



Draw My CA Community Training

California Citizens Redistricting Commission

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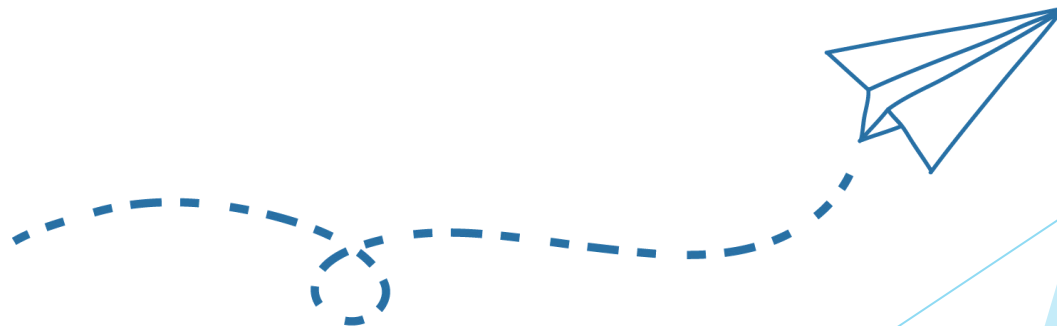


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California Citizens Redistricting Commission

- ▶ Why is redistricting important?
- ▶ Why should you be involved?
- ▶ Your role in the process

Redistricting has been used at times to exclude communities from political power. By fully participating in and monitoring the upcoming redistricting process, more communities may have a better opportunity to elect candidates of their choice who will voice their needs and interests.



*Your Voice
Your Choice*

How Redistricting Affects You

Power to the People



Champion Your Issues



Funding Priorities



Community Boundaries



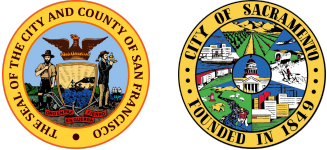
Different Redistricting Efforts



State—Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly, and Board of Equalization.



Counties—58 counties, some with their own process.



Cities—482 cities, some with their own process.



School Districts—1037 school districts, some with their own process.

Other Redistricting Efforts—water districts, community college districts, etc.



6 Line Drawing Criteria by Order

The Commission must follow these weighted criteria in this order when drawing district maps:

1 Equal Population Districts must be of equal population to comply with the US Constitution.	2 Voting Rights Act Districts must comply with the Voting Rights Act to ensure that minorities have an equal opportunity to elect representatives of their choice.	3 Contiguity Districts must be drawn so that all parts of the district are connected to each other.
4 Communities of Interest Districts must minimize the division of cities, counties, neighborhoods, and communities of interest to the extent possible	5 Geographically Compact Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant populations. This requirement refers to density, not shape.	6 Nesting Districts Where practicable each Senate District should be comprised of two complete and adjacent Assembly Districts and Board of Equalization districts shall be composed of 10 complete and adjacent State Senate Districts.

In addition, the place of residence of any incumbent or political candidate may not be considered in the creation of a map, and districts may not be drawn for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.

Communities of Interest (COI)

- ▶ **Communities of Interest (COI)**--A community of interest is a concentrated population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation.
- ▶ Examples include culture, areas in which the people share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have similar work opportunities, or have access to the same media.
- ▶ People can belong to multiple communities of interest.
- ▶ Community of Interest is not the same as a district but are key building blocks of districts.



Participating in the Process

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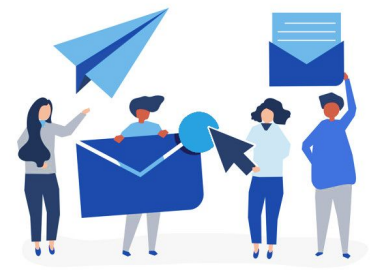
DESCRIBE
your community

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DRAW
your community on a map

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SEND
your testimony directly to
the Commission


Provide your input today at:
DrawMyCACommunity.org




Getting Started: DrawMyCACommunity.org


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 Languages 



Welcome to Draw My CA Community!






Getting started

LOGIN

CONTINUE AS GUEST

Need an account? [Sign up here.](#)



If you log in, you will be able to save a draft of your work to return to later and you will be able to view any community you have already submitted to the Commission.

If you continue as a guest, you do not need to create an account or log in, but you will not be able to save your work to return to later. Guest users can create an account or log in to their pre-existing account at any time.

My Community

1. Describe your community



Give your community a name*

Required

Tell us about your community. What are your shared interests? What brings you together? What is important to your community?*

Required

Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with?
Nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with?
Why or why not?

Is there anything else you can tell us about your community?

2. Draw your community



Describe Your Community

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What are your shared interests?

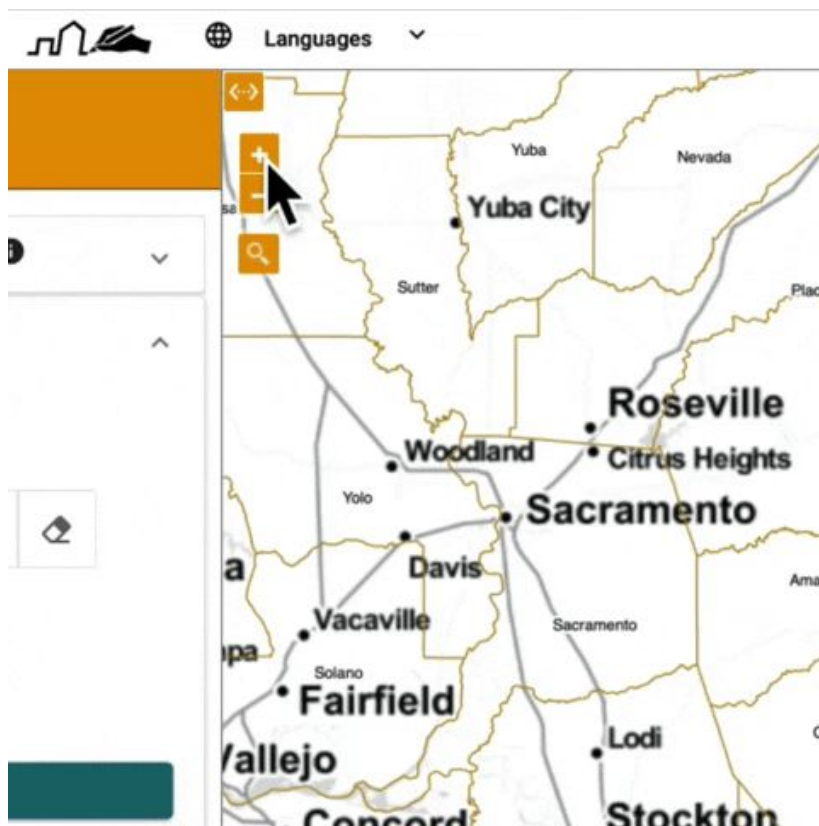
What is important to your community?

Are there nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with?

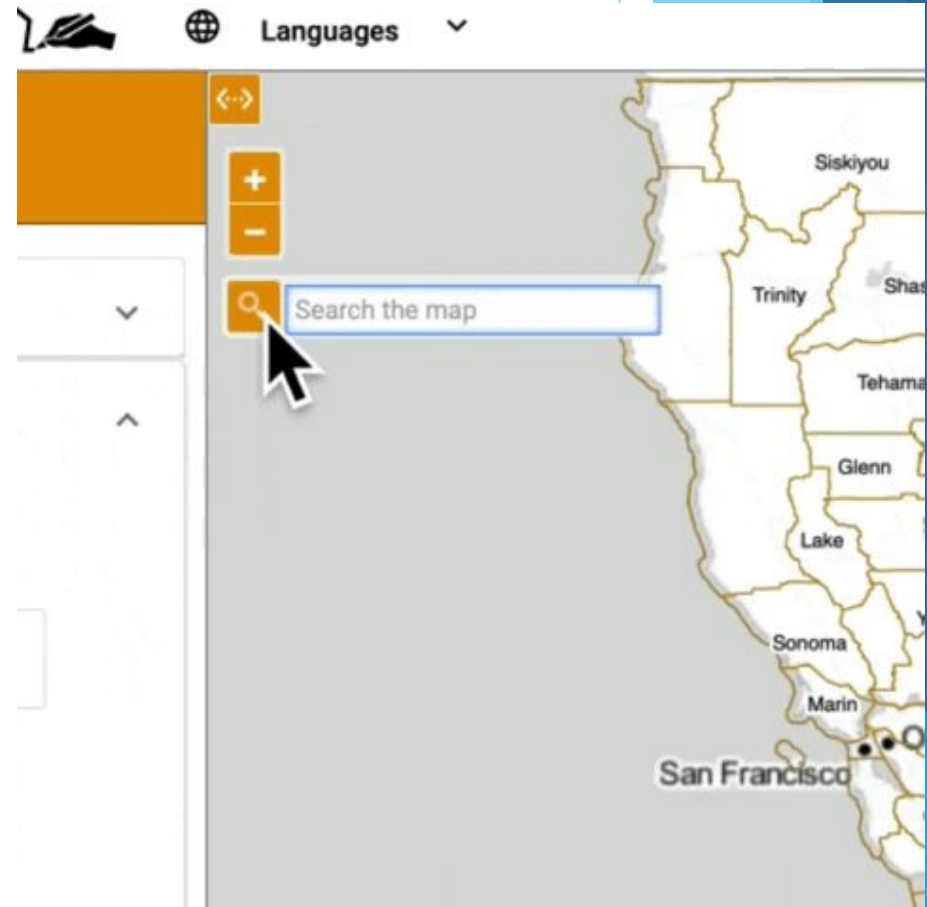
Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with?

Draw Your Community

Zooming In/Out



Searching



Draw Your Community

Example Drawing Layer

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Move
Map

Add by
Clicking

Add by
Rectangle

Add by
Freehand

Remove
Area

2. Draw your community

Drawing tools



Drawing layer



Counties

Choose drawing layer?

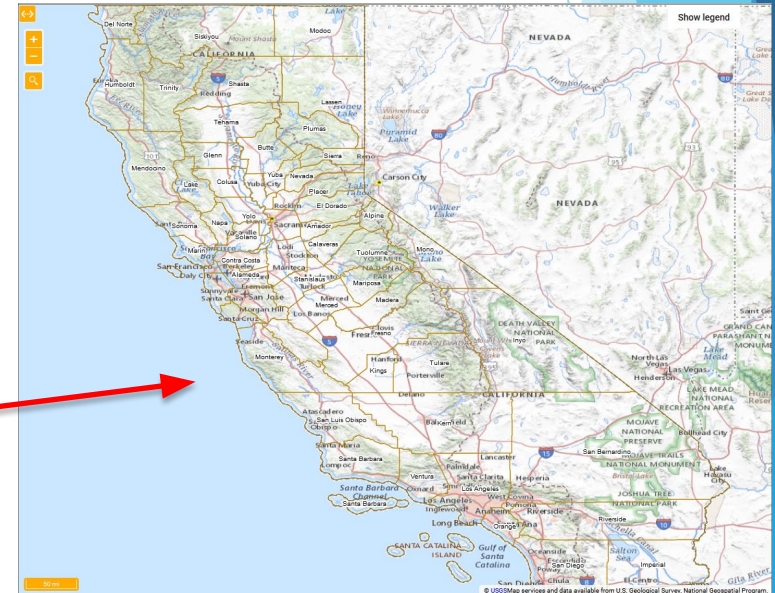
Counties

Basemap style

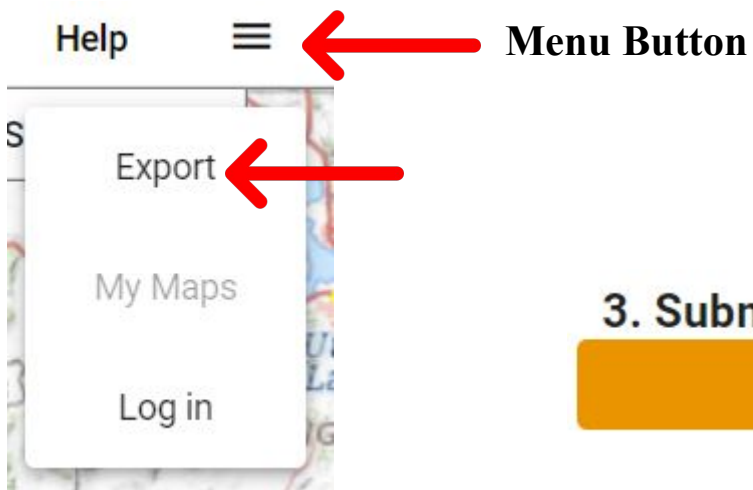


Colorful

Example Basemap



Exporting, Saving and Submitting Your Input



3. Submit your community

Save

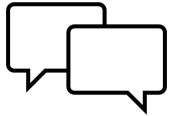
Submit



How to Get More Assistance



Tutorial



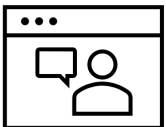
Chat with Tech Support



[User Guides](#)



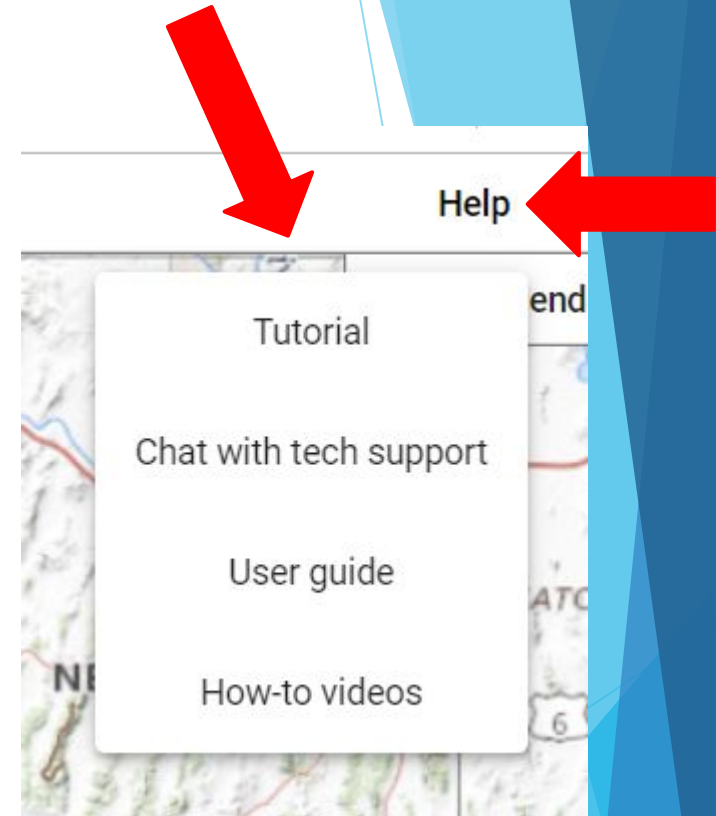
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New Redistricting Tools - Coming Soon

Draw My CA Districts (online tool)

- Available online just like drawmycacommunity.org
- Free to use; no license needed
- For those who want to draw Senate, Assembly, Congressional and Board of Equalization districts
- Available in English and Spanish

Draw My CA Plugin for QGIS (desktop GIS software)

- Free downloadable redistricting software with full GIS capabilities; no license needed
- For those who want to draw a full statewide plan
- Available in English and Spanish

In Person Assistance: Redistricting Access Centers

- [Fresno](#)
- [Long Beach](#)
- [Oakland](#)
- [Sacramento](#)
- [San Bernardino](#)
- [San Diego](#)



Publicly accessible computers



Redistricting software developed by the Statewide Database.



Staff available to support the public

Appointments are required to visit a Redistricting Access Center



See more on our [flyer](#) or at:

https://statewidedatabase.org/redistricting_access_centers/

Help Spread the Word

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HOST A VIEWING PARTY

Gather members, constituents and community to watch a Commission meeting, Redistricting Basics video or COI Tool Training Video

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMKfuZnixpNCxte_Qh-Me4Q

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfTVZHU730re3jflIfCfcPg>



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Timeline

February - July 2021: Education Presentations (California Redistricting Basics)

June - September 2021: Public Input Meetings (Communities of Interest)

August 12, 2021: Census Data Received by the State

September 20, 2021: Final dataset provided to Commission and Public with People in State Custody Reallocated

October - November 2021: Public Input Meetings/Line Drawing Sessions

No Later than November 15, 2021: Preliminary Draft District Maps Released

*14 days following the release of Preliminary Draft District Maps, the Commission may not display any other maps for public comment during this period.

November-December 2021: Following Release of Preliminary Draft Maps: Additional Public Input Meetings and Line Drawing Sessions

December 2021: Possible additional draft District Maps Released

No Later than December 23, 2021: Display of Commission Approved Final Maps

No Later than December 27, 2021: Final District Maps Certified to Secretary of State



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