



## Tell Us About Your Community!

### **Help shape the future of City of Monterey's City Council Districts**

The Monterey City Council has begun the process of transitioning to district elections, using U.S. Census data to draw the City of Monterey's four (4) City Council district boundaries. This ensures the districts are balanced in regard to population. The City Council wants to hear from you on how these boundaries should be drawn. Complete this form to tell the City Council about your **community of interest** – keeping communities of interest together is a high-ranking criteria in the redistricting process

### **What is a Community of Interest?**

A Community of Interest is a group of people in the same geographically definable area who share common social and economic interests. Some examples of Communities of Interest are:

- People who live downtown or in an established neighborhood
- Senior citizens
- LGBTQIA+ communities
- Students living near college and university campuses
- Military populations
- Residents who share a common language
- People that use the same transportation systems

### **What criteria will help the City Council understand the importance of your community in the redistricting process?**

When documenting your community it is important to address the following questions to assist the City Council in the redistricting process:

1. Does your community have a shared culture, characteristics, or bond?
2. Is your community geographic in nature? Is your community able to be mapped? Is there density within your community?
3. Describe your community's relationship with the City and how it is affected by policy decisions made by the City Council.

The public can submit any testimony, but it is important to remember that your input can be best used if it addresses all three of these questions.

### **What You Can Do to Further Participate in the Redistricting Process?**

1. Provide your comments on your community of interest by completing this worksheet and return it by:
  - E-mail a photo or PDF of this form to: [cityclerk@monterey.org](mailto:cityclerk@monterey.org)
  - U.S. Mail: Monterey City Clerk, 580 Pacific Street, Monterey, CA 93940
  - Drop off: Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific Street, Monterey, CA 93940  
Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
2. Attend one of the City of Monterey City Council public meetings, times and locations to be publicized on our webpage:  
[www.haveyoursaymonterey.org/districting](http://www.haveyoursaymonterey.org/districting)



## Community of Interest Form

Providing the following information is optional. If you provide an email address, we will send you updates on the process.

**Name:**

**Email:**

- 1. What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:**
  
- 2. Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries?**
  
- 3. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in the City Council redistricting process? Please describe how the issues before the Monterey City Council has an impact on your community.**
  
- 4. What else would you like to tell us about your community?**

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### How to Submit the Form:



**E-mail:**  
[cityclerk@monterey.org](mailto:cityclerk@monterey.org)



**In person:** Drop off with a staff member at the Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific St., open Tuesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



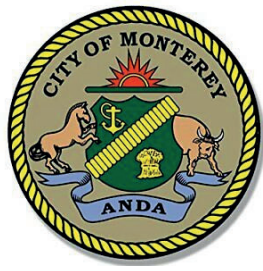
**Mail:**  
Monterey City Clerk  
580 Pacific Street  
Monterey, CA 93940

### Questions or comments?

We want to hear from you! E-mail the City of Monterey at [cityclerk@monterey.org](mailto:cityclerk@monterey.org)

or visit our webpage at

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# COMMUNITY MAPPING TOOL

ATTACHMENT 9

## THE RULES

- Create a single city council district or create a four district plan.
- New districts should have a population of around 7,500
- The largest district should be no more than ~750 people greater than the smallest district.

## ABOUT THE BLOCKS

Each of these is based on Census geography. The numbers are a rounded number based on the final census data adjusted by the State of California.

## ONCE COMPLETED

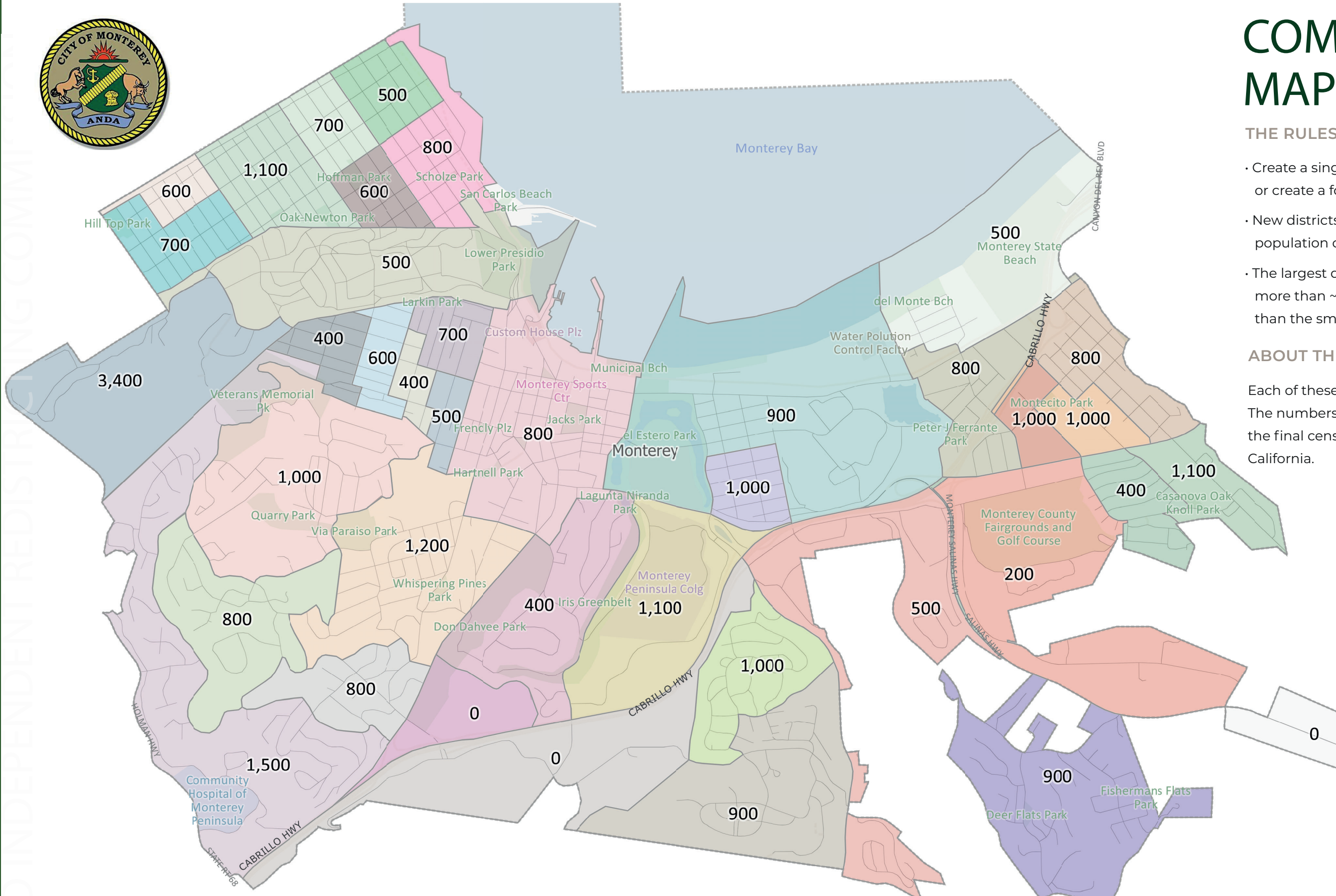
### MAIL IT TO:

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**EMAIL:** [cityclerk@monterey.org](mailto:cityclerk@monterey.org)

### DROP IT

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**DISTRICT 1**      **DISTRICT 2**      **DISTRICT 3**      **DISTRICT 4**

Write in the population estimates for each of your drawn districts.  
~7,500 Target Population Per District

NAME

EMAIL