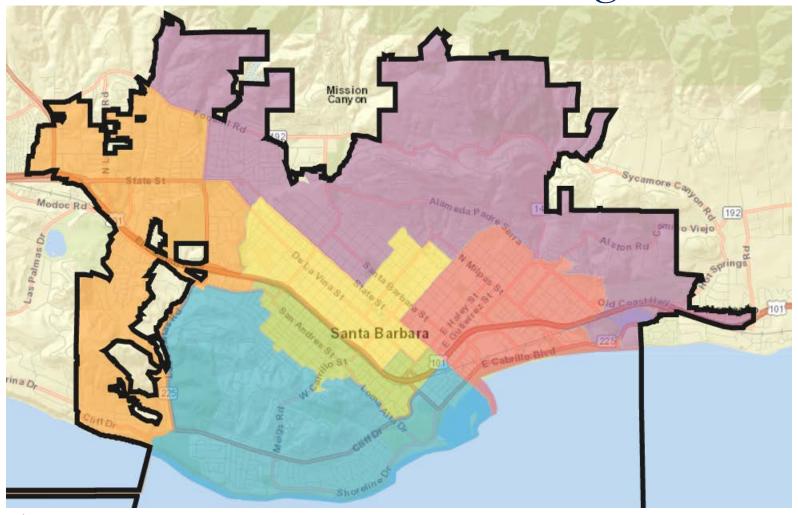
City of Santa Barbara

2021-22 Redistricting





Redistricting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

- Equal Population
- Federal VotingRights Act
- No Racial Gerrymandering



2. California Criteria for Cities

- 1. Geographically contiguous
- 2. Undivided neighborhoods and "communities of interest"

(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)

- 3. Easily identifiable boundaries
- 4. Compact

(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

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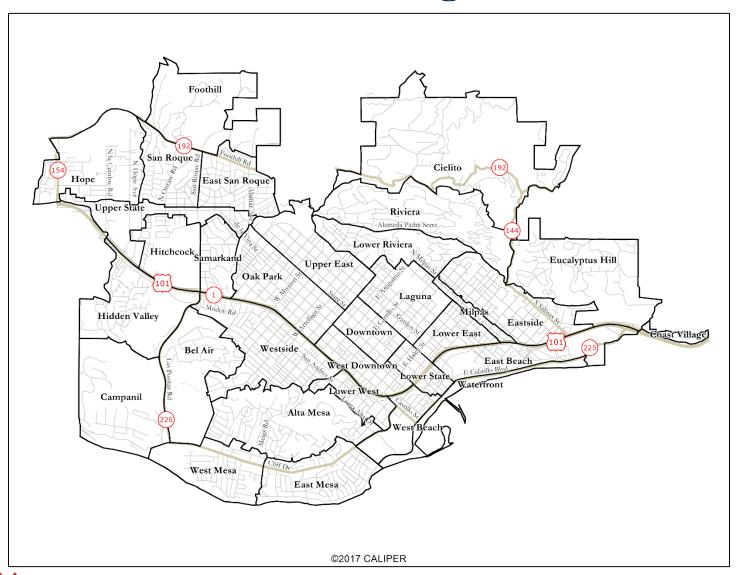
"Shall not favor or discriminate against a political party."

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



Santa Barbara Neighborhoods





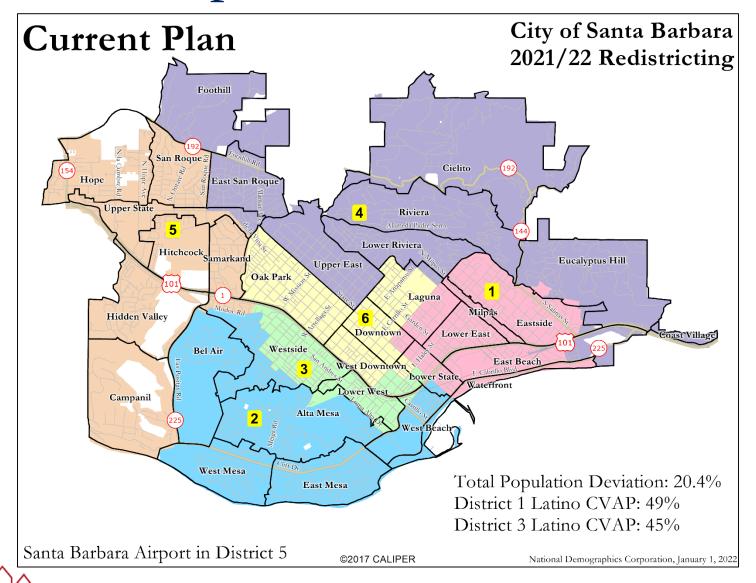
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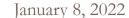
Many potential examples that can be found on the **Story Map**:

- □ Central business district: Area bounded by Sola, Garden, 101 & De La Vina
- □ Historic districts: Biggest includes the C.B.D. and area along the waterfront
- □ School attendance areas: 13 elementary, 3 junior high & 2 high school areas
- □ Fire hazard zones: High fire risk area covering the foothill and riviera areas
- □ ZIP code areas: 93101 (Downtown + Westside), 93103 (Eastside + Riviera), 93105 (Uptown), 93109 (Mesa), 93110 (Hope)
- □ Land use/zoning areas: Marked differences between certain neighborhoods
- □ Concentrations of socioeconomic interests:
 - Speak Spanish at home: the Eastside and Westside
 - Families with children at home: the Eastside and Westside
 - Income \$75,000 or higher: the mesa, the foothills, and San Roque
 - Education BA or higher: the mesa, the foothills, and San Roque
 - Multi-family housing: Downtown and the waterfront
 - Renter housing: Downtown, Eastside, Westside, and the waterfront



Map of Current Plan





Analysis of Current Plan

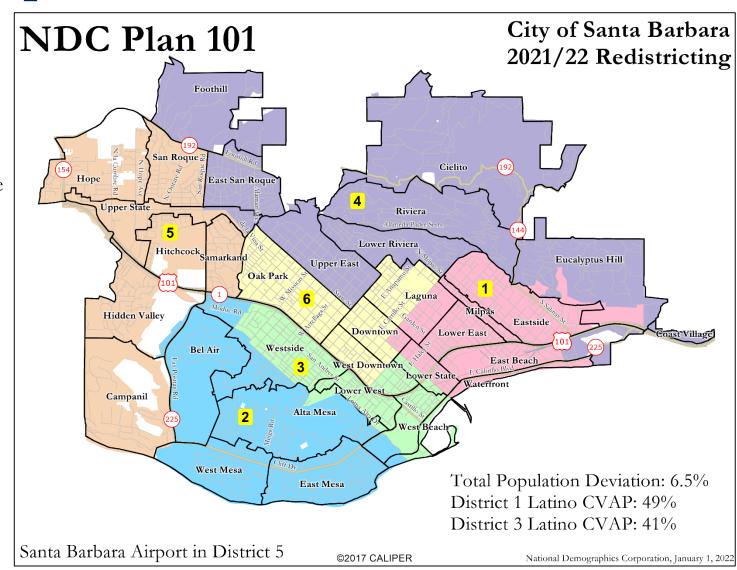
- Equal population
 - Districts 1 and 3 are underpopulated; Districts 4 and 5 are overpopulated
 - District 3 at -11%, District 4 at +9%, so the total deviation is 20%; should be less than 10%
- □ Voting Rights Act
 - District 1's CVAP is 49% Latino, while District 3's CVAP is 45% Latino
- Contiguity
 - All six districts are contiguous (Santa Barbara Airport is connected to District 5 via a strip of city territory that runs through the ocean)
- □ Neighborhoods and communities of interest
 - Neighborhoods that are substantially split: Laguna, West Downtown, Lower State, Westside
 - Potential communities of interest that are substantially split: Central Business District,
 Historic District, waterfront area, greater San Roque
- Easily identifiable boundaries
 - The District 2/3 boundary follows minor streets in the Westside that do not conform to neighborhood boundaries, as does the District 3/6 boundary in West Downtown
- Compactness
 - All six districts are reasonably compact, with the possible exception of District 5



Maps of NDC Draft Plans

Key Features

- Minimal change from the current plan
- District 1 expands
 eastward toward
 Eucalyptus Hill, at the
 expense of District 4
- District 3 expands southward toward West Beach, at the expense of District 2
- Gives every district a piece of the coast, except for District 6
- Gives every district a piece of State Street, except for District 2

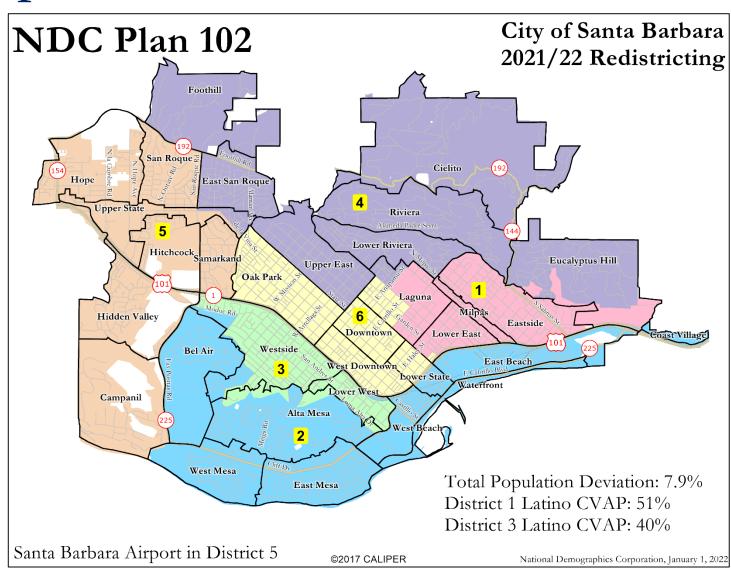




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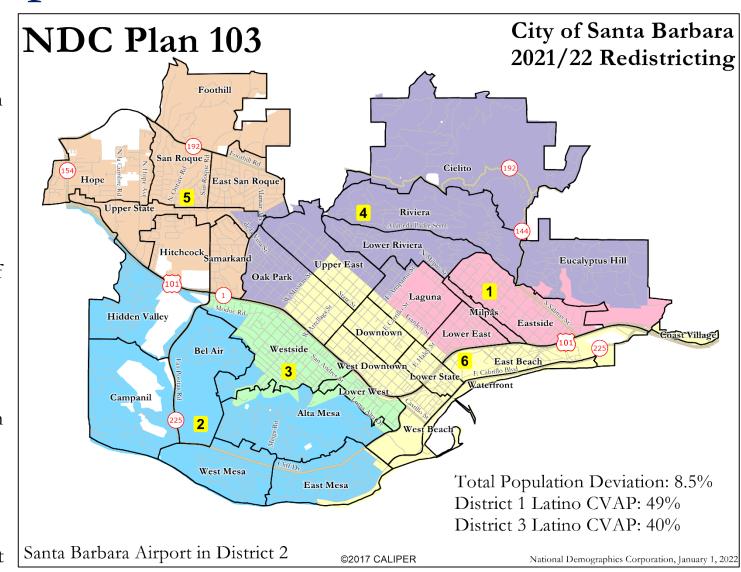
- Moderate change from the current plan
- District 1 shifts east, away from State St., taking in Laguna
- District 3 shifts west, away from State St., taking in almost all of the Westside
- District 2 shifts east to take in the entire waterfront area out to Coast Village
- District 6 now includes the whole Central Business District, and less of Laguna



Maps of NDC Draft Plans

Key Features

- Significant change from the current plan
- District 1 shifts east, away from State St., taking in Laguna
- District 3 shifts west, away from State St., taking in almost all of the Westside
- District 2 shifts west to take in all of southwestern S.B.
- District 5 shifts north to take in all of northwestern S.B.
- District 6 loses area north of Mission St. to gain the waterfront



Analysis of NDC Draft Plans

NDC Plan 101

- □ Population deviation: 6.5%
- □ District 1 Latino CVAP: 49%
- □ District 3 Latino CVAP: 41%
- □ All six districts are contiguous
- Significantly splits the neighborhoods of Laguna, West Downtown, Lower State, and the Westside
- Significantly splits the potential C.O.I.'s of the Central Business District, the Historic District, the waterfront area, and greater San Roque
- Tend to follow boundaries of neighborhoods or major streets and highways
 - District 5 may not be compact

NDC Plan 102

- □ Population deviation: 7.9%
- □ District 1 Latino CVAP: 51%
- □ District 3 Latino CVAP: 40%
- □ All six districts are contiguous
- □ Significantly splits the neighborhoods of Laguna and Lower State, but unites West Downtown and the Westside
- Significantly splits the potential C.O.I.'s of the Historic District and greater San Roque, but not the other two (do they in fact benefit from having one rep.?)
- Tend to follow boundaries of neighborhoods or major streets and highways
- □ Districts 2 and 5 may not be

NDC Plan 103

- □ Population deviation: 8.5%
- District 1 Latino CVAP: 49%
- □ District 3 Latino CVAP: 40%
- □ All six districts are contiguous
- Unites all four of those neighborhoods, but splits Oak Park and Upper East (though follows major streets to do so)
- Unites all four of those potential C.O.I.'s, plus the hilly areas south of Hwy 101, though at the expense of splitting the high fire risk area
- Tend to follow boundaries of neighborhoods or major streets and highways
- □ District 6 may not be compact



Public Hearing & Discussion

- □ Questions about the proposed redistricting plans?
- □ Which plan do you prefer?
- □ What, if anything, would you like to see revised in your preferred plan?
- □ Please refer to the <u>Interactive Review Map</u> for a detailed look at each plan

