, tourism and manufacturing economic engines. Overlapping broadband and government services. Berrien-Cass-St. Joseph: Bo...</p>	<p>Border Counties: Community of Interest along Indiana Border</p>
c2517 (36806)	<p>Lorraine's SW Michigan Plan: There are several communities in SW Michigan that should be kept together as much as possible. Border counties rely on other states and cities like South Bend, IN more than others to the north. Van Buren and Allegan share many functions of government and interests as manufacturing and agricultural communities along the lakeshore. Kalamazoo forms a self-contained community of interest as well. For ...</p>	<p>Border Counties:</p>

c2519 (37149)	Southwest Michigan Community: Between Allegan and Van Buren they are very similar, share the Kalamazoo River, farmland industry, lakeshore.	Border.
c2635 (35796)	Communities of Southern and Lakeside MI: I was born and raised in Southern Michigan. The people of this rural and agrarian region value small, close-knit communities. The communities near the border of Michigan are distinct in terms of culture, economics, and values from other small communities through the state, as are the lakeside communities where my wife and I enjoy vacationing.	Southwest Counties on Border: Southwestern Communities along the state border. This is a separate community because of the distance from mid-Michigan and has a separate lakeside community that has interests along with Michigan City and other Indiana/Illinois lakeside communities
c3200 (40714)	SW and Border Communities: My communities are explained in the map, but in a nutshell my communities are defined by their economics, agriculture, and community sizes.	Border: Border counties have similar economic issues because of differing tax, insurances, and cost of services between Michigan and Indiana/Ohio. All of these counties are all more rural, and non have what would consider large urban population centers.
c1793 (32312)	Fair/Compact Map - Border County.	Community Collaboratives between border counties: My name is Juliana Moore, and I live in Adrian Township in Lenawee County. My Community of interest links counties related by healthcare, including Monroe and Lenawee as well as Branch County with the common denominator of ProMedica Healthcare Systems. I have extended the community of interest by including border counties that have a unique interest as states dealing with interstate economic issues...
c2378 (35825)	South and West Michigan Communities: These are several communities that each feature something unique. While they are mostly rural with some larger cities, the rural areas go together well on a map and share many interests, challenges, and governmental functions. The differences are based on location and proximity to other cities. Kalamazoo fits into its own community.	Indiana Counties: These counties form communities that have a lot of interest in Indiana specifically, whereas residents in other border counties can easily travel to Ohio as well.
c2380 (35834)	My South Michigan Map: I was born and raised in South MI and also believe that county lines are a good basis for communities of interest in Michigan. These four communities each share interests and cooperate within themselves in many ways such as government, economy, and tourism. They are also uniquely different from one another due to where they sit on a map. These communities would be a good base for our maps in Michi...	Indiana Border: The four counties along the Indiana border are another community with people who often travel to Indiana for work, shopping, and entertainment
c2463 (36705)	Regions inspired by district commission: Inspired by the commission's planned meeting locations to service each region. and the needs of the population in each region.	Southwest: Bordering Indiana, similar to Southeast, the Southwest interact with a different neighbor and likely commerce, shipping from Chicago, giving them specific needs.
c2514 (37133)	Southwest Michigan - KM from Hamilton: Southwest Michigan has 3 distinct communities - Van Buren/Allegan which are rural with small towns/cities Kalamazoo County is urban and the 3 border counties of Berrien, Cass and St. Joe share a border with Indiana which is a huge community factor.	Boarder Communities: These Counties all boarder the State Line
c2556 (35815)	Southwest Michigan counties: These counties share many functions of government and similar economies.	Berrien, Cass, St. Joseph: Counties along the border have a different interest that aligns more with IN than MI
c2794 (38967)	Anthony Eid don't flip flop, use COIs: It seems that Anthony has lost his focus on communities of interest. Last month Mr. Eid said Monroe belongs with border counties and not the urban area. Searching data in the portal people agree. If you search county tags you will find lots of COIs that connect Monroe to Lenawee and additional border counties to the west. You will find very few COIs that make a real connection of Monroe to the urb...	Border: Border counties have unique economic interest that require unique representation. There issues are different than in state areas and deserve representation.

c3346
(41432)

SW MI COIs: Here is how I would delineate SW MI COIs: Community 1 (tourism-oriented, more diverse)- Lakeshore cities and townships; Community 2 (urban/inner suburb, more diverse): Grand Rapids, inner Kent Suburbs, inland Ottawa, Muskegon; Community 3 (smaller urban, eds/meds, more diverse): Kalamazoo, Portage, Battle Creek; Community 4 (suburban-rural fringe, less diverse): Eastern Kent, Western Ionia, Barry...

Community 5.

Supporting Data for Cluster C33-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1535 (29550)	<p>Greater Kalamazoo and Greater Battle Cre: The communities of Greater Kalamazoo and Greater Battle Creek share many commonalities: a 20-mile section of I-94, an international airport, economic and social services agencies, hospital systems, the Kalamazoo River, and many people commute daily because they live in one community and work in the other. Greater Kalamazoo and Greater Battle Creek need to be in the same US congressional district a...</p>	<p>Greater Kalamazoo and Greater Battle Creek: Kalamazoo County and Calhoun County, specifically the communities of Greater Kalamazoo (including Portage) and Greater Battle Creek.</p>
c1544 (29590)	<p>I-94 Corridor-Kalamazoo and Battle Creek: Kalamazoo and Battle Creek share many economic, non-profit, infrastructure, and news sources. They have historically been connected, and are more alike than Grand Rapids or Jackson.</p>	<p>Kalamazoo/Battle Creek COI: Kalamazoo and Battle Creek share an International Airport, a watershed, workforces, news stations, United Way and other non-profits, and much more. They have historically been connected, and were a common community as recently as the 1990s. Battle Creek, in particular, shares more with Kalamazoo than it does with Grand Rapids.</p>
c1860 (32713)	<p>Branch county.</p>	<p>District 7.</p>
c246 (19889)	<p>Battle Creek Kalamazoo I-94 Community: I live in Battle Creek. We are an I-94 community. Most people I know consider ourselves connected in a community of interest with Kalamazoo more so than with communities (like Jackson) to the east and much more so than with Grand Rapids to the north. I will submit written testimony that describes this connection in more detail.</p>	<p>Battle Creek Kalamazoo I-94 Community: I live in Battle Creek. We are an I-94 community. Most people I know consider ourselves connected in a community of interest with Kalamazoo more so than with communities (like Jackson) to the east and much more so than with Grand Rapids to the north.</p>
c2676 (38604)	<p>Battle Creek Veteran Care and Military: Together, these blocks include multiple military bases and veteran-care service organizations, including income-based veteran housing, the VA Hospital and Fort Custer National Cemetery. It is important that these services be redistricted together. Our veterans and military personnel deserve special attention that would be watered down if the establishments were split into two or more districts.</p>	<p>Veteran Care and Military: Together, these blocks include multiple military bases and veteran-care service organizations, including income-based veteran housing, the VA Hospital and Fort Custer National Cemetery. It is important that these services be redistricted together. Our veterans and military personnel deserve special attention that would be watered down if the establishments were split into two or more districts.</p>
c2685 (38604)	<p>Branch and Calhoun Farmland and Water: Together, these blocks represent many farms and rural waterways. The specialized knowledge and expertise needed to protect farmland and related natural resources can be complex and nuanced. Redistricting them together will allow a representative to focus on the unique needs of this district. Southern Calhoun County and northern Branch County have long operated in close friendship from school riv...</p>	<p>Veteran Care and Military: Together, these blocks include multiple military bases and veteran-care service organizations, including income-based veteran housing, the VA Hospital and Fort Custer National Cemetery. It is important that these services be redistricted together. Our veterans and military personnel deserve special attention that would be watered down if the establishments were split into two or more districts.</p>
c2827 (39288)	<p>Marengo Living: We live in a small community surrounded by many other small communities. I do not like larger cities so please do not group us with larger cities . It would not be beneficial for us to be over run by larger communities .</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c2830 (39319)	<p>Calhoun County and Adjacent Farmland: Calhoun County with Adjacent Farming Area and including Adjacent Military Establishments. Small City and College Area As Opposed to Large City and University.</p>	<p>Calhoun and adjacent farmland: Calhoun County with Adjacent Farming Area and including Adjacent Military Establishments. Small City and College Area As Opposed to Large City and University.</p>

c2844 (39454)	USA Community: My name is Bill Rees . I'm from Battle Creek. I was public speaker # 49 in Grand Rapids on July 1st.I screwed up and ran out of time so I want to finish my point to the commission . I request you personally review my comments. Thank you for the opportunity to present a view of the WK Kellogg Executive Airport. It is a real gem for the city of Battle Creek. Our airport, has been over shadowed in t...	USA Community: My name is Bill Rees . I'm from Battle Creek. I was public speaker # 49 in Grand Rapids on July 1st.I screwed up and ran out of time so I want to finish my point to the commission . I request you personally review my comments. Thank you for the opportunity to present a view of the WK Kellogg Executive Airport. It is a real gem for the city of Battle Creek. Our airport, has been over shadowed in t...
c2858 (39700)	Small College versus large University: We are a community of people of close knit neighborhoods. I grew up in Detroit city area and it was very busy. I have moved away because I wanted a quieter suburb .I would prefer if we did not get put in the same district as Kalamazoo.	Small College versus large University: We are a community of people of close knit neighborhoods. I grew up in Detroit city area and it was very busy. I have moved away because I wanted a quieter suburb .I would prefer if we did not get put in the same district as Kalamazoo.
c2864 (39725)	caring for our community: I am very interested in having input into how my district may be revised. While I live on the eastern edge of Kalamazoo County, I feel like my community of interest is Calhoun County, specifically the Battle creek area. After spending a 45 year career in nursing, I am retired now and finding more time to volunteer. I feel called to serving our less fortunate brothers and sisters by supporting th...	caring for our community: I am very interested in having input into how my district may be revised. While I live on the eastern edge of Kalamazoo County, I feel like my community of interest is Calhoun County, specifically the Battle creek area. After spending a 45 year career in nursing, I am retired now and finding more time to volunteer. I feel called to serving our less fortunate brothers and sisters by supporting th...
c3055 (40037)	2 House Districts within Calhoun County: I am a conservative and do not want to be overshadowed by liberals in Kalamazoo County.	Calhoun County House District 1.
c3090 (40118)	Agricultural and rural: I was a 4H volunteer in my County for over 25 years. As such, I was able to see the inherent differences between urban and rural citizens. I believe that we must keep Battle Creek and it's surrounding rural community separate from the greater Kalamazoo area. I want my State Representative to understand the needs and values of my community.	Community 1.
c3357 (41603)	Battle Creek, MI: My community is important to me because I've lived in Pennfield Township in Battle Creek MI my entire life. We are a close-knit community with lots of help for our Veterans and elderly. Our Township has no place with a large city, like Kalamazoo. Do not redistrict!	Battle Creek.
c3373 (41667)	Melissa's community of interest: I have lived in Calhoun co for 26 years. I am a conservative and per not to be represented by Kalamazoo's Liberal community.	Community 1.
c585 (23528)	Southern MI Small Town Community: Jackson County exhibits many of the qualities that make rural areas remarkable. Numerous natural sites and trails are ripe for exploration across the county. While our beloved small city provides economic opportunity and a sense of community, it is not an all-encompassing area that engulfs the rural feel of neighboring areas. Distinctive small towns scatter across the landscape of counties like ...	Community 1.
p2742 (38748)	State House District for Battle Creek: Albion and Battle Creek aren't really communities of interest. Emmet Township is closer to Battle Creek than Albion. It makes more sense to make a more compact district rather than a horseshoe like the 62nd district currently looks.	District 1.
p3078 (40092)	michigan house battle creekbattle cr: battle creek and kalamazoo is very different .our values are very different and we do not want to be district together.	District 1.

p3089 (40124)	battle creek augusta military veteran VA: BC/augusta is a military area with the VA, National Cemetery our needs are for veterans and families	District 1.
p3093 (40142)	State House: This district represents the military and veteran region of south-central Michigan. This includes the facilities of DOD Logistic Center, W.K. Kellogg Airport (Air National Guard Base), Fort Custer (Army National Guard Training Center, V. A. Medical Center and Fort Custer Cemetery. This district thus includes all these centers under one State House District.	District 1.
p3141 (40431)	Protect tribal unity: We need to protect tribal unity and tribal lands connected concerning population center in Athens with the economic center (Casino) in Emmett Township. Also we need to keep rural areas distinct from urban population to protect both.	District 1.
p3153 (40462)	MI Senate Southwest: I hold to the values of personal empowerment, addressing government issues based on knowledge of a local area, and allocation of resources for long-term success.	District 1.
c2685 (38604)	Branch and Calhoun Farmland and Water: Together, these blocks represent many farms and rural waterways. The specialized knowledge and expertise needed to protect farmland and related natural resources can be complex and nuanced. Redistricting them together will allow a representative to focus on the unique needs of this district. Southern Calhoun County and northern Branch County have long operated in close friendship from school riv...	Branch and Calhoun Farmland and Water Resource Care: Together, these blocks represent many farms and rural waterways. The specialized knowledge and expertise needed to protect farmland and related natural resources can be complex and nuanced. Redistricting them together will allow a representative to focus on the unique needs of this district. Southern Calhoun County and northern Branch County have long operated in close friendship from school riv...
c1943 (33399)	Three Southwest MI Communities: Much of rural Michigan is similar, though in order to keep districts compact and contiguous it will need to be broken up. Allegan + Van Buren Counties + surrounding rural areas and small towns make a lot of sense as a Community of Interest. While they share similarities with rural areas to the south, the border counties have more in common and more reliance on Indiana than the counties to the nort...	Kalamazoo + Battle Creek: Similar interests between the two cities and their suburbs, less in line with some of the rural areas surrounding
c3200 (40714)	SW and Border Communities: My communities are explained in the map, but in a nutshell my communities are defined by their economics, agriculture, and community sizes.	Kazoo-Battle Creek: In recognition to the region it is even the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek Airport.
c3346 (41432)	SW MI COIs: Here is how I would delineate SW MI COIs: Community 1 (tourism-oriented, more diverse)- Lakeshore cities and townships; Community 2 (urban/inner suburb, more diverse): Grand Rapids, inner Kent Suburbs, inland Ottawa, Muskegon; Community 3 (smaller urban, eds/meds, more diverse): Kalamazoo, Portage, Battle Creek; Community 4 (suburban-rural fringe, less diverse): Eastern Kent, Western Ionia, Barry...	Community 3.
p3149 (40450)	MI House District South Central: I hold to the values of personal empowerment, addressing government issues based on knowledge of a local area, and allocation of resources for long-term success.	District 3.
c2380 (35834)	My South Michigan Map: I was born and raised in South MI and also believe that county lines are a good basis for communities of interest in Michigan. These four communities each share interests and cooperate within themselves in many ways such as government, economy, and tourism. They are also uniquely different from one another due to where they sit on a map. These communities would be a good base for our maps in Michi...	Kalamazoo and Battle Creek: These cities and their surrounding communities should go together. They are similar cities with shared interests and many small towns in their counties

Supporting Data for Cluster C33-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1473 (28914)	Jackson Calhoun Counties share interests: While diverse, the common needs bring people together.	Community 1: Jackson, Calhoun should be kept together because they have similar interests and attributes. Both have rural and small towns with one big city center each. There is a historical connection and the citizens value higher education in liberal arts setting. They have similar "at risk" populations too, which brings people together for common needs.
c1609 (30777)	Balanced South Central Plan: A true democratic district should have a true reflection of the state's political leanings, with representatives swinging with the will of the people. No safe districts by either party.	South Central Michigan.
c1843 (32613)	The Kalamazoo-Calhoun county COI: Economically interdependent, sharing a large workforce and retail/service economy, the counties are also politically and culturally diverse. The major political parties would be competitive in district-wide races, which would foster stronger civic engagement and independent-minded elected leaders more inclined to listen to all constituents. Sharing a district would foster more collaboration and crea...	Community 1: Calhoun and Kalamazoo counties together form a cogen community of interest. Economically interdependent, yet politically and and culturally diverse, comprising urban, small town and rural communities. Both major political parties would be competitive in district-wide races. Prioritize the I94 corridor.
c2446 (36621)	Urban sandwich: Adding onto my original community of interest. I originally stated the tri-county area of Jackson, Hillsdale, and Lenawee counties, but as I have reflected I realized this COI can be easily expanded to include Calhoun and Branch. These two counties have similar industry and one mid sized community each and are sandwiched between the urban areas of Kalamazoo and Ann Arbor.	Rural w/small and mid size cities: Adding onto my original community of interest. I originally stated the tri-county area of Jackson, Hillsdale, and Lenawee counties, but as I have reflected I realized this COI can be easily expanded to include Calhoun and Branch. These two counties have similar industry and one mid sized community each and are sandwiched between the urban areas of Kalamazoo and Ann Arbor.
c2693 (38630)	Small Colleges Small Towns: These communities are a lot like each other compared to the neighboring counties. Each is a rural area with small towns every few miles. They also all have fairly small colleges compared to Kalamazoo with Western and Ann Arbor with University of Michigan. These counties need to be grouped together because they have similar needs economically compared to towns that rely on college students.	Branch-Calhoun-Hillsdale-Jackson: These communities are a lot like each other compared to the neighboring counties. Each are a rural area with small towns every few miles. They also all have fairly small colleges compared to Kalamazoo with Western and Ann Arbor with University of Michigan. These counties need to be grouped together because they have similar needs economically compared to towns that rely on college students.
c2819 (39248)	I believe in Battle Creek: Our community is one that can stand on its own! It appears that we are being lumped in with the city of Kalamazoo where we will have college students that are making decisions for those of us that are long time taxpaying citizens. Though I believe College students have the same rights as I do to vote their hearts and beliefs on the issues at hand, I don't believe they understand the long term eff...	I Believe in Battle Creek: Our community is one that can stand on its own! It appears that we are being lumped in with the city of Kalamazoo where we will have college students that are making decisions for those of us that are long time taxpaying citizens. Though I believe College students have the same rights as I do to vote their hearts and beliefs on the issues at hand, I don't believe they understand the long term eff...
c2859 (39708)	Calhoun/Kalamazoo Regional Military Comm: Calhoun and Kalamazoo counties contain 5 Military and Veteran installations: DOD Logistic Center, W.K. Kellogg Airport (Air National Guard Base), Fort Custer (Army National Guard Training Center), V.A. Medical Center, Fort Custer Cemetery. Fort Custer is divided between Calhoun & Kalamazoo Counties the Cemetery is in Kalamazoo County with the remaining installations in Calhoun County. This drawin...	Calhoun/Kalamazoo Regional Military Community: Calhoun and Kalamazoo counties contain 5 Military and Veteran installations: DOD Logistic Center, W.K. Kellogg Airport (Air National Guard Base), Fort Custer (Army National Guard Training Center), V.A. Medical Center, Fort Custer Cemetery. Fort Custer is divided between Calhoun & Kalamazoo Counties the Cemetery is in Kalamazoo County with the remaining installations in Calhoun County. This drawin...



c3018 (39927)	Pam L..	Branch and Calhoun Farmland and Smaller School Communities: This area would represent our feel of small town life and community that many of us still believe is fundamental to our lives and the way we raise productive children. We don't want to have to be lumped in with all of the industry, large colleges and hospital systems with their transient population making decisions that will affect those of us that have been here for generations. We support our m...
c3070 (40071)	Congressional District 3 Please keep big: This Congressional District is full of rural communities and our values are the exact opposite from communities in Urban areas. Urban areas have a much larger population and would cancel out the rural areas surrounding them. We believe in a different form of Government, community colleges versus large university, home town medical clinic versus large hospital. Please don't let the big cities contr...	Congressional District 3 Please keep big cities and rural counties separate: This Congressional District is full of rural communities and our values are the exact opposite from communities in Urban areas. Urban areas have a much larger population and would cancel out the rural areas surrounding them. We believe in a different form of Government, community colleges versus large university, home town medical clinic versus large hospital. Please don't let the big cities contr...
c3100 (40202)	fred's choice: conservative voter who doesn't want to be associated with Kalamazoo.	Community 1.
c561 (23357)	Calhoun-Jackson District: Calhoun and Jackson counties should be re-adjoined into a congressional seat. For years, Calhoun and Jackson had been linked until the most recent districting which needlessly separated these counties. These two neighbors are predominantly rural containing two smaller cities (Battle Creek and Jackson). These small cities are not the size of other metro areas (Kalamazoo-Portage-Oshtemo, Ann Arbor-Y...	Calhoun-Jackson: Jackson and Calhoun counties are much more similar than the metro areas in Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor, Ypsi, and Lansing.
p226 (19763)	Redistricting plan: Please consider this district plan, including communities of interest and neighboring counties. Thank you	District 1.
p3091 (40133)	US congress: agriculture small communities allow my voice in Washington DC	District 1.
p3105 (40246)	Pam U.S Congress.	District 1.
p3152 (40462)	MI Senate: Keeping rural communities together and free from metropolitan override protects rural women, who tend to fare better than their big-city counterparts. By allowing rural women to thrive in their own communities, we can better serve all women everywhere.	District 1.
p3154 (40465)	US Congress: This proposed Senate district, though rural, is incredibly diverse, containing large segments of Americans from Burma, the Middle East, Central and South America, Japan, and other places. Through sharing our rural, home-town, small community lives with our immigrant neighbors, we build stronger communities that in turn build a stronger America. Large cities tend to be places where people can be ...	District 1.
p3157 (40468)	US Congress: It is important to have a US congressman that understands the perspective of rural America. We value keeping federal issues federal, state issues state, and local issues local. At the federal level, we value having a strong military and protecting the rights of every American.	District 1.

p3204 (40731)	Michigan House South Central: I was born and raised in a small community and I feel it is important to keep rural and metropolitan areas separate. These areas have different needs and require entirely different representation.	District 1.
p3208 (40739)	US Congress - Michigan South Central: It is important at a National level to protect Legal guest workers as the areas are agriculture based. It is important to link these areas together to a Congressional leader who understands the importance of a dignified guest worker program to support the agricultural communities. The areas also require a Congressional leader who understands small communities and the value of empowering women an...	District 1.
p3265 (41043)	Congress South Central: To protect the guest worker communities and the dignity of the guest workers in these counties. To give a voice for farming in relation to agricultural concerns.	District 1.
p3341 (41407)	Calhoun, Branch, Hillsdale map: Grouping of like community interests	District 1.
p3342 (41415)	Congressional district map: Groups counties with like opinions and geographical locations together in congressional district	District 1.
p515 (22918)	Rural Southern MI Congressional District: My preferred district integrates various pre-existing factors which tie these areas together into a suggested congressional district. I live in rural Riga Township in southern Lenawee County. This community shares so many of the same cultural, economic, and even religious aspects as the other communities in this suggested district. Agriculture represents a major economic driver, along with many o...	District 1.
c177 (19257)	VITA and CAA Community of Interest: Community Action Agency and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program operates in the 3 counties of Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale. These should be kept in the same congressional district. VITA clients also come from adjacent counties which should be kept in the same district.	Community 2: VITA clients come from adjacent areas.
p969 (25843)	South Central Congressional District: I live in Hillsdale county and have lived in Monroe, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties. Having lived in these places I have a great respect for each of them, and their similarities and differences. Having lived in Hillsdale County for nearly 36 years I am very familiar with the area. I am an involved resident and have served my community on numerous boards and committees. In preparing a congressional ...	District 5.
c2561 (37418)	Keeping Michigan competitive.	Community 9.

Supporting Data for Cluster C33-3		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c2378 (35825)	<p>South and West Michigan Communities: These are several communities that each feature something unique. While they are mostly rural with some larger cities, the rural areas go together well on a map and share many interests, challenges, and governmental functions. The differences are based on location and proximity to other cities. Kalamazoo fits into its own community.</p>	<p>Middle South MI Square: Jackson and Battle Creek are similar cities that share similar interests. Their outlying farmland and less populated townships share a lot in common and often people work and shop in the larger cities nearby</p>
c2820 (39247)	<p>Calhoun County can Stand: Calhoun County is an individual county of its self and has it own identity. It is very much different than the fast pace of Barry, Branch, Kalamazoo, Eaton, Ingham, and Jackson Counties. The cites of Albion, Athens, Battle Creek, Marshall, Springfield, and Urvandale have adequate, quiet, quaint, and unique shopping/restaurants that meet the needs of our community. I do not feel that we need to ...</p>	<p>Calhoun County Can Stand: Calhoun County is an individual county of its self and has it own identity. It is very much different than the fast pace of Barry, Branch, Kalamazoo, Eaton, Ingham, and Jackson Counties. The cites of Albion, Athens, Battle Creek, Marshall, Springfield, and Urvandale have adequate, quiet, quaint, and unique shopping/restaurants that meet the needs of our community. I do not feel that we need to ...</p>
c2822 (39264)	<p>Fair representation: I live in Battle Creek but worked in Kalamazoo for fifteen years. During that time I saw first hand how different the priorities were of Kalamazoo proper and Kalamazoo county. Calhoun county is more rural and the priorities of our county reflect that.</p>	<p>Fair Representation: I live in Battle Creek but worked in Kalamazoo for fifteen years. During that time I saw first hand how different the priorities were of Kalamazoo proper and Kalamazoo county. Calhoun county is more rural and the priorities of our county reflect that.</p>
c2828 (39287)	<p>Marengo Life: I am a registered voter and feel compelled to testify about the redistricting that will happen here in Michigan. I appreciate the opportunity to stand before you to address this important decision of mapping Michigan districts. My name is Bonnie Kazmar, I live in Marengo Township in Calhoun County. I have lived in this area all my life, mainly because I love the rural community life. As a person ...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c2842 (39428)	<p>Small Towns: I live in Marengo township, which is very small. Last time I checked, Marengo Township is made up of only one precinct and has only 1600 registered voters. My area is full of communities just like mine. The Kalamazoo /Portage area is the exact opposite of how I grew up. In no way can they relate to the needs of any of my community members or my neighbors. Please keep us away from Kalamazoo.</p>	<p>Small Towns: I live in Marengo township, which is very small. Last time I checked, Marengo Township is made up of only one precinct and has only 1600 registered voters. My area is full of communities just like mine. The Kalamazoo /Portage area is the exact opposite of how I grew up. In no way can they relate to the needs of any of my community members or my neighbors. Please keep us away from Kalamazoo.</p>
c2860 (39705)	<p>Paul Rose: Industrial, surrounded by rural/agricultural. There is a large presence of federal and military workers/retirees. Kalamazoo's history of being anti-military and anti-war, as during the Vietnam War, has made these two communities very incompatible. They are extremely liberal and seem to down play America and our roll in developing a better world for all.</p>	<p>Paul Rose: Industrial, surrounded by rural/agricultural. There is a large presence of federal and military workers/retirees. Kalamazoo's history of being anti-military and anti-war, as during the Vietnam War, has made these two communities very incompatible. They are extremely liberal and seem to down play America and our roll in developing a better world for all.</p>
c2884 (39733)	<p>Small College versus large University: We are a community of people of close knit neighborhoods. I grew up in Detroit city area and it was very busy. I have moved away because I wanted a quieter suburb. I would prefer if we did not get put in the same district as Kalamazoo.</p>	<p>Battle Creek does NOT belong with K-zoo: Battle Creek and Kalamazoo are very different. Battle Creek is my home and a very tight community. We live together, we work together, we go to church together, and my family has multiple generations of history here. Kalamazoo is home to transients, people who come in for a few years and then leave. Please keep my family in either Barry County or Eaton.</p>

c2940 (39785)	Branch and Calhoun Farming Community: The rural community I outlined has deep roots in agriculture. I grew up on a family farm in this area and hold a Bachelors Degree in Agriculture. The people of this outlined area have similar goals for land usage and water usage. We need to protect our farmlands in order to grow the food our nation requires.	Community 1.
c2943 (39800)	Rural culture in my community: I have lived in this area of rural land and small towns most of my life and I have raised my family here. The culture here is different from big cities and needs to be kept separate. We enjoy space to spread out, small town activities such as high school sports and church or community gatherings. Our way of life needs to be preserved and our voice needs to be heard.	Community 1.
c3059 (40046)	Southcentral Congressional District: I am a retired architect engineer who grew up in Battle Creek and have lots of family history here. I enjoy my family farm and would not like to be included with a big city. Thank you	Southcentral Congressional District: I am a retired architect engineer who grew up in Battle Creek and have lots of family history here. I enjoy my family farm and would not like to be included with a big city. Thank you
c3066 (40054)	Rural vs. Urban: Living in a rural community gives stability and family values usually for generations. We don't connect with fast paced urban cities that are primarily transient.	Rural Vs. Urban: Living in a rural community gives stability and family values usually for generations. We don't connect with fast paced urban cities that are primarily transient.
c3073 (40077)	two house district: i live in a rural community and want to keep it that way.	Community 1.
c3075 (40083)	state house districts: Communities of rural values and needs	Community 1.
c3079 (40097)	Proposed Rural Redistricting Of Calhoun: It's imperative that our rural values are represented with the redistricting. Being lumped in with liberal Kalamazoo will eliminate our voice.	Community 1.
c3084 (40103)	Rural: Maintaining representation of the values and concerns that people who reside in our small town and rural areas predominately hold. I have nothing personal against the citizens of the larger urban areas, but their daily concerns are not typically that of the citizens of my rural community. With this in mind, Battle Creek, and the rural community surrounding it, should remain separate from the Cit...	Community 1.
c3103 (40229)	2 house districts for southwest Michigan: A very competitive district that takes into consideration that these are rural communities with very similar population & business interest. Also, these communities have unique personalities and activities that are not compatible with larger metropolitan areas.	Community 1.
c3116 (40286)	Bipartisan agreement on border county: During the Jackson public hearing in May, Regen Stahl, vice-chair of the Branch County Democratic Party gave testimony which I would like to echo. She asked the commission to draw equitable lines keeping communities of interest together, specifically asking for the border counties of Branch, Hillsdale, St. Joseph counties to be drawn together as a common region sharing a tri-county health departme...	Bipartisan Support - Health department.
c3185 (40607)	Map for Calhoun County: I am born and raised in Calhoun County and many family and friends are farmers. Calhoun county has a rich farming conservative history which is very different from the liberal Kalamazoo area. Calhoun County is mainly republican and splitting up our county will only dilute our influence and voices.	Community 1.

c3359 (41619)	Calhoun County.	Calhoun County.
c3364 (41627)	Keith's Senate District: Contiguous District of Agricultural/Rural Interest	Keith's Senate District: Contiguous District of Agricultural/Rural Interest
p1455 (28690)	Tom's Border/Agriculture District: This district proposal groups the southern border counties and townships, particularly those with an emphasis on the agricultural industry. The border counties have significant synergy with the northern counties of Ohio and Indiana which are also heavily agriculture with the exception of the metro Toledo area. The southern boundary counties share in the River Raisin watershed and its environment...	District 1.
p3074 (40079)	Michigan House Rural Calhoun Branch: I want no part of Kalamazoo, because Kalamazoo does not represent my interests. We are a rural community and want to stay that way. I don't want a big University town dictating policy in our rural area.	District 1.
p3076 (40084)	Farmland Branch and Calhoun: Most of Calhoun County and Branch County are rural and have needs that are very different than the needs of those who live in metropolitan areas. These rural residents deserve to be represented by elected officials who will not ignore them for the more populous areas in large towns.	District 1.
p3080 (40100)	State Senate: This district features farmland, rural communities, small colleges, and rich history.	District 1.
p3085 (40113)	US congress: these counties are filled with agriculture small collages small town values	District 1.
p3087 (40111)	US Congress: These counties rely on agriculture and are home to many family farms. They need a US House Rep who can focus on those rural distinctions.	District 1.
p3095 (40148)	State Senate: Rural communities, small population centers, family farms plus community colleges make up the preeminent character of this State Senate district.	District 1.
p3097 (40164)	Congressional District South-Central MI.: Rural communities, small population centers, Family Farms, community colleges, military and veterans constitute the preeminent character of south-central Michigan to be best served in the Congress as a single Congressional District.	District 1.
p3108 (40252)	Pam Senate District: These communities have a lot in common. We like our mostly small town life, even in our bigger towns everyone likes the rural areas. Our schools are comparable to each other and love their rivalries. We enjoy college life without having to deal with huge campuses and their issues. We enjoy the life of generations of families having lived in our areas and being able to have a voice locally and at...	District 1.
p3144 (40439)	Battle Creek is NOT Kalamazoo: Battle Creek should NOT be districted with Kalamazoo. Our approach to governance is different as regards education, government policy, policing, thus the communities should be in separate districts. Distinct population differences/types, i.e. transient vs rooted, university vs community college, and industry vs "mom and pop" businesses.	District 1.

p3150 (40458)	<p>Michigan House Calhoun Branch: Rural Southwest Michigan women, like myself, are rugged, strong, and capable. We are farmers, business owners, school leaders, and community activists. We are heroes in healthcare, education, and industry. We need the power to make choices on our own without a one-sized-fits-all government dictating its will to us. These rural communities are thriving thanks to women, and I want a rep who does...</p>	District 1.
p3165 (40501)	<p>Michigan Senate south-central: Important to correlate our rural counties that are rich in multigenerational farms, ongoing agriculture, diverse ethnic populations that foster close relationships that enjoy life together as rural Americans. Our small communities enjoy the personal relationship we have with our public officials that are difficult to develop in metropolitan settings.</p>	District 1.
p3167 (40505)	<p>UIS Congress South Central: This area is rich in agriculture and relies heavily on seasonal workers many of whom are migrant. Thus we need compassionate, dignified laws to welcome and protect temporary workers from foreign countries.</p>	District 1.
p3203 (40730)	<p>Michigan House South Central: It is important to keep Metropolitan areas separate from Rural Farm communities. I am from a small rural community that has different needs than larger cities and require different representation.</p>	District 1.
p3205 (40733)	<p>Michigan Senate Southcentral: I was born and raised in a small community and I feel it is important to keep rural and metropolitan areas separate. These areas have different needs and require entirely different representation.</p>	District 1.
p3206 (40734)	<p>Michigan Senate South Central: Being a professional woman, it is important to keep rural communities intact. Women, in small communities have a greater voice and are empowered for success. In addition, children have more ability to try and excel in different areas in school due to the size of rural community schools.</p>	District 1.
p3207 (40740)	<p>US Congress Michigan Southcentral: At the national level we need to have an immigration policy that protects the legal guest worker policies. This district requires a representative that will uphold the principles of this nation's legal immigration. These counties are all primarily agricultural and need a representative that understands these needs.</p>	District 1.
p3260 (41030)	<p>house calhoun branch: I feel it is important that rural voices not be drowned out by bigger municipalities.</p>	District 1.
p3263 (41038)	<p>Calhoun Branch Hillsdale Senate: To keep rural community control separate from the bigger municipality influence.</p>	District 1.
p3275 (41103)	<p>MI House South Central: It is important to keep rural areas separate from Metropolitan areas. I attended school and church in a rural farming community. The small communities have different needs in comparison to larger communities.</p>	District 1.
p3277 (41106)	<p>MI Senate South Central: It is important to have a representation for smaller farming communities which have different needs than a metropolitan area. I grew up in a small community, where as a female, I have had many opportunities to be involved in the community as I grew up because I live in a small town. Small towns give more opportunities for females to be successful.</p>	District 1.



p3278 (41113)	US Congress - Mi South Central: It is important to have a US representative that is experienced and versed in agricultural communities. We are diverse small communities that require legal guest assistance for the farming communities. The rural communities are diverse and respect our differences which makes our communities stronger with little to no racial tension as seen in larger communities.	District 1.
p3282 (41136)	congress southcentral: WE ARE AN AGRICULTURE AREA SMALL TOWN WITH IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND TO STAY SAFE WE NEED TO ABIDE BY WHAT OUT R COMMUNITY NEEDS AND BIG CITYS ARE NOT INCONTROL OF OUR DECISIONS TO HAVE SAVE IMIGRATION AND POLICYS. SOP WE NEED COMMUNIY TY	District 1.
p3334 (41374)	MI House South Central: It is important to keep metropolitan areas separate from rural farm communities. I am from a small rural community that has different needs than larger cities and require different representatives.	District 1.
p3335 (41379)	MI Senate South Central: I believe small communities need to have their own voice.	District 1.
p3336 (41383)	US Congress - MI South Central: We need a US representative that is well versed in small farming communities, as our needs are different than those of bigger metropolitan cities.	District 1.
p3337 (41398)	Calhoun County State House: To keep opinions of smaller populated townships separated from the larger municipalities	District 1.
p3366 (41636)	Keith B's Congressional Plan: These counties are more rural and agricultural than the surrounding counties with larger cities	District 1.
p3104 (40242)	State Senate Map for southwest Michigan: Similar rural areas that have shared common interest & communities	District 19.
c1780 (32175)	Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson Counties: These three counties are close neighbors and friends. We cross county lines for work and pleasure DAILY. Please consider keeping them together as a district. With colleges, shopping, and recreation, these three counties, Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson, benefit each other.	Branch County: Branch and Hillsdale county share county lines and is a shopping district for Hillsdale. It offers another choice for a hospital and many connecting recreational opportunities for Hillsdale residents with all the lakes. Branch county also relies on Hillsdale for the many lakes it has a well. They are close neighbors who share many roads and properties. It is important to keep them in the same dist...
c2448 (36623)	Night life vs in bed early: I wrote description on the map.	In bed by 10: This area is where I live and work. While I love the and appreciate its rural flavor it is very different from my blue color community. Our restaurants close early and are not open on Sundays. Our entertainment options are more park, lake, and trail based rather than flashing lights, shows, and museums.
c2676 (38604)	Battle Creek Veteran Care and Military: Together, these blocks include multiple military bases and veteran-care service organizations, including income-based veteran housing, the VA Hospital and Fort Custer National Cemetery. It is important that these services be redistricted together. Our veterans and military personnel deserve special attention that would be watered down if the establishments were split into two or more districts.	Branch and Calhoun Farmland and Water Resource Care: Together, these blocks represent many farms and rural waterways. The specialized knowledge and expertise needed to protect farmland and related natural resources can be complex and nuanced. Redistricting them together will allow a representative to focus on the unique needs of this district. Southern Calhoun County and northern Branch County have long operated in close friendship from school riv...

c3055 (40037)	2 House Districts within Calhoun County: I am a conservative and do not want to be overshadowed by liberals in Kalamazoo County.	Calhoun County House District 2 with Branch: I am a conservative and do not want to be overshadowed by liberals in Kalamazoo County.
c3073 (40077)	two house district: i live in a rural community and want to keep it that way.	Community 2.
c3075 (40083)	state house districts: Communities of rural values and needs	Community 2.
c3079 (40097)	Proposed Rural Redistricting Of Calhoun: It's imperative that our rural values are represented with the redistricting. Being lumped in with liberal Kalamazoo will eliminate our voice.	Community 2.
c3084 (40103)	Rural: Maintaining representation of the values and concerns that people who reside in our small town and rural areas predominately hold. I have nothing personal against the citizens of the larger urban areas, but their daily concerns are not typically that of the citizens of my rural community. With this in mind, Battle Creek, and the rural community surrounding it, should remain separate from the Cit...	Community 2.
c3090 (40118)	Agricultural and rural: I was a 4H volunteer in my County for over 25 years. As such, I was able to see the inherent differences between urban and rural citizens. I believe that we must keep Battle Creek and its surrounding rural community separate from the greater Kalamazoo area. I want my State Representative to understand the needs and values of my community.	Community 2.
c3100 (40202)	fred's choice: conservative voter who doesn't want to be associated with Kalamazoo.	Community 2.
c3103 (40229)	2 house districts for southwest Michigan: A very competitive district that takes into consideration that these are rural communities with very similar population & business interest. Also, these communities have unique personalities and activities that are not compatible with larger metropolitan areas.	Community 2.
c3185 (40607)	Map for Calhoun County: I am born and raised in Calhoun County and many family and friends are farmers. Calhoun county has a rich farming conservative history which is very different from the liberal Kalamazoo area. Calhoun County is mainly republican and splitting up our county will only dilute our influence and voices.	Community 2.
p3081 (40101)	branch hillsdale calhoun: this is a rural area filled with small towns and collages	District 2.
p3106 (40248)	US HOUSE CONGRESSIONAL SOUTHWEST MI: Rural communities with similar interest, activities, businesses, and population. These communities vary from metropolitan centers that operate very differently & have extremely different issues & concerns.	District 3.

Supporting Data for Cluster C34-1		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1067 (26340)	<p>Vincent R. Elie's Community of Interest: My Community of Interest My name is Vince Elie. I, and my family, live in western Washtenaw County. We live in the city of Chelsea. This is where we raised our children. This area of Washtenaw County holds a deep place within my heart. However, my ties are stronger to Jackson County than to the eastern section of Washtenaw County. I worked in Jackson County. We visit service establishments, r...</p>	<p>Vincent R Elie Community of Interest: My Community of Interest My name is Vince Elie. I, and my family, live in western Washtenaw County. We live in the city of Chelsea. This is where we raised our children. This area of Washtenaw County holds a deep place within my heart. However, my ties are stronger to Jackson County than to the eastern section of Washtenaw County. I worked in Jackson County. We visit service establishments, r...</p>
c1447 (28576)	<p>Existing Regional Partnerships: I think most of the heavy lifting on communities of interest has already been done over the years. What I mean is programs, offices, and agencies have all been aligned based on demographics to create service areas already. To divide these established and working service areas up would do a disservice to the people they serve. For example regional planning commission, the aging agency, the departme...</p>	<p>Existing Regional Partnerships: I think most of the heavy lifting on communities of interest has already been done over the years. What I mean is programs, offices, and agencies have all been aligned based on demographics to create service areas already. To divide these established and working service areas up would do a disservice to the people they serve. For example regional planning commission, the aging agency, the departme...</p>
c1630 (30899)	<p>Lenawee County Community of Interest: Lenawee County which is a border county in southeast and has unique needs and interests which are best represented by ONE state representative. Lenawee County has numerous school districts that coordinate with the county LISD. Lenawee County has small (mostly) township volunteer fire departments who provide mutual aid for each other when needed. Lenawee County has a County Sheriff department that ...</p>	<p>Lenawee County Community of Interest for State Representative district: Map for Community of Interest coments w1174</p>
c1642 (31052)	<p>Katie's border counties: Having lived in southern downriver, I recognize those area relates to more of Monroe counties, and other border counties like lenawee, hillsdale, and beyond, more than it relates to areas like Plymouth or Canton.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c1705 (31342)	<p>NEW Jackson Co SH Distr. -Urban/Suburban: See my written testimony of May 11, 2021. Jackson County should have one state house district that represents the uniquely urban/suburban character of Greater Jackson. This would be more fair than the current two predominantly rural districts.</p>	<p>NEW Jackson Co. State House Dist. - URBAN/suburban: This shows Jackson County's proposed district lines for the state house, drawn in a more fair and more compact way than they are currently. It is more fair because it includes an URBAN/Suburban community (Greater Jackson), with its own unique interests and concerns that differ from outlying rural Jackson County. In other words, Jackson County's urban/suburban area can be considered a COI. See my ...</p>
c1780 (32175)	<p>Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson Counties: These three counties are close neighbors and friends. We cross county lines for work and pleasure DAILY. Please consider keeping them together as a district. With colleges, shopping, and recreation, these three counties, Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson, benefit each other.</p>	<p>Hillsdale County: Small town with a wonderful agricultural fair that residents look forward to every year. We are home to Hillsdale College which greatly impacts the economics of our small town. Residents from both Branch and Jackson consider Hillsdale to be local and we are family. Our roads and properties overlay and we are neighbors.</p>
c1789 (32303)	<p>County wide non-profits: My community of interest is Lenawee County which is on the Ohio border between Hillsdale and Monroe Counties. Lenawee County has just under 100,000 residents. My desire is to keep Lenawee County whole to maintain the cohesiveness within our non-profit community. Our community, Lenawee County, best understands the basic needs and growth of our citizens and therefore, should remain whole. Lenawee Co...</p>	<p>County wide non-profits: I previously submitted a community of interest in regard to the many non-profit organizations in Lenawee County.</p>

c1790 (32301)	<p>Educational Interests: Good Evening, my name is Kristine Yeutter. I live in Adrian and I am a life- long resident of Michigan. I have worked 43 years in education teaching English, Spanish, and English as a Second Language. In my career the partnerships between individual schools districts and the county intermediate schools districts are invaluable. Individual districts and the county ISD rely on each other for in-serv...</p>	<p>Educational Interests: Good Evening, my name is Kristine Yeutter. I live in Adrian and I am a life- long resident of Michigan. I have worked 43 years in education teaching English, Spanish, and English as a Second Language. In my career the partnerships between individual schools districts and the county intermediate schools districts are invaluable. Individual districts and the county ISD rely on each other for in-serv...</p>
c1826 (32481)	<p>Vandercook Lake: This is where I grew up, and where I still live.</p>	<p>Vandercook Lake: This is the town of Vandercook Lake. It is unincorporated but everyone who lives there would agree that it is a community.</p>
c1913 (33023)	<p>Jack's Jackson Hillsdale District: Includes all of Jackson and Hillsdale counties, along with the Albion area to the west and the lake communities in NW Lenawee county. I have lived in Jackson county, Hillsdale County, the Lake areas mentioned, and in Albion and in all locations we considered ourselves part of the Jackson area.</p>	<p>Greater Jackson / Hillsdale area: Includes all of Jackson and Hillsdale counties, along with the Albion area to the west and the lake communities in NW Lenawee county. I have lived in Jackson county, Hillsdale County, the Lake areas mentioned, and in Albion and in all locations we considered ourselves part of the Jackson area.</p>
c1921 (33133)	<p>Southern Border Counties: Those of us in the southern border counties prefer to keep our border counties together since we deal with the same economic situations that living close to neighboring states causes. Many of our state policies and laws are very different from neighboring states. That way our representatives know the issues that affect us first hand and can speak for us when it comes to our concerns. Som...</p>	<p>Southern Border Counties: Those of us in the southern border counties prefer to keep our border counties together since we deal with the same economic situations that living close to neighboring states causes. Many of our state policies and laws are very different from neighboring states. That way our representatives know the issues that affect us first hand and can speak for us when it comes to our concerns. Som...</p>
c1952 (33542)	<p>Jackson / Western Washtenaw county: Outdoor recreation areas physically connected and utilized by Jackson and western Washtenaw county residents.</p>	<p>Jackson / Western Washtenaw Counties: The wonderful community of outdoor recreation, art, and entertainment within Jackson County and western Washtenaw County.</p>
c2268 (35355)	<p>Lenawee Hillsdale and Jackson COI Map: This map represents my community of interest comments submitted in July. The community of interest includes the Region 2 Planning Commission and the Region 2 Area Agency on Aging. Both of these groups work in Lenawee Jackson and Hillsdale Counties to provide services for all three counties and should remain together in the redistricting process.</p>	<p>Lenawee Hillsdale & Jackson Community of Interest: Lenawee, Hillsdale and Jackson Counties community of Interest Map</p>
c2380 (35834)	<p>My South Michigan Map: I was born and raised in South MI and also believe that county lines are a good basis for communities of interest in Michigan. These four communities each share interests and cooperate within themselves in many ways such as government, economy, and tourism. They are also uniquely different from one another due to where they sit on a map. These communities would be a good base for our maps in Michi...</p>	<p>Tri-County South Michigan: Hillsdale, Jackson, and Lenawee counties share a lot as a tri-county area. Many people from the less populated small towns go to Jackson for work and entertainment</p>
c2393 (35929)	<p>Irish Hills: I now live in Southeast Jackson County and, as a concerned resident, I decided to attend the Jackson public hearing. We live in what is known as the Irish Hills. The Irish Hills region encompasses Jackson, Hillsdale, and Lenawee counties.</p>	<p>Irish Hills: Irish Hills is a economic, tourist, recreational, business, and law enforcement region.</p>
c2394 (35945)	<p>R2AAA: I reside in Norvell Township in Jackson County Michigan. I am a Board Member of the Region 2 Area Agency on Aging often referred to as the R2AAA. There are 16 Area Agencies on Aging throughout Michigan created through the Older Americans Act of 1965. The R2AAA officially began in May of 1974 and is comprised of Jackson, Hillsdale and Lenawee Counties. The Mission of the R2AAA is to "improve condit...</p>	<p>R2AAA: Service area for the Region 2 Area Agency on Aging.</p>



c2396 (35958)	Community Mental Health: In Jackson and Hillsdale counties we proudly support our local community mental health association. Lifeways Community Mental Health is a great asset to our region and has already created a defined community.	Lifeways.
c3229 (40886)	Jacob's Boarder District: These communities share with the boarder of different states and have very similar issues they face regarding interstate travel, emergency services, local roads, watershed, and other similar geological factors that these communities share in.	Community 1.
c2560 (37414)	Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.	Southeast MI: Identified as a community of interest in several posts, coupled with Adrian/Monroe Counties.
c1777 (32149)	Sue's Community of Interest: I presented an oral public comment at the commission's meeting held in Jackson, Michigan earlier this year.	Community 2: Hillsdale and Lenawee Counties. These two counties are adjacent to Jackson County with similar agriculture, lakes and parks, moderate central cities, smaller surrounding villages and school systems, culture. Community Action Agency and Catholic Charities already service these three counties showing their close ties.
p1062 (26335)	Jennifer Fairfield State Senate District: This State Senate District combines all of Jackson County and portions of Washtenaw County. Please see my written testimony for an explanation of why I feel this district is appropriate.	District 22.
p1064 (26335)	Jennifer Fairfield State Senate District.	District 22.
c1780 (32175)	Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson Counties: These three counties are close neighbors and friends. We cross county lines for work and pleasure DAILY. Please consider keeping them together as a district. With colleges, shopping, and recreation, these three counties, Hillsdale, Branch, and Jackson, benefit each other.	Jackson County: Jackson provides many shopping choices for both Branch and Hillsdale residents. Jackson is also home to JC, a community college that has a branch in Hillsdale. It is important to keep these two counties in the same commission for many reasons. Another reason is because of the closeness with Hillsdale residents. They are neighbors, close neighbors.

Supporting Data for Cluster C34-2		
Portal Link (Districtr)	Overall Submission Information	Individual Area Information
c1572 (30007)	<p>Keep Monroe, Lenawee, Hillsdale, Jackson: Monroe County should remain in a US House Congressional district with Lenawee, Hillsdale, and Jackson counties. Monroe County has more in common with these counties economically, seeing as they are all situated on the border of Ohio near Toledo. These counties also share a common culture as they are more rural and suburban and see Toledo as the closest major city rather than Detroit. I do not thin...</p>	<p>Keep Monroe with Lenawee, Hillsdale, and Jackson counties: Monroe County should remain in a US House Congressional district with Lenawee, Hillsdale, and Jackson counties. Monroe County has more in common with these counties economically, seeing as they are all situated on the border of Ohio near Toledo. These counties also share a common culture as they are more rural and suburban and see Toledo as the closest major city rather than Detroit. I do not thin...</p>
c1634 (30946)	<p>Southeast Michigan Agricultural/Border: The southeast corner of Michigan has a history of agriculture and a synergy with the bordering communities of Ohio. This area has many small close knit communities with smaller enrollment school districts. There are many family owned farms and small family owned manufacturing and retail businesses.</p>	<p>Southeast Michigan: Southeast Corner of Michigan with an emphasis on agriculture and synergy with bordering areas of Ohio</p>
c1708 (31348)	<p>NEW Jackson Co. SH District - Rural: See my written testimony of May 11, 2021. This map represents a totally rural district comprised of Jackson County's outer-ring townships. This area is a COI having uniquely rural needs and interests, and deserves to be represented in Lansing by a rural state representative. (Jackson's urban/suburban COI should NOT be represented by a rural state rep., but by someone more reflective of the needs...)</p>	<p>NEW Jackson Co. State House district - RURAL: This shows Jackson County's proposed district lines for the state house, drawn in a more fair and more compact way than they are currently. It is more fair because it includes a RURAL community, with its own unique interests and concerns that differ from urban/suburban greater Jackson. In other words, Jackson County's rural townships can be considered a COI. See my written testimony of May 11, 20...</p>
c177 (19257)	<p>VITA and CAA Community of Interest: Community Action Agency and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program operates in the 3 counties of Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale. These should be kept in the same congressional district. VITA clients also come from adjacent counties which should be kept in the same district.</p>	<p>Community 1: Community Action Agency and its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program operates in the 3 counties of Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale. These should be kept in the same congressional district.</p>
c1777 (32149)	<p>Sue's Community of Interest: I presented an oral public comment at the commission's meeting held in Jackson, Michigan earlier this year.</p>	<p>Jackson county: Moderately sized centrally located city surrounded by small communities with own school systems, farm land, lakes and more lakes, source and watersheds of three major rivers, three colleges, parks and museums.</p>
c1787 (32288)	<p>SE Agriculture: I am Galen Engel from Lenawee County, Adrian, Michigan (galen.engel@live.com). I have been a life long farmer growing up here. My Great Grandfather from Germany settled on the southern edge of Palmyra Township in Lenawee where a road is named after the family. My Grandfather established a farm operation in Raisin Township on the border of Raisin and Palmyra Township in Lenawee County. My father wi...</p>	<p>Agriculture in SE Michigan: I am Galen Engel from Lenawee County, Adrian, Michigan (galen.engel@live.com). I have been a life long farmer growing up here. My Great Grandfather from Germany settled on the southern edge of Palmyra Township in Lenawee where a road is named after the family. My Grandfather established a farm operation in Raisin Township on the border of Raisin and Palmyra Township in Lenawee County. My father wi...</p>

c1788 (32296)	Hear our voice: My community highlights how my area relates more to our rural neighbors to the East and West rather than the urban areas to the North.	Hear our voice: Dear Redistricting Committee, My husband and I are lifelong residents of Lenawee County. My husband has his own CPA firm and I have been a teacher at our local public school. I am concerned about two redistricting maps proposed that split Lenawee County down the middle, uniting the eastern half with the Ann Arbor area. The western half is united with the Jackson area. We are a county comprised of ...
c1791 (32306)	Rural County Fairs.	City vs Country: I am Sydney Ann Engel (e-mail sydney.engel@live.com). I live outside Adrian, Michigan in Lenawee County. I am writing as a farmer's wife of 44 years. I also grew up on a farm. I went to the University of Michigan and lived in Ann Arbor so I have some understanding of the difference between city and country life. The focus of life is different in the country with farmers meeting for breakfast in lo...
c1792 (32311)	MI Border: Honorable Commissioners, As a resident of Lenawee County, a border county, and a Certified Public Accountant who deals with complex tax issues and business policies, as well as business regulations for my clients and myself, I am writing to ask that you leave our southern border counties united in the redistricting map—Monroe, Lenawee, Hillsdale, and possibly even Branch for bigger areas of repres...	Border: Honorable Commissioners, As a resident of Lenawee County, a border county, and a Certified Public Accountant who deals with complex tax issues and business policies, as well as business regulations for my clients and myself, I am writing to ask that you leave our southern border counties united in the redistricting map—Monroe, Lenawee, Hillsdale, and possibly even Branch for bigger areas of repes...
c1864 (32715)	Planned water communities: Living in or on a lake area is special and sometimes the interests of lakes, agriculture and cattle farming do not mix, so it would take someone who understands these problems to be able to work through them. It seems that a lot of legislation is directed or concerns, the main lakes and this is not always applicable to smaller lakes and that is why a designated district such as this should be est...	Watersland: This community is made up of a large part of lake communities whose main concern would be continuing to care for the lakes and waterways that make up this area.
c2052 (34778)	River Raisin Watershed: This is a map of the River Raisin Watershed. We share many similar interests - environmental, recreational, economic, etc. These shared interests should have shared representation. I have seen comments and heard talk of splitting up Monroe county from Jackson and Lenawee county. As a resident in the Watershed, this would be disastrous. Why would the commission split the watershed? The environment...	Community 1.
c2318 (35586)	Washtenaw + Western Wayne: As a lifelong resident of rural southern Michigan, border counties, I do not want my representation to be taken away from me by lumping me in with Washtenaw and Western Wayne county. These should be separate. Thank you.	Community 1.
c2491 (37008)	River Raisin: This rural watershed is a COI as water is our most precious resource. The needs of this watershed are far different from neighboring urban watersheds	River Raisin: This watershed heads to Lake Erie, it is a rural area that has worked collaboratively with agriculture to improve the region's water resources. This watershed differs from neighboring watersheds which are much more urban, and have to deal with city issues.
c2495 (37031)	SE rural lifestyle: Monroe, Lenawee, Jackson, and Hillsdale counties are very similar to each other with lifestyle and business. Our region is rural and we choose to live in more rural areas and commute to major cities for things we need.	Lifestyle: Monroe, Lenawee, Jackson, and Hillsdale counties are very similar to each other with lifestyle and business. Our region is rural and we choose to live in more rural areas and commute to major cities for things we need.
c2499 (37042)	Hunting: My family and friends are avid hunters. We hunt land from Monroe to Hillsdale and rural areas of Washtenaw	Hunting: My family and friends are avid hunters. We hunt land from Monroe to Hillsdale and rural areas of Washtenaw



c2500 (37046)	<p>Limestone: My work is based along the southern edge of Michigan. We extract limestone, sand, and gravel which is abundant in the region.</p>	<p>Limestone: My work is based along the southern edge of Michigan. We extract limestone, sand, and gravel which is abundant in the region.</p>
c2569 (37427)	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-16 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...</p>	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-16 - 2020 Census update.</p>
c2570 (37426)	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-17 - 2020 Census: Honorable Commissioners – On August 4th we published (submission 01993) the Fair Maps Project, an effort undertaken by the Michigan AFL-CIO and our 1 million active and retired members over the past seven months to survey union members and their communities in an effort to provide insight on the MICRC's redistricting process. We are in the process of updating our maps to reflect population shifts...</p>	<p>Fair Maps Project - SD-17 - 2020 Census update.</p>
c2635 (35796)	<p>Communities of Southern and Lakeside MI: I was born and raised in Southern Michigan. The people of this rural and agrarian region value small, close-knit communities. The communities near the border of Michigan are distinct in terms of culture, economics, and values from other small communities through the state, as are the lakeside communities where my wife and I enjoy vacationing.</p>	<p>South MI Counties on Border: Southern Michigan Border Community where I live and grew up. These counties form a neat community with similar interests to the rural areas in Ohio and Indiana nearby</p>
c3142 (40436)	<p>Jackson is rural: As a resident of the City of Jackson I know that Jackson is far different than the urban and college town atmospheres to our west, east, and north. Jackson and the county are more relatable to our southern neighbor. Prior to moving to Jackson I lived and worked in Ann Arbor. Ann Arbor is a bright vibrant city, but it is far different than Jackson. People settle in Jackson knowing that it is diffe...</p>	<p>Keep Jackson rural: As a resident of the City of Jackson I know that Jackson is far different than the urban and college town atmospheres to our west, east, and north. Jackson and the county are more relatable to our southern neighbor. Prior to moving to Jackson I lived and worked in Ann Arbor. Ann Arbor is a bright vibrant city, but it is far different than Jackson. People settle in Jackson knowing that it is diffe...</p>
c3143 (40438)	<p>South Central Rural Areas: Having lived in Jackson County for many years, I recognize we have many different challenges than areas like Kalamazoo and Ann Arbor, which face the challenges that come with heavy urbanization. Directly surrounding Jackson County, there are many other rural areas that have the similar makeup, similar industry, similar agriculture, and similar culture. Recently, I have noticed rural Calhoun County...</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c3226 (40868)	<p>Border interests: All the border counties are predominately rural. I know commissioners that are from different parties have expressed support for combining these areas and I want to voice my support for this idea. Thank you.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
c3228 (40875)	<p>Southern Ag Community: As a farmer, this area represents my direct community which is based upon agriculture. This community stretches from the Lake Erie shore across southern Michigan. This extends into Jackson and even rural Calhoun county.</p>	<p>Community 1.</p>
p1394 (27571)	<p>Mason's Irish Hills Plan: The Irish Hills area should exclude major cities like Ann Arbor. Ann Arbor should be included in areas such as Oakland County, due to their economic and cultural similarities. Irish Hills differentiates from Ann Arbor on almost every level of economic and cultural factors.</p>	<p>District 1.</p>

c2501
(37048)

SE MI: These areas are close in proximity but very different. In Ann Arbor and Detroit they have very different interests than we do in Monroe, Adrian, and Hillsdale. Our industries differ too, they are focused on high tech manufacturing and we focus on traditional industrial.

c2560
(37414)

Mapping out "communities of interest": I started this because I was thinking there was no way to accommodate all identified communities of interest, then I decided to draw them out and see. The result is attached - most submissions up to this point are included.

c2794
(38967)

Anthony Eid don't flip flop, use COIs: It seems that Anthony has lost his focus on communities of interest. Last month Mr. Eid said Monroe belongs with border counties and not the urban area. Searching data in the portal people agree. If you search county tags you will find lots of COIs that connect Monroe to Lenawee and additional border counties to the west. You will find very few COIs that make a real connection of Monroe to the urb...

Rural/border: I am born and raised in Monroe county. I know that Monroe doesn't at all relate to area north of us. Our area is rural and covered with villages and small cities. We don't have a major populated urban core.

Jackson & Hillsdale: Identified as community of interest with the Hillsdale community of interest.

River Raisin Watershed: These areas are uniquely connected by the rural watershed.