

Number of County Commissioners to be reduced from 11 to 9

Due to population changes indicated by the 2010 Census, Muskegon County has been re-districted. Census data showed a 2 percent increase in the County of Muskegon's overall population, from 170,200 in 2000, to 172,188 in 2010. Within that data is also an indication of a shift in population, where some districts gained residents, some lost residents, and others remained stable in number.

On May 11, 2011, after public hearings, the Muskegon County Apportionment Committee adopted Plan 9-3 which reduced the number of districts and commissioners from 11 to 9. Both the district lines and the number of Commissioners are determined by population census data.

Every 10 years, after the Census, the Muskegon County Apportionment Committee is mandated by state law to redraw county commission districts, based on new Census data. The Committee consists of the County Prosecutor, County Treasurer, County Clerk, and the chairs of the Democratic and Republican parties.

The new districts are to be of equal population and are: **District 1:** Entire City of Muskegon Heights; portion of City of Norton Shores; portion of City of Muskegon. **District 2:** Entire City of Roosevelt Park; portions of City of Norton Shores and City of Muskegon. **District 3:** Entire Muskegon Charter Township. **District 4:** City of Norton Shores lying south of Norton Avenue and west of Lincoln Street. **District 5:** Entire Charter Township of Fruitport; entire Sullivan Township; entire Ravenna Township (including the Village of Ravenna). **District 6:** Portions of City of Muskegon. **District 7:** Entirety of the following townships: Holton, Cedar Creek, Egelston, Moorland, and Casnovia. **District 8:** Entirety of Fruitland and Laketon townships; City of North Muskegon; portion of Dalton Township. **District 9:** Entire City of Montague and City of Whitehall; a portion of Dalton Township; and the following townships in their entirety: White River, Montague, Whitehall, and Blue Lake.



Apply for
**YOUR
PASSPORT**
at the
Muskegon
County
Equalization
Department

For the past several decades, the Muskegon County Clerk's Office has been the place to apply for a passports. In recent months the Department of State determined that any office with the means to create a birth certificate may no longer process passport applications.

Make no mistake, the County is still here to assist with your passport needs. While you may still obtain your Muskegon County birth certificate from the Muskegon County Clerk's office, you may apply for your Passport just two buildings away at the adjacent Equalization Department.

Locally, six members of the Muskegon County Equalization Department have been trained as passport acceptance agents and are able to continue to offer this valuable service to Muskegon area residents. Equalization is located at 173 E. Apple Avenue. Visit www.co.muskegon.mi.us/equalization/passports.htm for more information.

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Nancy A. Waters
Muskegon County Clerk



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Muskegon County Clerk Honored by Secretary of State for Online Campaign Finance

Muskegon County Clerk Nancy A. Waters was honored on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 for her work promoting openness and transparency in elections.

"Ms. Waters' efforts help hold public officials accountable to the people they serve," said Secretary of State Ruth Johnson. "We applaud her efforts and the efforts of other clerks across the state to provide easy, convenient access to public records."

A searchable, online database of campaign finance records dating back to 2007 now allows members of the public to see how much money elected officials and candidates in the county collected and spent while running for office and who donated to their campaigns.

"I am honored to receive this acknowledgement. Secretary of State Johnson has been a leader in transparency in campaign finance," said Waters.

Computer users may access the campaign finance records at <http://muskegon.mi.campaignfinance.us>.

This information may also be found through a link on the Muskegon County Clerk's website, www.co.muskegon.mi.us/clerk.

Users can search by candidate or committee name, by office or from a list of local jurisdictions.

Is it Time to Renew Your CCW? (Concealed Pistol Permit)

If you applied for a CCW in 2010 or before April 2011, please note that CCW applications are now processed at the Circuit Court Records office, on the 6th floor of the Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice, 990 Terrace Street.

Applications are accepted between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The applicant will be directed to be fingerprinted at the Muskegon County Sheriff Department, and this service ends daily at 4 p.m.

The fee to apply for a Concealed Pistol License is \$105 per applicant. Required photos are available at Circuit Court Records at the time of application, for a fee.

Check with local gun clubs to take the required Michigan CPL/CCS classes prior to submitting an application. For a Concealed Pistol License Application Handbook, visit http://www.michigan.gov/documents/ri-012_7736_7.pdf.

Clip and Save this handy schedule

2011 County Holiday Closings

All County offices will be closed for the following legal holidays:

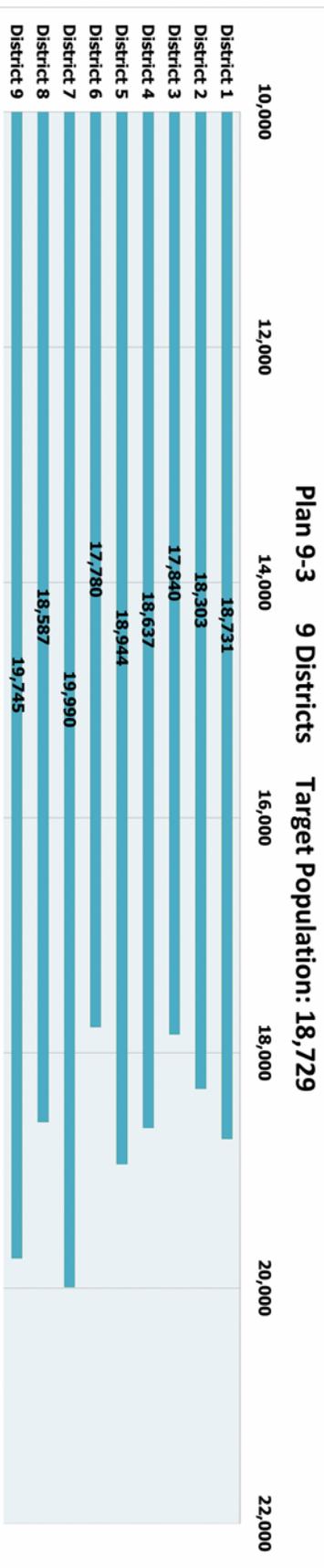
Labor Day	Monday, Sept. 5
Veteran's Day	Friday, Nov. 11
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, Nov. 24
Day After Thanksgiving	Friday, Nov. 25
Christmas Eve, observed	Friday, Dec. 23
Christmas Day, observed	Monday, Dec. 26
New Year's Eve, observed	Friday, Dec. 30
New Year's Day, observed	Monday, Jan. 2, 2012



**Muskegon County Apportionment
Plan 9-3 9 Districts Target Population: 18,729**

ID	District	Population		Population Deviation %	White	White %	Black	Black %	Native		Asian	Asian %	Island	Island %	Hispanic	Hispanic %
		Total	from Target						Population	Population						
District 1	D1	18,731	2	0.01	6,428	34.32	10,912	58.26	169	0.9	30	0.16	5	0.03	1,262	6.74
District 2	D2	18,303	-426	-2.27	15,587	85.16	1,503	8.21	177	0.97	138	0.75	3	0.02	1,017	5.56
District 3	D3	17,840	-889	-4.75	15,675	87.86	1,086	6.09	193	1.08	79	0.44	6	0.03	903	5.06
District 4	D4	18,637	-92	-0.49	17,150	92.02	621	3.33	101	0.54	267	1.43	2	0.01	607	3.26
District 5	D5	18,944	215	1.15	18,014	95.09	193	1.02	113	0.6	121	0.64	1	0.01	654	3.45
District 6	D6	17,780	-949	-5.07	8,079	45.44	7,907	44.47	138	0.78	72	0.4	3	0.02	1,600	9
District 7	D7	19,990	1261	6.73	18,803	94.06	184	0.92	162	0.81	67	0.34	1	0.01	956	4.78
District 8	D8	18,587	-142	-0.76	17,595	94.66	328	1.76	132	0.71	94	0.51	2	0.01	441	2.37
District 9	D9	19,745	1016	5.42	18,631	94.36	269	1.36	201	1.02	62	0.31	5	0.03	640	3.24
Totals		168,557		11.8	135,962		23,003		1,386		930		28		8,080	
Districts		9														
Target		18,729														

Muskegon County Apportionment



Approved May 2011, Effective January 2013.
 Please see reverse for Muskegon County Redistricting Plan Map.
 On the Internet, please visit—<http://www.co.muskegon.mi.us/clerk/apportionment.htm>

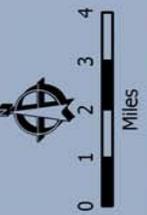
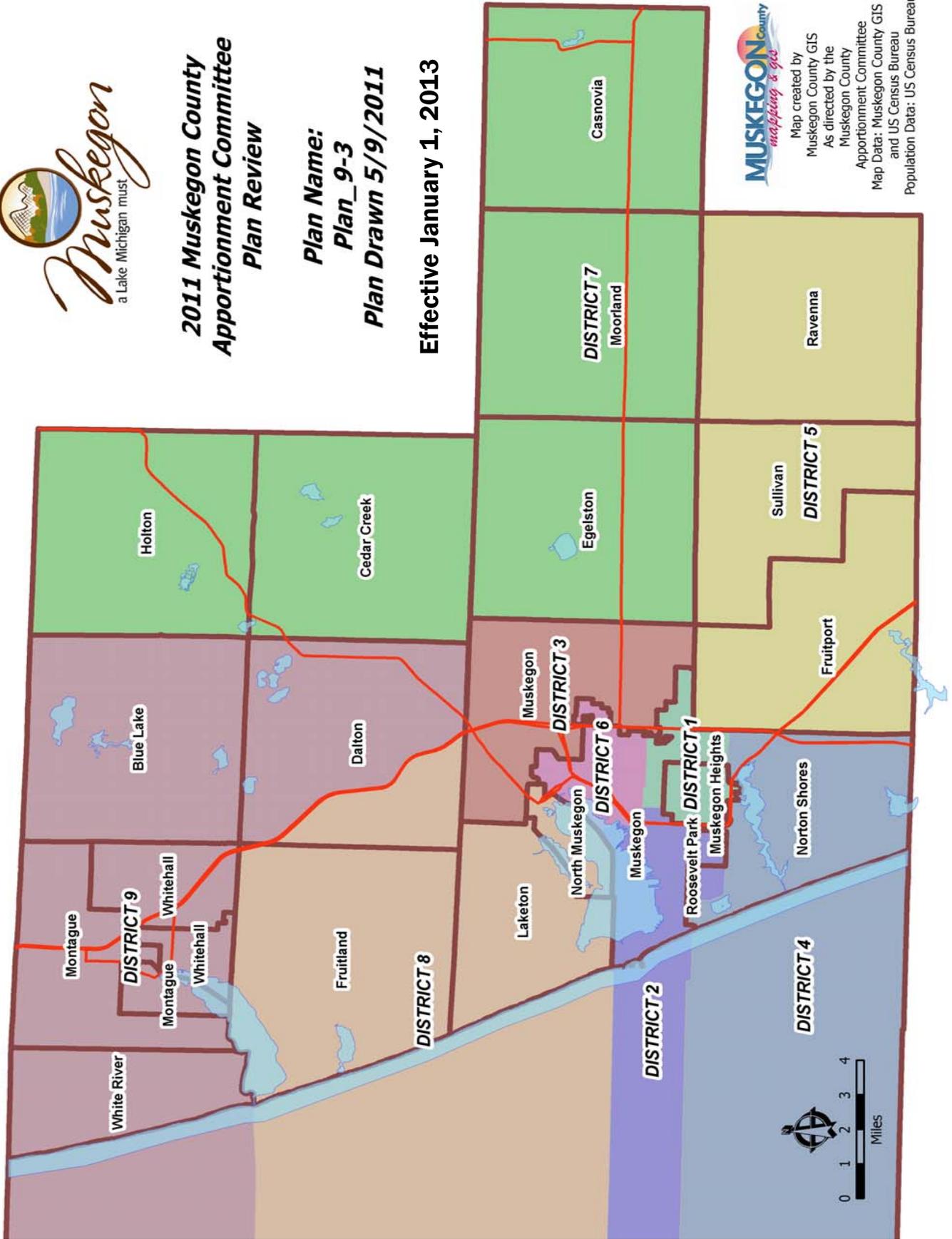


**2011 Muskegon County
Apportionment Committee
Plan Review**

**Plan Name:
Plan_9-3**

Plan Drawn 5/9/2011

Effective January 1, 2013



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