

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021 – 08:00 A.M.

125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

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Tuscola County Board of Commissioners 2021-07 Declaration of a Local State of
Emergency related to COVID - 19**

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- 8:00 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Young
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Vaughan
Roll Call – Clerk Fetting
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (**See Correspondence #1, 2 &3**)
Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only
Consent Agenda Resolution (**See Correspondence #4**)

New Business

- Letter from Douglas Daniels Regarding Building Codes (**See Correspondence #5**)
- Recycling Fund Budget Amendment (**See Correspondence #6**)
- **9:00 a.m.** – Daniel Skiver, Vice President Brown & Brown Insurance Agency – COVID-19 Medical Claims Dashboard and Weekly COVID-19 Digest Information Presentation (**See Correspondence #7**)

Old Business

- Michigan Counties that Have Adopted a State of Emergency – Steve Anderson, Emergency Services Coordinator (**See Correspondence #8**)
- Controller/Administrators by County (**See Correspondence #9**)
- State Police Annexation – Next Steps
- Health Officer Employment Agreement (**See Correspondence #10**)

Correspondence/Resolutions

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Behavioral Health Systems Board
Recycling Advisory
Local Units of Government
Jail Planning Committee
Mi Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

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Other Business as Necessary

Extended Public Comment

Adjournment

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CORRESPONDENCE

1. March 25, 2021 Full Board and Statutory Finance Minutes
2. March 31, 2021 Full Board Minutes
3. April 12, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
4. Consent Agenda Resolution
5. Letter from Douglas Daniels Regarding Building Codes
6. Recycling Fund Budget Amendment
7. COVID19 Medical Claims Dashboard and Weekly COVID-19 Digest Information
8. Michigan Counties that Have Adopted a State of Emergency
9. Controller/Administrators by County
10. Health Officer Employment Agreement
11. Mary Drier, Close Down Recommended
12. Tuscola County Road Commission Minutes from March 18, 2021
13. Genesee County Resolution #2021-200 in Support of Passage of Legislation to Adopt 4-year Terms for County Commissioners
14. Hillsdale County Resolution #21-035 to Support the Hillsdale County Sheriff and Hillsdale County Prosecutor in not Enforcing or Prosecuting Unconstitutional Mandates Pertaining to the COVID-19 Pandemic
15. Cheboygan County Resolution #2021-06 Supporting a Collective Effort by Michigan Counties in Opposing a Current and Future Orders Unilaterally Issued by Governor Whitmer and State Agencies in Response to COVID-19
16. Cheboygan County Resolution #2021-07 Supporting Senate Bill 1 2021
17. Cheboygan County Resolution #2021-09 in Support of Passage of Legislation to Adopt 4-year Terms for County Commissioners
18. Berrien County Resolution Urges the Governor's Administration to Reach a Compromise with the Michigan Legislature and Their Recommended Relief Initiatives, in the Very Near Future, That Would Release These Funds Into the Hands of the Business and Communities that Need it Most.

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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 25, 2021 Minutes

Meeting held via Google Meet Electronic remote access, in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Order Under MCL 333.2253 – Gathering Prohibition and Mask Order and Public Act 254 of 2020.

Commissioner Bardwell called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held via Google Meet on the 25th day of March 2021, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Bardwell

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Young

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present Virtual:

- District 1 - Thomas Young - Columbia Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 2 - Thomas Bardwell - Ellington Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 3 - Kim Vaughan, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 4 - Doug DuRussel - Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw - Vassar Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present Virtual:

Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Heidi Chicilli, Mark Haney, Sandy Nielsen, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Debbie Babich, Pam Shook, Senator Kevin Daley, Kim Brinkman, Matt Brown, Brian Harris, Lisa Ozbat, Jana Brown, Leigh Nacy, Gary Rolka

At 8:07 a.m., there were a total of 21 participants attending the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda -
2021-M-059

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adopt the agenda as amended.
Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -
2021-M-060

Motion by Young, seconded by DuRussel to adopt the meeting minutes from the March 11, 2021 Regular meeting as presented and the March 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only –

-Clayette Zechmeister informed the Board a representative from Congresswoman McClain's office appeared at the HH Purdy Building for the meeting and was provided the information to participate virtually.

Consent Agenda Resolution -
2021-M-061

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw that the Consent Agenda Resolution from the March 22, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Roll Call Vote: DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/22/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to receive and place on file the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020 Health Department Financial Statements.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/22/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the County's Health Plan renewal date from its current date of September 1, 2021 to align with the health plan year date which is currently January 1, 2022 and likewise for all subsequent years to follow. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/22/21
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the March 15, 2021 request from Sandra Nielsen, Dispatch Director, to approve the out of state travel request to attend

the Association of Public Communications Officials (APCO) National Conference in San Antonio, Texas. The conference will be held August 15-18, 2021. Travel cost will be provided by APCO.

Agenda Reference: D

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/22/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve the changes in the Recycling Committee By-Laws per their request and amend as follows:
Section 8. Quorum –
From: In order for the Committee to conduct business or take any official action, a quorum consisting of 2/3 majority of the members of the Committee shall be present.
To: In order for the Committee to conduct business or take any official action, a quorum consisting of a Simple Majority of the members of the Committee shall be present.

Old Business – continued below

-County Potential for Golf Cart Ordinance – Sheriff Glen Skrent explained the issue of golf carts not being defined in the County Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Ordinance. Also, discussed was that unregistered snowmobiles were not addressed in the original ordinance. Clayette Zechmeister to prepare proposed amendments for the April 12, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting and then a Public Hearing will be set.

New Business –

-Legislative Update - Senator Kevin Daley provided an update on bills that were recently vetoed by Governor Whitmer. Senator Daley provided an update on a meeting that was held with business leaders. Senator Daley spoke in reference to election bills that have been introduced. The matter of virtual participation in meetings was discussed. Clayette will reach out to Senator Daley's office to set a specific Board of Commissioner's meeting for the Senator to attend each month for the remainder of the year. Commissioners will forward the questions they asked of Senator Daley today to Clerk Fetting that they would like to have attached to the minutes. Clerk Fetting will then forward to Senator Daley in order for follow-up at the next meeting he attends.

-Lawn Mowing Services Bids/Costs – Mike Miller reviewed the costs associated with the Building and Grounds staff to perform the lawn mowing services compared to contracting the service out.

2021-M-062

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Vaughan that per the recommendation from Mike Miller, Buildings and Grounds Director, to award the lawn mowing services bid from May 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021 to Laser Cut Lawn Care, LLC (Unionville) in the amount of \$22,100.00. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

-Tuscola County Health Department (TCHD) Fee Schedule Revision - COVID-19 Vaccine – Clayette Zechmeister reviewed the request presented by TCHD. The request was included in the Board packet. Board discussed the matter.

2021-M-063

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by DuRussel to approve the fee schedule revision approved by the Board of Health that pertains only to the COVID-19 vaccination administration fee. This is effective on or after March 12, 2021, the national average payment rate for physicians, hospitals, pharmacies, and many other immunizers will be \$40.00 to administer each dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. Clients never receive any out-of-pocket expense. Roll Call Vote: Young – yes; Vaughan -yes; DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

Old Business – continued from above

-Creation of Numbers for Tuscola County Ordinances – Clerk Fetting explained that the County Ordinances in the past have had a variety of numbering values that are not consistent with each other. Board discussed how to have the ordinances numbered. Clerk Fetting will prepare a list of County Ordinances and a proposed numbering system for the Board to review at the April 12, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.

-Board of Commissioners Rules of Order –

2021-M-064

Motion by Young, seconded by DuRussel to approve the revisions to the Board of Commissioners Rules of Order and place on record. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan – yes; DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Caried.

-Animal Control Budget – Board discussed dog licenses being issued and the process of issuance. Board discussed implementing a web-based system. Board also discussed the possibility of waiving late fees.

2021-M-065

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Vaughan for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 that all penalties for dog licenses that have expired will be waived. Roll Call Vote: DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

Recessed at 10:21 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:32 a.m.

Members Present: Young, Bardwell, Vaughan, DuRussel, Grimshaw

At 10:32 a.m., there were a total of 24 participants attending the meeting.

-Potential Dates for Special Committee of the Whole Meeting – To Discuss the Cost Allocation Plan – Commissioner Grimshaw would like to have a special Committee of the Whole with all Commissioners in attendance as well as all parties involved invited to attend. Board would like to have the meeting set the first week of May. Clayette will reach out to the parties involved for the best available date.

-Dog License Penalty Fee (matter added) – Matter addressed earlier in the meeting.

-Vehicle Locator Program (matter added) – Clayette Zechmeister provided an update on the launch of the program that was presented by Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

VAUGHAN – No Updates

Board of Health

County Planning Commission

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

MAC Environmental Regulatory

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use

Parks and Recreation Commission

Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison

Local Units of Government Activity Report

GRIMSHAW

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Recycling Advisory

Local Units of Government – Spoke with Vassar Township Supervisor on adopting a Township Ordinance regarding golf cart usage.

Jail Planning Committee

MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

DuRUSSEL – No Updates

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

MAC Judiciary Committee

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Behavioral Health Systems Board

Caro DDA/TIFA – Commissioner Vaughan reported on the tour of the DYNA Plant.

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC 7th District – Virtual meeting being planned for April 21, 2021.

MAC Workers Comp Board – Meets virtually on April 6, 2021.

MAC Finance Committee – Meets March 26, 2021.

TRIAD

Local Units of Government Activity Report

YOUNG

Board of Public Works

County Road Commission Liaison

Dispatch Authority Board – Meeting held.

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works – Meeting held.

Great Start Collaborative

Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

Jail Planning Committee

MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee

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Correspondence/Resolutions –

-NaCO CEO Letter to U.S. Department of Treasury

-Berrien County Resolution

Other Business as Necessary – None

At 11:06 a.m., there were a total of 25 participants attending the meeting.

Extended Public Comment –

-Gary Rolka read a letter he has written regarding soliciting donations for the proposed county jail project.

2021-M-066

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 a.m. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; DuRussel - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Statutory Finance Committee Minutes
March 25, 2021

Electronic remote access will be incorporated for this meeting, in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Order Under MCL 333-2253 Gathering Prohibition and Mask Order and Public Act No. 254 of 2020.

Commissioner Bardwell called the Statutory Finance meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held via Google Meet on the 25th day of March, 2021, to order at 11:14 o'clock a.m. local time.

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present Virtual:

District 1 - Thomas Young - Columbia Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
District 2 - Thomas Bardwell - Ellington Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
District 3 - Kim Vaughan – Fremont Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
District 4 - Douglas DuRussel - Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw – Vassar Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present Virtual:

Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Heidi Chicilli, Debbie Babich, Mike Miller, Mark Haney, Pam Shook, Brian Harris, Lisa Ozbat, Jana Brown, Sandy Nielsen, Tracy Violet, Matt Brown, Ashley Bennett, Kim Brinkman

At 11:14 a.m., there were a total of 25 participants attending the electronic meeting.

-Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

2021-SF-M-023

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the meeting minutes from the March 11, 2021 Statutory Finance. Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

New Business:

-Review and Adoption of Daily Report and Checks –

2021-SF-M-024

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to approve the daily checks as submitted on the March 23, 2021 report. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan – yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Review and Adoption of Finance Report and Checks –
2021-SF-M-025

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to approve the finance checks as submitted on the March 23, 2021 report. Roll Call Vote: DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Review and Adoption of Per Diems Report and Checks –
2021-SF-M-026

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Grimshaw to approve the per diem checks as submitted on the March 2021 report. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Old Business – None

Public Comment –

-Commissioner Bardwell stated the April 12, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting will be held at the HH Purdy Building with the Commissioners present in person and the virtual option still available for others to join in.

202-SF-M-027

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Vaughan to adjourn the meeting at 11:21a.m. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:21a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 31, 2021 Minutes

Meeting held via Google Meet Electronic remote access, in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Order Under MCL 333.2253 – Gathering Prohibition and Mask Order and Public Act 254 of 2020.

Commissioner Bardwell called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held via Google Meet on the 31st day of March 2021, to order at 9:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Vaughan

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bardwell

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present Virtual:

District 1 - Thomas Young - Columbia Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

District 2 - Thomas Bardwell - Ellington Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

District 3 - Kim Vaughan, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

District 4 - Doug DuRussel - Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw - Vassar Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present Virtual:

Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Clayette Zechmeister, Ann Hepfer, Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Mark Haney, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Debbie Babich, Brenda Kretzschmer, Mike Tuckey, Amy Beckman, Jessica VanHove, Lisa Ozbat, Malisa Pyles, William Campbell, Alecia Little, Jana Brown, Barry Lapp, Duane Weber, Karen Southgate, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Tiffany Gerds, Eric Morris, Robert McKay, Kate VanAuken, Dara Hood, Sara Savage, Sandy Nielsen, Bob Forbes, Garrett Smith, Heidi Chicilli, Shelly Lutz, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Cory Skinner, Dave Van Hove, Terry Ewald, Jennifer Trahan, Matt Brown, Shannon Gwizdala, Narmowen S., Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Brian Harris, Caryl Langmaid, Tip MacGuire, Albert Pearsall, Kristen Young

At 9:15 a.m., there were a total of 55 participants attending the meeting.

*Adoption of Agenda -
2021-M-067*

Motion by Young, seconded by DuRussel to adopt the agenda as amended.
Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - no;
Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only-

- Mike Tuckey, Road Commission, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- William Campbell, Indianfields Township, spoke opposing the proposed declaration.
- Malisa Pyles, Watertown Township, spoke in support of a Hybrid meeting option.
- Brenda Kretschmer, Tuscola County Medical Care Facility, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Dave VanHove, Village of Unionville, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Cory Skinner, Village of Kingston, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Albert Pearsall, Wells Township, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Eean Lee, Tuscola County Chief Information Officer, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Jessica VanHove, Village of Unionville, spoke in support of proposed declaration and spoke to the increase of public participation by having the virtual meeting availability.
- Mary Drier, Columbia Township, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Glen Skrent, Tuscola County Sheriff, spoke in support of proposed declaration.
- Kristen Young, Village of Fairgrove, spoke in support of proposed declaration.

Consent Agenda Resolution - None

County Updates

-Ann Hepfer, Health Officer, provided an update of the current number of COVID-19 cases affecting Tuscola County and Huron County. The number of new cases each week is higher than the state average. Health Officer Hepfer encouraged everyone to continue to practice social distancing, hand washing and masks. An update on the vaccination process and availability was provided. The COVID variants were also discussed. The shortage of hospital beds for COVID patients was discussed.

-Steve Anderson, Emergency Manager, explained to the Board that local officials have reached out to him requesting the opportunity to continue virtual meetings. He explained that the declaration would allow for virtual, in-person or hybrid meetings. It leaves the decision to the authority holding the meeting to do what is best for them. Steve explained that an in-person meeting still needs to follow social distancing and room capacity guidelines.

New Business

-Potential Declaration of a Local State of Emergency – Board discussed the matter at length.

Comments from other Elected Officials and Department Heads:

- Drain Commissioner Mantey spoke in support of meeting in-person.
- County Clerk Fetting supports approval of the declaration.
- Dave VanHove supports the opportunity for boards to meet virtually.
- Treasurer Bennett stated she was directed that the Treasurer's Office had to quarantine two weeks ago.

Clerk Fetting excused at 11:03 a.m.

Chief Deputy Caryl Langmaid assumed Clerk duties.

- Clayette Zechmeister explained a situation of employees that had to quarantine and their need to receive unemployment during that time. Board discussed whose responsibility it would be to decide for a Department to be closed due to COVID. Board requested the discussion of unemployment to be added to the next Committee of the Whole meeting agenda.
- Mike Miller is in support of declaration.
- Board discussed other venues that may be available that are larger than the Board room to hold a Board meeting.

2021-M-068

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the Tuscola County Declaration of a Local State of Emergency related to COVID-19 that will be effective through April 30, 2021, unless further action is taken by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners. Also, moved that the Board of Commissioners authorize Chairman Bardwell to sign the declaration and distribute it to all interested parties. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan – yes; DuRussel – no; Grimshaw – no; Young – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

Clerk Fetting rejoined the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Old Business – None

Correspondence/Resolutions - None

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS – Commissioners waived reporting on Committee Reports.

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Other Business as Necessary –

-2021 Food License Fee (matter added) – Commissioner Vaughan would like the Board to consider lowering the fees for 2021 Food License Fees due to the limited time of being opened in 2020. Board discussed the current fee, the proposed fee and that inspections will be required still.

2021-M-069

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by DuRussel that the Food License Fee, issued by the Tuscola County Health Department, be reduced from \$444 per year to \$0 (fee to be waived) for the year 2021. Food establishments are still required to submit a 2021 Food License application to the Tuscola County Health Department. The Board encourages the residents of the Tuscola County community to continue their support of local food establishments.

2021-M-070

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by DuRussel to amend motion 2021-M-069 to change \$0 to \$44. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel – yes; Bardwell – yes.

2021-M-069 as amended by motion 2021-M-070

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by DuRussel that the Food License Fee, issued by the Tuscola County Health Department, be reduced from \$444 per year to \$44 (fee to be waived) for the year 2021. Food establishments are still required to submit a 2021 Food License application to the Tuscola County Health Department. The Board encourages the residents of the Tuscola County community to continue their support of local food establishments.

2021-M-071

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Vaughan to amend motion 2021-M-069 to strike the words “fee to be waived”. Roll Call Vote: Young – yes; Vaughan – yes; DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

2021-M-069 as amended by motion 2021-M-071

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by DuRussel that the Food License Fee, issued by the Tuscola County Health Department, be reduced from \$444 per year to \$0 \$44 (~~fee to be waived~~) for the year 2021. Food establishments are still required to submit a 2021 Food License application to the Tuscola County Health Department. The Board encourages the residents of the Tuscola County community to continue their support of local food establishments.

2021-M-069 as amended

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by DuRussel that the Food License Fee, issued by the Tuscola County Health Department, be reduced from \$444 per year to \$44 for the year 2021. Food establishments are still required to submit a 2021 Food License application to the Tuscola County Health Department. The Board encourages the residents of the Tuscola County community to continue their support of local food establishments. Roll Call Vote: DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

The Board asked Health Officer Hepfer to do a press release on this topic. Clerk Fetting to provide the motion language for assistance.

At 12:58 p.m., there were a total of 22 participants attending the meeting.

Extended Public Comment – None

2021-M-072

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adjourn the meeting at 12:58 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; DuRussel - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, April 12, 2021 – 8:00 A.M.

Electronic remote access will be implemented for this meeting,
in accordance with Tuscola County Board of Commissioners 2021-07
Declaration of a Local State of Emergency related to COVID-19

Roll Call - Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present Virtual:

- District 1 - Thomas Young - Columbia Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 2 - Thomas Bardwell - Ellington Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
- District 3 - Kim Vaughan – Fremont Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
(excused at 12:58 p.m.)
- District 4 - Douglas DuRussel - Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
(joined at 8:27 a.m.)
- District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw - Vassar Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan
(excused at 12:07 p.m.; re-joined at 1:55 p.m.)

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present Virtual:

Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Mark Haney, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Lisa Ozbat, Heidi Chicilli, Tip MacGuire, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Angie Daniels, Sandy Nielsen, Barbara Klimaszewski, Jessica VanHove, Jana Brown, Debbie Babich, Dr. Mark Hamed, Steve Erickson, Adam Flory, Sandy Erskine, Chris Hamilton, Kim Brinkman, Amanda Kohl, Cody Horton, Louie Smith, Eric Morris, Michael Rolando, Leigh Nacy, Matt Brown, Barry Lapp, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Shelly Lutz, Register John Bishop, Garrett Smith

At 8:17 a.m., there were 35 participants attending the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda – Board discussed agenda and added a couple of matters as agreed to by the Board.

County Updates

Dr. Mark Hamed M.D, MBA. MPH Medical Director for Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac and Lapeer and DH#2 County Health Departments – An update regarding COVID-19, the UK variant and the number of positive cases in the Thumb area was provided. Also discussed, was the symptoms being experienced by people that have tested positive as well as symptoms that long haulers are experiencing.

New Business

1. Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) Fiscal Year 2022 Compliance Plan Review – Michael Rolando explained the plan as it is similar to the previous year. He is requesting Board approval. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
2. Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) Budget Comparisons from 2021 to 2022 – Clayette explained this was provided for information for the Commissioners. No action required.
3. 2021 Tuscola County Equalization Report – Equalization Director Angie Daniels presented to the Board the Equalization Report. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
4. Animal Control Annual Report to Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Animal Industry Division (MDARD) – Leigh Nacy reviewed the report. No action required.
5. Homeland Security Grant Sub-Recipient Funding Agreement – Steve Anderson presented the agreement as Midland County is going to act as the fiduciary for the upcoming year. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
6. Letter from Kohl Farms – Commissioner Young provided an update regarding the letter that has been received. Commissioner Young has recommended a meeting be scheduled with the parties involved in order to discuss the concerns of Kohl Farms. Board discussed the issue. Meeting between the parties involved will tentatively be set for Wednesday, April 14, 2021. Matter referred to the Primary Finance Committee.

Recessed at 10:01 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

Roll Call: Young, Bardwell, Vaughan, DuRussel, Grimshaw

7. Controller Administrator Employment Agreement Renewal/Discussion
 - Controller/Administrator Current Employment Agreement
 - Controller/Administrator Job DescriptionBoard discussed the option of continuing the Controller/Administrator contract. Clayette stated that she would be comfortable continuing without a contract. Commissioner Grimshaw asked if the position could be separated into two positions of Controller and Administrator. Clayette to obtain a list from Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) as to which counties have Controller, Administrator or Controller/Administrator. Matter to be moved to the Personnel Committee for further discussion.
8. Future Board of Commissioner and Committee of the Whole meetings – Board discussed the options of in-person, hybrid or full virtual meetings. Locations discussed were the H.H. Purdy Building, American Legion Hall, Polish American Hall and Midway Hall. The April 15, 2021 Board Meeting will be held virtually and the April 26, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting.

9. County COVID-19 Screening Protocol – Clayette explained the COVID-19 screening process used at the H.H. Purdy Building and will be implemented when the Board meeting is in session at the Board Room. Commissioner Grimshaw would like a one-page paper survey to be available in addition to the QR Code. Matter discussed at length. Matter to be moved to the Personnel Committee.
10. County Health Officer Ann Hepfer Resignation – Commissioner Bardwell announced that Health Officer Hepfer is resigning at the end of September 2021. Commissioner Bardwell has reached out to Huron County Commissioner Khoury and they discussed continuing the partnership in this position. The Board discussed options available to them, the need to find a candidate and if the position should be continued as a joint position. Clayette to provide a copy of Ann's current contract to the Commissioners for review.
11. Village of Mayville, Gerds Property – Adam Flory, Smith Bovill – Commissioner Grimshaw explained the request before the Board and the Village of Mayville's need for an easement to be granted on the property presented.

Commissioner Grimshaw excused at 12:07 p.m.

Adam Flory, Village of Mayville Attorney, explained that the property is currently facing tax foreclosure on April 16, 2021. There is a pending project that is receiving grant funds that is for water and sewer infrastructure in the Village but needs this final easement to be able to move forward prior to the April 16, 2021 foreclosure date. There is a deadline for a decision to be made by the Board.

Treasurer Ashley Bennett presented concerns of the risk to Tuscola County with this matter. Treasurer Bennett would prefer the Village considers purchasing the property after the State's first right of refusal has elapsed.

Commissioner Bardwell would like Attorney Flory to clarify the statement that was made on behalf of the Village that the Village would sue the County over the matter. Also, Commissioner Bardwell stated the County would be interested in selling the property to the Village.

A possible solution was discussed regarding the easement on the property. Attorney Flory would like to discuss the compromise with his client before committing. Treasurer Bennett has the authority to finalize a solution with Attorney Flory.

Commissioner Vaughan excused at 12:58 p.m.

Old Business

1. Request For Proposal (RFP) Building Codes – Clayette explained that the draft RFP is included in the agenda packet for the Board to review. The entity submitting the RFP should provide a fee schedule in the RFP as the Board will not provide that to the company. Matter to be moved to the Finance Committee for further review and discussion.
2. Information Technology (IT) Department Space Needs – Matter removed from the agenda at this time for further review and discussion by the Building and Grounds Committee.
3. Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Ordinance Potential Changes – Clayette explained that the proposed changes in the ordinance were included in the agenda packet. She noted that a public hearing will need to be scheduled. The Board discussed the changes. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda and a Public Hearing to be set.
4. Health Department Restaurant Fees – Board has received no other contact from members of the public. Matter to be moved to the Finance Committee.
5. County Department COVID-19 Closure – Board discussed earlier in the meeting as to who has the authority to close a Department. Matter to be moved to the Personnel Committee.
6. American Rescue Plan Update – Clayette provided an update from information that she has received from NaCO. She reviewed some options that the funding possibly could be used for. Clayette to include the Elected Officials and the Department Heads on an AdHoc Committee for discussion of how to best utilize the funds. Matter to be moved to the Finance Committee.
7. MGT and Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) Indirect Cost Allocation Update – Board discussed the CAP and the upcoming meeting that has been scheduled. Board would like explanation of how the indirect cost is derived. Matter to be moved to the Finance Committee.
8. County Ordinance Numbering - Clerk Fetting explained the proposed Ordinance Numbering system presented. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

Finance/Technology
Committee Leader Commissioner Young
Commissioner DuRussel

Primary Finance/Technology

1. 2019 Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting – Clayette explained that this is the 19th year that Tuscola County has received the reward.

2. 2021 Budget Amendments – Clayette explained budget amendments requested by Dispatch and Mosquito Abatement. Matters to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
3. 2021 First Quarter Report on Finances -
 - General Fund
 - Special Revenue FundsClayette presented the first quarter report for the 2021 budget year. Various line items were reviewed that are close to or over 25% of the projected budget.

On Going and Other Finance and Technology

Finance

1. Potential Refunding of Bonds for Pension Obligation - Commissioner Young discussed the matter presented and the matter is to be placed on the April 26, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.
2. Preparation of Multi-Year Financial Planning – No Update.

Technology

1. GIS Update
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page – Eean Lee provided an update regarding the projects that he and his team are currently working on.

Commissioner Grimshaw re-joined at 1:55 p.m.

Building and Grounds

Committee Leader Commissioner DuRussel
Commissioner Grimshaw

Primary Building and Grounds

1. State Police Addendum #1 to Lease #10724 – Mike Miller reviewed the addendum to the Lease. Director Miller is ready to proceed forward with the lease. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
2. State Police Fire Suppression – Mike Miller reviewed the project. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
3. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Lease # 6987 Contract Change Order #1 – Mike Miller reviewed the requested change order. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
4. Sound Masking at the H.H. Purdy Building – Mike Miller presented a proposed solution to place Mood Media over the existing sound system. Board discussed the matter. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

5. Animal Shelter Door Replacements – Mike Miller reviewed the quote received from Booms Construction out of Bad Axe, Michigan. Board discussed options of metal doors and aluminum doors. Board decided to install metal doors on the exterior and aluminum doors on the interior. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

On Going and Other Building and Grounds

1. State Police Building-Water and Annexation – Commissioner Bardwell updated the Board that Mayor Joe Green had contacted him regarding extending the City Water to the State Police Building. This project was just approved today. The matter of Annexation to be added to the next agenda.

Personnel

Committee Leader Commissioner Grimshaw
Commissioner Vaughan

Primary Personnel

1. Unemployment Update
 - Treasurer's Office Unemployment UpdateShelly Lutz provided an update regarding the affected employees. Her understanding is three of the employees have received unemployment compensation. She is currently trying to assist with the last employee that is having difficulty getting unemployment compensation. Matter to be placed on the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 26, 2021.
2. New Hire Recycling – Mike Miller presented to the Board regarding hiring the part-time candidate. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
3. New Hire and Promotion Treasurer's Office – Treasurer Bennett explained the positions and the people who have been selected for those matters. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
4. Refill Vacant Court Clerk II in Clerk's Office – Clerk Fetting explained the recently filled position in the Clerk's Office was made vacant officially on April 6, 2021. Clerk Fetting is hiring Kayla Begeman as the Court Clerk II. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
5. Chief Deputy Clerk Appointment – Clerk Fetting explained that Caryl Langmaid, after 14 years of service to the County, has retired and her last day in the office was April 9, 2021. With that, Clerk Fetting announced that Stacey Wilcox has been appointed as the Chief Deputy Clerk effective April 12, 2021. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Municipal Employee Retirement System (MERS) – No updates at this time.

2. Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) 7th District Meeting Updates – Commissioner Bardwell provided an update that Deena Bosworth will be able to attend the upcoming MAC 7th District Meeting.
3. Workman Compensation Updates – The Board reviewed the previous discussions had at Board meetings late in the year 2020 regarding how Workman's Compensation is broken down between cost per department versus equally spreading the cost over all departments. Board discussed the matter at length and how to compare how the costs would be different depending on how the departments were charged. Shelly to work on this project and bring information back to the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 26, 2021.
4. Safety Committees – Commissioner Bardwell explained that MAC has grant opportunities where the grant guidelines will be changing. Commissioner Bardwell would like Shelly to look at ways that Tuscola County could apply for the grants in the future. Shelly did update the Board that she had applied this last round but was denied.

Other Business as Necessary

-Vanderbilt Park Survey (matter added by Clayette) – The 1940s litigation was not included in the survey. Matter to be moved to the Building and Grounds Committee.

-Inmate Mental Health Services (matter added by Clayette) – Matter to be moved to the Finance Committee.

-Proctor vs. Tuscola County and as a Defendant in a Federal Lawsuit (matter added by Commissioner Grimshaw) – The Proctor Case is going to Court of Appeals; the case number is 18-30544-CZ. Clerk Fetting did notify Mike Hoagland and Treasurer Donovan-Gray when it was filed on November 27, 2018. Treasurer Bennett had information on the Federal Lawsuits that she will forward to Clerk Fetting.

-Commissioner DuRussel spoke in reference to a letter received from Gary Rolka regarding vacant buildings that may be available for illegal immigrants.

-Commissioner Bardwell addressed a request received by the Economic Development Corporation from Shelson Industries regrading difficulties with Building Codes.

On-Going Other Business as Necessary - None

At 3:38 p.m., there were 21 participants attending the meeting.

Public Comment Period - None

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 3:41 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; DuRussel - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

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COUNTY OF TUSCOLA

STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, by Electronic Remote Access in accordance with Tuscola County Board of Commissioners 2021-07 Declaration of a Local State of Emergency related to COVID - 19 on April 15, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. local time.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: _____

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: _____

It was moved by Commissioner _____ and supported by Commissioner _____ that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) fiscal year 2022 compliance plan and cost analysis review and forward to Michigan Indigent Defense Commission for review and approval.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to receive and place on file the 2021 Tuscola County Equalization Report as presented by Angie Daniels, Equalization Director. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to enter into the Sub Recipient Funding Agreement with the City of Midland, who will be acting fiduciary for the 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to receive and place on file the letter of resignation dated March 17, 2021 from Ann Hepfer, Health Officer. The date of resignation will be effective September 30, 2021.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to schedule a public hearing to approve the potential changes in the county ORV Ordinance.
- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the County Ordinance numbering as presented by Jodi Fetting, County Clerk.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the following budget amendments to the Dispatch Fund as requested:
Increase line item 218-334-704-040 by \$7,000
Increase line item 218-334-704-050 by \$2,000
Increase line item 218-334-713-000 by \$40,000
Offset is through the use of fund balance.

Agenda Reference: H

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve the following budget amendments to the Voted Mosquito Fund as requested:
Increase line item 240-100-970-010 by \$21,000
Offset is through the use of fund balance.

Agenda Reference: I

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve Addendum #1 to Lease No. 10724 at the Michigan State Police building. The purpose of this addendum is to establish a set rental rate effective August 1, 2021, remove the annual rent computation, update lease language, and provide for connection of the facility to the municipal water system and upgrade the existing fire suppression system. Annual rent August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2025 is at the rate of \$52,821.96 per year, payable in installments of \$4,401.83 per month. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: J

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve the Contract with TSSF Architects, Inc. dated March 30, 2021 Project 21-13 for fire suppression upgrades at the Michigan State Police Post in Caro in the amount of \$14,000. Scope of services for professional engineering services will include:
Architectural Design
MEP Engineering Services
Civil Engineering Services
Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: K

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve contract change order #1 to lease #6987 in the amount of \$1,831.50 at the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) building located at 1365 Cleaver Rd., Caro. DHHS has requested this change to install a panic bar type locking mechanism to the door at the lobby, to secure the lobby entrance when the office is closed. Upon completion, the State of Michigan shall pay Tuscola County for the CCO work in a lump sum addition to the next regularly scheduled rent payment.

Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference:

L

Entity Proposing:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter:

Move to approve a 2-year service agreement with Mood Media for music services as a sound masking solution for the H.H. Purdy Building for a cost of \$600 per year. In addition to the service, also approve the installation of speaker cable from Mitten Communication Services in the amount of \$1,497.50. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference:

M

Entity Proposing:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter:

Move to approve the purchase of door replacements at the Animal Control Facility from Booms Construction as follows:

Garage – Aluminum \$4,300

Cat Room – Aluminum with glass \$4,300

Isolation Room – Aluminum \$3,950

Main Entrance – Hollow Metal \$2,550

Rear Door Kennel – Hollow Metal \$2,550

Rear Door Garage – Hollow Metal \$2,550

Total cost of project at: \$20,200

Also, the following budgets be amended:

Reduce 483-937-017-002 by \$1,000

Reduce 483-937-765-000 by \$2,500

Increase 483-937-014-001 by \$3,500

Agenda Reference:

N

Entity Proposing:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter:

Move that per the request from Mike Miller, Building and Grounds Director to approve the hiring of Scott Wieland to refill the vacant Part-Time Material Handler position effective April 19, 2021 at the starting wage of \$15.18 per hour at Step 1. Also pending favorable background, physical and drug screen.

Agenda Reference:

O

Entity Proposing:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the request from Ashley Bennett, County Treasurer, to approve the hiring of Olivia Klatt to refill a vacant position as an Account Clerk III Step 1, Shannon Nelson to fill a vacant position, due to an in office promotion, as an Account Clerk III Step 1 and promote Samantha Dennis to the new Abstract/Tax Clerk-Foreclosure Specialist Step 1. All will be effective April 19, 2021. Budget amendments are approved to the Treasurer's budget and the Tax Foreclosure fund
Also, all appointments or hirings are pending favorable background, physical and drug screen.

Agenda Reference: P

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the request from Jodi Fetting, County Clerk, to approve the hiring of Kayla Begeman in the County Clerk's Office to fill the vacant Court Records Clerk II position at Step 1 rate of pay effective April 26, 2021. Also, this hiring is pending favorable background, physical and drug screen.

Agenda Reference: Q

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 4/12/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the request from Jodi Fetting, County Clerk to approve the promotion of Stacey Wilcox to Chief Deputy Clerk position at Step 1 rate of pay, with an effective date of April 12, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola County inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby rescinded, modified, replaced or superseded by this Resolution.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Board of reviews
Building codes

Douglas Daniels
Greater Thumb Real-Estate
19 E. Ohmer Rd.
Mayville, MI. 48744

Subject: Request for review, 3601 Mertz Rd. Caro, MI. 48723

This request for review of a recent determination made by representatives of building codes division with regards to building classification of the above mentioned property.

Mr. Dan Sims and Mr. Joe Israel representatives of Building Codes for Tuscola County is requiring that a classification be done on the above property that we feel is unjust.

This property is zoned commercial and built by professional builders, original owners. I have personally offered Mr. Israel the architectural drawings for the building and he declined.

Mr. Israel and Mr. Sims seem to have a lack of understanding with regards to the process of which the building will be used and are requiring a change of use permit. Stating potential risk of explosion and major renovations on the building.

The irony of this is the lack of understanding, there is no risk of explosion! This is a vacuum agricultural extraction process.

This building has been USDA approved and is ANSI certified.

This company has invested approaching \$6 million to bring Jobs into our community. We are requesting a review of the requirement for change of use permit, the building meets light industrial standards when originally constructed.

The allegation of risk of explosion and Fire are based on assumptions and a complete lack of understanding of the agricultural extraction process itself.

As an EDC board member we work very hard to bring new industry into Tuscola County for the future of our children and their children.

Safety is always and foremost our concern and we certainly do not want to circumvent any process that may have catastrophic consequences, we respectfully asked for a redetermination of the requirement of change of use permit for Shelson industries located at 3601 Mertz Rd., Caro MI 48723.

Respectfully submitted
Douglass M Daniels. EDC board member



Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Shelson Industry

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Tue, Apr 13, 2021 at 2:50 PM

To: Doug DuRusset <ddurussel@tuscolacounty.org>, Kim Vaughan <kvaughan@tuscolacounty.org>, Tom Young <tyoung@tuscolacounty.org>, Thomas Bardwell <tbardwell@tuscolacounty.org>, Jodi Fetting <jfetting@tuscolacounty.org>

Attached is the EDC letter sending as requested from Thom.

**Faxed to Commissioner Grimshaw

----- Forwarded message -----

From: June Schweitzer <june@tuscolaedc.org>
Date: Mon, Apr 12, 2021 at 4:07 PM
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Shelson Industry
To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

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PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2021

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2021		ACTIVITY FOR		YTD BALANCE	
		END BALANCE 12/31/2020 NORM (ABNORM)	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	MONTH 03/31/21 INCR (DECR)	03/31/2021 NORM (ABNORM)	% BDTG USED
Fund 230 - RECYCLING							
Revenues							
Dept 402 - RECYCLING							
230-402-402.000	CURRENT TAX	232,463.92	240,272.00	240,272.00		(296.75)	(0.12)
230-402-402.891	CURRENT TAX WIND REVENUE	45,474.13	57,762.00	57,762.00		0.00	0.00
230-402-437.000	INDUSTRIAL FACILITY TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
230-402-449.000	PROPERTY TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-591.000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.25	60.26	100.00
230-402-632.000	VILLAGE OF CARO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-643.000	SALES	44,936.84	35,000.00	35,000.00	5,350.00	12,653.30	36.15
230-402-645.000	PAPER SHREDDING SERVICE	2,491.51	4,000.00	4,000.00	347.50	967.30	24.18
230-402-646.000	HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE	1,756.25	1,500.00	1,500.00	57.00	87.00	5.80
230-402-647.000	ELECTRONIC HAZARDOUS WASTE	2,363.50	3,000.00	3,000.00	132.00	563.50	18.78
230-402-648.000	TIRE DRIVE	11,415.10	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,868.00	5,042.00	252.10
230-402-660.000	MMRMA GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-665.000	INTEREST REVENUE	1,174.81	1,500.00	1,500.00	13.70	64.50	4.30
230-402-665.010	INTEREST WIND ESCROW	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-667.000	RENT - SIGN LEASES	2,174.00	1,850.00	1,850.00	0.00	800.00	43.24
230-402-668.000	CAPITAL LEASE PROCEEDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-674.000	CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS	17.55	10.00	10.00	4.50	5.90	59.00
230-402-676.000	REIMB MICHIGAN WORKS	0.00	0.00	0.00	172.00	172.00	100.00
230-402-676.100	REIMBURSEMENTS AND REFUNDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-694.000	CASH OVER/SHORT	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-699.100	MATCH FOR MULTI-CO. RECYCLING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-699.101	OPERATING TRANSFERS IN-GENERAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 402 - RECYCLING		344,267.86	346,894.00	346,894.00	10,903.21	20,119.01	5.80
Dept 403 - EGLE/DEQ GRANT							
230-403-539.000	DEQ GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-540.000	DEQ - CLEAN SWEEP GRANT	993.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-541.000	DEQ - SCRAP TIRE CLEANUP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-542.000	DEQ INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-543.000	DEQ EDUCATION GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 403 - EGLE/DEQ GRANT		993.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES		345,261.68	346,894.00	346,894.00	10,903.21	20,119.01	5.80
Expenditures							
Dept 402 - RECYCLING							
230-402-704.000	SALARIES PERMANENT	125,934.04	130,458.00	130,458.00	10,035.24	28,054.37	21.50
230-402-704.020	HEALTH INSURANCE INCENTIVE	2,015.31	0.00	0.00	153.84	430.74	100.00
230-402-704.030	DISABILITY PLAN	1,211.62	1,215.00	1,215.00	104.31	312.93	25.76
230-402-704.040	UNUSED SICK TIME PAYOUT	1,734.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-704.050	SICK/VAC PAYOUT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-705.000	SALARIES-PT/TEMP	52,092.56	56,895.00	56,895.00	2,515.94	9,077.95	15.96
230-402-706.000	SALARIES OVERTIME	33.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-707.000	SALARIES - FER DIEM	350.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	300.00	450.00	34.62
230-402-710.000	WORKERS COMPENSATION	3,143.79	3,257.00	3,257.00	116.88	241.03	7.40
230-402-711.000	HEALTH & DENTAL INSURANCE	26,234.53	24,750.00	24,750.00	3,188.04	9,023.22	36.46
230-402-715.000	F. I. C. A.	13,806.74	14,332.00	14,332.00	981.92	2,873.30	20.05
230-402-715.050	FICA ON PAYOUT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-717.000	LIFE INSURANCE	188.88	189.00	189.00	15.74	47.22	24.98
230-402-718.000	RETIREMENT	13,383.68	14,360.00	14,360.00	1,259.03	3,685.93	25.67

Increase Revenue
by \$5,550

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PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2021

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	END BALANCE 12/31/2020 NORM (ABNORM)	2021 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2021 AMENDED BUDGET	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/21 INCR (DECR)	YTD BALANCE 03/31/2021 NORM (ABNORM)	% BGD USED
Fund 230 - RECYCLING							
Expenditures							
230-402-718.050	RETIREMENT ON PAYOUT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-718.100	POB IN LIEU OF RETIREMENT	10,409.09	10,358.00	10,358.00	863.16	2,603.08	25.13
230-402-719.000	UNEMPLOYMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-720.000	OPTICAL INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-727.000	SUPPLIES, PRINTING & POSTAGE	3,647.50	5,500.00	5,500.00	1.02	55.51	1.01
230-402-746.000	UNIFORMS	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-747.000	GAS, OIL, GREASE & ETC	3,441.36	5,000.00	5,000.00	455.12	731.68	14.63
230-402-801.000	PROF & CONTRACTUAL SERVICES (ADM)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-802.000	LEGAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-809.000	MEMBERSHIP/SUBSCRIPTIONS	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	100.00
230-402-835.000	HEALTH SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-851.000	TELEPHONE	2,223.07	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-851.010	CELLULAR PHONE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-861.000	TRAVEL	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-891.000	ESCROW PORTION OF WIND REVENUE	0.00	8,603.00	8,603.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-901.000	ADVERTISING	698.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-910.000	INSURANCES	1,963.38	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-920.000	UTILITIES	7,815.19	7,500.00	7,500.00	947.52	1,649.18	21.99
230-402-932.000	EQUIPT REPAIR & MAINT.	2,492.24	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,349.18	4,352.80	87.06
230-402-933.000	VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	279.77	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-934.000	OFFICE EQUIPMENT REPAIR & MAIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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230-402-941.000	BUILDING EQUIPMENT RENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-955.000	MISC. EXPENSES	572.35	1,000.00	1,000.00	81.44	146.55	14.66
230-402-957.000	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-958.000	ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-960.000	HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE	7,321.80	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-961.000	ELECTRONIC HAZARDOUS WASTE	4,034.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-962.000	TIRE DRIVE	1,883.50	2,500.00	2,500.00	366.00	566.00	22.64
230-402-964.000	REFUNDS	212.94	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-965.000	RECYCLING CENTER GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-965.010	MULTI-CO RECYCLING MATCH GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-970.000	EQUIPMENT/CAPITAL OUTLAY	71,688.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-970.001	BOBCAT	118.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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230-402-970.006	TRAILER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-970.007	SELF-DUMPING HOPPERS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-980.000	TRUCK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-981.000	POLE BUILDING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-984.000	GIS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-985.000	LAND ACQUISITION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-995.000	INTEREST EXPENSE ON ADVANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-402-999.101	INDIRECT COSTS	42,573.00	66,968.00	66,968.00	16,742.00	16,742.00	25.00
230-402-999.258	TRANSFER OUT GIS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 402 - RECYCLING		402,403.36	385,785.00	385,785.00	41,676.38	81,243.49	21.06
Dept 403 - EGLE/DEQ GRANT							
230-403-705.000	SALARIES PT/TEMP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-710.000	WORK COMP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-715.000	F.I.C.A.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-959.000	CLEAN SWEEP	993.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Increase Expense
by \$4,500

PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2021

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	END BALANCE	2021		ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/21 INCR (DECR)	YTD BALANCE	% BDGT USED
		12/31/2020 NORM (ABNORM)	ORIGINAL BUDGET	2021 AMENDED BUDGET		03/31/2021 NORM (ABNORM)	
Fund 230 - RECYCLING							
Expenditures							
230-403-970.000	TRAILER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-978.003	TRAILER FOR EGLE GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-978.004	EGLE/DEQ GRANT TIRES	11,902.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-986.000	DEQ INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
230-403-987.000	DEQ EDUCATION EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 403 - EGLE/DEQ GRANT		12,896.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		415,299.68	385,785.00	385,785.00	41,676.38	81,243.49	21.06
Fund 230 - RECYCLING:							
TOTAL REVENUES		345,261.68	346,894.00	346,894.00	10,903.21	20,119.01	5.80
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		415,299.68	385,785.00	385,785.00	41,676.38	81,243.49	21.06
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		(70,038.00)	(38,891.00)	(38,891.00)	(30,773.17)	(61,124.48)	157.17
BEG. FUND BALANCE		132,043.45	132,043.45	132,043.45		132,043.45	
NET OF REVENUES/EXPENDITURES - 2020						(70,038.00)	
END FUND BALANCE		62,005.45	93,152.45	93,152.45		880.97	

COVID19 Medical Claims Dashboard

Medical Claims Incurred and Paid 04/01/2020 - 03/31/2021

TUSCOLA COUNTY

225

Unique Patients
(with any COVID19 lab or Dx)

\$4,719

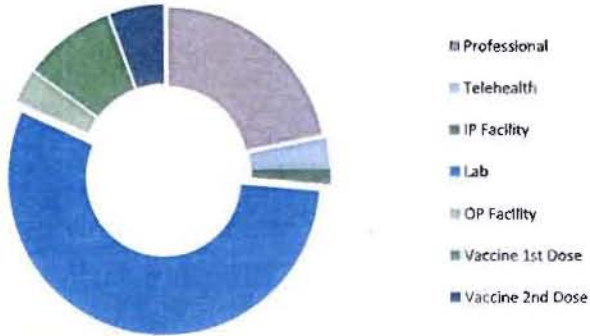
Total Patient Payment

\$274,158

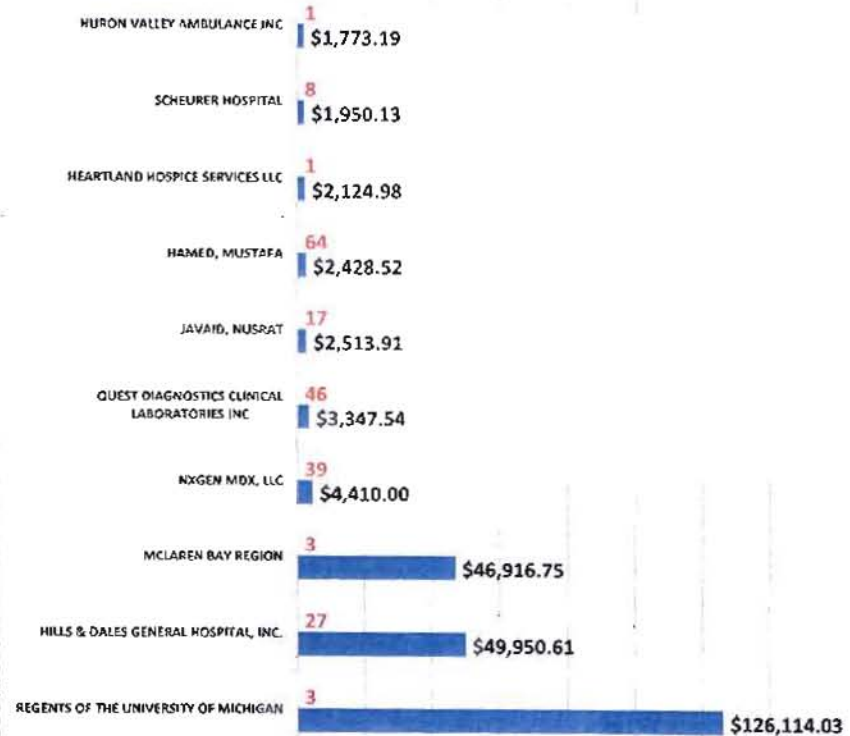
Total Group Payment

619

Unique Claim Count



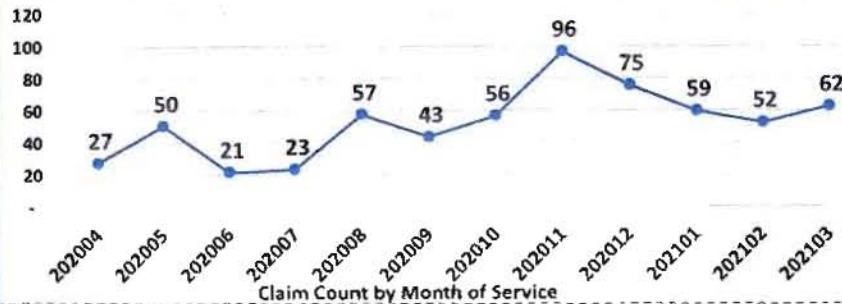
Percent of Claims by Claim Type



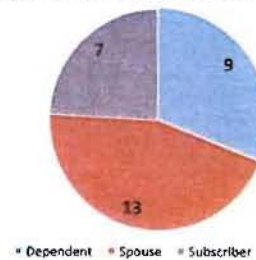
Top 10 Providers by Group Payment
(Red = Number of Patients)

Claim Type	Claim Count	Unique Patients	Group Payment
ER	0	0	\$0
Inpatient Facility	10	4	\$206,885
Outpatient Facility	23	12	\$13,517
Professional	150	66	\$20,697
Telehealth	21	16	\$2,068
COVID19 Labs	380	188	\$28,400
Vaccine 1st Dose	64	63	\$1,615
Vaccine 2nd Dose	38	38	\$976
Vaccine Single Dose	0	0	\$0

Claim Type Count and Group Payment



Claim Count by Month of Service



Confirmed Cases by Relationship

Suspected COVID19 Patient Count
(Dx of Z03818, Z20822, or Z20828)
149

Confirmed COVID19 Patient Count
(Dx of U071 or 89729)
29

*Dx1 Z20828, Z03818 or Dx1-Dx5 U071 or procedure codes U0001, U0002, U0003, U0004, G2073, G2024, 0001A, 0002A, 0011A, 0012A, 0031A, 0202U, 0223U, 0224U, 0240U, 0741U, 86318, 86328, 86413, 87428, 86769, 87426, 87635, 87636, 87637 87811
**Telehealth claims include Blue Cross Online Visits If applicable for the group

COVID-19 Diagnosed COVID-19 Diagnosed Over Time

26



COVID-19 Allowed Over Time

COVID-19 Allowed
\$281,342



COVID-19 Tested

168

All COVID-19 Tests



COVID-19 Fully Vaccinated

11

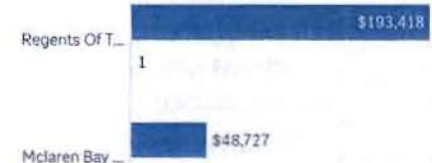
Vaccinations by Type



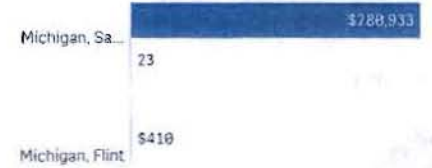
Top Drugs



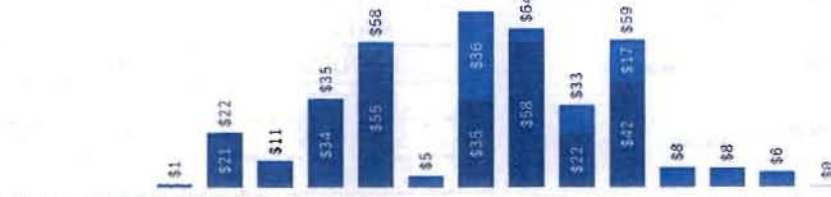
Top Providers



Top MSAs



Exposure to COVID-19: Members



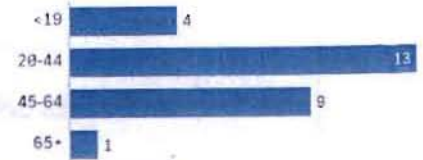
Exposure to COVID-19: Allowed

COVID-19 Dashboard for Tuscola County

Claims Incurred 1/1/2020 through 2/25/2021 with 9 Month run out
Generated on 4/12/2021



COVID-19 by Age



COVID-19 by Gender



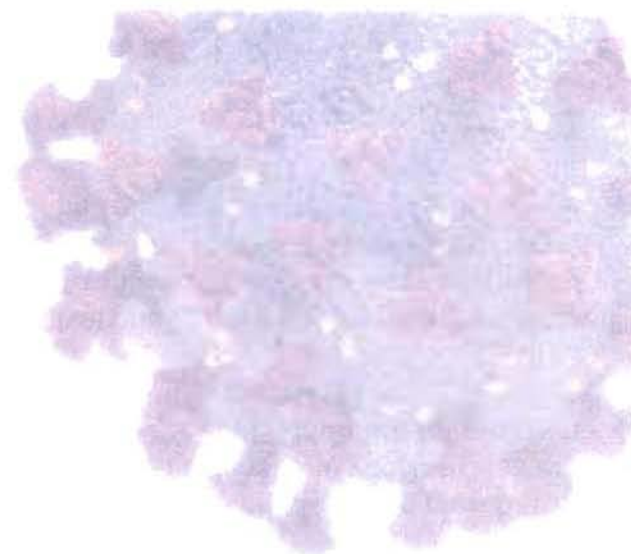
COVID-19 by Relationship



Weekly COVID-19 Digest

April 8, 2021

Prepared by the **Health Care Value** division of
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Executive summary

Viral Prevalence

- Michigan reported over **43,000 new cases** in the **past seven days**; a number that is **higher than any other state**, with new cases continuing to accelerate at a **rate faster than any other state in the nation**.
- This week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that the variant first identified in the United Kingdom has become **"dominant"** in the U.S.. While still a small (1%) component in the total number of new cases, the variant is more transmissible than other strains and **should concern communities** that opening restaurants and school sports.
- Hospitals in Michigan and Minnesota are beginning to **pause non-essential procedures** amid capacity constraints caused by a surge in COVID-19 cases.

Testing

- The **percent of tests** returned with a **positive result in Michigan** has increased from **14.5% last week to 17.2% this week**.
- The growth in total new testing is not keeping pace with the growth in new positive cases; suggesting community transmission of the virus is widespread and undetected.
- Over **66,000 additional commercial and 7,000 additional Medicare** testing claims were received this week, at a total cost exceeding **\$5.3 million**.
- Data suggest that non-white commercial members comprise, on average, **6-7% more of total testing claims** in 2021 than in 2020. This information coincides with data showing a **6% increase in diagnoses** among non-white Americans.



Vaccinations

- Over **1.2 million BCBSM members** have received at least **one dose** of a COVID-19 vaccine.
- Nearly **200,000 members** received a vaccine dose last week; demonstrating a pattern of strong uptake.
- Over **33% of all BCBSM members** have received at least one vaccine dose.
- Over **63% of all Medicare members** have received at least one vaccine dose and over **52% of all Medicare members** have been **fully vaccinated**.
- Nationally, daily vaccination rates exceed **3 million**; if this performance remains constant, **at least 75%** of Americans will be **fully vaccinated by July 1**.

Viral prevalence and progression



Cumulative positive testing trends

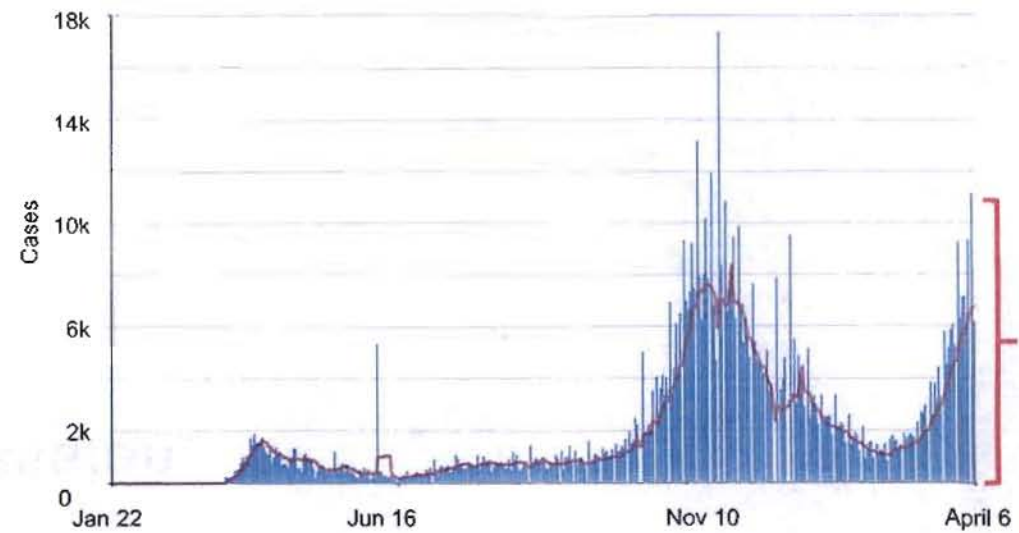
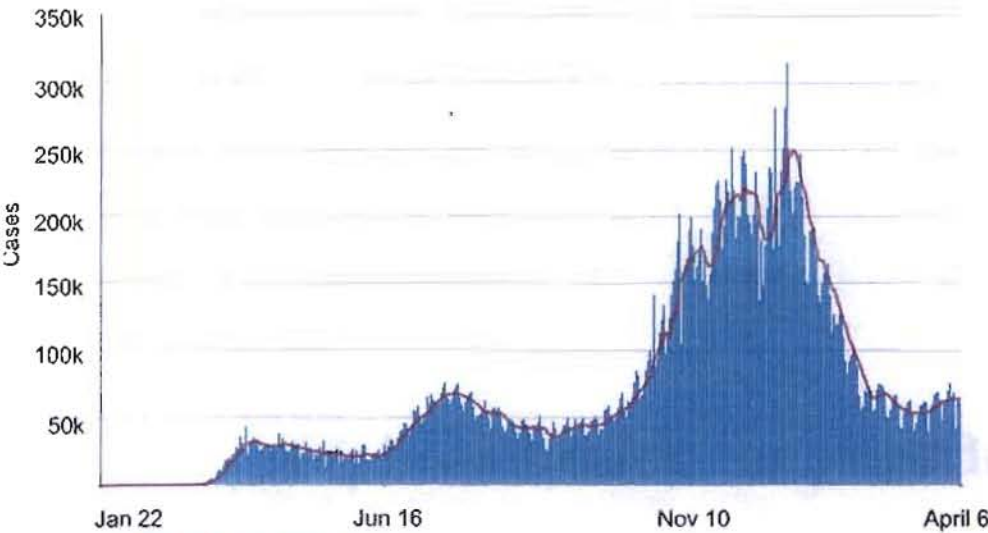


Cumulative Positive Tests

Change from prior week +448,412 cases	+1.4%	Nationally 30,662,171	Michigan 715,478	+6.4%	Change from prior week +43,219 cases
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National Positive Test Trends

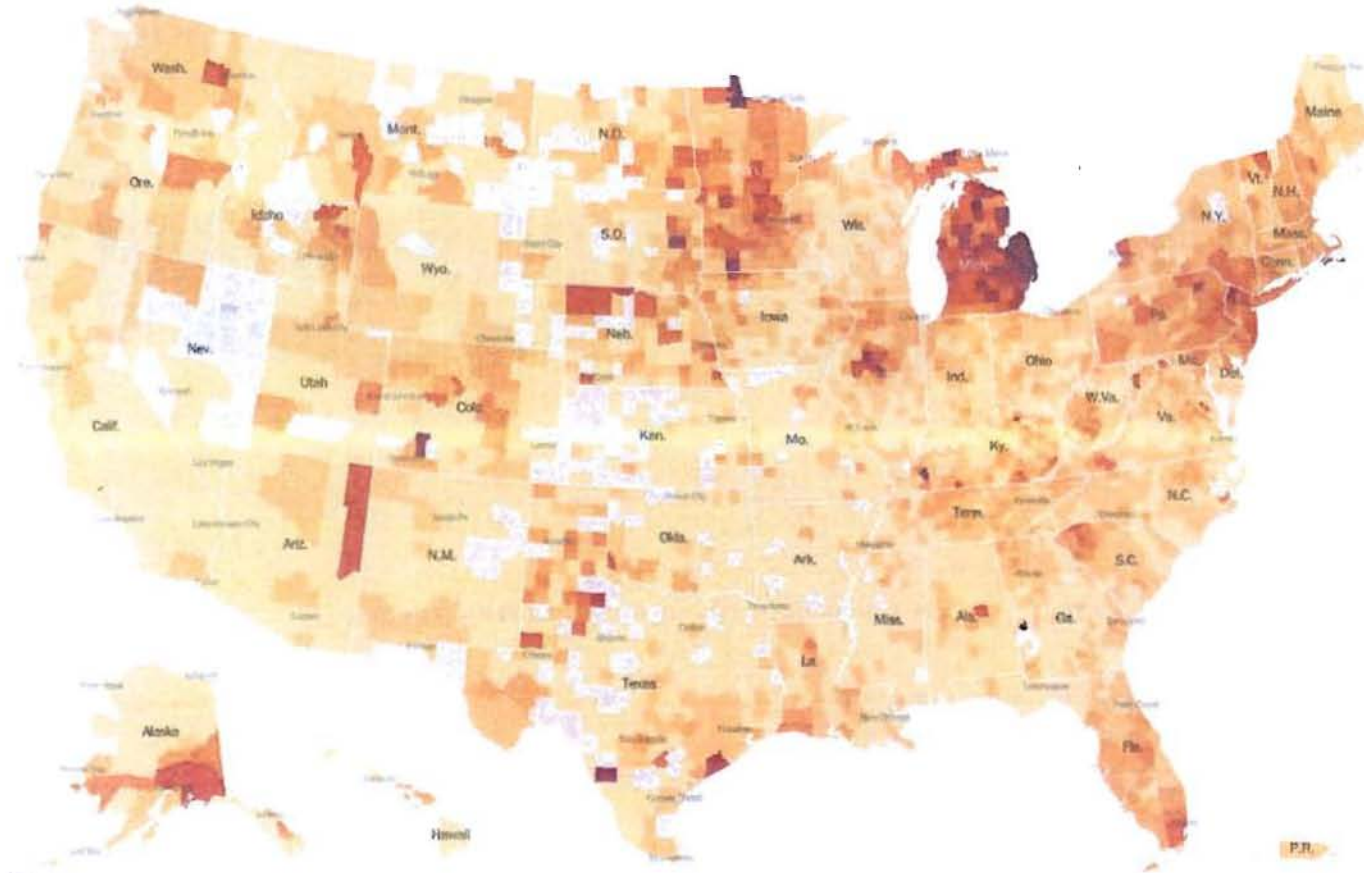
Michigan Positive Test Trends



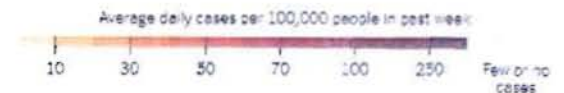
Source: [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#)
Accessed April 8, 2021

Insight: The number of positive cases in Michigan continues to grow. Michigan's positive trend in new diagnoses is increasing at a higher and faster rate than any other state in the nation. Michigan accounted for ~10% of all new cases in the United States over the past seven days.

Michigan is leading the nation in the number of new cases per 100,000 people throughout the past week



- The country is averaging about as many new cases each day as it was in late February, when a period of rapid improvement ended.
- Though infection levels remain relatively low in much of the South and West, case numbers remain very high in the Northeast and are spiking in parts of the Midwest.
- Case numbers have exploded in Michigan, home to 10 of the 12 metro areas with the country's highest rates of recent cases.
- New Jersey and New York continue to add cases at some of the highest rates in the country, but growth there has slowed in recent days.

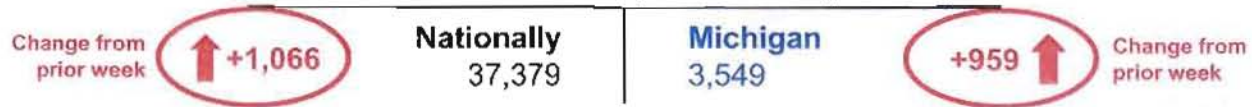


Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/coronavirus-us-cases.html>
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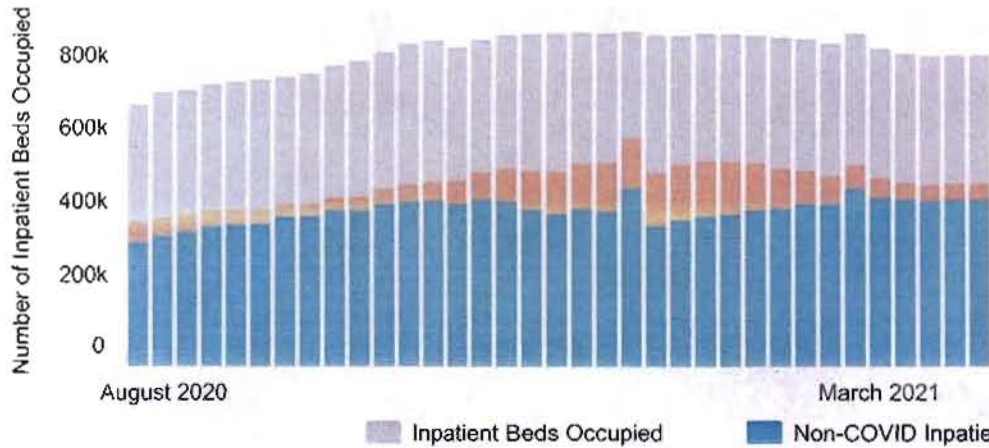
Hospitalization trends



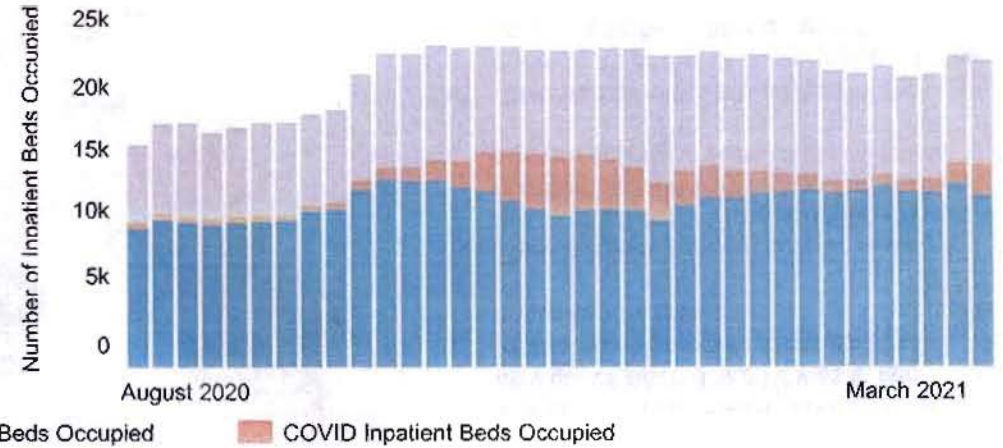
Inpatient COVID-19 Hospitalizations (patients)



National Hospitalization Trends – Inpatient Beds



Michigan Hospitalization Trends – Inpatient Beds



Source: [Weekly Hospitalization Trends - Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center \(jhu.edu\)](#), [Coronavirus - Statewide Available PPE and Bed Tracking \(michigan.gov\)](#)
 Accessed April 8, 2021

Insight: Currently, COVID patients make up 5.2% of all inpatient hospitalizations nationally, while 19% of Michigan's current inpatient admissions are attributed to the virus. Statewide, 70% of all inpatient beds are filled, while 81% of all ICU beds are occupied. Just 30% of Michigan's ventilators are in use.

Deaths and rate of recovery

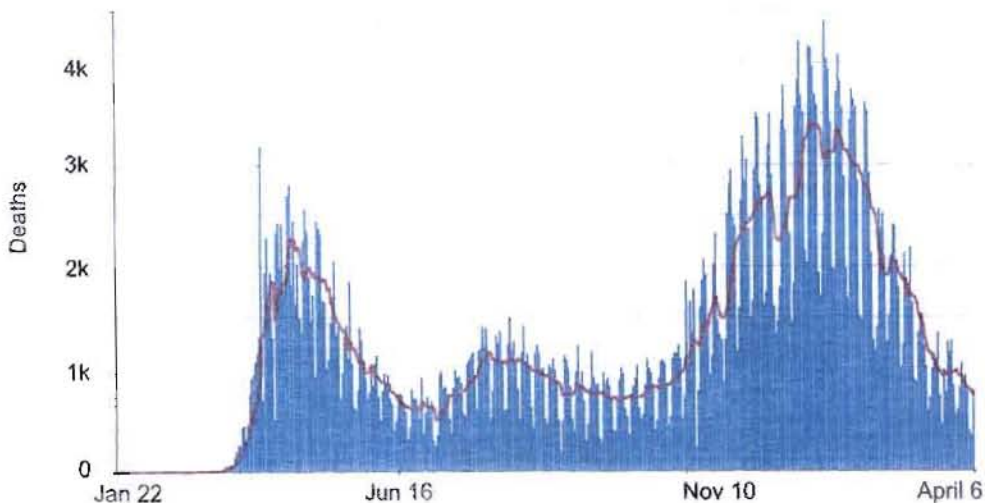


Cumulative Deaths

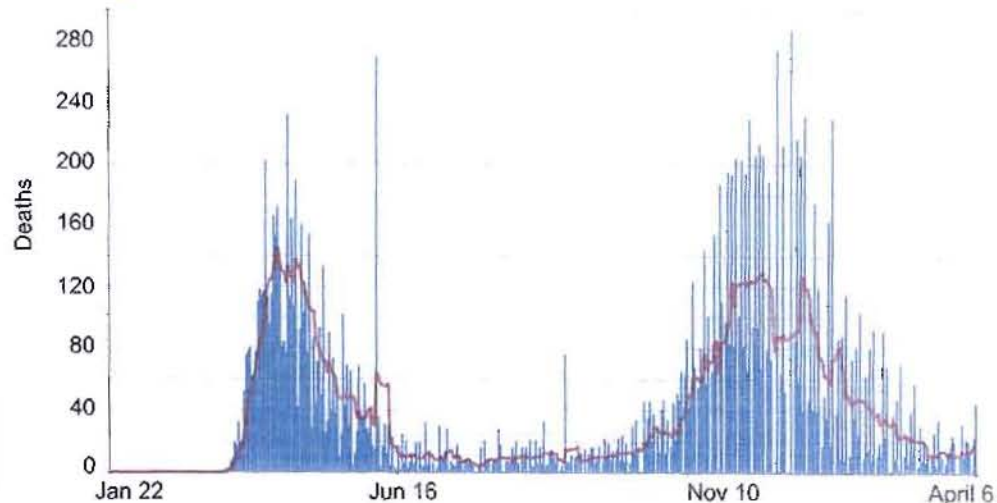
(6,873 deaths last week)	↓ +5,222	Nationally 555,231	Michigan 16,327	+235 ↑	(109 deaths last week)
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Rate of recovery: 78%

National Death Trends



Michigan Death Trends




Sources: [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#) / [Coronavirus - Michigan Data](#)
 Accessed April 8, 2021

Insight: The national seven-day average for deaths is 19, down from last month's rate of 23 and a decrease from the peak of 4,074 on January 20, 2021. In Michigan, the seven-day average for deaths is 19, while the national average of deaths over the past seven days is 23, a 30% increase from the prior seven-day period. Michigan's rate of recovery continues to decrease from last month, when it exceeded 91% - this is the result of a surge in newly infected residents.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently recognized the B.1.1.7 variant as the most dominant strain identified in the United States



	First detected in United States	Reported Cases in United States (change since last report)	Number of States Reporting Cases (change since last report)	States Reporting Cases (change since last report)
 United Kingdom Variant B.1.1.7	Late December 2020	16,275 (+4,706)	50	AL, AK, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NB, NC, ND, NJ, NH, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV, WY
 Brazil Variant P.1	Early January 2021	356 (+184)	25 (+3)	AK, AZ, CA, CT, FL, GA, IL, IN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, NB, NJ, NH, OH, OK, OR, RI, TN, TX, UT, WA, WI
 South Africa Variant B.1.351	January 28, 2021	386 (+74)	36 (+5)	AK, AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NJ, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, WA, WI

Insight: The rate of growth in new cases of the United Kingdom variant has slowed significantly over the past week – decreasing from a rate that doubled every week over the past month. Despite this improvement, the CDC recognized the UK variant as the most dominant strain identified in the United States. The number of new cases of this variant accounted for 12% of all new cases in the United States over the past seven days. Because the variant is believed to be more transmissible and more aggressive post-infection, it is believed to be behind the majority of new cases in Michigan and on the east coast. Additional genomic sequencing is required to fully understand the scope of infections from each strain throughout the nation.

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/transmission/variant-cases.html>
 Accessed: April 8, 2021

Viral prevalence and progression

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Hospitals weigh reducing elective procedures in wake of metro Detroit COVID surge

- Michigan Medicine is the first hospital in Southeast Michigan to slow elective surgeries and other procedures due to the latest surge in COVID-19 patient admissions, hospital officials confirmed Thursday.
- Henry Ford Macomb has decided to limit elective procedures Thursday and Friday because the hospital is full. The hospital also said administrators will evaluate patient volume over the weekend.
- Two other Southeast Michigan health systems — Beaumont Health and Trinity Health Michigan — are considering limiting elective surgeries or other procedures, depending on whether COVID-19 patient admissions continue to double every two weeks.

Insight: In March 2020, when COVID-19 was beginning to hit Southeast Michigan, several hospitals began to slow elective surgeries and other procedures, it remains to be seen if this latest surge will produce a similar pause.



Washington Post

CDC Recommends Michigan restrict indoor youth sports to slow spread of COVID-19

- The director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control suggests that Michigan and other states with high rates of coronavirus transmission should restrict indoor youth sports and consider other steps now, such as a potential pause on indoor dining, to rein in the spread of the virus.
- These comments came one day after Governor Gretchen Whitmer said she's not willing to address Michigan's nation-leading COVID-19 case rate of 452.5 cases per 100,000 people with new COVID-19 restrictions.
- Michigan's Governor has suggested that pandemic fatigue, mobility and variants are the leading causes of the spike in new cases; she also suggested vaccines were the appropriate answer to these challenges.

Insight: Vaccines aren't an immediate fix to the state's current surge. It takes at least five to be fully protected after receiving the Pfizer vaccine and six weeks for the Moderna vaccine. For Johnson & Johnson's single dose shot, the best protection comes after 28 days.

Viral prevalence and progression



Coronavirus: More work needed to rule out China lab leak theory says WHO

- The head of the World Health Organization has said further investigation is needed to conclusively rule out that COVID-19 emerged from a laboratory in China.
- The virus was first detected in Wuhan in late 2019 and an international team of experts travelled to the city in January of this year to probe the origins of the virus. In response to the WHO report, the US and 13 allies have voiced concern over the findings and urged China to provide "full access" to experts.
- The WHO's investigation team leader said his team had felt political pressure, including from outside China, but said he was never pressed to remove anything from the final report. He also confirmed his team found no evidence that any laboratories in Wuhan were involved in the outbreak.

Insight: China has always rejected claims the virus originated in a lab and says that although Wuhan is where the first cluster of cases was detected, it is not necessarily where the virus originated.



The New York Times

US taps Johnson & Johnson to run troubled vaccine plant

- This past weekend, the Biden administration put Johnson & Johnson in charge of a Baltimore manufacturing plant that ruined 15 million doses of the J&J coronavirus vaccine and stopped the plant from making the AstraZeneca vaccine.
- The move by the Department of Health and Human Services came just days after officials found that Emergent BioSolutions, a contract manufacturer that has been making both the J&J and the AstraZeneca vaccines, mixed up ingredients from the two, leading regulators to delay authorization of the plant's production.
- The Department of HHS directed J&J to install a new team to oversee all aspects of production and manufacturing at the plant. The company said that it was "assuming full responsibility" for the vaccine made at the Emergent plant.

Insight: By moving the AstraZeneca vaccine out, two senior federal health officials said, the plant can be solely devoted to the Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccine and avoid future mishaps.

Testing



Trends in test administration 286,648

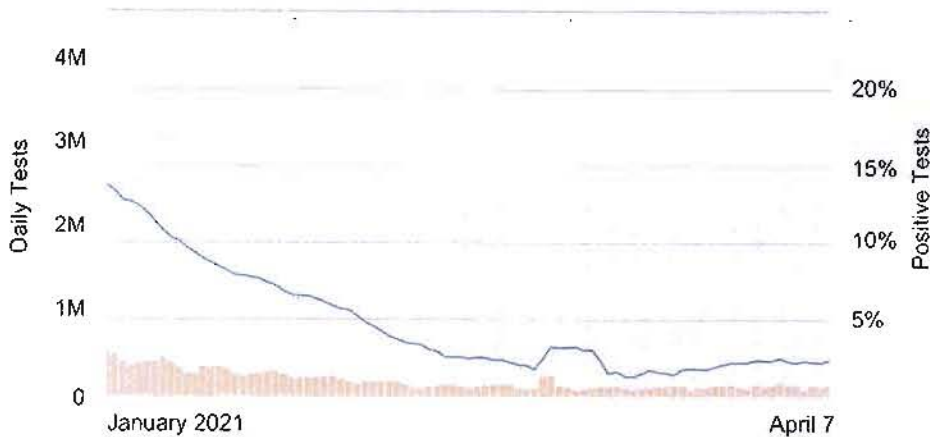


Total Tests (cumulative)

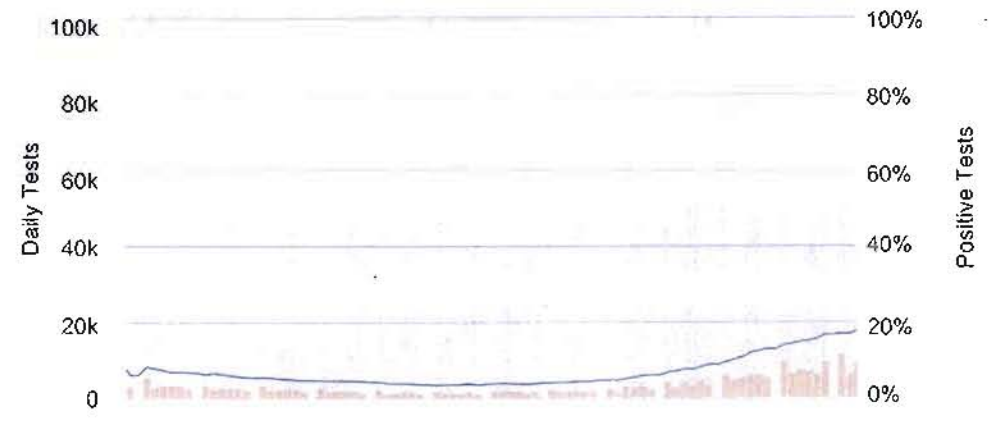
+9.7M since last Thursday
Nationally
 362,094,577

Michigan
 12,357,163
 +291,902 since last Thursday
 (a weekly increase of 1.8%)

National Testing Trends [90-day view]



Michigan Testing Trends [90-day view]



— Percentage positive tests (7-day moving average)
 ■ Daily total tests
 ■ Daily positive tests

Last week 4.7% **↑** 4.8% Current positive testing rate

Current positive testing rate **17.2%** **↑** Last week 14.5%

Insight: Despite Michigan's alarmingly high number of new cases and percent of positivity, testing increased at a modest rate of 1.8% compared to the 6.4% growth of newly diagnosed patients over the same time period.

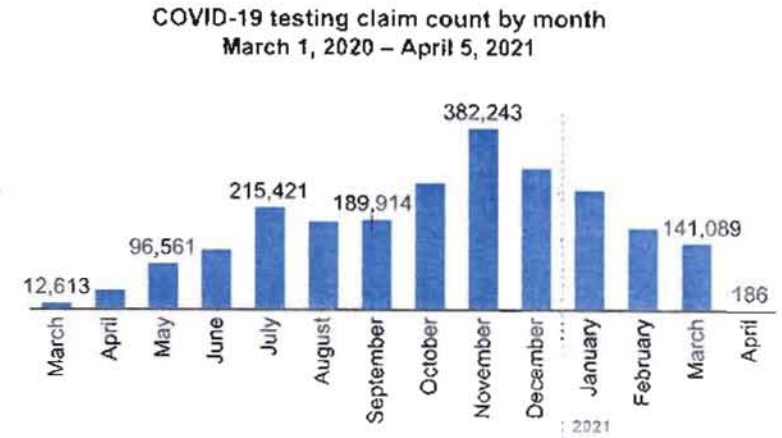
Sources: [Daily Testing Trends in Usa - Johns Hopkins \(jhu.edu\)](#) / [Coronavirus - Michigan Data](#), Accessed April 8, 2021

Testing by the numbers – Commercial business

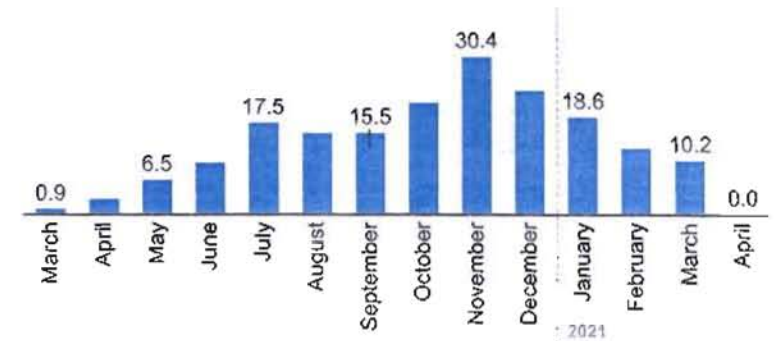


Commercial book of business: COVID-19 testing claim count and group cost [\$ in millions]
March 1, 2020 – April 5, 2021

COVID-19 Test (code)	2020	January	February	March	April	Total	Change from last
	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost
Diagnostic (U0001, U0002, U0003, U0004, U0005, 87426, 87635, 87811)	1,664,147 \$138.9	233,596 \$17.4	161,899 \$11.8	131,751 \$9.5	163 \$<0.1	2,188,951 \$177.3	+63,063 +\$4.6
Antibody (86318, 86328, 86413, 86769)	140,539 \$4.2	10,038 \$0.4	6,645 \$0.3	5,135 \$0.2	14 \$<0.1	162,371 \$5.0	+2,027 +\$0.1
Multi-Condition (87428, 87636, 87637, 0202U, 0223U, 0224U, 0240U, 0241U)	11,875 \$1.4	8,510 \$0.8	4,747 \$0.5	4,203 \$0.5	9 \$<0.1	29,344 \$3.3	+1,648 \$0.2
Total	1,813,956 \$144.2	252,144 \$18.6	173,291 \$12.6	141,089 \$10.2	186 <\$0.1	2,380,666 \$185.6	66,748 \$4.8



COVID-19 testing claim cost by month [\$ in millions]
March 1, 2020 – April 5, 2021



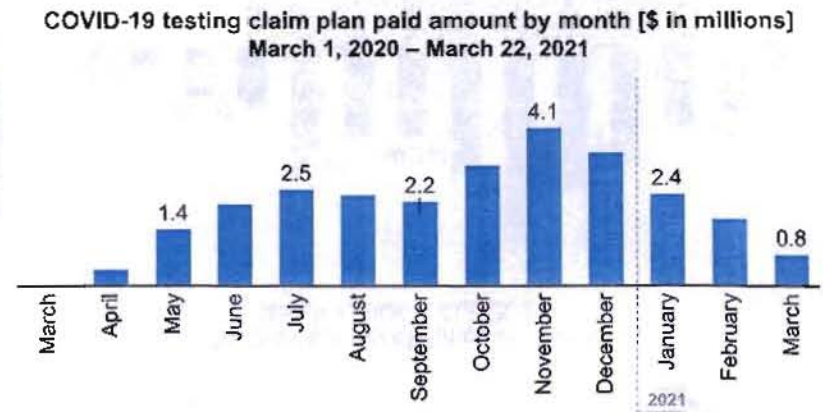
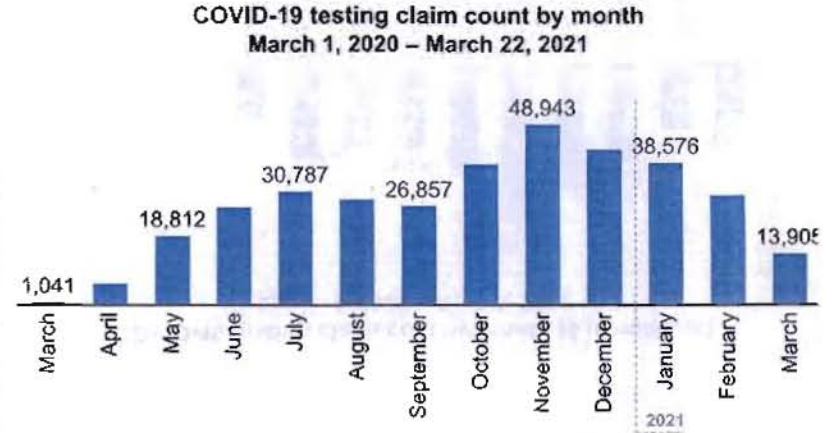
- \$ - millions, rounded to the nearest \$100,000
- Commercial book-of-business (In and out of state) claims (HMO and PPO) minus hosted member claims incurred and paid through April 5, 2021, excludes specimen collection and related services
- Data source: Group Customer Reporting and Advocacy (April 5, 2021)

Testing by the numbers – Medicare Advantage



Medicare Advantage: COVID-19 testing claim count and plan cost [\$ in millions]
March 1, 2020 – March 22, 2021

COVID-19 Test (code)	2020	January	February	March	Total	Change from last report
	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost	Count Cost
Diagnostic (U0001, U0002, U0003, U0004, U0005, 87426, 87635, 87811)	243,946	36,471	28,318	13,255	321,990	+7,104
	\$20.6	\$2.3	\$1.6	\$0.7	\$25.2	+\$0.4
Antibody (86318, 86328, 86413, 86769)	23,406	1,844	1,180	563	26,993	+301
	\$1.0	\$0.8	\$0.6	\$0.3	\$1.2	+<\$0.1
Multi-Condition (87428, 87636, 87637, 0202U, 0223U, 0224U, 0240U, 0241U)	428	261	225	87	1,001	+50
	\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	<\$0.1	\$0.1	+<\$0.1
Total	267,780	38,576	29,723	13,905	349,984	+\$7,458
	\$21.7	\$2.4	\$1.7	\$0.7	\$26.5	+0.5



- \$ - millions, rounded to the nearest \$100,000
- Medicare Advantage book-of-business (in and out of state) claims (HMO and PPO) minus hosted member claims incurred and paid through March 22, 2021; excludes specimen collection and related services
- Data source: Medicare Data Management and Reporting (April 5, 2021)

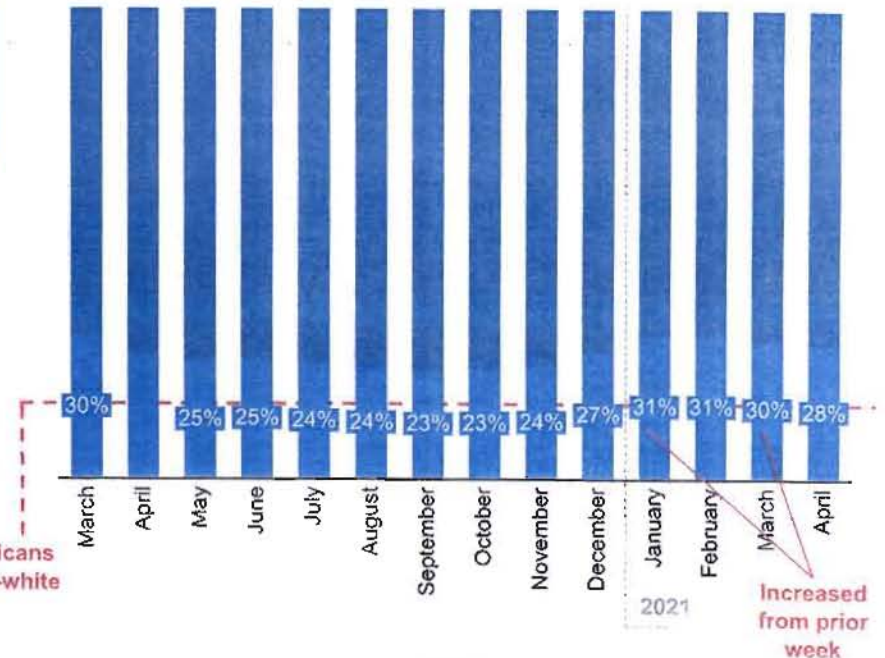
Testing by the numbers – Commercial business and member race



Commercial book of business: COVID-19 testing claim count and imputed member racial identity
March 1, 2020 – March 29, 2021

Percent of testing claims with member race imputed as white or non-white

Testing period and imputed member race	2020	January	February	March	April	Total	Change from last report
	Count %	Count %	Count %	Count %	Count %	Count %	Count %
White	1,369,038	175,082	120,259	99,202	133	1,763,714	+45,356
	75.5%	69.4%	69.4%	73.0%	71.2%	74.1%	-0.1%
Non-White	444,918	77,062	53,032	41,887	53	616,952	+20,392
	24.5%	30.6%	30.6%	27.0%	28.8%	25.9%	+0.1%
Total	1,813,956	252,144	173,291	141,089	189	2,380,666	+66,748



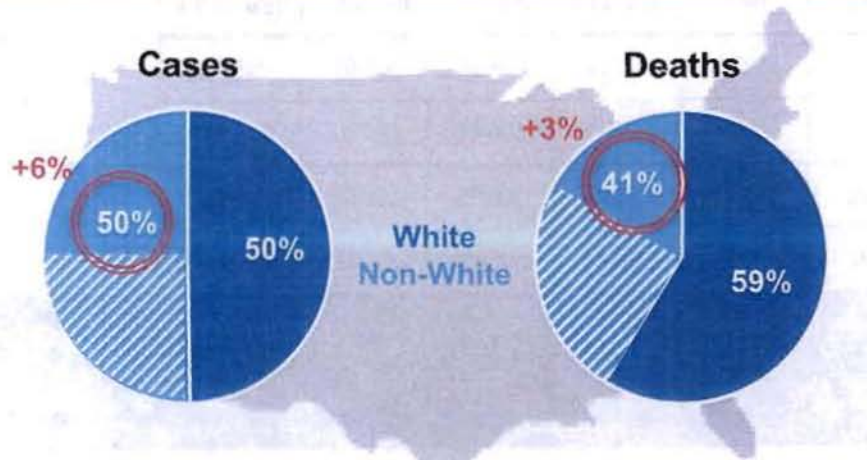
Members whose race is imputed as white
Members whose race is imputed as non-white

- Commercial book-of-business (in and out of state) claims (HMO and PPO) minus hosted member claims incurred and paid through April 5, 2021; excludes specimen collection and related services
- Data source: Group Customer Reporting and Advocacy (April 5, 2021)
- Member racial identity imputed from Axicom data; Non-white includes members whose status is imputed as "other", "unclassified" or blank
- Percent of Americans identifying as White (76.3%) / Non-White (23.7%) identified by 2019 U.S. Census: <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/US/PST045219>

Half of US COVID-19 diagnoses are attributed to non-white patients; while they comprise just 23% of the national population



In 2019, the [US Census Bureau](https://www.census.gov) estimated that 23% of Americans identified as something other than white, while 50% of cases and 41% of deaths due to COVID-19 are aligned with someone who is non-white.

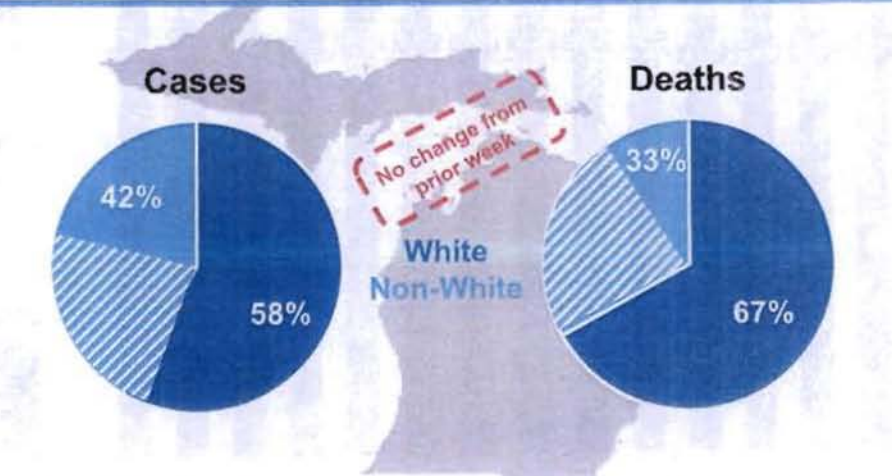


Just 23% of Americans identify as something other than white – yet they represent 50% of COVID-19 cases

Just 23% of Americans identify as something other than white – yet they represent 41% of COVID-19 deaths

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#demographics> Accessed April 8, 2021

In 2019, the [US Census Bureau](https://www.census.gov) estimated that 20% of Michiganders identified as something other than white, while 42% of cases and 33% of deaths due to COVID-19 in Michigan are aligned with someone who is non-white.



Just 20% of Michiganders identify as something other than white – yet they represent 42% of COVID-19 cases

Just 20% of Michiganders identify as something other than white – yet they represent 33% of COVID-19 deaths

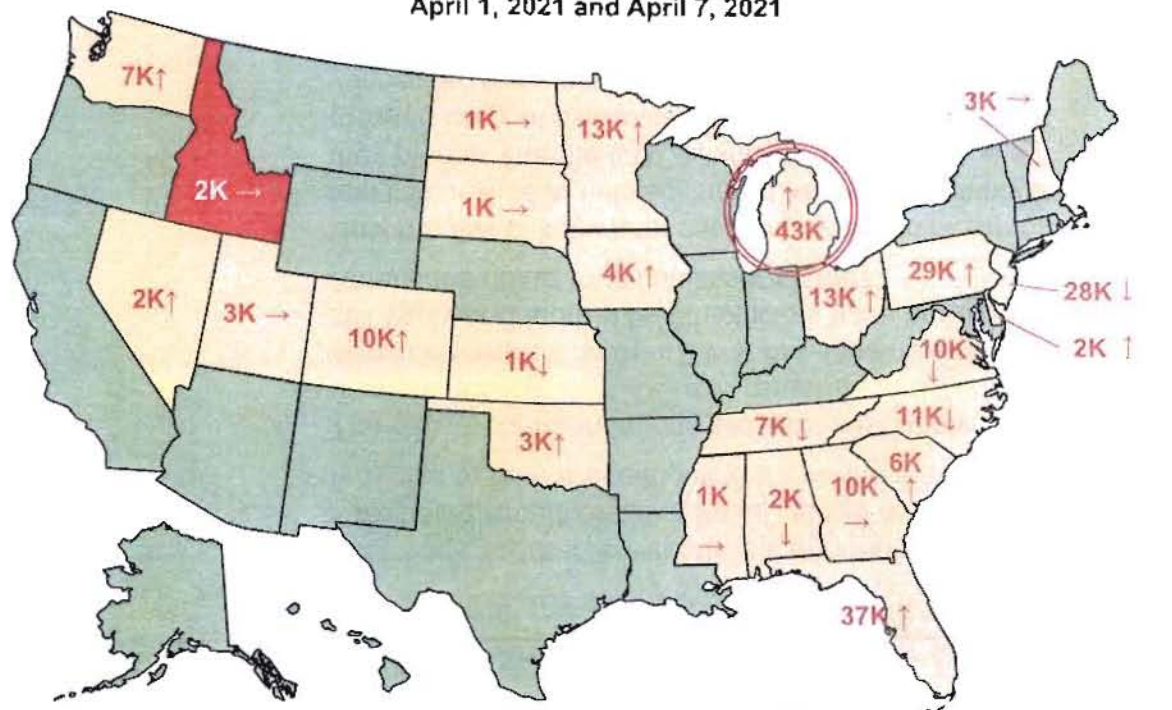
Source: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98163_98173--,00.html Accessed April 8, 2021

What's keeping clinical teams up at night? What should group customers be thinking about?



- Michigan's positive rate of 17.2% represents a 13-point increase in one month (from 4.05%) and continues to exceed increases posted for the past six weeks. While weekly increases may be slowing, the state is at a critical juncture.
- Michigan has the third highest positive testing rate in the nation. In the past seven days, Michigan has reported over 43,000 positive cases, compared to 38,000 last week, 23,000 the prior seven days and 7,000 per week in February.
- Since last week's report, five additional states posted positive rates exceeding 5% (Colorado, Delaware, Nevada, Oklahoma, Washington) while Missouri and Texas (frequent references in this report) posted new rates lower than 5%.
- The United States has averaged 61,000 new cases per day over the past week, representing an increase of 1,000 from the average last week.
- Experts continue to expect a significant wave of additional positive tests associated with loosening state restrictions, spring break and warmer weather.

States with positive testing rates higher than 5%;
Cumulative number of positive cases in the seven days between
April 1, 2021 and April 7, 2021



- States shaded in green have positive testing rates below 5%; states shaded yellow have rates of positivity at or higher than 5%; states shaded in red have rates of positivity higher than 20%. States shaded in black have rates of positivity higher than 50% - Source: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/testing-positivity>
- Figures denote the cumulative number of positive tests in the seven days prior to April 8, 2021
- Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases>; arrows represent the trend of new cases over the past 7 days

Testing in the news



Mysterious ailment, mysterious relief: vaccines help some COVID long-haulers

- An estimated 10% to 30% of people who get COVID-19 suffer from lingering symptoms of the disease, or what's known as "long COVID." As the US pushes to get people vaccinated, a benefit is emerging for those with this post-illness syndrome: Their symptoms are easing and, in some cases, fully resolving after they get vaccinated.
- The notion that a vaccine aimed at preventing the disease may also be a treatment has sparked optimism among patients and scientists who study the post-illness syndrome among COVID-19 patients.
- While promising, it's still too early to know how many people with long COVID are feeling better as a result of being vaccinated and whether it is statistically meaningful.

Insight: There are many theories for why vaccines alleviate symptoms of long COVID: It's possible the vaccine clears up leftover virus fragments and one theory suggests that people who are infected never fully clear the virus, leading to a viral "reservoir" to persist in the body.



The New York Times

Vaccinated Americans can Travel but should still wear masks in public, CDC says

- Last week, federal health officials announced fully vaccinated Americans can travel "at low risk to themselves" but must to take precautions like wearing masks in public.
- The new recommendations are a modest departure from previous advice; the CDC told reporters at a White House news conference on April 2 that previous recommendations still apply and federal health officials have been urging Americans not to travel unless they must.
- Until the risk is known for sure, many public health officials feel it is unwise to tell vaccinated Americans simply to do as they please. But the CDC wishes to acknowledge a growing body of evidence suggesting that the risk to vaccinated travelers is comparatively low.

Insight: Scientists are not yet certain whether vaccinated people may transmit the virus to others, though a recent CDC study suggested that it may be a rare event.

Testing in the news



FDA authorizes rapid at-home COVID-19 tests without a prescription

- Several over the counter COVID-19 tests were authorized last week by the Food and Drug Administration for use without a prescription, offering a way for schools, workplaces and other groups to conduct rapid screening.
- The so-called antigen tests offer faster results with less lab work and can be used to quickly and frequently test people to catch those who are asymptomatic and at risk of unknowingly spreading the virus.
- Rapid antigen tests will be especially useful for serial testing, which involves "testing the same individual multiple times within a few days and can increase chances of detecting asymptomatic infection that might not always show up with a single test," according to the FDA.

Insight: The FDA's authorization covers Quidel's *Quidel COVID-19 At-Home OTC test* and several versions of the Abbott *Abbott COVID-19 tests*, including ones designed to be taken at home and another that can be used in point-of-care settings, such as a doctor's office, without a prescription.



The New York Times

A decline in testing may be masking the spread of the virus in some US states

- Declines in coronavirus testing in many states in the south and Great Plains are making it harder to know just how widely the virus may be spreading in those areas, even as restrictions are lifted and residents ease back into daily life.
- States are reporting few new cases relative to their population, compared with harder-hit states like Michigan and New York. Additionally, states are actively shifting resources away from testing to bolster vaccination efforts and meet President Biden's goal of making all adult Americans eligible for a shot by April 19.
- Many states in the south and Midwest have relaxed their restrictions, including mask mandates, while national data signals another surge in cases may be on the horizon.

Insight: In the states that are doing relatively little testing, it's possible that their daily case counts are low in part because asymptomatic or mild-symptom cases are going undetected. Hospitalizations are typically a better indicator of the spread of the virus.

Vaccinations



Vaccine pipeline dashboard



Manufacturer	Emergency Use Authorization status	Vaccine type	Injections per full course	Efficacy	Ages	Storage	Side effects	Doses purchased	Resources
Pfizer	Authorized December 11, 2020	mRNA	Two injections; 21 days apart	95%	16 and up	-70 Celsius	Fatigue, headache	300 million to be delivered through July	Link
Moderna	Authorized December 18, 2020	mRNA	Two injections; 28 days apart	94%	18 and up	-20 Celsius	Fatigue, headache, myalgia, pain	300 million to be delivered through July	Link
Johnson and Johnson	Authorized February 28, 2021	Adenovirus	One injection	57% - 72% depending on variant	18 and up	35 to 46 degrees Fahrenheit for 3 months	Fatigue, headache, myalgia, pain	100 million to be delivered through June	Link , Link , Link , Link
Novavax	EUA Application expected in April 2021	Protein	Two injections; 21 days apart	Expected March 2021	18 and up	35 to 46 degrees Fahrenheit	Fatigue, headache, myalgia, pain	100 million under contract	Link , Link , Link
AstraZeneca	Approved for use in the UK; Currently in Phase III trials in the US with EUA expected in April 2021	Adenovirus	Two injections; 21 days apart	60% - 90% depending on study and dosage	18 and up	35 to 46 degrees Fahrenheit	Fatigue, headache, myalgia, pain	300 million under contract	Link , Link , Link , Link

Insights: Last week, the National Institutes of Health began [testing a booster shot](#) from Moderna against a variant first found in South Africa. If approved, the company believes it will be able to supply booster shots by the end of 2021, adding that testing shows the boosters provide a confident level of protection against variants.

Insights: AstraZeneca's vaccine [continues](#) to be plagued with problems. Thursday, Britain said it would give alternative shots to people under the age of 30, while the health regulatory body for the European Union said it had found a "possible link" between the vaccine and rare blood clots.

Vaccination by the numbers – national and state metrics



National vaccination metrics

(all manufacturers)	Total doses distributed	Number of people receiving at least one dose	Number of people receiving full course
United States (link) as of April 7, 2021	225,294,435	109,408,066	64,286,560

Increase from March 31

+39,843,150
(+21.3%)

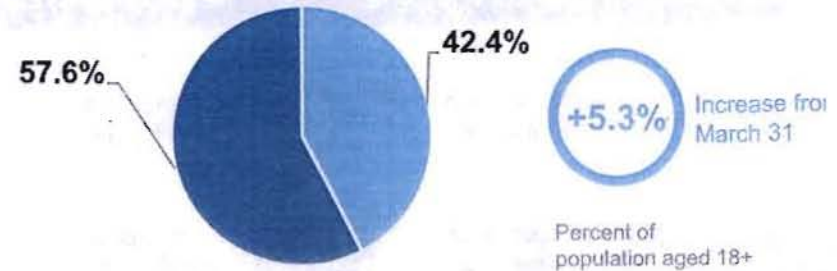
+13,708,895
(+14.3%)

+10,951,156
(+20.5%)

Nearly double prior week distribution change

Four consecutive weeks of 6 million+ growth

Estimated percent of populations receiving at least one dose



Percent of population receiving at least one dose
Percent of population not yet receiving first dose



State vaccination metrics

(all manufacturers)	Total doses distributed	Number of people at least one dose	Number of people receiving full course
Michigan (link) as of April 7, 2021	5,661,745	3,054,258	1,912,835

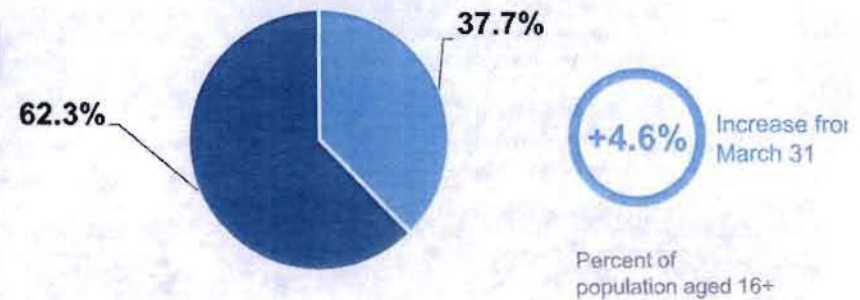
Increase from March 31

+668,340
(+13.4%)

+356,790
(+13.2%)

403,210
(+26.7%)

Significant rates of growth compared to historical trends



88%

of vaccine supplies distributed to Michigan have been administered

- Based on CDC reporting of % of population >18 Years of Age receiving 1 or more and 2 doses: [COVID-19 Vaccine IT Overview | Vaccination Reporting | CDC](#)
- Based on 2019 U.S. Census Estimates for persons aged 16 years and older in Michigan: 8,096,917

Vaccination by the numbers - Blue Cross membership



Blue Cross and Blue Care Network members receiving vaccinations**

(all manufacturers) as of April 7, 2021	Michigan		Out-of-state	
	First Dose (only)	Full Course	First Dose (only)	Full Course
Commercial*	364,218	452,751	11,109	11,612
Medicare Advantage*	60,774	300,996	5,105	10,308

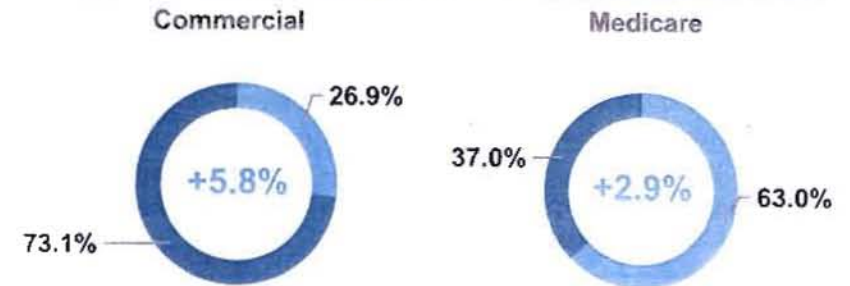
The number of doses given to BCBSM members increased by 193,598 since last week's report – strong continued growth over prior weeks

An estimated 33.2% of all BCBSM members aged 16+ have received at least one vaccine dose – an increase of 6% from last week's report

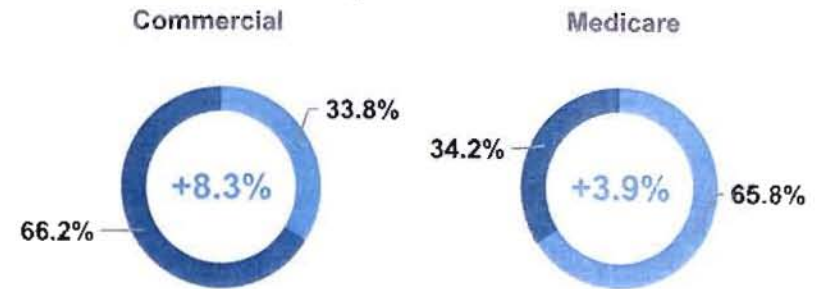
Blue Care Network members receiving vaccinations**

(all manufacturers) as of April 7, 2021	Michigan		Out-of-state	
	First Dose (only)	Full Course	First Dose (only)	Full Course
Commercial*	96,716	103,873	200	195
Medicare Advantage*	12,524	47,013	7	25

Percent of membership age 16+ vaccinated (increase from last report)



Percent of population receiving at least one dose
Percent of population not yet receiving one dose



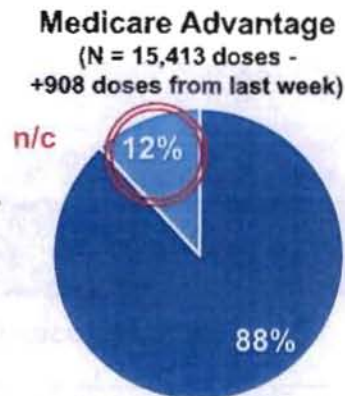
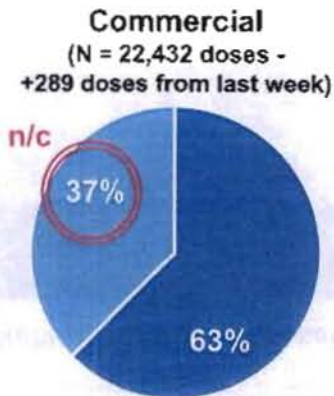
* Total BCBSM Commercial in-state membership age 16+: 2,248,008; Medicare in-state membership age 16+ 514,477; out-of-state commercial membership age 16+ 889,654; out-of-state Medicare membership age 16+: 84,131
 * Total BCN (only) Commercial in-state membership age 16+: 589,562; BCN Medicare in-state membership age 16+: 90,400; BCN Commercial out-of-state membership age 16+ 5,480; BCN out-of-state Medicare membership age 16+ 80
 **Based on data from the Michigan Care Improvement Registry and BCBSM/BCN Claims; data likely represents fewer than actual members vaccinated due to timing and information availability.

Blue Cross member vaccination uptake suggests variations based on race and age



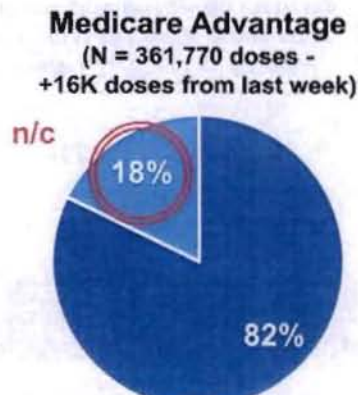
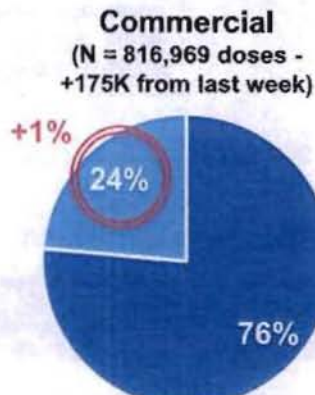
Of those members living out-of-state who have received the vaccine...

White
Non-white



Of those members living in Michigan who have received the vaccine...

White
Non-white



Blue Cross merged membership data with information from the Michigan Care Improvement Registry, Medical and Pharmacy claims, and insights from Acxiom to develop a profile that *estimates* vaccination uptake by race among Commercial and Medicare Advantage members.

Nearly 195,000 Blue Cross members received one dose of the vaccine this week. In most business lines, non-white members had no change in administration trends over last week. Those identifying as not white comprise ~20% of Michigan's population; to date, 24% of commercial and 18% of Medicare members who are not white have received at least one dose of the vaccine.

Vaccine confidence seems to be rising, but recent polling suggests that about 31% of Americans wish to take a wait-and-see approach, and about 20% remain quite reluctant.¹ The behavioral obstacles to widespread vaccination are as important to understand as the scientific and logistical hurdles.

For those with intent to be vaccinated, interventions such as default appointments and onsite vaccination effectively increase uptake. Less is known, however, about how to increase uptake by modifying the beliefs of the hesitant.

*Based on data from the Michigan Care Improvement Registry, BCBSM/BCN claims and projections from Acxiom; data likely represents fewer than actual members vaccinated due to timing and information availability; CMS data for Medicare Advantage members is extremely limited – work is in flight to add this information to overall totals. - Data source: Health Care Value Business Analytic Operations – April 7, 2021; values in red indicate change from April 1, 2021 report; Member racial identity imputed from Acxiom data, "Non-White" members include "unknown" and "other"

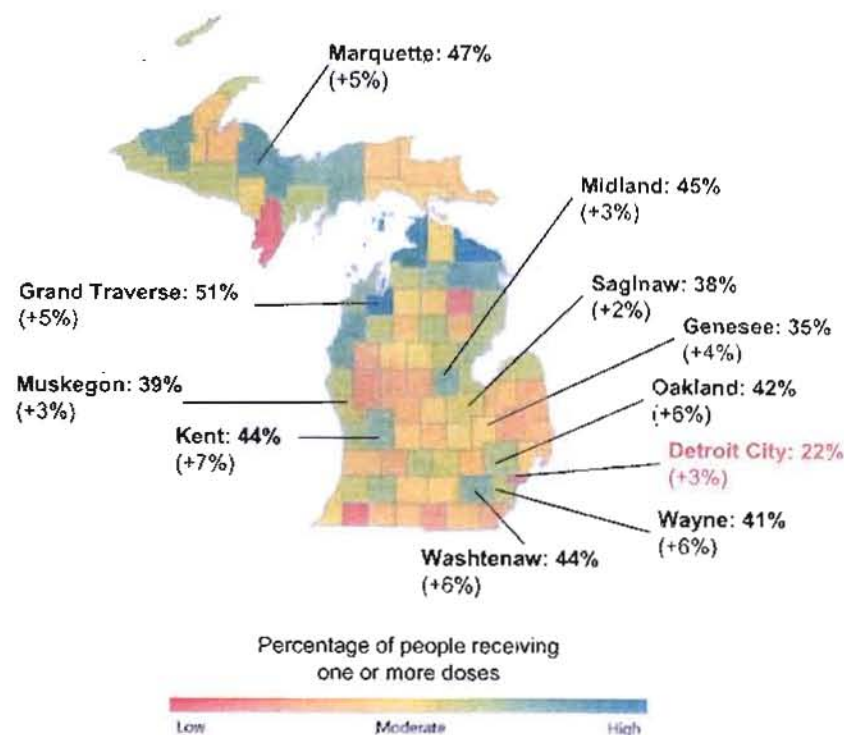
Campaigns promoting vaccination, combined with FEMA clinics and mobile sites, have contributed to growth in vaccinations throughout the state



Unique COVID-19 vaccine doses distributed by location*

Facility Type	J&J	Moderna	Pfizer	Total	Change
Correctional Clinic	15,200	21,100		36,300	+1,000
Fed Retail Rx Transf			40,560	40,560	+0
Federal LTC Program		371,300		371,300	+0
Fed Qual Health Ctr	12,500	76,300		88,800	+19,100
FEMA Ford Field			105,300	105,300	+35,100
FEMA Mobile Clinic			21,060	21,060	+7,020
Hospital	18,700	741,500	1,353,495	2,113,695	+193,850
Indian and Tribal Health	400	19,100		19,500	+200
Health Departments	254,200	1,234,000	1,276,860	2,765,060	+389,060
Long-Term Care	400	500		900	+300
Other	1,400	35,300		36,700	+2,200
Pharmacy	4,000	13,900	8,190	26,090	+8,070
All Physicians	4,100	26,800	3,510	34,410	+11,840
Specialty Clinic		400		400	+200
Urgent Care	500		1,170	1,670	+400
Total Doses	311,400	2,540,200	2,810,145	5,661,745	+668,340 (13%)

Residents receiving at least one or more vaccine doses by county* (Change over past week)



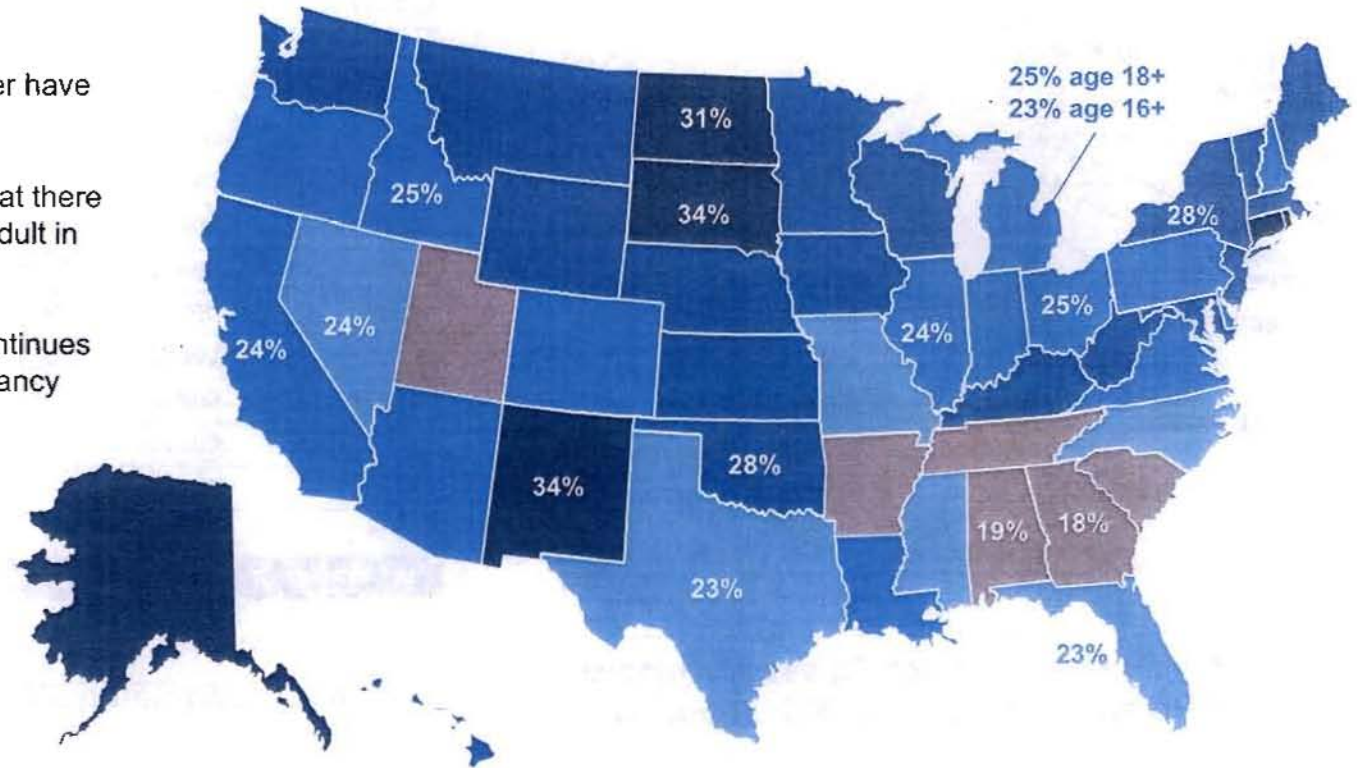
*Source: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98178_103214_103272-547150--00.html; accessed April 8, 2021

National progress on vaccinations continues to show signs of improvement



- One-quarter of the US population aged 18 and over has completed a full course of vaccinations for COVID-19.
- Over 57% of Americans aged 65 and older have been fully vaccinated
- The administration continues to pledge that there will be enough vaccine supply for every adult in the US by the end of May.
- Despite increased access, low uptake continues in states that have reported vaccine hesitancy

Percent of state populations aged 18+ who have been fully vaccinated
April 7, 2021



Percent of state population aged 18+ who are fully vaccinated

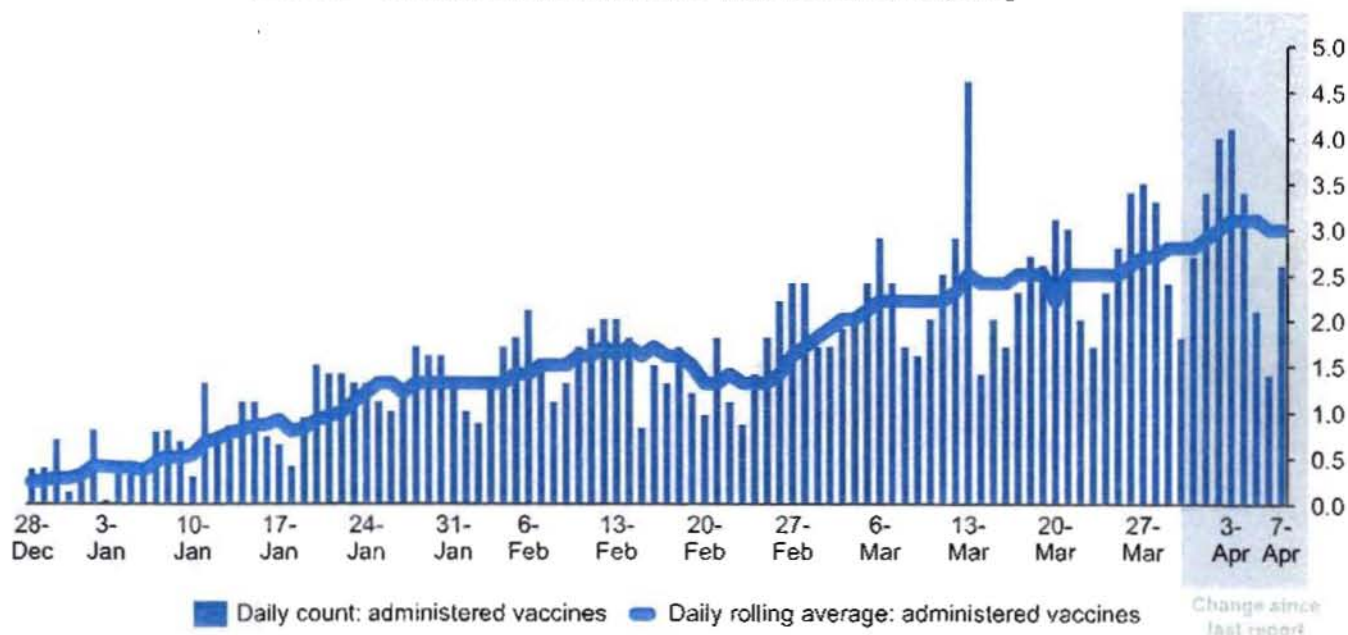
- >30%
- 26.1% - 30%
- 24.1% - 26%
- 22.1% - 24%
- >22%

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations>
Accessed April 8, 2021

Current daily vaccination rates (~2.8 million) continue the strong positive trends seen for several months, and could enable herd immunity by mid-summer



Daily vaccine doses administered: United States
[Doses – in millions, rounded to the nearest 100,000]*



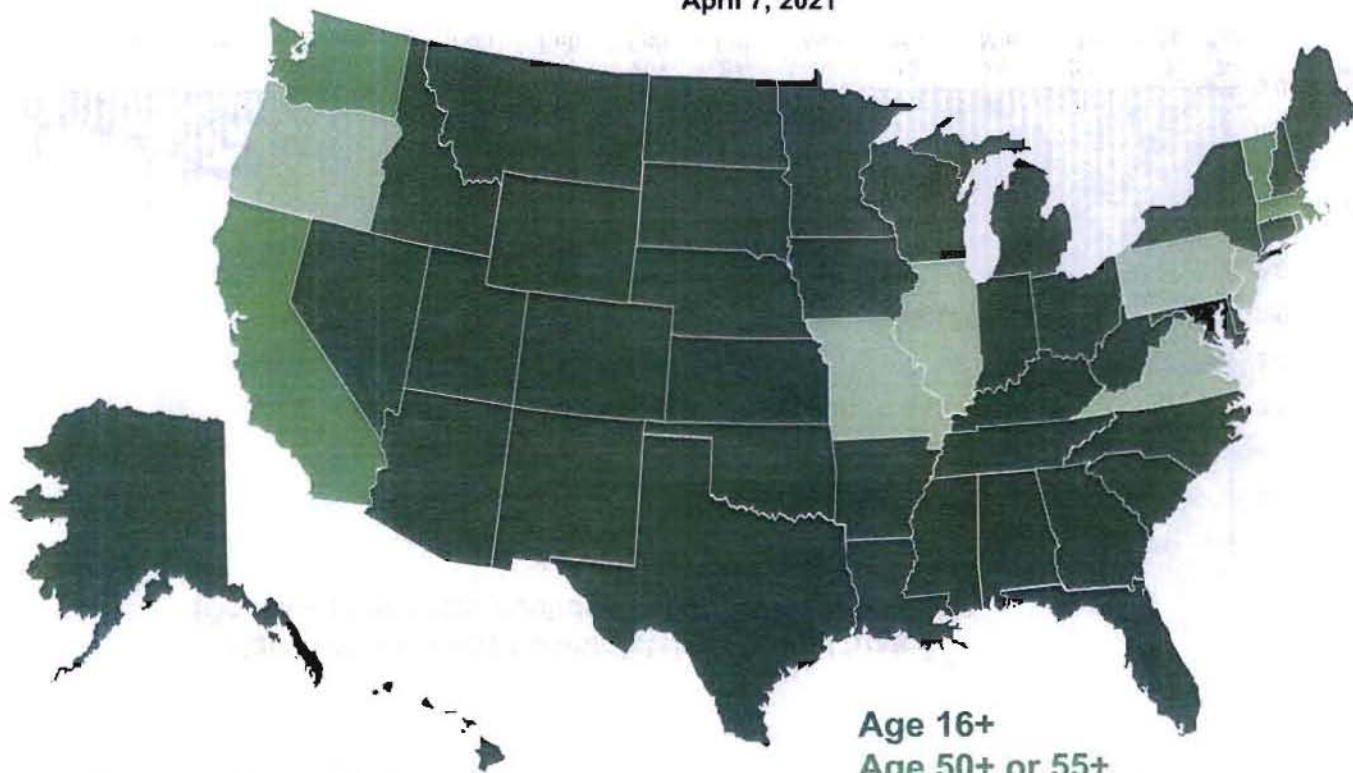
- At the current rate of administration (**3.0 million doses per day**), **75%** of the US population aged **18 and over** may be vaccinated by **July 1, 2021**.
- The United States administered **21.3 million vaccines** between April 1 and 7, an **increase** from **17.1 million doses** during the prior seven-day period.

*Source: <https://www.bloomberg.com/graphics/covid-vaccine-tracker-global-distribution/>
 Accessed April 8, 2021

On April 6, the White House announced an April 19 deadline for all states to open vaccine eligibility to those age 16 and over



Eligibility age for COVID-19 vaccination by state
April 7, 2021



Age 16+
Age 50+ or 55+
Age 60+ or 65+

Dates and resources for remaining states to open vaccines to adults age 16+

Missouri:	April 9
Illinois:	April 12
California:	April 15
Washington:	April 15
Virginia:	April 18
Massachusetts:	April 19
New Jersey:	April 19
Oregon:	April 19
Pennsylvania:	April 19
Rhode Island:	April 19
Vermont:	April 19

Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/covid-19-vaccine-doses.html?action=click&module=Spotlight&pgtype=Homepage>;
Accessed April 8, 2021

Vaccination in the news



US hits 4 million COVID-19 vaccine doses in a day for a new record

- More than 4 million doses of the coronavirus vaccine were reportedly administered in a 24 hour period, setting a new record and bringing the seven-day average to more than 3 million a day, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported last Saturday.
- If people continue to wear masks, avoid crowds and let the vaccination program do its work, life will get back to normal in the US more quickly, said Dr. Anthony Fauci.
- It has been nearly 109 days since the first COVID-19 vaccine was administered in the US, and more than 109 million people have since received at least one dose.
- As of April 3, over 171 million vaccine doses have been administered, equating to 52 doses for every 100 people.

Insight: With more than 21 million people having been infected with the virus and over 330,000 deaths, experts and officials are racing to get the population vaccinated before a possible fourth surge of cases.



Johnson & Johnson begins testing coronavirus vaccine in teens

- Johnson & Johnson announced last Friday that it has started testing its one-dose coronavirus vaccine in teens in its ongoing Phase 2a trial.
- The study, which began in September, was initially designed to study single-dose and two-dose regimens of the company's vaccine at different levels and schedules in adults aged 18 to 55 and 65 years and older.
- The trial is currently enrolling teens in Spain and the United Kingdom, with enrollment expected soon in the United States, the Netherlands and Canada, with Brazil and Argentina to follow.
- The company also announced it is planning to expand its studies to include pregnant women and younger children.

Insight: None of the three COVID-19 vaccines currently approved for emergency use authorization in the US are approved for use in teens under 16 years old. Johnson & Johnson and Moderna can be used in people 18 and older, while Pfizer has approved for teens 16 and older.

Vaccination in the news

AP Associated Press

President Biden makes all adults eligible for a vaccine no later than April 19

- On Tuesday the White House announced it would bumping up a deadline by two weeks for states to make all adults in the U.S. eligible for coronavirus vaccines.
- But even as the president expressed optimism about the pace of vaccinations, he warned Americans that the nation is not yet out of the woods when it comes to the pandemic.
- While the administration is on schedule to meet another new goal of distributing 200 million doses of the vaccine during its first 100 days, it will still take time for enough Americans to get vaccinated to slow the spread of the virus.
- The announcement means that 90% of all Americans will have a vaccination site within 5 miles of their home.

Insight: While all adults will be eligible for the vaccine, it doesn't mean they will get it that day. It's likely that this transition means that residents can sign up at local vaccination sites where they will be contacted once a dose is available.



FOX
BUSINESS

Fifteen million Johnson and Johnson vaccines thrown away after ingredient mix-up

- A dosage mix-up at a Baltimore production facility, which ruined about 15 million doses of Johnson & Johnson's COVID vaccine, has prompted the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to delay shipments of the vaccine.
- Employees at Emergent BioSolutions, a production facility in Baltimore, reportedly mixed-up two vaccine dosages.
- The company said quality control identified one batch of drug substance that did not meet quality standards and that batch was never advanced to the filling and finishing stages of its manufacturing process.
- Shipments of Johnson & Johnson's vaccine have been delayed pending an investigation by the FDA. US officials said the vaccine spoilage will not impact plans to provide enough vaccine to immunize every adult by May.

Insight: Johnson & Johnson vaccine doses currently being shipped nationwide were produced in the Netherlands, where regulators have fully approved operations. In the near-term, production shortfalls are anticipated to impact Chicago and surrounding suburbs.

Vaccination in the news



AG Nessel Warns Michiganders of Fraudulent COVID Vaccine Surveys

LANSING – For Michiganders who have received or plan to get the COVID-19 vaccine, Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel is warning them to avoid current vaccine survey scams offering a reward in exchange for personal information.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), in collaboration with a number of other federal agencies, recently issued alerts to the public due to an increasing number of victims receiving email and/or text messages after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. In the messages, people are prompted to participate in a fraudulent post-vaccine survey with the promise of cash or a prize upon completion. The bogus surveys are reportedly asking victims to pay for shipping and handling in order to receive a prize that is never delivered.

"Scammers continue to find ways to steal personal information and although many who have received the COVID vaccine have a sense of pride, it is crucial that people avoid sharing their vaccination cards for this exact reason," said Nessel. "Bad actors are resourceful and with any piece of personally identifiable information, they will work hard to find out more about you. If you do receive a suspicious email or text, remember to never click on any unsolicited links or attachments, and also remember that no legitimate surveys will ever ask for your credit card or bank account number to pay for a 'free' reward."

The Intellectual Property Rights Center provided the following information and tips to avoid being victimized in their alert:

- No post-vaccine surveys are being conducted by Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson.
- Any emails or text messages that purport to be sent on behalf of these companies seeking personal financial information are illegitimate and fraudulent as these companies would never request an advanced payment for shipping or other expenses.
- DO NOT open any messages or click on any links or attachments.
- NEVER give out bank account, credit card, or personal information.

Michiganders can also:

- [Report smishing – fraudulent – text messages](#) to 7726 (SPAM) for investigation.
- Filter unwanted text messages through your wireless provider or with a call-blocking app.
- As always, your connection to consumer protection is just a click or phone call away.
- Consumer complaints can be filed online at the Attorney General's website, or by calling 877-765-8388

Bright spots



Finding bright spots during COVID



Blue Cross nurse helps member without internet access schedule vaccine appointment

- Having the ability to register for and schedule COVID-19 vaccine appointments online can be very easy and convenient - when you have access to the technology.
- One of our Blue Cross members uses a flip phone and doesn't have internet access or even use a computer. The member doubted anyone would call them to schedule a vaccine appointment.
- While talking to a Blue Cross nurse, the member expressed concern over how to schedule a COVID-19 vaccine appointment without the ability to send a text or access an electronic portal.
- The nurse provided the member with the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services hotline telephone number and helped them register for and schedule an appointment.
- Thanks to that nurse, the member was able to schedule their first vaccine dose the very next week.

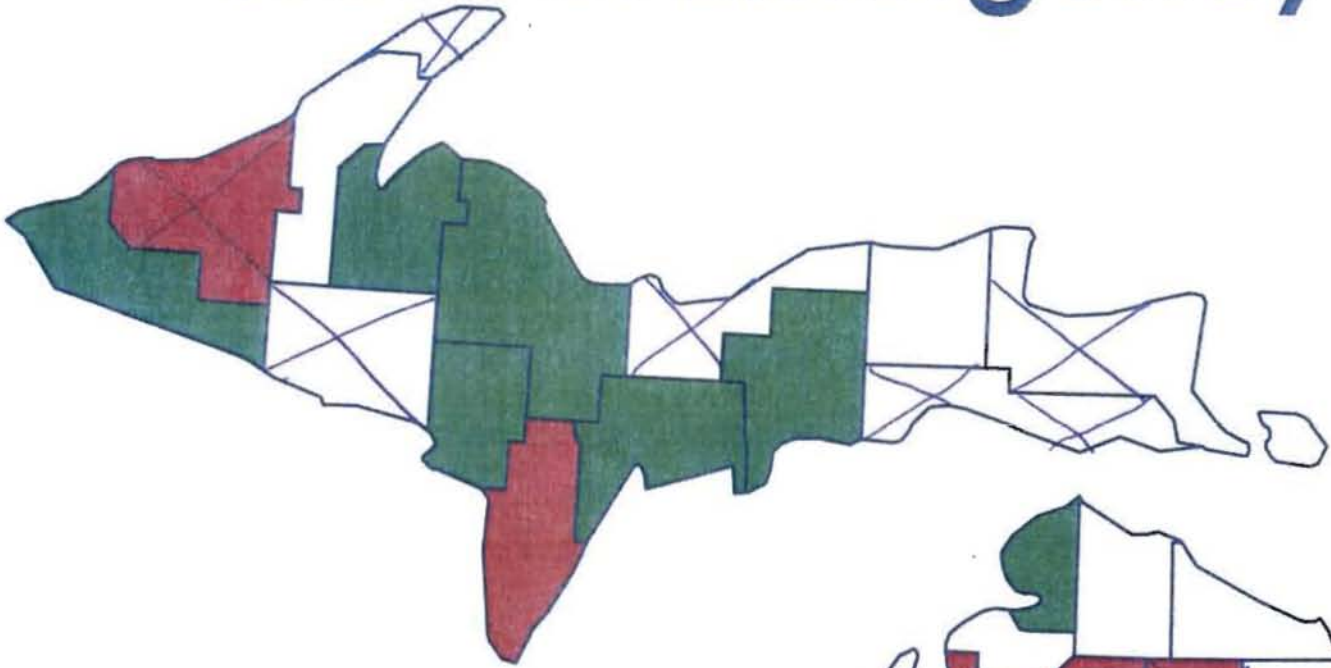


India donates 200,000 COVID-19 vaccinations to protect UN peacekeepers around the world

- Two hundred thousand donated AstraZeneca vaccines left Mumbai for Denmark last week, where they will be safely stored and distributed to United Nations peacekeepers serving in various mission around the globe.
- As "a longstanding and steadfast supporter of peacekeeping," UN peacekeeping chief Jean-Pierre Lacroix said, "an effective roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccine to all peacekeepers is a key priority for the United Nations in order to protect our personnel and their capacity to continue their crucial work, help protect vulnerable communities and deliver on their mandates."
- Currently more than 95,000 UN peacekeepers are deployed in 12 missions across the globe.
- India has long played an important role in peacekeeping, particularly through its contribution of troops. India's generous donation is being lauded as a reflection of their strong commitment to global peace and multilateralism.

State of Emergency

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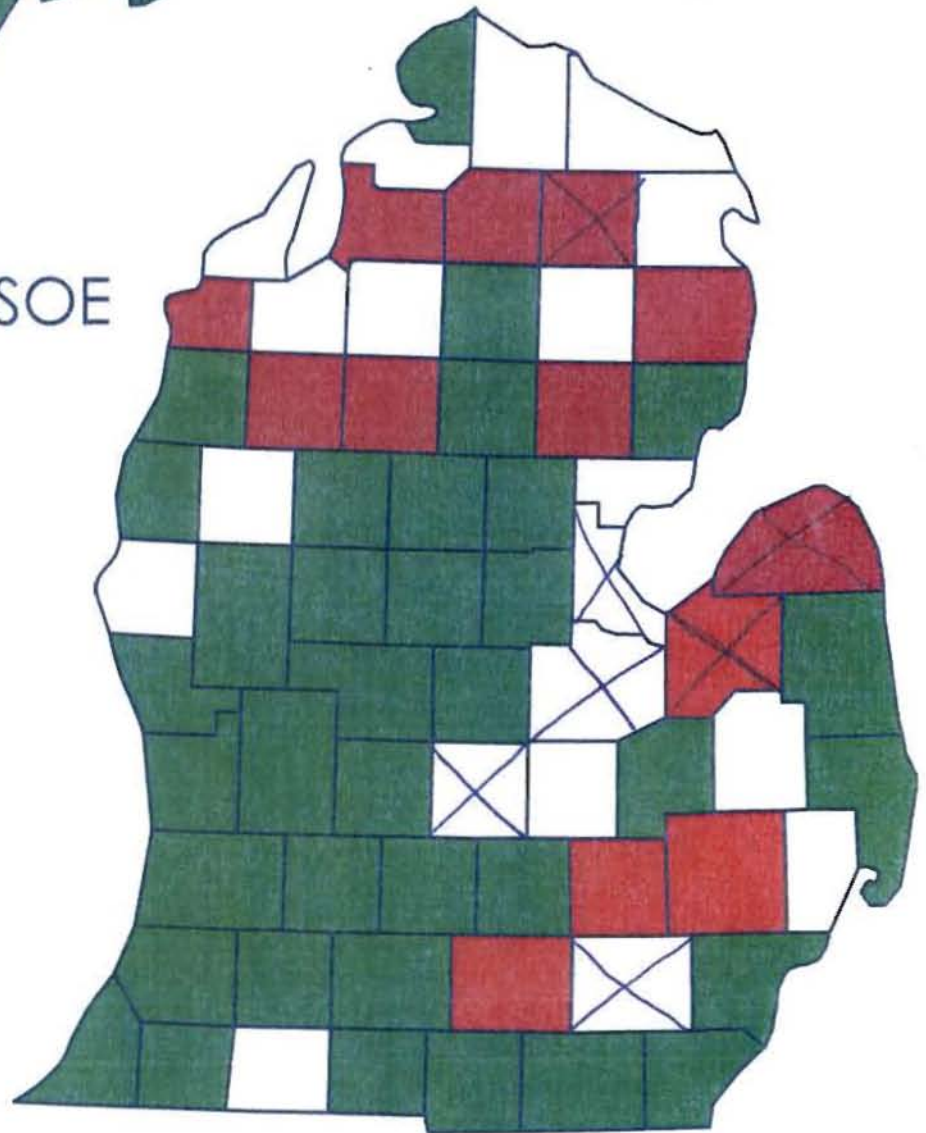
County-declared SOE

No report

Yes

No

Now Yes



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MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

District	Jurisdiction	C/M	PA390 prc Date	Set Exp.	Source
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	1 Eaton County	C	Y		DC
	1 Ingham County	C	Y	3/25/21	4/30/21 DC
	1 Lenawee County	C	Y		DC
	1 Brighton City	M	N	3/25/21	8/31/21 DC
	1 Howell City	M	N	3/29/21	5/31/21 DC
	1 Blissfield Village	M	N		DC
	1 Green Oak Twp.	M	N	3/17/21	8/31/21 DC
	1 Hamburg Twp.	M	N	3/29/21	12/31/21 DC
	1 Tyrone Twp.	M	N	3/30/21	5/31/21 DC
	1 Fowlerville Village	M	N	3/29/21	5/31/21 DC
	1 Pinckney Village	M	N	3/22/21	12/31/21 DC
	1 Owosso City	M	N		DC
	1 Jackson City	M	N		DC
2N	St. Clair County	C	Y	3/18/21	6/30/21 DC
2N	Clinton Twp.	M	Y		DC
2N	Birmingham City	M	Y	3/22/21	DC
2N	Madison Heights Twp.	M	N	3/21/21	6/21/21 DC
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	3 Sanilac County	C	Y		5/31/21
	3 AuSable Twp.	M	N	3/30/21	DC
	3 Bay County	C	Y	4/6/21	7/13/21 DC
	3 Midland City	M	N	4/6/21	DC
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	5 Barry County	C	Y	3/23/21	12/31/21 MI CIMS
	5 Calhoun County	C	Y	3/18/20	Unt. Resc. MI CIMS
	5 Cass County	C	Y	3/18/21	12/31/21 MI CIMS
5+6	Holland City	M	N	4/1/21	MI CIMS
	6 Clare County	C	Y	3/17/21	4/21/21 DC
	6 Isabella County	C	Y		DC
	6 Kent County	C	Y	3/25/21	6/30/21 DC
	6 Mason County	C	Y		DC
	6 Mecosta County	C	Y		DC
	6 Montcalm County	C	Y	3/1/21	4/30/21 DC
	6 Newaygo County	C	Y		DC
	6 Ottawa County	C	Y	3/24/20	5/25/21 DC
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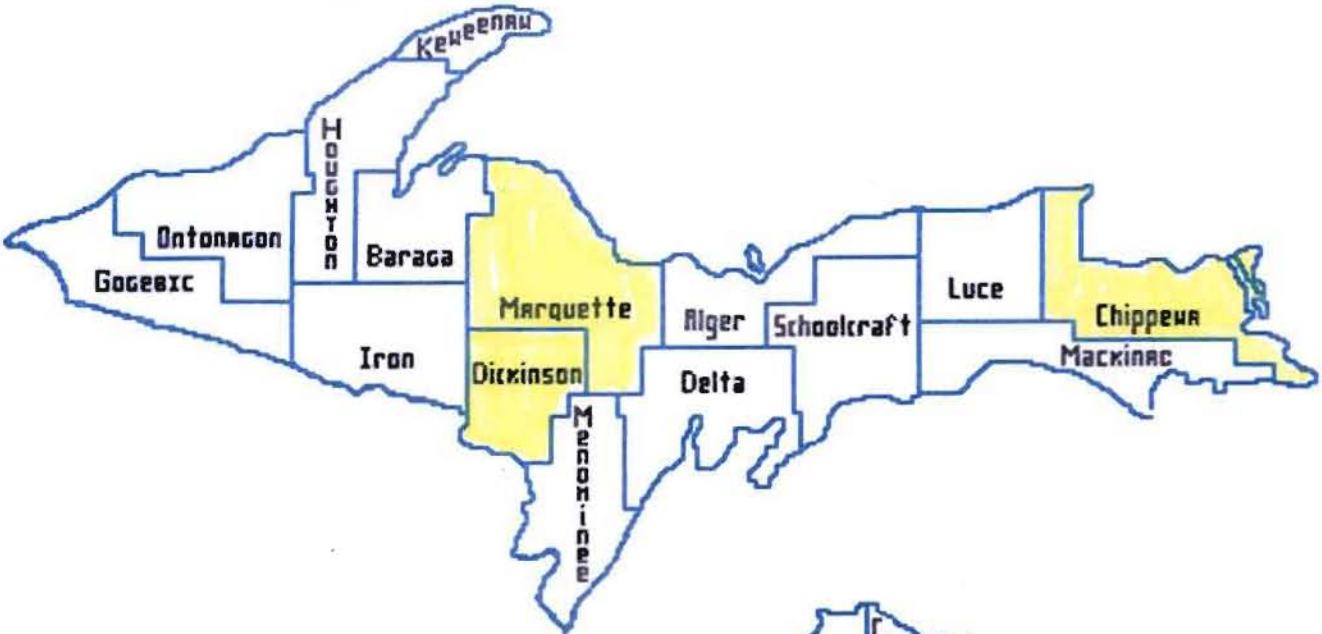
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8 Keweenaw County	C	Y			DC
8 Mackinac County	C	Y			DC
8 Marquette County	C	Y			DC
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MAC Tracker of County SOE Resolutions

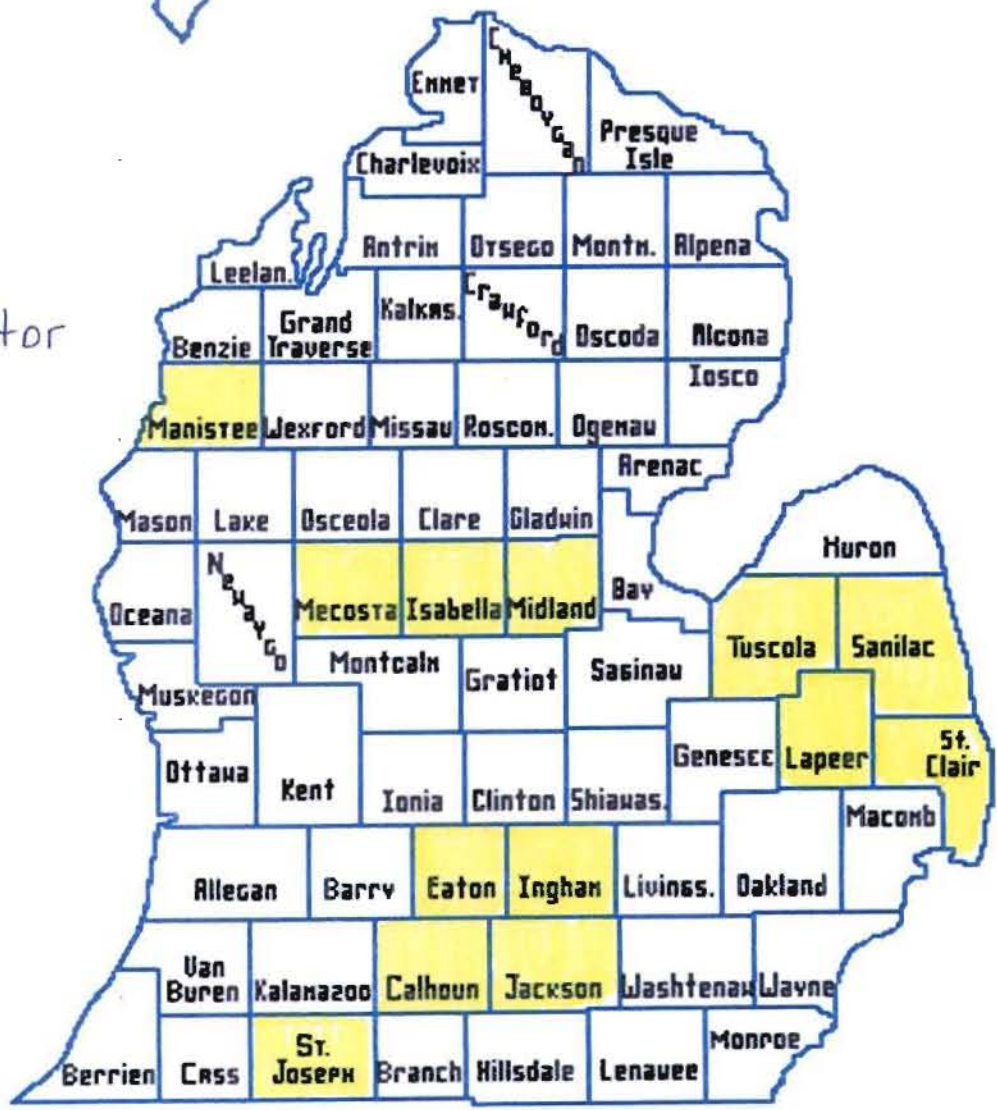
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Alger			Lapeer		
Allegan	YES		Leelanau		
Alpena			Lenawee	YES	
Antrim	NO		Livingston	NO	
Arenac			Luce		
Baraga	YES		Mackinac		
Barry	YES		Macomb		
Bay			Manistee	YES	
Benzie	NO		Marquette	YES	
Berrien	YES		Mason	YES*	*on 4/6
Branch	YES		Mecosta	YES	
Calhoun	YES		Menominee	NO	
Cass	YES		Midland	YES	
Charlevoix			Missaukee	NO	
Cheboygan			Monroe	YES	
Chippewa			Montcalm	YES	
Clare	YES		Montmorency	NO	
Clinton			Muskegon	YES	
Crawford	YES		Newaygo	YES	
Delta	YES		Oakland	NO	
Dickinson	YES		Oceana		
Eaton	YES		Ogemaw	NO	
Emmet	YES		Ontonagon	NO	
Genesee	YES		Osceola	YES	
Gladwin	YES		Oscoda		
Gogebic	YES		Otsego	NO	
Grand Traverse			Ottawa	YES	
Gratiot	YES		Presque Isle		
Hillsdale	YES		Roscommon	YES	
Houghton			Saginaw		
Huron	NO		Sanilac	YES	
Ingham	YES		Schoolcraft	YES	
Ionia	YES*	*Expected on 4/6	Shiawassee		
Iosco	YES		St Clair	YES	
Iron			St Joseph		
Isabella	YES		Tuscola	NO	
Jackson	NO		Van Buren	YES	
Kalamazoo	YES		Washtenaw		
Kalkaska			Wayne	YES	
Kent	YES		Wexford	NO	
Keweenaw					

CONTROLLER/Administrator BY COUNTY

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Controller/
 Administrator



EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is effective this the 24th day of October, 2016, between TUSCOLA COUNTY, a Michigan municipal corporation ("County"), and Ann Hepfer.

1. *Employment.* The County hereby employs and appoints Ann Hepfer as the "Health Officer" of the Tuscola County Department effective November 18, 2016 at 4pm. Ann Hepfer hereby accepts this employment on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

2. *Term.* This Agreement shall begin on October 24, 2016 and continue indefinitely unless terminated pursuant to the provisions in this Agreement.

3. *Duties.* Ann Hepfer shall faithfully serve the County as its "Health Officer," and shall at all times devote her full time and exclusive attention and energy to performing those duties in the most efficient and effective manner possible effective November 18, 2016 when she assumes the Health Officer duties. To the extent that Michigan law requires that Ann Hepfer must be appointed to this provision, approval of this Agreement by the County Board of Commissioners shall be deemed to be an "appointment" for this purpose effective November 18, 2016. Ann Hepfer shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned from time to time to her by the County Board of Commissioners or the County Board of Public Health. Ann Hepfer warrants that Ann Hepfer is not bound by any restrictive covenant or agreement that would inhibit in any manner her ability to perform the duties outlined in this Agreement. Some of the duties of this position may be identified a job description that may be attached hereto.

4. *Compensation.* The County through its Health Department shall pay Ann Hepfer an annual base salary. This salary shall be payable in bi-weekly installments, less statutory deductions. Ann Hepfer will start at Step 1 (\$76,676) of Tuscola County Health Department (TCHD) Wage Scale Wage Band 26 – Health Officer on October 24, 2016. On January 24, 2017, Ms. Hepfer will move to Step 2 (\$78,976) of TCHD Wage Scale Wage Band 26. On October 24, 2017, Ms. Hepfer will move to Step 3 (\$82,925) of TCHD Wage Scale Wage Band 26. There after Ms. Hepfer will move to the remaining steps as follows:

10/24/18	Step 4, Wage Band 26	\$87,071
10/24/19	Step 5, Wage Band 26	\$91,425
10/24/20	Step 6, Wage Band 26	\$95,996
10/24/21	Step 7, Wage Band 26	\$100,796

This salary shall be payable in bi-weekly installments, less statutory deductions. Ann Hepfer's base salary shall be increased for the ensuing twelve months at a rate of increase equivalent to the general rate of increase given to the

Health Department personnel for that upcoming fiscal year as further adjusted by any applicable salary scale step increases or other adjustments that the County Board of Commissioners might approve for Ann Hepfer's position.

5. *Benefits.* In addition to the annual base salary set out above, Ann Hepfer shall, during the term of this Agreement, be entitled to participate in all fringe benefits that the County provides to other non-union employees in the Health Department.

6. *Expenses.* Through it's Health Department, the County shall provide all equipment, supplies and facilities for providing services hereunder. During the period of her employment, Ann Hepfer shall be reimbursed for her necessary and reasonable expenses in accordance with the general policies and procedures of the TCHD as adopted from time to time, by the County, for the Health Department. In order to be reimbursed for these expenses, Ann Hepfer must present an itemized account of expenditures, together with proper documentation as required by the TCHD for Health Department employees.

7. *Confidentiality.* Ann Hepfer agrees that any client information, attorney-client privileged information, or information related to personnel or to program strategies shall be considered confidential and proprietary and shall not be divulged to any firm, individual, corporation, business or institution except on the direct written authorization of the County Board of Commissioners or other Board to which Ann Hepfer reports. This provision shall not be construed as restricting Ann Hepfer from providing documentation that would be subject to disclosure under Michigan's Freedom of Information Act.

8. *Termination.* Either party may provide written notice that it will terminate or will not be renewing this Agreement beyond a particular date in the future. For purposes of this paragraph, a notice of "nonrenewal" shall be treated as a termination. To be effective, this notice must be given in writing to the other party at least thirty (30) days in advance of the date of termination.

- a. *Termination "for just cause".* The County may terminate Ann Hepfer's employment for just cause at any time by written notice to her. For purposes of this Agreement, "just cause" shall mean Ann Hepfer's insubordination, dishonesty, criminal conviction, gross misconduct or violation of any material provision of this Agreement. If the County terminates Ann Hepfer for just cause, Ann Hepfer's compensation and other benefits under this Agreement shall cease immediately.
- b. *Termination "without expressed cause".* Except where this Agreement is terminated with just cause, if the County terminates the

employment relationship, including a notice of its intent not to renew the Agreement, Ann Hepfer shall be entitled to six (6) months salary from the date of termination as severance pay, payable in installments at the end of the regular payroll periods, plus full benefits for that six (6) month period, including health, dental, health insurance incentive payments, and other employee benefits generally paid to non-union Health Department employees during that six (6) month period, excluding sick and vacation pay. If the County permits Ann Hepfer to continue working beyond thirty (30) days after the notice of termination, any compensation for the time worked after the thirty (30) day period shall be deducted from the severance benefit. The County may also elect to relieve Ann Hepfer of all duties immediately. In that event, however, Ann Hepfer will be entitled to compensation and benefits during the thirty (30) day notice period and the six (6) months severance benefit, thereafter. Ann Hepfer's receipt of such severance pay and benefits shall be considered the sole and exclusive remedy available to her against the County for any loss or damages arising from the termination, including but not limited to unemployment compensation, wrongful discharge actions, etc... Ann Hepfer's acceptance of such pay and benefits shall be considered full satisfaction of any such remedy.

Upon termination or nonrenewal, in addition to any benefit described above, Ann Hepfer will be entitled to a pay-out of accrued vacation and sick time in accordance with the personnel policies applicable for non-union employees, who work in the Health Department.

9. *Retirement, Death or Disability.* This Agreement will terminate upon the retirement, death or disability of Ann Hepfer. In case of such termination, the County will pay to Ann Hepfer, or her estate, Ann Hepfer's accrued unpaid salary and any other accrued, unpaid benefits to the date of termination. Nothing in this Agreement, however, shall be interpreted as precluding Ann Hepfer from being eligible for the receipt of disability compensation pursuant to any disability compensation insurance provided by the County, and if necessary for such eligibility purposes, Ann Hepfer shall be considered an "employee" beyond the term of this Contract for this purpose only.

10. *Return of County Property.* In the event of termination of employment, Ann Hepfer shall immediately deliver to the County all proprietary and confidential information and all County property, including but not limited to equipment, notes, books, correspondence, drawings, client files, and other written and graphical records which are in Ann Hepfer's possession or under her control which relate to the County Health Department. Ann Hepfer shall not retain any copies of this material without the express written consent of the County.

11. *Miscellaneous.*

(a) *Severability.* The provisions of this Agreement are severable and if any one or more provisions are determined to be illegal or unenforceable, in whole or in part, the remaining provisions and any partially enforceable provisions will remain binding and enforceable. Should any provision or part of any provision be held invalid by a court of law, this provision or part thereof will be deemed revised and amended in such minimal manner as will, under more limited terms, be valid and legally effective and consistent with the original tenor of this Agreement.

(b) *Amendment.* This Agreement may be modified or amended in whole or in part only by mutual written agreement signed by all parties.

(c) *Governing Law and Venue.* All provisions of this Agreement shall be subject to and shall be enforced and interpreted pursuant to the laws of the state of Michigan. Any judicial proceeding for enforcement of this Agreement shall be instituted in Tuscola County, Michigan.

(d) *Assignment.* This Agreement, being a personal service contract, is not assignable by either party without first obtaining the other party's prior written consent.

(e) *Enforceability.* Even though the County may fail to insist on strict compliance with any of the conditions of this Agreement, such failure should not be deemed a waiver of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

(f) *Actions.* Any legal action regarding the employment or compensation of Ann Hepfer or the termination of that employment, including but not limited to an alleged breach of this Agreement, must be brought within six (6) months of the incident giving rise to the action

(g) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between the parties concerning this subject matter and constitutes the entire understanding between the parties with respect to the employment of Ann Hepfer. This Agreement has not been executed in reliance upon any representations or promises except those specifically contained in this Agreement.

(h) *Survival of Covenants.* This Agreement shall be binding upon any successors, heirs or representatives of the respective parties.

TUSCOLA COUNTY

By:  _____ Date 10-13-16
Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

By:  _____ Date 10-14-16
Ann Hepfer



Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Fwd: [EXTERNAL] close down recommended

1 message

Thomas Bardwell <tbardwell@tuscolacounty.org>
To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Tue, Apr 13, 2021 at 5:18 PM

Correspondence

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mary Drier <drier92@yahoo.com>
Date: April 13, 2021 at 2:36:59 PM EDT
To: Thomas Bardwell <tbardwell@tuscolacounty.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] close down recommended
Reply-To: Mary Drier <drier92@yahoo.com>

A major health organization has expressed concerns on the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Michigan.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) sent a notice to Michigan's Governor Gretchen Whitmer urging her to shut the state down due to the increasing number of cases of the virus.

The recommendation is a rare intervention by the health agency.

The recommendation was made by CDC Director Rochelle Walensky.

Over the last 12 days, new cases of the virus in Michigan total 75,438.

AND, AS A CITIZEN OF THE COUNTY - I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE BOARD'S PUSH TO MEET IN PERSON AND TO SPEND ADDITIONAL TAXPAYER \$ TO DO THAT. THEY SYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN BEEN BEING USED HAS BEEN WORKING VERY WELL. THANK YOU

March 18, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board was held via Electronic Remote Access through Google Meet on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.; all in accordance with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Order under MCL 333-2253 and Public Act 254 of 2020 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Present for the Electronic Meeting: Road Commissioners John Laurie (Indianfields Township), Gary Parsell (Indianfields Township), Julie Matuszak (Ellington Township), David Kennard (Vassar Township), and Duane Weber (Arbela Township); Acting County Highway Engineer Brent Dankert, Operations Engineer Technician Will Green, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, and Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

At 8:05 A.M., there were a total of Fifteen (15) participants attending the Electronic Meeting.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the March 4, 2021 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber that the minutes of the March 4, 2021 closed session of the Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$93,811.86 and bills in the amount of \$390,285.76 covered by vouchers #2021-14, #2021-15, and #2021-16 were presented and audited.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber that the payroll and bills be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

None.

Mr. Rodney Vislosky with Ace-Saginaw Paving Company appeared before the Board to discuss a proposed Hauling Agreement on Goodrich Road. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided an update and options for the truck crossing on Goodrich Road. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to approve the proposed Hauling Agreement with Ace-Saginaw Paving Company for their truck crossing on Goodrich Road, with the conditions specified in the Agreement. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

At 8:15 A.M. the following bids were opened for the Gilford Road Culvert Replacement Project:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Project Total</u>
Dutch Excavating, LLC	\$ 34,500.00
Marlette Excavating Company	39,500.00
Springline Excavating, LLC	86,939.00

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the bids for the Gilford Road Culvert Replacement Project be accepted and awarded to the low bidder, Dutch Excavating, LLC. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for 2021 Street Signs taken and accepted at the March 4, 2021 regular meeting of the Board be awarded to the low bidder, MD Solutions. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Weber seconded by Parsell that the bids for 2021 Corrugated Metal Pipe taken and accepted at the March 4, 2021 regular meeting of the Board be awarded to the low bidder, Cadillac Culvert, Inc. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to remove the Bridge Limit Posting from the Pike Road Bridge over the Centerline Drain (Structure #10602) effective immediately. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided a report to the Board regarding the State's proposed Local Bridge Bundling Program, and the Road Commission's plans for applying for its funding.

At 8:30 A.M. the following bids were opened for the 2021 Furnishing & Placing Crushed Limestone:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Burroughs Materials</u>	<u>Wirt Stone Dock</u>
1.	Allen Rd.	\$ 29,782.50	no bid
2.	Cass City Rd.	27,150.00	no bid
3.	Foss Rd.	28,880.00	no bid
4.	Hoppe Rd.	30,175.00	no bid
5.	Kirk Rd.	28,960.00	no bid
6.	Rogers Rd.	38,010.00	no bid
7.	Seagull Ave.	33,300.00	no bid
8.	Akron Twp. Stockpile	8,300.00	9,100.00
9.	Columbia Twp. Stockpile	16,300.00	18,700.00
10.	Wisner Twp. Stockpile	25,050.00	26,025.00
11.	Akron Garage Stockpile	805.00	910.00
12.	Caro Garage Stockpile	840.00	967.50
13.	Deford Garage Stockpile	840.00	987.50
14.	Vassar Garage Stockpile	890.00	910.00

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for the 2021 Furnishing & Placing Crushed Limestone be accepted, and that bid items #11, #12, #13, and #14 for the Road Commission's Stockpiles be awarded to the low bidder, Burroughs Materials; and to forward the local road bid results to the respective Township Boards for approval. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION OF
SUPPORT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE AKRON ROAD BRIDGE
OVER THE NORTHWEST DRAIN OUTLET 3, SECTION 1 – GILFORD TOWNSHIP
STRUCTURE NUMBER 10472
AND THE
SUPPORT FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE GARNER ROAD BRIDGE
OVER THE NORTHWEST DRAIN OUTLET 2, SECTION 1 – GILFORD TOWNSHIP
STRUCTURE NUMBER 10608

Commissioner Parsell offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Tuscola County Board of Road Commissioners supports the application for State and/or Federal funding participation in the replacement of the Akron Road Bridge over the Northwest Drain Outlet 3 (Structure Number 10472) and the rehabilitation of the Garner Road Bridge over the Northwest Drain Outlet 2 (Structure Number 10808),

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Road Commissioners, County of Tuscola, concurs that this replacement is urgently needed, and that the Tuscola County Road Commission will commit to 10% local funding.

Motion supported and resolution adopted on a roll call vote:

AYES: Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie

NAYS: None

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided to the Board an update regarding the proposed road abandonments in Indianfields Township in conjunction with the construction of the new Caro Center. Dankert reported to the Board of still waiting to receive the Petition to Abandon signed by the State of Michigan. In the meantime, the Indianfields Township Board requests to temporarily close a portion of Wells Road in order to continue the construction of the new Caro Center. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Weber seconded by Kennard to approve the request from the Indianfields Township Board to temporarily close a portion of Wells Road in order to continue the construction of the new Caro Center. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

At 8:45 A.M. the following bid was opened for the Epoxy Overlay of Three (3) Bridges:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Project Total</u>
Smith's Waterproofing, LLC	\$ 104,636.50

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber that the bid for the Epoxy Overlay of Three (3) Bridges be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to approve Robert Gohsman be promoted to the Heavy Equipment Operator classification at the Vassar Division effective March 22, 2021, as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey provided to the Board a report and map of the County-Wide crushed gravel supply and locations.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert presented to the Board some examples of optional road paving improvements to improve the structural integrity of a road with the most economical means possible.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to continue the Local Road Brush Spray Program, and offer Novesta Township the township-wide Brush Control for the 2021 season. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the current Road Commission operating procedures. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey will report back to the Board regarding the status of holding board meetings going forward.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert presented to the Board recent correspondence with the Gilford Township Supervisor regarding the proposed improvements to Quanicassee Road from Darbee Road to Dutcher Road.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak granting the request from Cody Ross for Intermittent Family Medical Leave as specified in the application. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Weber seconded by Kennard granting the request from Brian Becker for Intermittent Family Medical Leave as specified in the application. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided an update to the Board regarding the 2021 Fixed Object Removal Safety Grant Project.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 9:35 A.M. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

GENESEE COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION # 2021-200

**SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION TO ADOPT 4-YEAR TERMS FOR COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS the 1963 Michigan Constitution stipulated four-year terms for the county Board of Supervisors, the preceding body to today's Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS the Legislature voted in 1966 to abolish Boards of Supervisors and formally replace them with Boards of Commissioners after the 1968 elections; and

WHEREAS Public Act 261 of 1966 promulgated that the length of terms for the new county commissioners shall be concurrent with that of state representatives, as specified in Article IV, section 3 of the Michigan Constitution; and

WHEREAS the scope of duties of a county commissioner has greatly increased in the last century — road patrols, indigent defense, mental health treatment and substance abuse prevention programming, solid waste pick-up and disposal, food and water supply safety, park operations, economic development efforts, emergency management and response; and

WHEREAS Michigan is one of only five states in the United States that provides for exclusively two-year terms for county commissioners; and

WHEREAS all other county and township elected officials in Michigan are elected to terms of at least four years; and

WHEREAS the position of county commissioner is a highly complex oversight role that requires years to master; and

WHEREAS legislation to amend state law to enact four-year terms has been filed in the form of Senate Bills 242 and 245; and

WHEREAS the Michigan Association of Counties supports the legislation as introduced;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that GENESEE COUNTY supports Senate Bills 242 and 245 to enact four-year terms for county commissioners.

Adopted this 24 day of March 2021.



CERTIFIED COPY OF RECORD

} **SS.**

I, **JOHN J. GLEASON**, County Clerk/Register of the County of Genesee, Michigan, and Clerk of the Genesee County Board of Commissioners, and Clerk of the Circuit Court for said County, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution approving of a Resolution Supporting the Passage of Legislation to Adopt 4-Year Terms for County Commissioners with original record thereof now remaining in my office, and that the attached is a true and correct copy therefrom, and of the whole of such original record.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court and County, this 30th day of March A.D. 2021.

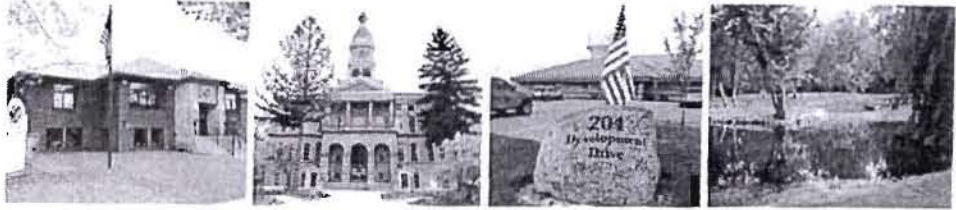
GENESEE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Resolution No.: 2021-200
Date Adopted: March 24, 2021

JOHN J. GLEASON, Clerk/Register

BY: *Alea Gardner*
Deputy County Clerk



COUNTY OF HILLSDALE, MICHIGAN



March 23, 2021

Resolution number 21-035

**The Honorable Board of Commissioners of Hillsdale County, Michigan
adopts the following Resolution:**

Whereas, the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners recognizes the heroic efforts of our front-line workers and first responders and applauds the citizens and businesses who have diligently adhered to mitigation measures; and

Whereas, the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners appreciates the need for appropriate executive and epidemic orders and policies to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus and promote public safety, while also protecting local and state economic interests; and

Whereas, Hillsdale County's cases and positivity rates continue to decline, hospital capacity continues to improve, and the number of citizens who have been vaccinated to protect themselves from the virus increases daily; and

Whereas, Hillsdale County as a border county has seen a magnified effect on our economy due to our citizens being able to drive a short distance to Ohio and Indiana, where restrictions are less; and

Whereas, the proximity of Ohio and Indiana to Hillsdale County has particularly impacted our local restaurant industry which is already struggling to recover from another dine-in closure by a curfew and limited capacity that lacks financial viability for most area establishments; and

Whereas, high density populated urban areas and low density populated rural areas have different response needs; and

Whereas, some local businesses may have received some governmental assistance, it was not enough to offset the loss of revenue due to closures and restrictions, thus many local businesses may be forced to close permanently due to the irreparable economic harm they have experienced throughout the past year and many more will follow if the state does not adopt a new approach to mitigation policies; and

Whereas, Hillsdale County has seen a consistent downward trend in numbers affected by COVID-19, it is now time for all of our businesses, including but not limited to restaurants and banquet facilities, to remain open in accordance with CDC guidelines with industry specific procedures and protocols aimed at containing the spread of COVID-19 in place;

Whereas, Hillsdale County Sheriff and Hillsdale County Prosecutor have declared to not enforce or prosecute unconstitutional mandates pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved that the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners supports the Hillsdale County Sheriff and Hillsdale County Prosecutor in not enforcing or prosecuting unconstitutional mandates pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic.

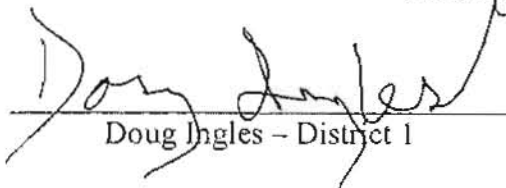
Be it Further Resolved that the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners does not support the expenditure of any county funds for the purpose of arrest and prosecution of any person accused of violating MDHHS emergency orders regarding COVID-19.

Be it Further Resolved the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners calls upon the citizens of Hillsdale County to act responsibly with regards to others while determining for themselves what is best for their own families and loved ones and how to protect themselves from the ongoing risks associated with the COVID-19 virus.

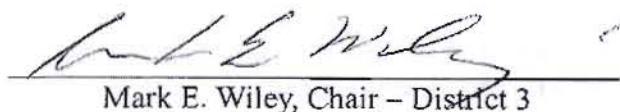
Be it Further Resolved that the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners calls upon the Director of MDHHS to implement a new, regional approach to mitigation that values local input; takes cases, vaccinations, seasonality, and regional differences into consideration; and sets clear benchmarks for easing of restrictions on businesses for the public to follow.

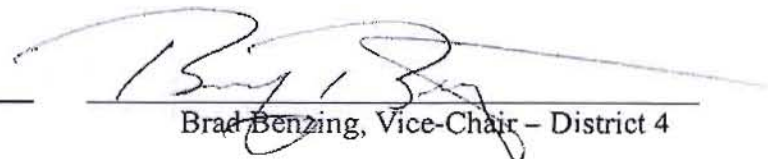
Be it Further Resolved that this resolution is sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, both United States Senators, all Michigan Members of Congress, the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, the President of the Michigan Senate, Senator Mike Shirkey, Representative Andrew Fink, all counties within Michigan, The Michigan Association of Counties, The Michigan Townships Associations, and Elizabeth Hertel Director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Respectfully,
Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners


Doug Ingles - District 1


Kathleen Schmitt - District 2


Mark E. Wiley, Chair - District 3


Brad Benzing, Vice-Chair - District 4


Brent Leininger - District 5

Approved by the Board of Commissioners
on March 23, 2021



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CHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION 2021-06 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A COLLECTIVE EFFORT BY MICHIGAN COUNTIES IN OPPOSING CURRENT AND FUTURE ORDERS UNILATERALLY ISSUED BY GOVERNOR WHITMER AND STATE AGENCIES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

WHEREAS, Antrim County, Baraga County, Delta County, Grand Traverse County, Houghton County, Kalkaska County, and Menominee County have recently passed resolutions opposing orders unilaterally issued by Governor Whitmer and various state agencies in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County wishes to voice our solidarity with the other counties in the State of Michigan in opposing orders unilaterally issued by Governor Whitmer and various state agencies in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus has caused an unprecedented time in our history; however, even in the time of crisis the basic civil liberties and foundations of our society must be preserved; and

WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer and the various state agencies do not have authority to unilaterally impose orders that essentially equate into laws. This function is reserved by the Michigan Legislature and is essential to the checks and balances upon the three branches of government; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County acknowledges that there are differing opinions on the path to be taken in response to COVID-19; however, those debates and decisions are to be made by the legislators that have been duly elected by the People of the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the draconian orders that have been issued thus far throughout the pandemic have resulted in irreparable harm to the economy, education of youth, and mental health of residents in Cheboygan County; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County would like to gesture to other counties in the State of Michigan that Cheboygan County is an ally in any collective effort initiated to challenge the legality of the orders and restrictions issued by Governor Whitmer, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, or any other state agency that were unilaterally imposed without the approval of the Michigan Legislature; and

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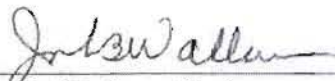
WHEREAS, Cheboygan County does not dismiss the seriousness of COVID-19; however, the response to the threat must be appropriate and justified. Unfortunately, the orders issued by Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services have resulted in, and are indicative of, inflicting future collateral damage to the local economy, small businesses, and families that far exceed the actual threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County supports common sense approaches to combat COVID-19, such as: following social distancing recommendations, health screenings for employees and customers, promoting healthy hygienic practices, and encouraging individuals that are considered high risk to continue to self-quarantine and adhere to the strictest recommendations established by the Centers for Disease Control.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners calls upon the Michigan Legislature to fulfill their duty to the People of the State of Michigan and restore the checks and balances essential to our democracy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners support a collective action by the counties in the State of Michigan to challenge the legality of the orders and restrictions put forth unvirtuously in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic by the Executive Branch of Government in the State of Michigan; and

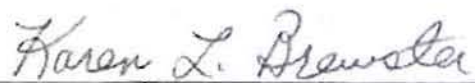
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Whitmer, Senator Schmidt, Representative Allor, Representative Damoose, the Michigan Senate, the Michigan House of Representatives, the Michigan Association of Counties, and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.



John B. Wallace, Chairperson
Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners

I, Karen L. Brewster, Clerk of Cheboygan County and of the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners regular meeting held on March 23, 2021.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Cheboygan on the 23rd day of March, 2021 at Cheboygan, Michigan.



Karen L. Brewster
Cheboygan County Clerk/Register



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RESOLUTION 2021-07

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 1 2021

WHEREAS, many counties in the State of Michigan have passed resolutions opposing orders unilaterally issued by Governor Whitmer and various state agencies in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County wishes to voice our solidarity with the other counties in the State in opposing orders unilaterally issued by Governor Whitmer and the various state agencies in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Cheboygan County supports measures to combat COVID-19 such as: following social distancing recommendations, health screenings for employees and customers, promoting healthy hygienic practices and encouraging individuals that are considered high risk to continue to self-quarantine and adhere to the recommendations established by the Centers for Disease Control CDC; and

WHEREAS, "Senate Bill 1 would amend the Public Health Code to require an emergency public health order issued by the Director of the Health Department and Human Services (DHHS) to include information about the rationale for the order, to limit the effectiveness of such order to 28 days unless the legislature approves an extension and to prohibit a new emergency order that addresses the same epidemic as an earlier order without legislative approval".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Cheboygan County supports the adoption of Senate Bill 1 2021 by the legislature and Governor to insure that orders issued to combat COVID-19 are subject to checks and balances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Whitmer, Senator Schmidt, Representative Allor, Representative Damoose, the Michigan Senate, the Michigan House of Representatives, the Michigan Association of Counties and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.

John B. Wallace, Chairperson
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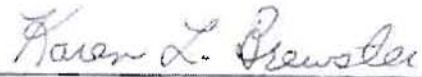
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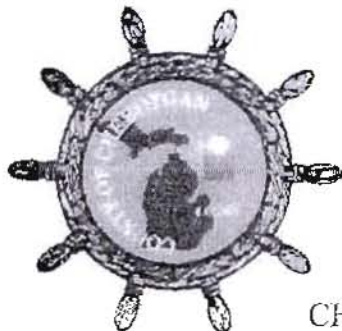
District 7
Steve Warfield

I, Karen L. Brewster, Clerk of Cheboygan County and of the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners regular meeting held on March 23, 2021.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Cheboygan on the 23rd day of March, 2021 at Cheboygan, Michigan.



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CHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #2021-09 SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION TO ADOPT 4-YEAR TERMS FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS the 1963 Michigan Constitution stipulated four-year terms for the county Board of Supervisors, the preceding body to today's Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS the Legislature voted in 1966 to abolish Boards of Supervisors and formally replace them with Boards of Commissioners after the 1968 elections; and

WHEREAS Public Act 261 of 1966 promulgated that the length of terms for the new county commissioners shall be concurrent with that of state representatives, as specified in Article IV, section 3 of the Michigan Constitution; and

WHEREAS the scope of duties of a county commissioner has greatly increased in the last century - road patrols, indigent defense, mental health treatment and substance abuse prevention programming, solid waste pick-up and disposal, food and water supply safety, park operations, economic development efforts, emergency management and response; and

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WHEREAS all other county and township elected officials in Michigan are elected to terms of at least four years; and

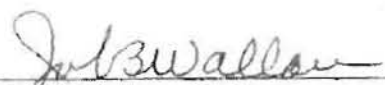
WHEREAS the position of county commissioner is a highly complex oversight role that requires years to master; and

WHEREAS legislation to amend state law to enact four-year terms has been filed in the form of Senate Bills 242 and 245; and

WHEREAS the Michigan Association of Counties support the legislation as introduced;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that CHEBOYGAN COUNTY supports Senate Bills 242 and 245 to enact four-year terms for County Commissioners.

Adopted this 13th day of April, 2021



John B. Wallace, Chairperson
Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners

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I, Karen L. Brewster the undersigned, the Clerk of the County of Cheboygan, Cheboygan County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Cheboygan County Board of commissioners at its regular or reconvened meeting held on April 13, 2021, relative to adoption of the resolution therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court and County, this 13th day of April, 2021.



Karen L. Brewster

Karen L. Brewster
Cheboygan County Clerk/Register



**THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY,
MICHIGAN ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

WHEREAS, it has been three months since the Federal Government allocated nearly \$5 billion dollars in COVID relief funds to Michigan; and

WHEREAS, these funds were intended to provide crucial relief to small businesses, public health, and education in our state; and

WHEREAS, the state legislature passed legislation appropriating \$3.5 billion towards these priorities, including nearly \$555 million in small business relief funds; and

WHEREAS, despite bipartisan support for the small business relief proposals, the Governor line-item vetoed all \$555 million, citing "key points of difference" between her administration and the state legislature; and

WHEREAS, these proposals were promptly repackaged into subsequent legislation and sent back to the Governor's desk; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, March 26, 2021, these proposals were vetoed by Governor Whitmer for a second time; and

WHEREAS, the state is due to receive another \$10 billion from the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, Lansing still has not found a path forward on fully appropriating the \$5 billion it already received; and

WHEREAS, if there is one thing state leaders should agree on, it is getting help to the struggling small businesses in our state; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative these funds be disbursed to job providers who are still fighting for solvency and survival; and

WHEREAS, passing state budgets are a shared responsibility between both branches and both political parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners urges the Governor's Administration to reach a compromise with the Michigan Legislature and their recommended relief initiatives, in the very near future, that would release these funds into the hands of the businesses and communities that need it most.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners directs staff to forward this resolution to all Michigan counties, our State Legislature, the Governor's office, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Respectfully submitted,
Berrien County Board of Commissioners:

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Robert P. Harrisor

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