

Opportunities to participate

There will be a series of Sonoma County Advisory Redistricting Commission (ARC) meetings and Board of Supervisors (BOS) public hearings related to redistricting occurring through December 2021. These meetings are primarily intended to review and narrow draft map options, ultimately resulting in the adoption of newly drawn county district maps.

Sonoma County residents are invited to participate and provide input during any and all of the following meetings:*

- **September 1, 2021 @ 4 PM:** ARC Meeting – Redistricting Map Drawing Training
- **September 13, 2021 @ 4 PM:** ARC Meeting - Equity
- **September 15, 2021 @ 4 PM:** Virtual Town Hall- Overview of the process and how the public can provide input
- **October 5, 2021 @ 8:30 AM:** BOS Public Hearing - Review of new Census data
- **October 18, 2021 @ 4 PM:** ARC Meeting - Introduction of draft maps
- **October 22, 2021 @ 4 PM:** ARC Meeting - Public feedback on draft maps
- **October 25, 2021 @ 4 PM:** ARC Meeting - Narrow/prioritize map options
- **November 2, 2021 @ 8:30 AM:** BOS Public Hearing - Review ARC focus maps
- **November 16, 2021 @ 8:30 AM:** BOS Public Hearing - Preferred map and modifications
- **December 7, 2021 @ 8:30 AM:** BOS Public Hearing - Introduce ordinance to adopt district map
- **December 14, 2021 @ 8:30 AM:** BOS Public Meeting - Adopt ordinance/district map

**Spanish interpretation will be provided at all meetings. Requests for ASL and other languages will be accommodated if made at least three working days (72 hours) in advance of the scheduled meeting date.*

Why should I get involved?

Sharing your unique point of view will help ensure our diverse communities are fairly represented by the County Board of Supervisors. These elected representatives impact our day-to-day lives by affecting the taxes we pay, the food we eat, the air we breathe, community safety, assistance programs and so much more.

Are there guidelines for drawing maps?

In accordance with federal and state law, district lines must be drawn pursuant to a set of strict criteria, which can be reviewed in more detail on the County's redistricting website. Ultimately, all district lines must meet requirements for population equality and voting rights protections.

How can I get involved?

The County will be holding a series of public meetings to receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. A schedule of these public meetings is posted on the website and on the this fact sheet. You can also draw district boundaries by using the map on the reverse side of this fact sheet and or the online mapping tools at our website. Public comments can also be submitted to redistricting2021@sonoma-county.org.

✓ Does your community have a shared culture or shared characteristics?	✓ Does your community have transportation, safety, or school concerns in common?	✓ Do you live in an area that would benefit from staying together in a district?
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If so, you may live in a "community of interest" and the County invites you to provide your feedback.

Communities of interest are the overlapping sets of neighborhoods, networks, and groups that share interests, views, cultures, histories, languages, and values and whose boundaries can be identified on a map. **Some examples of Communities of Interest are:**

Senior citizens | LGBTQ communities | Residents who share a common language | People who use the same transportation systems

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REDISTRICTING

Help shape the future of Sonoma County!

Draw New District Boundaries for Sonoma County

Every 10 years, Sonoma County must redraw its five County Board of Supervisor district boundaries using new Census data – this process is called redistricting. The new election lines determine which communities are placed in each supervisorial district, and voters within each district will elect one of their own as County Supervisor. Redistricting balances population counts within each supervisorial district to ensure equal representation. It ensures our diverse communities are fairly represented and have a voice at the decision-making table.

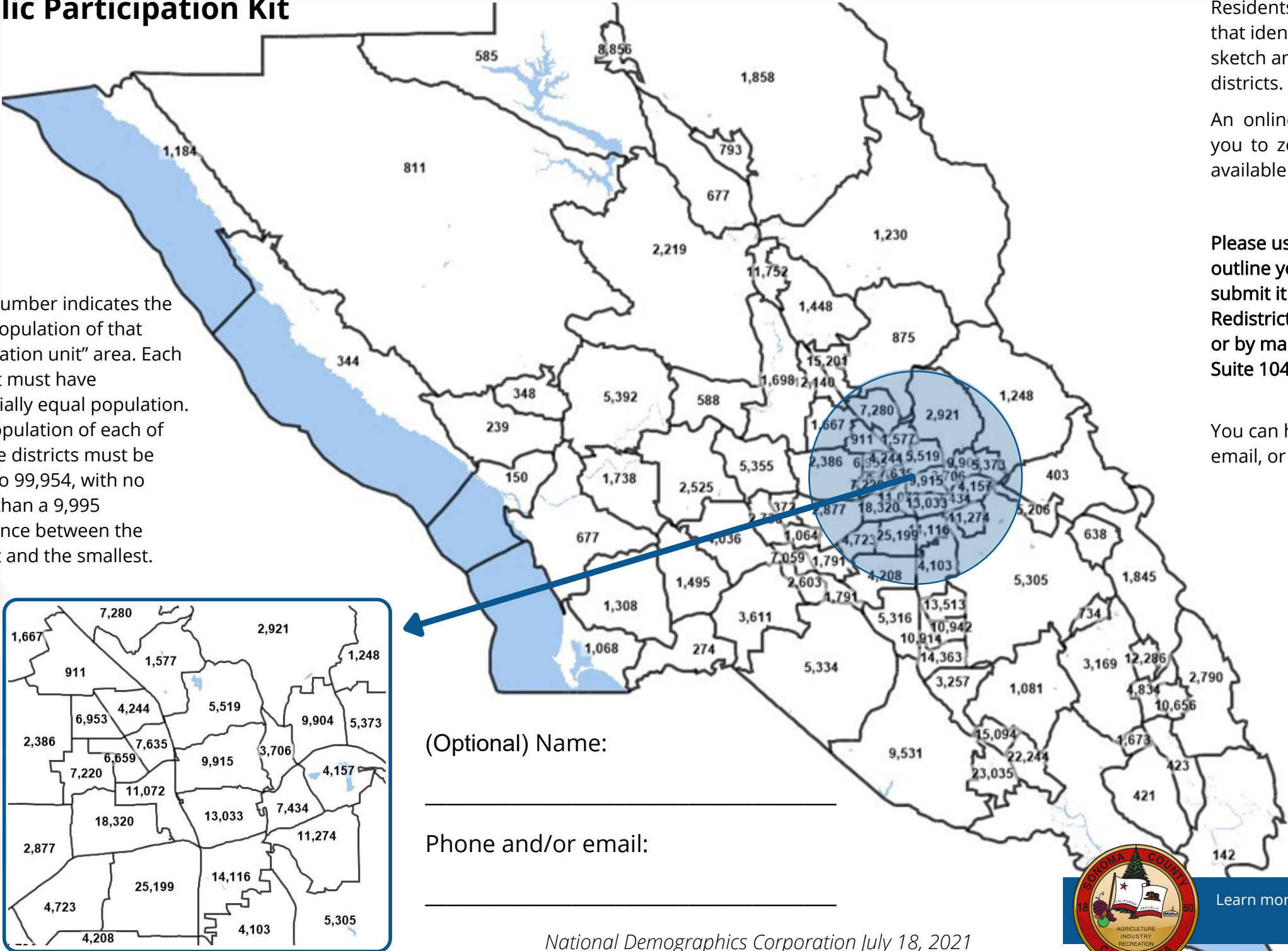
The Sonoma County redistricting process is happening now, and we need your help to draw the new district boundary maps. We need your input on the neighborhoods and communities that should remain together to elect a County Supervisor. You can submit maps of neighborhoods or sketch an entire countywide map of Supervisorial districts. Deadline for submittals is October 15, 2021.



Learn more at:
sonomacounty.ca.gov/redistricting

Public Participation Kit

Each number indicates the total population of that "population unit" area. Each district must have essentially equal population. The population of each of the five districts must be close to 99,954, with no more than a 9,995 difference between the largest and the smallest.



Residents can submit maps of their own that identify borders of neighborhoods or sketch an entire countywide map of the districts.

An online version of this map that allows you to zoom in and out for more detail is available as a link from the project website.

Please use a thick dark-colored pen to outline your mapping suggestion; then submit it by email to Redistricting2021@sonoma-county.org or by mail to 575 Administration Dr., Suite 104-A, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

You can hand deliver, mail, fax, scan and email, or photograph and email your map.

Feedback and maps must be submitted by October 15, 2021 for consideration by the Advisory Redistricting Commission.

(Optional) Name: _____

Phone and/or email: _____

National Demographics Corporation July 18, 2021

