

# Board of Commissioners Update

FROM YOUR MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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Dear Neighbor,

*I am pleased to serve as both your county commissioner and representative voice.*

*The Board of Commissioners encourages open communication with our constituents, and feedback and public involvement at our meetings. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions on how we can make Macomb County an even better place to live, learn, or do business. You will find my contact information throughout this newsletter.*

*To attend a monthly full board or committee meeting, check [www.MacombBOC.com](http://www.MacombBOC.com) for meeting dates and agendas, or call our office at (586) 469-5125. The BoC meets on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Administration Building, 1 S. Main, Mount Clemens.*

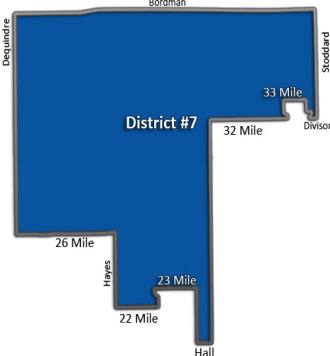
Regards,

*Don Brown*

## Don Brown

Macomb County  
Commissioner

## District 7



**Macomb County  
Commissioner Don Brown  
serves District 7,  
representing:  
Macomb, Ray, Richmond,  
Washington, Armada &  
Bruce townships,  
the Villages of Romeo  
& Armada,  
City of Memphis**

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## Macomb County Hosts Regional Summit

The Macomb County Board of Commissioners is pleased to host this

year's Southeast Michigan Regional Summit on September 30 at the Lorenzo Cultural Center in Clinton Township.

The summit is an opportunity for officials from Oakland, Wayne

and Macomb counties and the City of Detroit to gather, develop working relationships and study current issues affecting the residents of Southeast Michigan. This year's discussion focuses on the benefits of regional collaboration and the issue of mass transit.

In addition, for the first time in summit history, Macomb County leadership has expanded summit participants to include neighboring Washtenaw and St. Clair counties.

The inclusion of neighboring

counties serves to underscore the need for a concerted regional effort toward economic revitalization and transportation.

The first summit was hosted in 1998 by Wayne County, the Michigan State Fair, and the Michigan Association of Counties. Hosting duties alternate between participants yearly, with event costs paid for by summit sponsors. Macomb County hosted its last summit in 2007, aboard the Ovation yacht.

## Help for Homeowners

The Macomb Urban County Housing Rehabilitation Program (administered by the Macomb County Department of Planning & Economic Development) is accepting applications for deferred, no interest loans to help eligible owners make necessary repairs to their homes.

The Home Repair Assistance Program is designed to make a principal residence "safe, decent and habitable" as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Eligible applicants must meet income guidelines and be current with mortgage, insurance and tax payments.

Eligibility requirements and an application are available at: [www.MacombCountyMi.gov/MCPED](http://www.MacombCountyMi.gov/MCPED), or contact the department at (586) 469-5285.

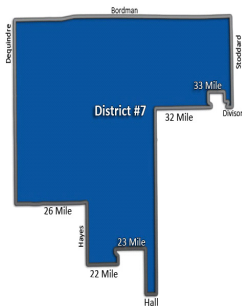


## County Scores AAA Rating

Good news on the financial front for Macomb County: bond rating agency Standard & Poor's recently re-affirmed the county's solid bond rating, awarding it "AAA" status with a stable outlook. Earning S & P's highest rating means taxpayers pay less interest to finance bonds on construction projects, and that the county has a strong capacity to meet current and future financial commitments. Macomb County is one of only three counties in Michigan and 67 nationwide to have earned the AAA rating.

## Local Business Resource

Want to grow your business with federal, state and local government contracts? The Procurement Technical Assistance Centers of Michigan (PTAC) is ready to help local companies do just that. Macomb Community College hosts PTAC's Macomb County location at the Michigan Technical Education Center (MTEC) building located at 7900 Tank Avenue in Warren. For more information on PTAC's services, visit [www.ptacsofmichigan.org](http://www.ptacsofmichigan.org), or call (586) 498-4122.



# District 7

## News & Information



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### Your Local Officials:

#### U.S. Representative ~ Candice Miller

www.house.gov  
(202) 225-2106

#### Governor ~ Rick Snyder

*Lt. Governor Brian Calley*  
www.michigan.gov/gov  
(517) 373-3400

#### State Senate (District 11) ~ Sen. Jack Brandenburg

www.senate.michigan.gov  
(517) 373-7670

#### State House of Representatives

www.house.michigan.gov

#### 32<sup>nd</sup> District ~ Rep. Andrea LaFontaine

AndreaLaFontaine@house.mi.gov  
(877) 373-8931

#### 33<sup>rd</sup> District ~ Rep. Ken Goike

KenGoike@house.mi.gov  
(800) 209-3330

#### 36<sup>th</sup> District ~ Pete Lund

PeteLund@house.mi.gov  
(888) 642-4737

#### Armada Township ~ Supervisor John Paterek

www.armadatwp.org  
(586)784-5200

#### Bruce Township ~ Supervisor James Tignanelli

www.brucetwp.org  
(586) 752-4585

#### Macomb Township ~ Supervisor Mark Grabow

www.macomb-mi.gov  
(586) 992-0710

#### Ray Township ~ Supervisor Charles Bohm

www.raytownship.org  
(586) 749-5171

#### Richmond Township ~ Supervisor Gordon Fuerstenau

www.richmondtp.org  
(586) 727-8998

#### Washington Township ~ Supervisor Dan O'Leary

www.washingtontownship.org  
(586) 786-0010

#### Village of Armada ~ President Sherri Cooper

www.villageofarmada.org  
(586) 784-9151

#### Village of Romeo ~ President Michael Lee

www.villageofromeo.org  
(586) 752-3565

#### City of Memphis ~ Mayor Daniel Weaver

E-mail: MemphisCity@banyanol.com  
(810) 392-2385

## Events Around Macomb County

**Thursdays through October: Bruce Township Farmer's Market:** Join local farmers for fresh grown fruits and vegetables as well as local crafters at the Bruce Township Hall, 223 E. Gates. Held Thursdays from 1-7 p.m., through the end of October (weather permitting.)

**October 1: Armada-Geddon:** Join in for some Halloween fun in downtown Armada with a festival held by the Armada Downtown Development Authority. Events include a 5k walk/run, a parade, bands, and vendors.

**October 8: Romeo Harvest Day:** A day of "Home Town Fun in the Fall" takes place in downtown Romeo with activities for kids including pumpkin bowling, scare crow building, free pumpkin painting and free cider and doughnuts! For more information, visit www.romeomrp.com.

**December 3: Holly Days:** Join in the fun in downtown Armada for the annual Holly Days celebration. Santa is expected to make an appearance. Other events include a parade, tree lighting, and plenty of food and Christmas carols!

## Macomb County Phone Numbers:



**Animal Shelter:** (586) 469-5115

**Clerk/Register of Deeds:** (586) 469-5120

#### Community Mental Health:

Access Center: (586) 948-0222 V/Collect

Crisis Center: (586) 307-9100 V/TDD/Collect

**Office of the County Executive:** (586) 469-7001

**Substance Abuse Access:** (586) 541-2273

**Friend of the Court:** 24-hour case info: (586) 469-7618

**Health Department:** (586) 586-469-5235

**Land File Division:** (586) 469-5312

**Senior Citizen Services** (586) 469-6313

**Sheriff's Department** (586) 469-5151

**Treasurer's Office** (586) 469-5190

**Veterans Services** (586) 469-5315