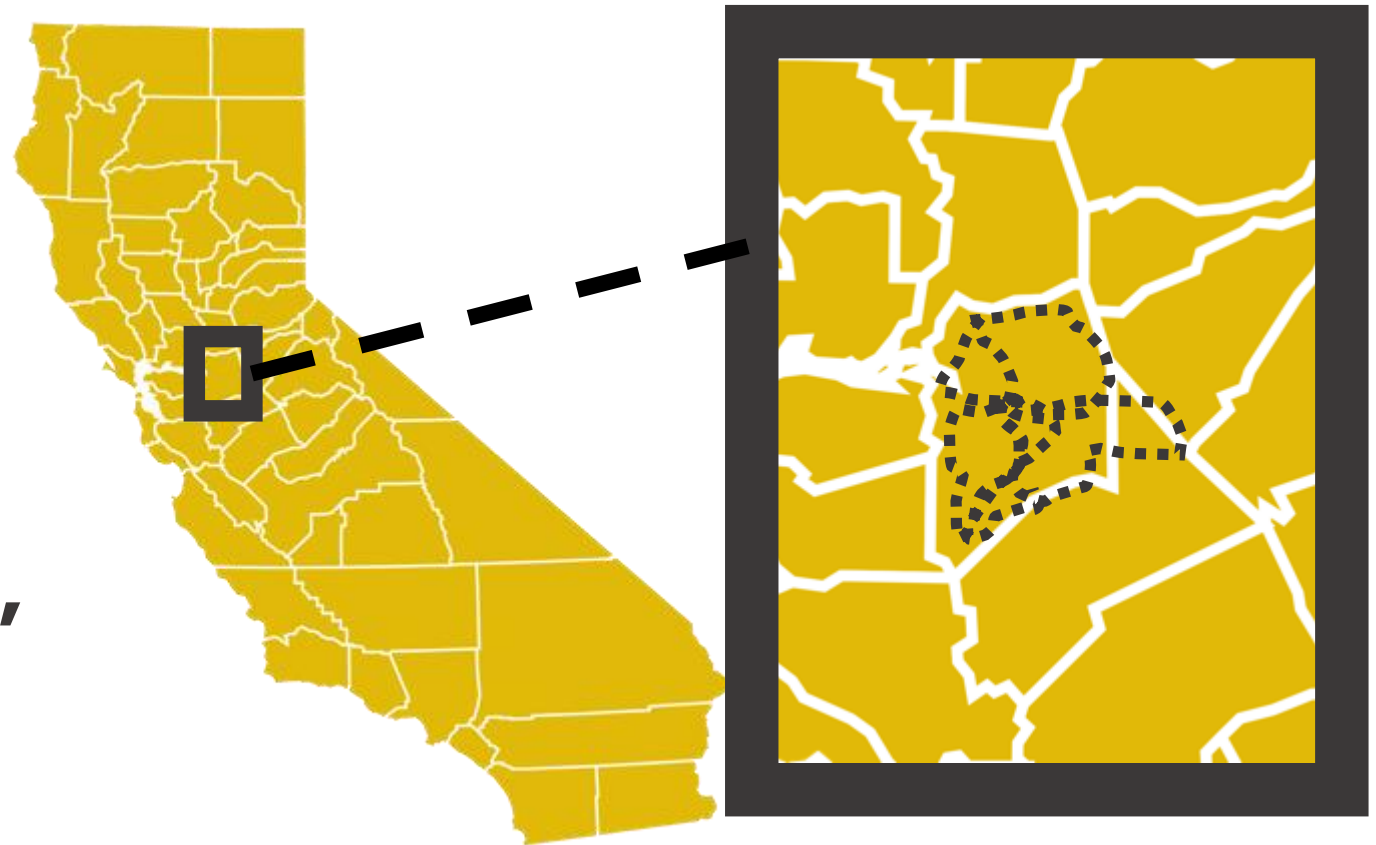


Redistricting in the City of Angels



Redistricting Has Many Levels



**Not just the “big”
stuff!**

Local Redistricting



ELECTED BODIES

County Boards Of Supervisors	City Councils	School Boards	Community College Boards
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SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Water	Park	Transportation	Fire
Hospital	Library	Mosquito	Etc.

City Structure

- 15 Council Districts
- Districts redrawn every 10 years
- Redistricting Commission
- City Council has the ultimate authority
- Brown Act applies



Commission Appointments

- Mayor - 3
- Council Pres. - 2
- Council Mem. - 1
- City Attorney - 1
- City Controller - 1



City Ranked Criteria

- Equal population
- Voting Rights Act
- Contiguous
- Boundary lines intact
- Preserve neighborhoods, communities of interest
- Geographically compact



Cities & Counties: New Laws

- Public outreach requirements
- Public hearing requirements



School Structure

- **15 School Districts**
- **Districts redrawn every 10 years**
- **Redistricting Commission**
- **City Council has the ultimate authority**
- **Brown Act applies**



Commission Appointments

- Mayor - 4
- Council Pres. - 4
- School Trustees - 1



School Ranked Criteria

- Equal population
- Voting Rights Act
- Contiguous
- Boundary lines intact
- Preserve neighborhoods, communities of interest
- Geographically compact
- High School Zones



Big Picture – Our Goal

- Transparency of selection
- Transparency of operation
- Public participation
- Fair maps – keep communities whole
- Best practices for all





Transparency of Selection

- Selection process
- Demographics of commission
- Background of commissioners





Transparency of Process

- Ex parte communications
- Adequate public notice
- District lines drawn in public



Public Participation

- Time of meetings
- User-friendly website
- Live streaming and recording of meetings





Public Participation

- Language access
- Maximize public input hearings
- Sufficient time for public comment on draft maps





Fair Maps

- Neighborhoods and communities of interest
- Voting Rights Act as floor rather than ceiling



Best Practices

- Independence of executive director
- Independent line-drawers



Communities of Interest



Communities of Interest in Los Angeles



Communities of Interest – Examples

- Neighborhood Councils
- Historic Districts
- City Defined Neighborhoods



Communities of Interest – Examples

- Faith-based Communities
- Public Transit routes
- School Attendance Districts



Communities of Interest

- Helpful Links
- <https://www.commoncause.org/california/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2021/04/Template-for-Community-of-Interest-Testimony-1.pdf>
- <https://drawmycacommunity.org>

Commission Websites

- redistricting2021.lacity.org
- redistricting.lacounty.gov
- wedrawthelinesca.org



How You Can Be Involved

- Talk about redistricting with your network of family, friends, and colleagues.
- Attend Commission meetings and consider making public comments.
- Participate in Commission-sponsored public information workshops and hearings.





QUESTIONS?

