

# 2020 Michigan Voter Guide





## *Benzie County*

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# President of the United States



		Right To Life	Planned Parenthood	United Auto Workers	MI Chamber of Commerce	Citizens for Traditional Values	Sierra Club	Michigan Farm Bureau	American Federation of Teachers	Police Officers Association of Michigan
<b>(D) Joe Biden</b> joebiden.com 		YES	YES		YES		YES			
<b>(R) Donald Trump (Incumbent)</b> donaldjtrump.com 		YES		YES	YES		YES	YES		





# United States Senator



		Right To Life	Planned Parenthood	United Auto Workers	MI Chamber of Commerce	Citizens for Traditional Values	Sierra Club	Michigan Farm Bureau	American Federation of Teachers	Police Officers Association of Michigan
<b>(D) Gary Peters</b> petersformichigan.com			YES	YES				YES		
<b>(R) John James</b> johnjamesforsenate.com		YES			YES	YES		YES		YES

# Michigan Supreme Court



		Right To Life	Planned Parenthood	United Auto Workers	MI Chamber of Commerce	Citizens for Traditional Values	Sierra Club	Michigan Farm Bureau of Teachers	Police Officers Association of Michigan
<b>Bridget Mary McCormack</b> (Incumbent) bridgetmarymccormack.com <i>Nominated by Democratic Party</i>		YES	YES	YES			YES	YES	
<b>Elizabeth Welch</b> welchforjustice.com <i>Nominated by Democratic Party</i>		YES	YES					YES	
<b>Mary Kelly</b> marykellyforjustice.com <i>Nominated by Republican Party</i>		YES			YES	YES			
<b>Brock Swartzle</b> brockforjustice.com <i>Nominated by Republican Party</i>		YES			YES	YES	YES		YES

# United States House



District, Party, Name	Right To Life	Planned Parenthood	United Auto Workers	MI Chamber of Commerce	Citizens for Traditional Values	Sierra Club	Michigan Farm Bureau of Teachers	Police Officers Association of Michigan	Candidate Webpage
1 (D) Dana Ferguson	YES	YES	YES		YES	YES		fergusonformichigan1.com	
1 (R) Jack Bergman (Incumbent)	YES		YES		YES			bergmanforcongress.com	



# Boards of Education



	Right To Life	Planned Parenthood	United Auto Workers	MI Chamber of Commerce	Citizens for Traditional Values	Sierra Club	Michigan Farm Bureau of Teachers	Police Officers Association of Michigan	Candidate Webpage
<b>MI Board of Education</b>									
(D) Ellen Cogen Lipton			YES				YES		<a href="http://www.facebook.com/EllenCogenLipton">www.facebook.com/EllenCogenLipton</a>
(D) Jason Strayhorn			YES				YES		<a href="http://votestrayhorn.com">votestrayhorn.com</a>
(R) Tami Carlone	YES			YES					<a href="http://tamicarlone.com">tamicarlone.com</a>
(R) Michelle Frederick	YES			YES					<a href="http://michelle4sbe.com">michelle4sbe.com</a>
<b>Michigan State University</b>									
(D) Brian Mosallam (Incumbent)			YES				YES		<a href="http://votemosallam.com">votemosallam.com</a>
(D) Rema Ella Vassar			YES				YES		<a href="http://drrema.com">drrema.com</a>
(R) Pat O'Keefe				YES		YES			<a href="http://okeefeformsu.com">okeefeformsu.com</a>
(R) Tonya Schuitmaker	YES			YES		YES			<a href="http://facebook.com/VoteTonya">facebook.com/VoteTonya</a>
<b>University of Michigan</b>									
(D) Mark Bernstein (Incumbent)			YES				YES		<a href="http://mgovernstein.com">mgovernstein.com</a>
(D) Shauna Ryder Diggs (Incumbent)			YES				YES		<a href="http://facebook.com/diggs4michigan">facebook.com/diggs4michigan</a>
(R) Sarah Hubbard	YES								<a href="http://hubbard4michigan.com">hubbard4michigan.com</a>
(R) Carl Meyers	YES			YES					<a href="http://meyers4michigan.com">meyers4michigan.com</a>
<b>Wayne State University</b>									
(D) Eva Garza Dewaelsche			YES				YES		<a href="http://facebook.com/eva4wsu">facebook.com/eva4wsu</a>
(D) Shirley Stancato		YES	YES				YES		<a href="http://stancato4wsu.com">stancato4wsu.com</a>
(R) Don Gates	YES			YES					<a href="http://gatesforwsu.com">gatesforwsu.com</a>
(R) Terri Lynn Land	YES			YES					<a href="http://terrylynland.com">terrylynland.com</a>

# Ballot Proposals



## Proposal 20-1

A proposed constitutional amendment to allow money from oil and gas mining on state-owned lands to continue to be collected in state funds for land protection and creation and maintenance of parks, nature areas, and public recreation facilities; and to describe how money in those state funds can be spent

This proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Allow the State Parks Endowment Fund to continue receiving money from sales of oil and gas from state-owned lands to improve, maintain and purchase land for State parks, and for Fund administration, until its balance reaches \$800,000,000.
- Require subsequent oil and gas revenue from state-owned lands to go into the Natural Resources Trust Fund.
- Require at least 20% of Endowment Fund annual spending go toward State park improvement.
- Require at least 25% of Trust Fund annual spending go toward parks and public recreation areas and at least 25% toward land conservation.

Should this proposal be adopted?      Yes      No

## Proposal 20-2

A proposed constitutional amendment to require a search warrant in order to access a person's electronic data or electronic communications

This proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Prohibit unreasonable searches or seizures of a person's electronic data and electronic communications.
- Require a search warrant to access a person's electronic data or electronic communications, under the same conditions currently required for the government to obtain a search warrant to search a person's house or seize a person's things.

Should this proposal be adopted?      Yes      No



# Endorsing Organizations



The following statewide and national organizations have publicly posted on the Internet their endorsement of one of the presidential candidates. We have provided the websites for more information about the organization and their endorsement. The description of each organization was taken directly from the website of the endorsing organization. Endorsements listed were those available at the time we published our guide, September 30. (Updated October 9, 2020)

## Right to Life of Michigan

“Right to Life of Michigan is a nonpartisan, nonsectarian, nonprofit organization...work(ing) on the behalf of defenseless or vulnerable human beings, born and unborn, within our identified life issues of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and assisted suicide.”

**Web:** [www.rtl.org](http://www.rtl.org) • **Endorsements:** [rtl.org/endorsements](http://rtl.org/endorsements) • **Phone:** (616) 532-2300

## Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan

Planned Parenthood’s endorsements help “cut through the noise and give you the best options for candidates that will support family planning decisions with medically accurate information, access to contraceptives, sex education, and safe & legal abortion.”

**Web:** [miplannedparenthood.org](http://miplannedparenthood.org) • **Endorsements:** [miplannedparenthood.org/endorsements](http://miplannedparenthood.org/endorsements) • **Phone:** (517) 482-1080

## United Auto Workers

“Essential to the UAW’s purpose is to afford the opportunity for workers to master their work environment; to achieve not only improvement in their economic status but, of equal importance, to gain from their labors a greater measure of dignity, of self-fulfillment and self-worth.”

**Web:** [uaw.org](http://uaw.org) • **Endorsements:** [uawendorsements.org/map/michigan/](http://uawendorsements.org/map/michigan/) • **Phone:** 313-926-5000

# Endorsing Organizations

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## Chamber of Commerce

“The Michigan Chamber has been a leader in business advocacy and...has a long tradition of standing up for job providers in our state and...actively support(s) candidates who are pro-business.”

**Web:** [www.michamber.com](http://www.michamber.com) • **Endorsements:** [www.michamber.com](http://www.michamber.com) • **Phone:** (517) 371-2100

## Citizens for Traditional Values

“CTV has a 30-year history of preserving, protecting and promoting traditional values. The sanctity of life, parental rights, traditional marriage, limited government and religious freedom are of utmost importance to us and to our friends and supporters.”

**Web:** [www.ctvmichigan.org](http://www.ctvmichigan.org) • **Endorsements:** [www.ctvmichigan.org/endorsements](http://www.ctvmichigan.org/endorsements) • **Phone:** (517) 321-1390

## Sierra Club

Sierra Club “is the statewide voice for the nation’s oldest, largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization...Our members care about clean water and air, wild biodiversity, and a safe energy future...”

**Web:** [www.sierraclub.org/michigan](http://www.sierraclub.org/michigan) • **Endorsements:** [www.sierraclub.org/michigan/endorsed-candidates-and-proposals-2020](http://www.sierraclub.org/michigan/endorsed-candidates-and-proposals-2020)  
**Phone:** (517) 484-2372

## Michigan Farm Bureau

Farm Bureau “supports programs that ensure the growth of Michigan food and farms, such as advocating for good government policy...and funding efforts to protect the environment, water quality, farmland preservation and more.”

**Web:** [www.michfb.com](http://www.michfb.com) • **Endorsements:** [www.michfb.com/MI/endorsements](http://www.michfb.com/MI/endorsements) • **Phone:** 517-323-7000

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## American Federation of Teachers

“AFT Michigan promotes public education and healthcare, strengthens worker voice, advances the institutions in which our members work, and builds a progressive movement committed to achieving these goals...a union of 35,000 educators and healthcare providers working in K-12 and intermediate school districts, community colleges, universities, and hospitals.”

**Web:** [aftmichigan.org](http://aftmichigan.org) • **Endorsements:** [aftmichigan.org/2020-endorsed-candidates](http://aftmichigan.org/2020-endorsed-candidates) • **Phone:** 313-393-2200

## Police Officers Association of Michigan

“POAM is a full-service labor organization, representing the needs of police officers in labor and legislative issues...with approximately 12,000 members.”

**Web:** [www.poam.net](http://www.poam.net) • **Endorsements:** [www.poam.net/category/legislative-updates](http://www.poam.net/category/legislative-updates) • **Phone:** 313-937-9000

## VOTING SELECTIONS

For your convenience, you may wish to write the names of the candidates you plan to vote for in the blanks below.

### President

### US Senate

### MI Supreme Court (select two names)

### US House of Representatives

### MI House of Representatives

### MI Board of Education (select two names)

### University Boards (select two per University)

Michigan State University

University of Michigan

Wayne State University

### Ballot Proposal 18-1

YES  NO

### Ballot Proposal 18-2

YES  NO

**Remember to vote  
Tuesday,  
November 3!**

## SUPPORT US!

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Telephone:

Please send me your weekly e-newsletter, Forum Online

Email:

I wish to donate: \$25  \$50  \$100  \$250  \$500

I have enclosed a check or money order.

Please charge my credit card. *Please be sure to fill out contact information above and card information below.*

Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

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