

## Serve on a MAC Committee

You and your county are represented every day at the State Capitol and before state and federal officials. But the MAC Legislative Team does not operate in a vacuum. Members, through the MAC Board of Directors, set policy platforms on key issues. **And the MAC Board develops its legislative policies based on the input and recommendations of seven standing committees:** 

Finance and General Government — This committee recommends policies and reviews legislation pertaining to property tax revenue, property tax exemptions, property tax appeals, property tax assessments, sales tax issues affecting the state's general fund and subsequently county revenue sharing, special millages and any other tax policies that affect county revenues. It also oversees government operational issues, such as policies and legislation pertaining to the Open Meetings Act; the Freedom of Information Act; election issues; interactions with other county-wide elected officials; conflicts of interest; regionalism and consolidation issues; zoning and planning issues; buildings and maintenance; insurance and liability issues; and other issues that have a county-wide impact that are not covered by another MAC committee. This committee considers legislation governing all forms of local government revenue and reviews economic development, labor and retirement issues.

**Environmental, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs** — This committee oversees issues pertaining to mining; state and federal land acquisitions; PILT; state and local parks; landfills and solid waste and recycling management systems; stormwater and wastewater systems; conservation districts; water quality issues; energy issues; and wildlife management.

**Health and Human Services** — This committee recommends policies and reviews legislation pertaining to prevention and treatment initiatives for human services, such as, but not limited to: mental health; substance abuse; homelessness; children's protective services; the stabilization of families; the prevention and control of diseases; county medical care facilities; aging programs; and veterans.

**Judiciary and Public Safety** — This committee recommends policies and reviews legislation pertaining to court system operations; court system funding; specialty courts; 9-1-1 funding; response and dispatch issues; juvenile justice; probation and parole issues; indigent defense services; sheriff department issues (including jails and secondary road patrol); community corrections programming and funding; and prisoner re-entry issues.

**Transportation and Infrastructure** — This committee oversees issues relating to the operation and funding of Michigan's transportation infrastructure network, ranging from roads and bridges to ports and ORV trails.

**Agriculture and Tourism** — This committee oversees agricultural and tourism issues.

Each committee meets approximately six times per year; however, MAC offers Zoom as an option for commissioners to participate remotely. To ensure a balanced approach, MAC strives to have a certain number of voting members from each region on each committee. MAC's president appoints all committee members. Committees will resume work in February 2023.

## **MAC Committee Application**

Name:	
Address:	
County:	
Phone:	Fax:
Email:	
	Please indicate the committee(s) you'd like to join:
	_ Finance and General Government – meets the 1st Friday at 10 a.m.
	_ Environmental/Natural Resources/Regulatory Affairs – meets the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday at 10 a.m
	_ Judiciary and Public Safety – meets the 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday at 2 p.m.
	_ Health and Human Services – meets the $4^{th}$ Monday at 10 a.m.
	_ Transportation and Infrastructure – meets the 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday at 10 a.m.
	_ Agriculture and Tourism – meets at the call of the chair

NOTE: MAC policy says if you miss three (3) or more meetings, you will be automatically removed from the committee. This helps us ensure a quorum for committee meetings. Physical attendance is not required. Every meeting is streamed through Zoom, which allows members to participate via video conference or by calling in.

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DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR 2023 ASSIGNMENTS IS JAN. 12, 2023