

# City of Orange Introduction to Redistricting

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# Redistricting – Why Now?

- Orange moved to districts in 2019
- Orange 2020 election used districts for first time
- Census data is only updated every ten years
- Delays in receiving the Census data have delayed states, counties, cities, and other jurisdictions throughout California and the US

### **Redistricting Process**

Step	Description
Kickoff Workshop 8/25/2021	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the communities in the Districts.
Census Data Release August 12	Census Bureau released official 2020 Census population data in legacy format.
California Data Release September 20	California Statewide Database releases California's official 'prisoner- adjusted' 2020 redistricting data, then a mandated three-week waiting period before maps are released.
Pre-Map Hearings October 13, 2021	Public Hearing to educate and solicit input on the communities in the Districts and take direction on potential changes to the map
Draft Map Hearings December 14, 2021 February 8, 2022	Two Public Hearings to discuss and revise the draft maps and to discuss the election sequence.
Map Adoption By 4/17	Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption. Map adopted via ordinance or resolution.

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## Redistricting Rules and Goals

#### 1. Federal Laws

Equal Population Federal Voting Rights Act No Racial Gerrymandering



#### 2. California Criteria for Cities Geographically contiguous 1. 2. Undivided neighborhoods and "communities of interest" (Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together) 3. Easily identifiable boundaries Compact 4. (Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people) Prohibited: "Shall not favor or

discriminate against a political party."

#### 3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years

Respect voters' choices / continuity in office

Future population growth

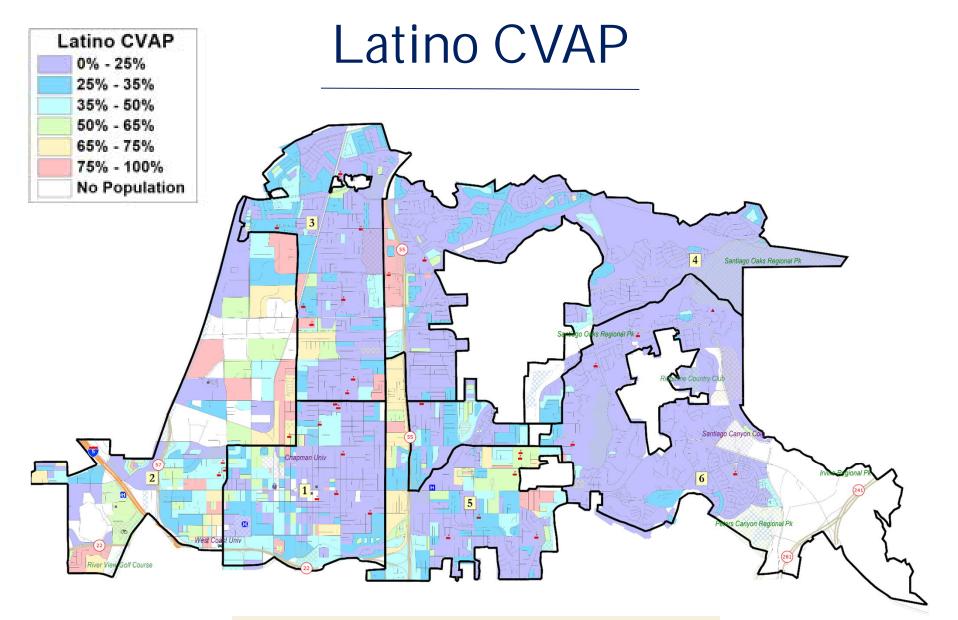
Preserving the core of existing districts

#### Demographic Summary of Existing Districts

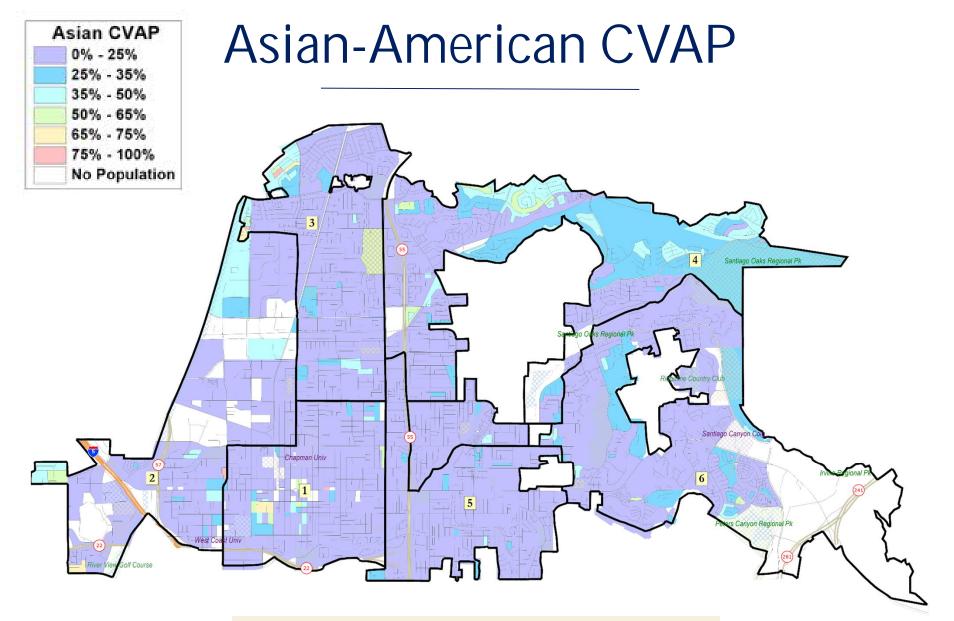
District		1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
2020	2020 Est. Total Pop	25,714	24,163	23,096	22,305	22,829	22,083	140,190
	Deviation from ideal	2,349	798	-269	-1,060	-536	-1,282	3,631
	% Deviation	10.05%	3.42%	-1.15%	-4.54%	-2.29%	-5.49%	15.54%
2020 Total Pop	% Hisp	36%	57%	38%	29%	5 <b>9</b> %	27%	41%
	% NH White	47%	23%	42%	47%	28%	51%	40%
	% NH Black	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
	% Asian-American	11%	15%	15%	21%	9%	18%	15%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	19,486	15,372	15,703	14,943	12,808	16,940	95,252
	% Hisp	27%	44%	24%	19%	40%	18%	28%
	% NH White	61%	36%	57%	58%	50%	67%	55%
	% NH Black	1%	4%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	10%	16%	16%	21%	8%	14%	14%

Estimates using official state-adjusted 2020 demographic data Each of the six districts must contain about 23,365 people.



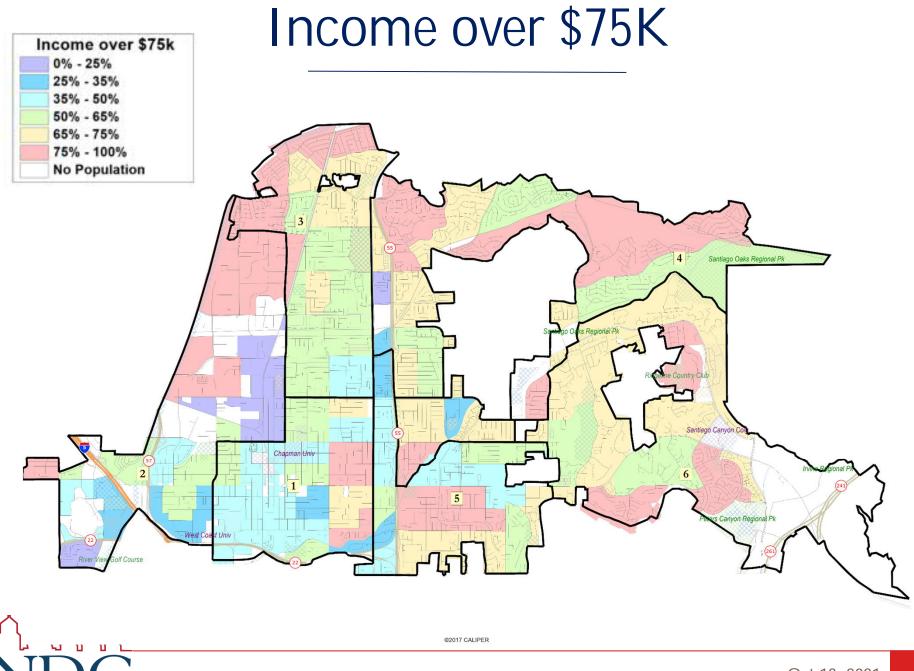


Latino neighborhoods are found in the western end of the city, in the EI Modena area and along the 55



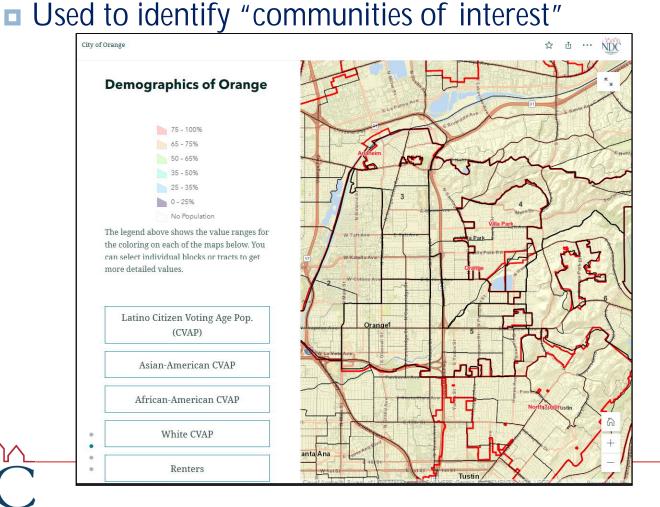
Asian-American neighborhoods are found in the north and western parts of Orange

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# Story Map

Easy to use "story" of demographic and other data
Similar to PowerPoint, but interactive



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## Defining Neighborhoods

1<sup>st</sup> Question: What is your neighborhood?

2<sup>nd</sup> Question: What are its geographic boundaries?

Examples of physical features defining a neighborhood boundary:

- Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals and/or hills
- Areas around parks or schools
- Other neighborhood landmarks

In the absence of public testimony, planning records and other similar documents may provide definition.



#### Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

1<sup>st</sup> Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
  - Shared social or economic interest
  - Impacted by city or county policies
- Tell us "your community's story"

2<sup>nd</sup> Question: Would this community benefit from being "included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation"?

• Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

Definitions of Communities of Interest may <u>not</u> include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.



### Public Mapping and Map Review Tools

- Different tools for different purposes
- Different tools for different levels of technical skill and interest
  - Simple "review draft maps" tool
  - Easy-to-use "Draw your neighborhood" tool
  - Paper- and Excel-based simple "Draw a draft map" tools
  - Powerful, data-rich "Draw a draft map" tool

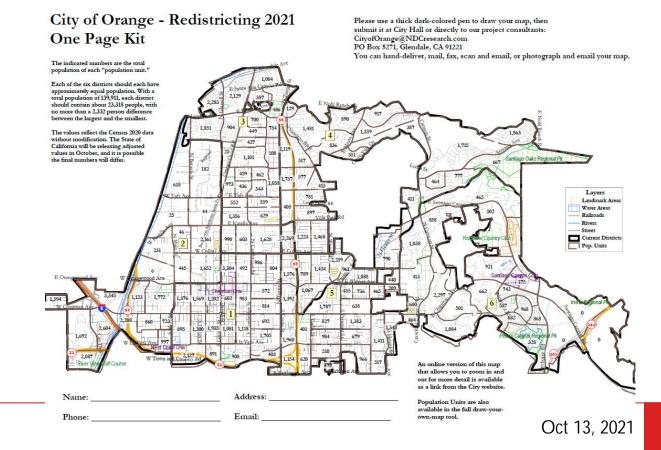
Whether you use the powerful (but complicated) online mapping tool, Excel, the paper kit, or just draw on a napkin, we welcome your maps!



# Simple Map Drawing Tool

Paper "Public Participation Kit"

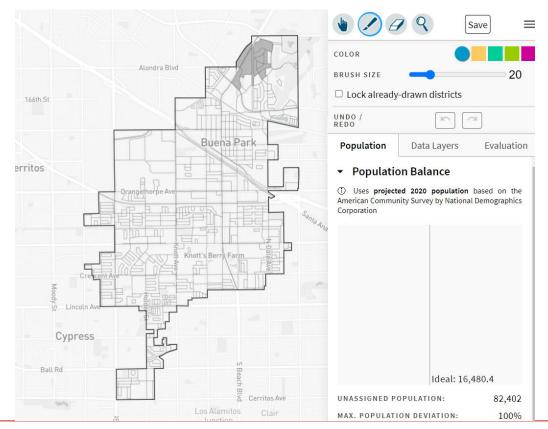
- For those without internet access or who prefer paper
- Total Population Counts only with or without demographic numbers (available on Story Map)



#### DistrictR

DistrictR to draw a "community of interest" or a full district map.

- Also includes simple district-mapping tool
- Similar external options: <u>Representable.org</u>, <u>DrawMyCACommunity.org</u>

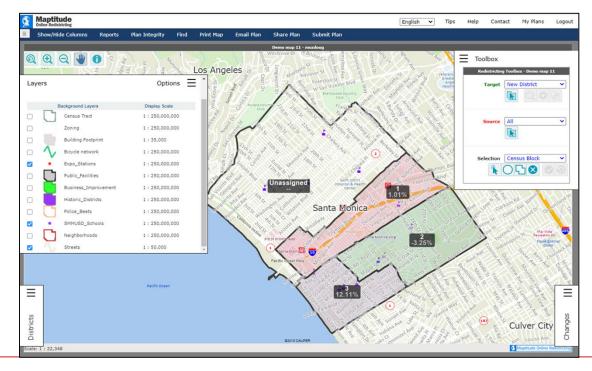


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#### Caliper's "Maptitude Online Redistricting"

Full Database, Powerful Online Mapping Tool

- Powerful, common, data-rich online tool
- Six language options: English, Spanish, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Mandarin and Korean
- Quick Start Guide



### Public Hearing

What is your neighborhood and what are its boundaries? What other notable areas are in the City, and what are their boundaries?

Discussion to identify areas that meet each AB 849 definition:

- "neighborhoods"
- "communities of interest . . . that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation."



#### Share Your Thoughts / Continue Engagement



Share your specific thoughts, draw a map, or attend an upcoming workshop to get involved!

- · Submit written testimony about the process or a specific map to cminfo@cityoforange.org.
- · Click here to see the calendar of workshops and public hearings at which you can speak about the process or a specific map.
- · Click here for information on drawing and submitting maps.

Come to the Next Hearing: December 14, 2021 Website: Draw Orange (orangedistricts.org) Email: cminfo@cityoforange.org