



Q6. Thinking about your jurisdiction's fiscal needs, overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's unreserved/unassigned general fund balance to be too high, about right, or too low?

- Too high
  About right
  Too low
  Don't know

Q7. In your opinion, is your jurisdiction's cash flow and its ability to pay bills in a timely manner a significant fiscal problem, somewhat of a problem, not much of a problem, or not a problem at all?

- A significant problem
  Somewhat of a problem
  Not much of a problem
  Not a problem at all
  Don't know

Q8. Now, thinking about the overall fiscal stress in your jurisdiction today and what you expect it to be down the road — including any future financial obligations it may have — on a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is the best: perfect fiscal health and 10 is the worst: fiscal crisis, how would you rate your jurisdiction's overall fiscal stress...

	The best: Perfect fiscal health										The worst: Fiscal crisis		Don't know
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
... today?												<input type="checkbox"/>	
... as you expect it to be five years from now?												<input type="checkbox"/>	

The next few questions are regarding funding available to local governments through one of the major funding packages passed by the federal government last year, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Q9. How familiar are you with the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)?

- Very familiar - I know a great deal about it  
 Somewhat familiar - I understand it fairly well, but don't know many details  
 Mostly unfamiliar - I have heard of it, but know very little about it  
 Completely unfamiliar - I have never heard of it before *(please skip to Q14)*  
 Don't know

Q10. *(Please skip if you selected "completely unfamiliar" in Q9)* Which of the following types of projects or priorities, if any, is your jurisdiction currently planning to support with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds? *(check all that apply)*

- Water and sewer infrastructure  
 Other capital improvements (e.g., public buildings, parks, etc.)  
 Public safety  
 Community development (e.g., housing, neighborhoods, senior services, rec programs, etc.)  
 Public health (e.g., mental health programs, COVID-19 mitigation and containment, etc.)  
 Local government administration (e.g., rehiring government staff, "hero" pay, etc.)  
 Tourism, travel, and hospitality industries  
 Broadband  
 Roads  
 Families and household assistance (e.g., childcare, rent or utility assistance, etc.)  
 Veterans support  
 Small business assistance  
 Other *(please specify)* \_\_\_\_\_  
 None, our jurisdiction did not apply for or accept ARPA funding  
 Don't know

Q11. *(Please skip if you selected "none" in Q10)* Is your local government currently considering or using any of the following strategies related to planning or implementing projects with ARPA funds? *(check all that apply)*

- Regional or multi-jurisdictional collaboration on a project or investment  
 Public-private partnerships  
 Additional bond financing for ongoing funding support after federal funds are spent  
 A district (such as special assessment district, tax increment financing, and others) created for ongoing funding support after federal funds are spent  
 Community engagement (e.g., resident participation in formal committees, community surveys to gauge support for spending options, etc.)  
 Other *(please specify)* \_\_\_\_\_  
 None of these  
 Don't know

**Q12.** (Please skip if you selected "none" in Q10) Which of the following, if any, are problems your jurisdiction is facing regarding the management and/or allocation of any ARPA funds?

	Not a problem at all	Not much of a problem	Somewhat of a problem	A significant problem	Don't know
Jurisdiction resources (e.g., not enough staff, internal expertise, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Navigating state and federal bureaucracies (e.g., identifying eligible projects, understanding filing requirements and reporting, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community engagement in determining spending priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Board/Council consensus on spending priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working with regional partners (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of local matching funds for grants (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uncertainty about future funding availability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Procurement (e.g., lack of available contractors, supply chain challenges, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q13.** (Please skip if you selected "none" in Q10) Overall, do you think this new federal funding will help improve the following things in your community?

	Not improve at all	Not improve much	Somewhat improve	Significantly improve	Don't know
Your jurisdiction government's fiscal health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infrastructure in your community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall quality of life in your community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Next, we have some questions about your jurisdiction's personnel.

**Q14.** Does your jurisdiction have any paid employees other than elected officials? If so, which of the following type(s)? (check all that apply)

- None, we have no paid employees besides elected officials (skip to Q23)
- Full-time
- Part-time
- Seasonal
- Temporary / irregular (if your jurisdiction only has temporary employees, skip to Q20)
- Don't know (skip to Q23)

**Q15.** Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's pay rate(s) for new hires or current employees to be too high, about right, or too low?

	Too high	About right	Too low	Don't know
New hires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Current employees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q16.** Does your jurisdiction provide any fringe benefits (i.e., health care, dental, vision, life insurance, etc.) to new hires and/or current employees?

	Yes	No	Don't know
New hires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Current employees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q17.** Overall, do you consider your jurisdiction's fringe benefits package(s) — or lack thereof — for new hires and/or current employees to be too generous, about right, or not generous enough?

	Too generous	About right	Not generous enough	Don't know
New hires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Current employees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q18.** In your opinion, how much of a problem, if at all, are the following personnel issues for your jurisdiction's government?

	Not a problem at all	Not much of a problem	Somewhat of a problem	A significant problem	Don't know
Retaining current employees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Turnover due to retirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recruiting employees with needed skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employee morale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employee workload	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impacts of hostile public interactions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Continuing COVID-19 work environment policies (e.g., employee vaccine mandates, masking rules, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issues related to remote work, telework, flexible schedules, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q19.** (Please skip if "not a problem at all" for "recruiting" in Q18) **To what extent, if at all, is it a problem for your jurisdiction's government to find qualified candidates for the following types of positions?** (if your jurisdiction does not have a certain type of employee, please select "not applicable")

	Not a problem at all	Not much of a problem	Somewhat of a problem	A significant problem	Not applicable	Don't know
Fire	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Administration / management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other public works and services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Part-time / seasonal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q20.** In general, would you say the residents of your community have a positive or negative view of your jurisdiction's government employees (not including elected officials)?

Very positive	Somewhat positive	Neither positive nor negative	Somewhat negative	Very negative	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q21.** How would you describe the composition of your government's workforce compared to your community's population? Overall, would you say the government's workforce is reflective of the community's population in terms of ...

	Reflective of the community	Not as representative as it could be	Don't know
... gender composition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... racial and/or ethnic composition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q22.** Some jurisdictions make extra efforts to try to have their government's workforce reflect the community's population, while others don't. This might include trying to broaden the applicant pool when hiring, incentives to retain current employees, and so on. Does your jurisdiction have any particular policies or practices for recruiting or retaining a workforce reflective of your community's ...

	Yes	No	Don't know
... gender composition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... racial and/or ethnic composition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PLEASE NOTE: CITY AND TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS, PLEASE CONTINUE WITH QUESTION 23  
COUNTY AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS, PLEASE NOW SKIP AHEAD TO Q29**

Next, we have just a few questions about issues related to election administration.

**Q23.** Thinking ahead to the November 2022 general election, to what extent, if any, do you expect the following will or will not be problems with election administration in your jurisdiction?

	Not a problem at all	Not much of a problem	Somewhat of a problem	A significant problem	Don't know
Election equipment failures/malfunctions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inaccurate voter registration lists	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disturbances at polling places (e.g., inappropriate campaigning, voter intimidation, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recruiting enough poll workers and other election staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poll worker errors in following election procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intentional disinformation targeted at your jurisdiction's citizens about voting procedures or other election issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Election administration processes after polls close (e.g., counting absentee ballots, precinct reconciliation, certifying the final tally, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q24.** Now, thinking specifically about election security for the upcoming November 2022 general election, how confident are you that...

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not confident at all	Don't know
... your jurisdiction's voting machines, voter rolls, and/or final tallies will <u>not</u> be compromised (i.e., tampered with or hacked)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... your jurisdiction officials would know whether the local election (including voting machines/technology, rolls, or tallies) has been compromised?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q25. Overall, to what extent would you say you are confident in...**

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not confident at all	Don't know
... the ability of your jurisdiction to administer an accurate election?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... the ability of other jurisdictions in Michigan to administer an accurate election?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q26. Overall, to what extent would you say you are confident that your County...**

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not confident at all	Don't know
... will certify the election results accurately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... will administer an accurate recount, if needed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q27. How confident would you say the majority of your residents are in the accuracy of your elections?**

Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not confident at all	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q28. Is there anything else that you want to tell us about elections in your jurisdiction?**

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL RESPONDENTS SHOULD CONTINUE WITH QUESTION 29**

Now, we have some questions about the recent redrawing of Michigan's election district maps. Other states may be revising their own approaches to redistricting and use Michigan as an example. We're interested in sharing local leaders' views of our state's new approach.

**Q29. In 2018, Michigan voters approved a Constitutional amendment that created the Michigan Independent Citizens' Redistricting Commission (MICRC). How familiar are you with this new approach to redistricting in the state?**

- Very familiar – I know a great deal about it
- Somewhat familiar – I have heard of it, but don't know many details
- Mostly unfamiliar – I have heard of it, but know very little about it
- Completely unfamiliar – I have never heard of it before
- Don't know

**Q30. (Please skip if you selected "completely unfamiliar" in Q29) Overall, do you believe Michigan's new approach of having districts drawn by an independent citizens' commission is a better or worse approach than having them drawn by the legislature?**

- |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Significantly better     | Somewhat better          | Neither better nor worse | Somewhat worse           | Significantly worse      | Don't know               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Q31. (Please skip if you selected "completely unfamiliar" in Q29) How much attention would you say you paid to the Michigan Independent Citizens' Redistricting Commission's work in redrawing the state's electoral maps in 2020-21?**

- Very close attention
- Some attention
- Not too much attention
- No attention at all (please skip to Q34)
- Don't know

Q32. (Please skip if you selected "no attention at all" in Q31) In your opinion, how would you rate the performance of the Michigan Independent Citizens' Redistricting Commission on the following elements of their work in 2020-21?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Transparency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public engagement opportunities (e.g., online public portal, public hearings, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valuing public input	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensuring no political party received an unfair advantage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing districts that protect Communities of Interest (e.g., groups that share cultural, economic, historic bonds, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing districts that reflect local county, city, village, or township boundary lines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing compact districts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing districts that do not favor or disfavor any particular incumbent or candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Following Voting Rights Act protections for minority voters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q33. (Please skip if you selected "no attention at all" in Q31) Thinking about the entire process the Michigan Independent Citizens' Redistricting Commission followed throughout redistricting — such as gathering public input, debate among commission members, taking legal and other advice from its consultants, etc. — how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with its process, overall?

Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q34. (Please skip if you selected "completely unfamiliar" in Q29) How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the final maps adopted by the Michigan Independent Citizens' Redistricting Commission for...

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know
... U.S. Congressional districts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... State Senate districts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... State House districts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q35. Some criteria for drawing electoral districts are required by federal law, such as equal population across districts, districts being geographically contiguous, and protections for minority voters in the Voting Rights Act. Others are up to individual states to determine. In your opinion, how important do you think the following criteria should be for creating electoral district maps?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not important at all	Don't know
Creating reasonably compact districts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reflecting current local county, city, village, or township boundary lines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensuring no political party receives an unfair advantage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grouping together Communities of Interest (e.g., groups that share cultural, economic, historic bonds, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing districts that do not favor or disfavor any particular incumbent or candidate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q36. (Please skip if you selected "completely unfamiliar" in Q29) Do you have any suggestions for improvements to Michigan's new approach to redistricting (e.g., soliciting additional public participation, how that public input is used, anything related to the process, etc.)?

In this last section, we have questions regarding your thoughts on the state of affairs in your jurisdiction, in Michigan, and in the country overall.

Q37. Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- Right direction       Wrong track       Don't know

Q38. Do you feel things in the state of Michigan are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- Right direction       Wrong track       Don't know

Q39. Do you feel things in your jurisdiction are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- Right direction       Wrong track       Don't know

Q40. How would you rate the way Gretchen Whitmer is performing her job as Michigan's governor?

- Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

Q41. How would you rate the way the Michigan Legislature is performing its job?

- Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

Q42. How would you rate the way Joe Biden is performing his job as President?

- Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

Q43. How would you rate the way the U.S. Congress in Washington is performing its job?

- Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

Q44. Thinking generally about the tone of discussion and communication that takes place around local policy issues, how would you describe the general state of public discourse within your jurisdiction between...

	Very constructive	Somewhat constructive	Mixed	Somewhat divisive	Very divisive	Don't know
... elected officials themselves?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... elected officials and residents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... residents themselves?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q45. Overall, how would you rate the following relationships in your jurisdiction?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Working relationships among elected officials themselves	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Civic relationships between elected officials and residents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Civic relationships among residents themselves	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q46. Over the last few years, have you personally experienced any of the following as a part of your role in local government? (check all that apply)

- Online harassment (e.g., disrespectful or hostile comments, graphic language or slurs, etc.)
- In-person harassment (e.g., disrespectful or hostile comments, graphic language or slurs, shouting, rude or aggressive gestures, etc., either when you are on or off the job)
- Threats (e.g., statements of an intention to inflict pain, injury, damage to you or others, or other overtly hostile action)
- Violent actions (e.g., destruction of property, physical or armed assault)
- None of the above
- Don't know

Q47. As far as you know, have other local officials or jurisdiction personnel experienced harassment, threats, or violence as a part of their roles in local government? (check all that apply)

- Members of your jurisdiction's Board or Council
- Jurisdiction clerk, election staff, and other election workers (please skip if village official)
- Other jurisdiction personnel (e.g., other employees, volunteers, etc.)
- None of the above
- Don't know

Q48. Regardless of whether you or other jurisdiction personnel have recently experienced these things, as far as you know, would you say harassment, threats, or violence have had a negative impact on any of the following? (check all that apply)

- Ability of jurisdiction personnel to do their jobs well
- Willingness of people to work or serve in the jurisdiction's government
- Board/Council decision-making process on potentially contentious issues (e.g., public health policy, planning and zoning issues, etc.)
- Willingness of residents to engage (e.g., speak at meetings, serve on committees, etc.)
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- No impact on the above
- Don't know

**Q49. Now we're asking more broadly about your opinion of the state of our democracy as a system of government. Think about things like free and fair elections, rule of law, an unbiased free press, balanced relationships between levels and branches of government, ethical and transparent governance, an informed and engaged electorate, etc.**

**On a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is a total breakdown of democracy and 10 is perfectly functioning democracy, how would you rate the functioning of democracy today in...**

	Total breakdown of democracy									Perfectly functioning democracy	Don't know
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
... your jurisdiction?											<input type="checkbox"/>
... the state of Michigan?											<input type="checkbox"/>
... the United States?											<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q50. What factors were you thinking about when rating the overall functioning of democracy in your jurisdiction?**

**Q51. Finally, we are interested in learning more about policy issues according to whether communities are rural, urban, or somewhere in between. How would you characterize your jurisdiction?**

- Rural
  Mostly rural
  Mostly urban
  Urban
  Don't know

**Q52. CLOSUP will protect your privacy and anonymity to the full extent provided by law. We need to confirm your personal information such as name and email address for tracking and administrative purposes only. Your personal information will not be shared with any outside sources. As with all of the questions in this survey, these are optional. Please provide us with...**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / 2022

**We would like to ask some demographic questions. As with all of the questions in this survey, these are optional. Responses will be reported in aggregate form only so that your individual responses will remain confidential.**

**Q53. Are you...?**

- Male
  Female
  Self-describe \_\_\_\_\_

**Q58. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?**

- 12<sup>th</sup> grade or less/no diploma
  Bachelor's degree  
 High school graduate or GED
  Master's degree  
 Some college, no degree
  Professional/Doctorate degree  
 Associate's degree

**Q54. In what year were you born?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Q55. How many years have you served in your current position?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Q59. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a... ?**

- Republican
  Independent
  Democrat  
 Something else (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Q56. Are you of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino descent?**

- Yes
  No

**Q60. (if Republican or Democrat) Would you consider yourself a strong or not very strong Republican/Democrat?**

- Very strong
  Not very strong
  Don't know

**Q57. Please check one or more categories below to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be. (check all that apply)**

- White
  Asian  
 Black or African American
  Multiracial  
 American Indian or Alaskan Native
  Other  
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
  Don't know

**Q61. (if Independent or something else) Would you consider yourself closer to... ?**

- the Democratic Party
  the Republican Party
  Neither