

FIGHT FOR #FAIRMAPS

QUICK TIPS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Submitting public comment puts your community's needs into an official record, and when all communities make their needs known, we stand a greater chance of being heard.

1. ESTABLISH YOURSELF & YOUR COMMUNITY

Highlight the geography and “communities of interest” in your neighborhood (folks who have that same policy needs and need to be together in the same district). Keeping communities of interest together is critical for those that have been traditionally left out of the political process. Examples include:

- ⊕ Church members working to repair their area after a hurricane.
- ⊕ Neighbors organizing to have a grocery store built closer to them.
- ⊕ Parents advocating for adequate COVID safety protocols and other emergency management plans.

2. SHARE THE CONSEQUENCES

Explain what is happening to your community now, as it's not being cared for properly. Examples include:

- ⊕ Greenville Memorial AME Zion Church was destroyed by Hurricane Fred and we need funding and supplies to rebuild.
- ⊕ South Raleigh is a food desert, so more of us go hungry and eat less fresh food. This causes health problems that we can't afford to treat.
- ⊕ Our children are too young to be vaccinated. CMS schools must be safe so they don't contribute to community spread.

3. SPECIFY AN “ASK”

What do you want redistricting leaders to do? For example:

- ⊕ Keep my community (church members, neighbors, parents of children at the same school, etc.) together in one district so we can advocate for better policies together.

