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Lansing City Clerk**

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**Safe – Secure – Accurate Election  
Count on It!**



# Background

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- Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, Current President and Past President
- Capitol Area Municipal Clerks Association, Past President
- Michigan's Election Modernization Advisory Committee, Member
- Certified Master Municipal Clerk
- Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, Vice Chair

# Proposal 3 & Enacted Legislation

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**A Constitutional amendment approved by the Voters in Nov. 2018**

- ✓ Eliminated 30 day voter registration deadline
- ✓ All have access to vote by absentee –  
NO REASON REQUIRED – Vote from Home
- ✓ Provides the option to Vote Straight Party in  
Partisan General Elections
- ✓ Automatic voter registration at Sect of State –  
Opt out if not a citizen – rather than Opt-in when at SOS



# Who can vote?

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In order to vote, you must be:

1. U.S. Citizen
2. At least 18 Years by Election Day  
(Can Register at 17 ½ years)
3. Resident of your city or township for 30 days

The **only** time a citizen CANNOT register and vote is when serving a sentence in jail or prison.

They **CAN** vote before and after.



# Prop 3 - Voter Registration Changes

Up through 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to election:

- Voter may register in person at an SOS branch office, clerk office, designated state agency or by mail

New or Update Vote  
Registration Online  
at  
[Michigan.gov/vote](https://Michigan.gov/vote)

Starting 14<sup>th</sup> day prior to election:

- Voter must register **in person** with local clerk with residency verification in order to vote in next election.
- Mail-in registrants must be notified to apply in person

Oct. 20 – Nov 3  
Must  
Register to Vote  
in Person

Election Day:

- Voter must register in person with local clerk with residency verification in order to obtain a ballot in that election

# Michigan.gov/vote

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- Register to vote online (unless last 14 days before Election)
- Submit an Application to Vote at Home (Absentee)
- Confirm your Absentee ballot was sent and/or received
- Preview Your Ballot



**Michigan Voter Information Center**  
Department of State

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# MAKE A PLAN **TO VOTE**

✓ Vote at Home   ✓ Vote Early  
Or ✓ Vote Nov 3rd

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**Lansing Voters have a Choice**  
***Vote at Home* or *In-Person***  
**Presidential Election**  
**Tuesday, November 3, 2020**



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**Vote at Home**

***Submit an Application***

Call (517) 483-4131  
Email [City.Clerk@Lansingmi.gov](mailto:City.Clerk@Lansingmi.gov)  
Visit [www.lansingmi.gov/clerk](http://www.lansingmi.gov/clerk)

***Ballot is Mailed to You***  
***After We Get Signed Application***

***Vote when you are Ready***

***Return Your Ballot***  
Drop it in one of our Secure Boxes  
Mail it Back (Allow 7 Days)

***Ballot Must be Received***  
***By 8 p.m. on Election Day***

**In-Person Voting Choices**

***Vote Early at the City Clerk's Offices s***  
***start Sept 24***

Downtown - 9th Floor City Hall  
124 W Michigan Ave  
8 am - 5 pm Monday\* - Friday

Election Unit - Rear Entrance  
2500 S Washington Ave  
8 am - 5 pm M\*, T, TH, F  
8 am - 7 pm on Wednesdays

\*Only until 4 p.m. on November 4

***Weekend Hours***

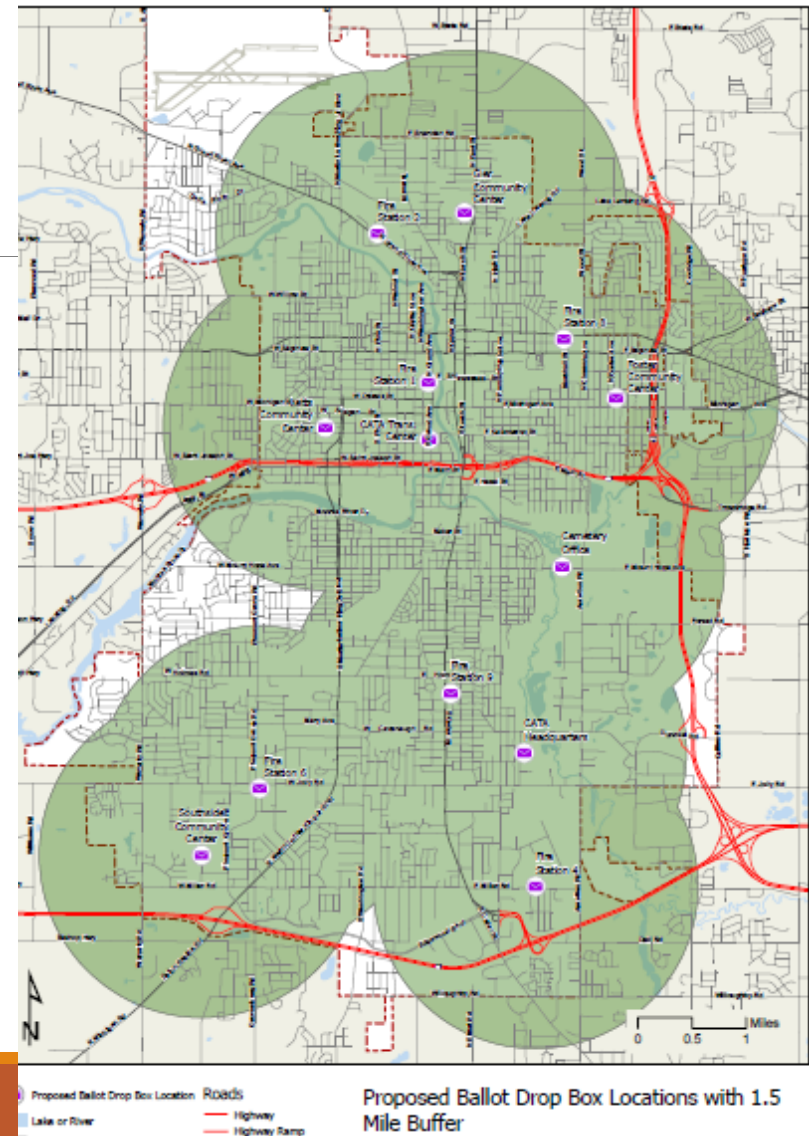
Election Unit at 2500 S. Washington  
Saturdays in Oct—10 am—2pm  
**10 am - 10 pm Saturday, Oct 31**  
**12 pm - 10 pm Sunday, November 1**

***Vote at your precinct on Election Day***  
Polls are open 7:00 am - 8:00 pm



# Ballot Drop Boxes – 15 in the City!

- Lansing City Voters can utilize a 24-hour secure drop box
  - No postage required
  - Mail can take up to a week
- By Sept 24, Lansing City will have 15 ballot drop boxes
- 91% of resident property within 1.5 miles



# Lansing City Clerk's Offices

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- 1. South Washington Election Unit – 2500 South Washington, Back Entrance,  
8 am - 5 pm M, T, TH, F and 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Wednesdays  
Saturdays in October 10 a.m.—2 p.m.  
Last Weekend Oct 31 and Nov. 1 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.**
  - 2. Southside Community Center – 5825 Wise Road  
October 19 – October 30 Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.**
  - 3. Lansing City Hall, 9th Floor - 124 W. Michigan  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday**
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# Key Dates for Presidential Election – Nov. 3

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**Thursday, September 24**

**In Person Voting Begins  
(40 Days)/**

**Ballots in Lansing will be mailed out**

**Saturday, Oct 31 and  
Sunday, Nov. 1**

**10 a.m. – 10 p.m.**

**(want NAACP to partner on Trunk n Treat Drive thru)**

**Tuesday, November 3  
7 a.m. – 8 p.m.**

**Election Day**

# Voting During A Pandemic

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- Mailed a ballot **application** to every registered voter
- To date, issued almost 26,000 ballots to voters
- All 45 of Lansing's precincts will be open
- Precinct workers will receive PPE & sanitation supplies
- All precinct workers will receive general safety and hygiene guidelines



# Voter Experience in Precinct

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- ✓ Politely ask to wear a mask but not required
- ✓ Access to Hand Sanitizer at first station and at exit
- ✓ Markings on floor at 6ft for easy social distancing guidelines
- ✓ Clear signage regarding social distancing and use of a face covering
- ✓ Use one pen through entire voting process
- ✓ Clipboard, Voting Booth, Secrecy Sleeve, Magnify Sheet and anything else will be sanitized prior to use
- ✓ No touch of ID
- ✓ I Voted stickers cut and ready for voter to grab

# CTCL Grant and Other Assistance

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CTCL Grant	Bureau of Elections	Subtotals
Equipment		\$ 167,229
Human Resources		\$ 139,200
Printing & Mailing		\$ 34,200
Outreach		\$ 95,500
Facilities		\$ 6,400
	\$ 51,009	\$ 442,529

# Election Security

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- Risk Limiting Audit (RLA) uses statistical method to perform comprehensive check on the accuracy of results
- City of Lansing one of the first in Michigan to pilot this gold standard of Election Security



# More Precinct Workers Needed in 2020

- ❑ Paid not Volunteer, starting at \$12.00/hr
- ❑ High Demand for Workers with:
  - Basic Computer Skills
  - Attention to Detail
  - Friendly
- ❑ Must be Registered to Vote unless 16 or 17 years old
- ❑ Visit [Lansingmi.gov/Clerk](https://lansingmi.gov/Clerk) to sign-up
- ❑ Or contact your City or Township Clerk





# Web Resources-

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[Michigan.gov/vote](https://michigan.gov/vote) – Secretary of State Website

register to vote, form for absentee voting, preview ballot, more

[Michiganvoting.org](https://michiganvoting.org) – ACLU, LWV and other partners

Clear language FAQ about voting process

[www.vote411.org/](https://www.vote411.org/) - League of Women Voters'

Voting Guide of candidate responses

Make a Plan to Vote – Pledge to Vote – found effective

