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WASHTENAW COUNTY

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ELECTION GUIDE

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Gretchen Driskell - Send Her to Fight for Hardworking 7th Congressional District Taxpayers



I am running for Congress for the same reason I ran for City Council, for Mayor, and for State Representative: Because I believe in serving my neighbors and giving a voice to the people in my community. I believe people in my district want a representative who will work for a better Michigan: one who prioritizes education, local businesses, working families, and protecting our treasured natural resources.

I know the people of the 7th Congressional District believe in a uniquely Michigan version of the American Dream. A dream of vibrant communities, world-class public schools, and Michigan businesses offering great jobs to Michigan talent, based in a state with unique beauty and natural resources. People in our community believe in the power of a uniquely American promise—equality of opportunity—and recognize that, even today, this promise remains unfulfilled for far too many in Michigan.

These are not Democratic or Republican values. These are our values. They are the bedrock of Michigan's once and future prosperity. And just as these values deserved a champion in Lansing, they deserve a champion in Washington.

I am running because there is work to be done. For the families that have seen their Michigan dream torn down, let's rebuild it. For the families that have built their own Michigan dream with hard work and determination, let's help them protect it. I'm excited to take that message to every voter in this district, and to ask them for their support as we work to take Michigan values to Washington and rebuild the Michigan dream.

Do you live in the **7th Congressional District**? If you live here, you do:

Augusta Twp Bridgewater Twp Chelsea City Dexter City Dexter Twp
Freedom Twp Lima Twp Lodi Twp Lyndon Twp Manchester Twp Milan City
Northfield Twp Pittsfield Twp Salem Twp Saline City Saline Twp Scio Twp
Sharon Twp Sylvan Twp Webster Twp York Twp

Gretchen Driskell for Congress - votegretchen.com

UNITED STATES CONGRESS - 12th DISTRICT

Debbie Dingell - Continuing the Fight for Michigan's Hardworking *12th District* Taxpayers



Debbie Dingell was elected to represent the 12th District in 2014. Previously, she served as President of D2 Strategies and chair of the Wayne State University (WSU) Board of Governors, to which she was elected statewide in 2006. An active civic and community leader, she is a recognized national advocate for women and children.

Debbie is immediate past chair of the Manufacturing Initiative at the American Automotive Policy Council. For more than 30 years she served one of Michigan's largest employers, the General Motors (GM) Corporation, where she was President of the GM Foundation and a senior executive responsible for public affairs. In her commitment to job creation, Debbie recently led the effort to bring the 10,000 Small Businesses initiative, a \$20 million partnership designed to help create jobs and economic growth, to southeast Michigan.

With values instilled by her Catholic education, Debbie's activism took root in her passion for issues important to women and children. She successfully fought to have women included in federally-funded health research, and advocated for greater awareness of issues directly related to women's health, including breast cancer and women's heart health. She is a founder and past chair of the National Women's Health Resource Center and the Children's Inn at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). She has served on numerous boards related to women's issues including the advisory boards for the NIH Panel for Women's Research, the Michigan Women's Economic Club, the Susan B. Komen Foundation, and the board of the Michigan Women's Foundation. She was a co-founder of both the first Race for the Cures in Michigan and in Washington, D.C.

Debbie leads a number of efforts and initiatives related to young people and education stemming from her role as a WSU Governor and co-chair of the Children's Leadership Council, a business-led advocacy group that promotes investment in early childhood education. She chaired the Michigan Infant Mortality Task Force, the Baby Your Baby public education campaign that reduced infant mortality rates in Michigan, and has served on the board of Michigan's Children, the only statewide independent voice working to ensure that public policies are made in the best interest of children from cradle to career. She was appointed by Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm to serve on the Early Childhood Investment Corporation and the Cherry Commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth.

Debbie is a member of the Democratic National Committee and has chaired numerous political campaigns. Much of her recent work has been focused on ethical issues and social responsibility as they relate to government and business. She co-chaired One United Michigan, which sought to preserve and support programs that ensure equal opportunity in Michigan. She chairs the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition, a statewide organization that brings business, labor and government together to find commonality on issues. She continues to serve on the Parade Company board of directors of which she is past chair, where she helped save America's Thanksgiving Parade, an important Detroit tradition. A known "bridge-builder," she continues to promote and lead efforts toward greater understanding among people of differing points of views and backgrounds.

Debbie is a respected voice in Michigan. She co-hosted Detroit Public Television's "Am I Right," regularly served as a panelist on "Flashpoint," a public affairs program on WDIV-TV4 Detroit, and was named one of the 100 Most Influential Women in Michigan by Crain's Detroit Business. She resides in Dearborn with her husband Congressman John D. Dingell of Michigan. She holds both a B.S.F.S. in Foreign Services and an M.S. in Liberal Studies from Georgetown University.

Do you live in the 12th Congressional District? If you live here, you do:

Ann Arbor City Ann Arbor Twp Pittsfield Twp Superior Twp Ypsilanti City
Ypsilanti Twp

Debbie Dingell for Congress - debbiedingellforcongress.com

Can't make it on Election Day?



**VOTE
Absentee**

Request an ABSENTEE BALLOT from
your City Clerk or Township Clerk

or online at: **www.michigan.gov/sos**
and look for Election & Voter Information



**"It's a simple but powerful idea.
We are stronger together."**

—Hillary Clinton



VOTE *for the* UNIVERSITY BOARDS

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for TRUSTEE
DIANNE BYRUM
DIANN WOODARD

WAYNE STATE
UNIVERSITY

for GOVERNOR
MARK GAFFNEY
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LAURENCE DEITCH

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District 52 - Donna Lasinski votedonnalasinski.com



A resident of Scio Township for 20 years, Donna has been a leader on education issues, from working to strengthen early childhood and K-12 education as a parent advocate working with Success by Six and the Great Start Collaborative, to serving as treasurer of the Ann Arbor School Board.

Education is in Donna's DNA. She's been a PTO volunteer, a state policy advisor, school board treasurer and an education entrepreneur. As a mom, Donna saw kids forget a lot of what they learned during the school year over the summer and end up slipping behind. With business degrees from both U of M and Northwestern, she launched ThinkStretch to provide parents, educators and students simple tools to stop the summer brain drain and close the achievement gap. Everyone says education should be Lansing's highest priority. With Donna you can trust that it will be – day in and day out.

Donna and her husband Mike are both successful small business owners, and they are raising their three boys in a tradition of leadership, entrepreneurship and community service. Always positive, engaged and easily approachable, Donna has a track record of building partnerships to solve problems -- skills and an attitude we need more of in Lansing today.

As your state representative, Donna will make sure Washtenaw residents have the tools and support they need to be secure and successful. She'll do it by reaching across the aisle and out to partners throughout our state. The people of Michigan deserve leaders who put our needs at the top of the agenda.

*Do you live in the **52nd House District**? If you live here, you do:*

Bridgewater Twp Chelsea City Dexter City Dexter Twp Freedom Twp
Lima Twp Lodi Twp Lyndon Twp Manchester Twp Northfield Twp
Pittsfield Twp Salem Twp Saline City Saline Twp Scio Twp Sharon Twp
Sylvan Twp Webster Twp

District 53 - Yousef Rabhi voterabhi.com



Yousef Rabhi is a Democratic Candidate for State Representative in Michigan's 53rd State House District, in the City of Ann Arbor. Since 2011, he has served the community as a Washtenaw County Commissioner, leading the Board as its Chair during the 2013-14 board term. Yousef is currently serving his third term after winning his reelection with over 82% of the vote.

Born in Ypsilanti and raised in Ann Arbor, Yousef attended Ann Arbor Public Schools, attending Northside, Bach Open, Clague, and Huron High School. Upon graduation, Yousef attended the University of Michigan where he worked for social change as an activist in the peace, labor and environmental movements. He earned a degree in Environmental Science specializing in Urban Planning and Ecosystem Management.

Inspired by his activism and his passion for the Ann Arbor community, Yousef declared his candidacy for the County Board of Commissioners and launched his first political campaign at the age of 21 during his senior year at Michigan. After many months of knocking doors, making phone calls and connecting with voters, Yousef won his first election. A few weeks after graduating from Michigan, Yousef was sworn into his first term on the Board and elected as the Board's Working Session Chair, leading the Board through many important deliberations.

In his second term, Yousef was elected by his peers to be Chair of the Board of Commissioners. During his tenure leading the Board, the County was able to secure stable 10-year labor agreements, the first-ever balanced 4-year budget, and a AAA Bond rating for the first time in the County's history. Once the County was on stable fiscal footing, Yousef turned to helping build a more equitable community. He spearheaded the creation of the first Municipal ID program in the Midwest and shepherded the development of the Washtenaw Dental Clinic, which serves uninsured and Medicaid eligible residents.

*Do you live in the **53rd House District**? If you live here, you do:*

Ann Arbor City (south of Huron Street)



VOTE State School Board

President John Austin
for Member Ish Ahmed

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

District 54 - Ronnie Peterson peterson4rep.com



I believe in transparency and accountability where campaign finance and government operations are conducted with true openness. Governing in the real world requires leadership, passion, commitment, collaboration and hands-on experience. I am asking for your vote to continue serving as a strong voice for economic development and regional cooperation in greater Ypsilanti. I am a champion for promoting well-being, a healthy community and the "quality of life" by fighting for regional recreational programs including the addition of numerous bicycle and walking trails in our Washtenaw Eastern County Park System. I am an early supporter of the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority's county-wide transportation system providing low cost travel to work and educational opportunities for residents.

I am committed to improving public education for Michigan residents from Head Start to technical and post-secondary opportunities. I believe all Michigan citizens are entitled to an affordable, quality education. I am steadfast and committed to bringing good paying jobs, new businesses and economic development to the greater Ypsilanti community. I strongly support protecting retirement and pension benefits from taxation and providing resources for senior citizens. I will continue advocating and working diligently to increase funding for public and mental health services. I believe public safety can improve through law enforcement community engagement programs and investing in measures to reduce poverty.

*Do you live in the **54th House District**? If you live here, you do:*

Superior Twp Ypsilanti City Ypsilanti Twp

District 55 - Adam Zemke adamzemke.com



State Representative Adam F. Zemke is serving his second term representing Michigan's 55th House District, which includes the northern part of the city of Ann Arbor, a portion of the city of Milan, and the townships of Ann Arbor, Augusta, Pittsfield and York. He sits on the Appropriations Committee, and serves as minority vice chair on the Education Committee.

Before serving in the Legislature, Zemke worked as an engineer in the aerospace, defense and automotive fields. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the College of Engineering at Michigan State University. Zemke has served on the Dexter Township Public Safety Advisory Committee, the city of Ann Arbor's Housing and Human Services Advisory Board and the Washtenaw County Community Action Board.

A fifth-generation Washtenaw County resident, Zemke graduated from Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor and has lived in the community his entire life.

*Do you live in the **55th House District**? If you live here, you do:*

Ann Arbor City (north of Huron Street) Ann Arbor Twp Augusta Twp
Milan City Pittsfield Twp York Twp

DON'T FORGET *the* NONPARTISAN STATE SUPREME COURT



VOTE
State Supreme Court

JUDGE DEBORAH THOMAS • JUDGE FRANK SZYMANSKI

OFFICIAL BALLOT - General Election - Tuesday, November 8, 2016
Washtenaw County, Michigan - Ann Arbor Township, Precinct 1H55C2

you **CAN**
 vote straight ticket
 (but if you do,
 don't forget to do
 the **NONPARTISAN**
 sections)

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this could be different
see page 12 for your local
school board members

COMMUNITY COLLEGE	COUNTY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE Vote for not more than 2	PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE TAX LIMITATION FOR THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING WASHTENAW COUNTY'S OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL RELIEF AND SERVICES FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY VETERANS, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF ELIGIBLE INDIGENT VETERAN CLAIMS, AND TO FUND THE OPERATION OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Article 9, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed one-tenth of one mill (\$0.10 per \$1,000) of state equalized valuation of such property for eight (8) years beginning with the December 1, 2018 tax levy (which will generate estimated revenues of \$1,535,993 in the first year of the millage) for the purpose of funding Washtenaw County's obligation to provide financial relief and services for Washtenaw County veterans, including the payment of eligible indigent veteran claims, and to fund the administration of the Washtenaw County Department of Veterans Affairs?
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PROPOSAL SECTION COUNTY PROPOSITION TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVYING OF .50 MILLS TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO MAINTAIN, RECONSTRUCT, RESURFACE, OR PRESERVE ROADS, BIKE LANES, STREETS, AND PATHS Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 8, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed one-half of one mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of state taxable valuation) for a period of four (4) years, beginning with the December 1, 2018 tax levy (which will generate estimated revenues of \$7,302,406 in the first year), to provide funding to the Washtenaw County Road Commission, Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission, and the various cities, villages, and townships of Washtenaw County to maintain, construct, resurface, reconstruct, or preserve roads, bike lanes, streets, and paths in Washtenaw County?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

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Democratic clubs at the time of printing

VOTE BOTH FRONT AND BACK OF BALLOT

WASHTENAW COUNTYWIDE OFFICIALS

Prosecuting Attorney Brian Mackie



Brian L. Mackie is the Washtenaw County prosecuting attorney. A Democrat, he was elected to his first four-year term in November 1992, taking office on Jan. 1, 1993.

The prosecuting attorney's office is responsible for all felonies and misdemeanors charged under state law, as well as juvenile delinquency proceedings, terminations of parental rights for abuse and neglect of children and mental health commitments. The office's civil division establishes paternity and child support obligations, and a special unit is devoted to the prosecution of domestic violence and criminal sexual conduct.

Mackie is a member of the Michigan Prosecutors Association and has served as its president. He serves on the board of directors for Dawn Farm, which provides services for addicts and alcoholics seeking recovery.

Mackie is married to Joan Doughty, executive director of the Ann Arbor-based Community Action Network (CAN).

Sheriff Jerry Clayton



Jerry Clayton is the Washtenaw County Sheriff. He was first elected in November 2008 in a countywide race, and re-elected in 2012.

Prior to his election, Clayton served in the sheriff's office for 20 years before retiring in 2006. His service included serving as the Washtenaw County Jail administrator just before his retirement. His career also included assignments/appointments as a Corrections Officer, Deputy Sheriff, Shift Sergeant, Operations Lieutenant, County Court Security Commander, SWAT Team Commander, Corrections Division Commander and Police Services Division Commander.

He has been a certified criminal justice trainer and instructor for more than sixteen years, specializing in a multitude of subject areas including: use of force disciplines, physical training, special weapons and tactics, cultural diversity, preventing racial profiling, and in the areas of staff management and supervision, developing customer service delivery strategies, and organizational leadership. He provided consulting services to the U.S. Department of Justice- National Institute of Corrections, assisting in the development and delivery of various training curricula to local, state and federal correctional agencies throughout the United States. Clayton lives in Ypsilanti Township with his wife, Sybil.

Clerk & Register of Deeds Lawrence Kestenbaum



Larry Kestenbaum is Washtenaw County's Clerk and Register of Deeds. Before becoming county clerk – a full-time position – Kestenbaum worked as a senior archive specialist for University of Michigan's Survey Research Center at the Institute for Social Research.

Kestenbaum was elected to his first four-year term as county clerk in November 2004, taking office on Jan. 1, 2005 after defeating long-time Republican clerk Peggy Haines. He became the first Democrat to hold that office in 72 years. The register of deeds office manages property records for the county, while the clerk's office maintains all vital records – deaths, births and marriages – as well as oversees elections and manages weapons permits and court records. The office also maintains records for the county board of commissioners and the 22nd Circuit Court.

On Saturday, March 22, 2014, following a U.S. District Court ruling that Michigan's ban on same sex marriage was unconstitutional, Kestenbaum was one of four Michigan county clerks to open for special hours while the ruling was in effect. His office issued marriage licenses to 74 gay and lesbian couples.

Kestenbaum is married to Janice Gutfreund. They are active members of Temple Beth Emeth in Ann Arbor.

Treasurer Catherine McClary



Catherine McClary is the Washtenaw County treasurer, a full-time elected position. McClary has held the treasurer's office since Jan. 1, 1997.

The county treasurer is authorized by the Michigan Constitution and state law to serve as the county's banker and investment officer. The treasurer's primary responsibilities are to safeguard public funds and to collect and account for the revenue used to operate programs for county residents.

By virtue of her role as treasurer, McClary also serves on the county's election commission. She has served on a variety of volunteer boards and commissions, including the task force on sustainable housing; the Adoptive and Foster Parents Support Group; the Government Finance Officers Association (former member of its executive board); the Michigan Government Finance Officer Association (former board member); and the Michigan Association of County Treasurers (former board member).

Prior to her election as Washtenaw County treasurer, McClary worked in the private sector as a stockbroker and investment advisor. McClary is married to Mike Merrick.

Water Resources Commissioner Evan Pratt



Evan Pratt is the Washtenaw County water resources commissioner, a full-time elected position. Pratt was elected to his first four-year term in November 2012. He replaced long-time water resources commissioner Janis Bobrin, who did not seek re-election and who endorsed Pratt in the race.

The county's office of the water resources commissioner oversees a range of programs and services, including design, construction & maintenance of more than 500 county drains; emergency flood response; maintenance of seven court set lake levels; financing drain projects through sale of notes and bonds; recovering costs of operation by levying special assessments on private property, local government, and others who benefit from drainage and storm water management improvement projects; implementing the federally-mandated Phase II Stormwater Permit Program; reviewing & approving plans for private storm water systems in new developments and redevelopments; soil erosion and sedimentation control; public works programs; watershed plan development and implementation; and public education programs, including the Community Partners for Clean Streams Program, RiverSafe Homes Program, and Rain Garden Program. Pratt plays the saxophone, and performs at local venues. He is married to Ann Taylor-Pratt.

WASHTENAW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District 1 - Kent Martinez-Kratz

Communities: Chelsea City, Dexter City, Dexter Twp, Lima Twp, Lyndon Twp, Scio Twp, Sylvan Twp



Commissioner Martinez-Kratz has lived in Michigan for the past 48 years and has called Chelsea home since 1998. In 1990, Kent married his wife, Marina Martinez-Kratz, who is a Professor of Nursing at Jackson Community College. Kent is a proud parent to three children, Max 15, Jesse 14, and Sierra 9, who all attend school in the Chelsea School District. As a family, they share a love of gardening, running, reading, and politics.

Kent has proudly served the citizens of Chelsea, Michigan since 2005, when he

was elected to the Chelsea City Council. Kent's Chelsea City Council service included liaison to the Chelsea School Board, liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and he served as a Chelsea Recreation Board member.

Kent is a graduate of Michigan State University and completed a Master's Degree in Education from Eastern Michigan University. Following in his parent's footsteps, Kent is certified as a special education teacher and holds an Emotionally Impaired Endorsement. He has dedicated his life to helping children with unique learning needs and works every day to inspire children of all levels to reach their fullest potential.

District 4 - Felicia Brabec

Communities: Pittsfield Twp, Ypsilanti Twp



Commissioner Brabec earned her doctorate in Clinical Psychology from The Illinois School of Professional Psychology, her master's in Clinical Social Work from Boston College and her bachelor's degree in Sociology and Anthropology from Saint Mary's of Notre Dame. She is a local small business owner who runs her private practice in Washtenaw County.

Commissioner Brabec believes that in order to thrive, a community needs good education, human service and public

safety systems as well as a healthy economy.

Commissioner Brabec strives to accurately represent her constituents' issues at the board table. She views herself as a conduit between residents and the information they need to address and resolve issues. Commissioner Brabec recognizes that the financial difficulties facing the county are important to her constituents. She has and continues to work with her colleagues and county staff to address the county's financial issues so that the county remains financially viable.

Commissioner Brabec lives in Pittsfield Township with her husband, David, and their two young children.

Website: FeliciaBrabec.com

District 2 - Michelle Deatrick

Communities: Ann Arbor Twp, Barton Hills, Northfield Twp, Salem Twp, Superior Twp, Webster Twp



Michelle Deatrick cares deeply about the people and land of Washtenaw County. She will be a strong advocate for good-paying jobs, safe water, and better roads. A co-founder of the Michigan Small Farm Council with experience building her family's consulting business, Michelle understands the importance of supporting local businesses and of fighting policies that threaten our small farms and natural areas. The Pail-Gelman dioxane groundwater plume in Ann Arbor endangers the county's economy—and the health and property of many. Michelle

is a problem solver who will bring people together and work for increased monitoring and remediation.

Michelle is dedicated to serving our community. She is a former Peace Corps teacher and has lived in Superior Township for 13 years with her husband and two children. Michelle holds degrees in Education Policy and Literature and is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where she teaches at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.

Website: VoteMichelleDeatrick.com

District 5 - Ruth Ann Jamnick

Communities: Augusta Twp, Ypsilanti Twp



My entire working career has been in our governing processes as an employee and elected official. I am honored to now serve as our Washtenaw County Commissioner for District 5.

As an employee, I worked in the Ypsilanti Township Treasurer's Office, Washtenaw County Road Commission and Pittsfield Township. As an elected official, I served as Ypsilanti Township Treasurer 1976-1998, Michigan State Representative, 54th District 1999-2004

and Ypsilanti Township Supervisor, 2004-2008.

I sincerely appreciate the confidence people have had in my ability to understand our governing processes and am looking forward to learning more about our County Government. Washtenaw County is a vibrant County which impacts all of our residents, local units of government and businesses. I take my responsibilities seriously and appreciate this opportunity to serve in government once again.

Website: RaJamnick.com

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WASHTENAW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District 6 - Ricky Jefferson

Communities: Ypsilanti City



I served on the Ypsilanti City Council 2010-2014, SEMCOG, Michigan Municipal League Governance Committee, VantagePort: the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Corporation, Washtenaw Prison Re-entry Steering Committee, Friends of Rutherford Pool, the Joe Dulin Day/Parkridge Summer Festival Committee, President of the Association of African American Contractors of Washtenaw County and on the UAW Local 735 Chaplaincy Committee. I completed Level 1 of the Elected Officials Academy offered by MML. After Graduating from Ypsilanti Public Schools in 1976,

I secured employment at GMC Willow Run Powertrain where I retired in 2009 after 32 years of service.

As a husband to my wife Sharon, father of five daughters, a grandfather to 17 and great grandfather to one, I am motivated to serve the people in my community. My family have been citizens of Washtenaw County since the early 1900's. Residents of Washtenaw County don't all live together in one house but we are all governed by the same policies and enjoy having access to the some of the best resources and services any County has to offer. I want to help maintain cost-effective resources and public services. This will be a challenge because the County is receiving less funding from the State. I will advocate for workforce development, senior services, mental health and low income family related issues.

Website: rjefferson734.wixsite.com/voterickyjefferson

District 8 - Jason Morgan

Communities: Ann Arbor City



The son of a commercial fisherman and school lunch aide, Jason Morgan was raised in Pinconning, Michigan. By working part-time and thanks to scholarships, Jason worked his way through college, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Northern Michigan University.

Jason is the former Director of Government and Community Relations at Washtenaw Community College (WCC), where he was responsible for leading the College's government

and community outreach in coordination with local, state and federal officials, as well as civic leaders and community organizations. Prior to joining WCC in 2013, he was an aide to Congressman John Dingell, serving as the Congressman's liaison to Washtenaw County and managing education-related casework for the Congressman's district.

Jason's passion is serving the community with particular focus on addressing economic inequality, public safety and economic and community development.

Website: VoteJasonMorgan.com

District 7 - Andy LaBarre

Communities: Ann Arbor City,
Ann Arbor Twp



Born in Ann Arbor, Andy is a lifelong Washtenaw resident and a Pioneer High School graduate. Commissioner LaBarre earned his B.A. in Religion and Political Science from Wittenberg University and his Masters of Public Administration from Eastern Michigan University. Andy works at the A2Y Regional Chamber and previously served on staff of U.S. Senator Carl Levin (2004) and Congressman John D. Dingell from 2005-2011, most recently as his District Administrator. His past public service includes work on various board and committees, including the Ann Arbor Housing Commission; SOS

Community Services Board; Center for Occupational and Personalized Education (C.O.P.E.), Advisory Board; Washtenaw Eastern Leaders Group; and the Washtenaw Success By 6 Leadership Commission.

Commissioner LaBarre is excited about the opportunity to serve and hopes to work on critical issues, including protection of human services, enhancement of environmental health and access, and efforts to make Washtenaw County a better place for its residents and a more attractive location for young people. Andy lives in northern Ann Arbor with his wife Megan (a special education teacher at Dexter High School), son Declan, daughter Delaney and dogs, Yogi and Monster.

Website: AndyLaBarre.com

District 9 - Conan Smith

Communities: Ann Arbor City



Commissioner Smith earned his B.A. in Creative Writing and Literature at the University of Michigan's Residential College and served as a speech writer on the Democratic staff of the Michigan Speaker of the House. He directed land programs with the Michigan Environmental Council for six years before becoming the executive director at the Michigan Suburbs Alliance, a nonprofit coalition of city governments focused on intergovernmental cooperation, where he works today.

An ardent environmentalist, Commissioner Smith is a nationally recognized leader on

land use, transportation and energy issues. He has served on the board of directors for Smart Growth America and remains a National Fellow in the Environmental Leadership Program. In 2009, Commissioner Smith was honored by the state's Clean Cities Coalitions as with their Michigan Clean Transportation Community Leader Award.

Recognizing the increasing importance of energy policy to global economic and environmental sustainability, Commissioner Smith has been appointed by Governors Rick Snyder and Jennifer Granholm to serve on the Michigan Utility Consumer Participation Board, which supports interventions in public utility rate cases to protect residential consumer interests. He also serves as the founding Board President of Michigan Saves, a statewide nonprofit established by the Michigan Public Service Commission to finance energy efficiency projects; as Board Treasurer of the Southeast Michigan Regional Energy Office, a nonprofit collaboration of more than 20 local governments supporting renewable energy and energy efficiency policy and projects; and on the executive committee of Climate Communities, a national coalition of cities and counties that is educating federal policymakers about the essential role of local governments in curbing greenhouse gas emissions.



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14A District Court Judge

Public Defender Robin Stephens
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REGIONAL TRANSIT MILLAGE

This new regional transit millage would be collected in addition to the existing SMART and AAATA transit millages. The Master Plan would result in a regional transit millage of 1.2 mills. When approved by voters, the millage would begin in 2017. The regional transit millage would be collected in addition to the existing transit millages in the SMART and AAATA service areas. If the millage is approved by voters, all municipalities within the four county RTA jurisdiction would pay the millage. Communities would not have the option to "opt out" of the millage.

ESTIMATED COST

The 1.2 regional transit millage will cost \$1.20 in property tax for every \$1,000 of taxable value of a home.

For the average household in Southeast Michigan with a taxable value of \$78,856, this will cost about **\$95 per year, or less than \$8 per month.**

- ☒ **Local bus service expansion**
- ☒ **Commuter express buses**
- ☒ **Airport express buses from A2-DTW**
- ☒ **Commuter rail from Chelsea-Detroit, stopping in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti**



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Anna Zinkel
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Roderick Casey
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LOCAL MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Ann Arbor City Council

Ward 1 - Sumi Kailasapathy
Ward 2 - Kirk Westphal
Ward 3 - Julie Grand
Ward 4 - Graydon Krapohl
Ward 5 - Chuck Warpehoski

Ann Arbor Township

Supervisor - Michael Moran
Clerk - Rena Basch
Trustees - John Allison
Claudia Sedmak

Augusta Township

Supervisor - Ira Todd
Clerk - Belynda Domas
Treasurer - Susan Burek
Trustees - Linda Adams
Cath Howard
Ray Knick
Christopher Ortiz

Lyndon Township

Clerk - Linda Lou Reilly
Trustees - Robert Mester

Manchester Township

Trustees - Robert Seefeld

Northfield Township

Supervisor - John Zarzecki
Trustees - Udo O.J. Huff
Margaret Riddell
Susan Shink
Patrick Tetreau

Pittsfield Township

Supervisor - Mandy Grewal
Clerk - Michelle Anzaldi
Treasurer - Patricia Tupacz Scribner
Trustees - Linda Edwards-Brown

Yameen Jaffer
Gerald Krone
George Ralph

Parks Commission -

Joan Coxton
Deborah Hoffman
Christopher Loffus
Tanya Padgett
Theresa Tupacz

Scio Township

Supervisor - Jack Knowles
Clerk - Nancy Hedberg
Treasurer - Donna Palmer
Trustees - Christine Green
Kathleen Knol
Irwin Martin
David Read

Local Public School Boards



Ann Arbor
Simone Lightfoot

Chelsea
Susie Catherman

Ypsilanti Community
Steve Gray & Sharon Lee

Superior Township

Supervisor - Ken Schwartz
Clerk - Lynette Findley
Treasurer - Brenda McKinney
Trustees - Nancy Caviston

Rodrick Green
Lisa Lewis
Alex Williams

Parks Commission -

Paula Jefferson
Martha Kern-Boprie
Terry Lee Lansing
Sandi Lopez
Marion Morris
Lindsey Wooten
Bernedia Word

Sylvan Township

Clerk - Kathleen Kennedy
Trustees - Roy Schmidt

Ypsilanti City Council

Ward 2 - Beth Bashert
Ward 3 - Peter Murdock

Ypsilanti Township

Supervisor - Brenda Stumbo
Clerk - Karen Lovejoy Roe
Treasurer - Larry Doe
Trustees - Stan Eldridge

Heather Jarrell Roe
Monica Ross Williams
Jimmie Wilson Jr

Parks Commission -

Edward Burnett
Gloria Peterson
David Streeter
Debbie Swanson

WASHTENAW COUNTY BALLOT PROPOSALS

Roads Proposal

- Would levy 0.5 mill, Estimated to raise \$7.3 million in the first year for roads, bike lanes, streets and paths.
- Fund nearly 200 miles of road improvements over the next 4 years.
- 50% of projects funded by tax in cities and villages & 25% in the county's townships are required to include a non-motorized component.
- The average homeowner would pay about \$35 per year, according to the Washtenaw County Road Commission.
- Will REPLACE a current 0.5 mill road tax levied by the county.

Veterans Services Proposal

- Fund financial aid, services, eligible indigent veterans claims, and administration of Washtenaw County's VA.
- County currently levies 0.037 mill veterans tax without a vote of the people, this proposal would levy 0.1 mill.