

Board of Commissioners Update

FROM YOUR MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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Dear Neighbor,

I am pleased to serve as your county commissioner and representative voice. Please feel free to contact me with 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 info throughout this newsletter.

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

I am also honored to announce that in addition to serving as the co-chair of the Economic Development Committee and Vice Chair of the Board Operations Committee, I was recently re-appointed to the Macomb County Community Corrections Advisory Board (representing the Board of Commissioners) and to the Board of Directors of the Traffic Improvement Association of Michigan. I am proud to serve in all these capacities.

Regards,

James L. Carabelli

Macomb County Maintains Solid AAA Bond Rating

The county continues to enjoy good news on the financial ratings front after top rating agency Standard & Poor's re-affirmed its "AAA" bond rating in February 2012.

Maintaining S & P's highest rating not only means taxpayers pay less interest to finance bonds on construction projects, but also that the county has a strong capacity to meet its financial commitments.

Macomb County is one of only three counties in Michigan and 67 nationwide to have earned the AAA rating.

Optimism Growing about County's Business Climate

Commissioner Carabelli applauds the results of the Macomb Business Climate Survey released in recent months by the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development.

The survey reflects the opinions of 551 people who reported their perceptions about Macomb County's business environment.

The report states that of those surveyed, "over 80% report that current business conditions are equal to or better than they were at this time last year," and "40% report revenue growth and improved bottom lines compared to last year."

Overall, the report reflects an optimistic business community, which is a key factor to driving the success of the business climate in Macomb County for 2012. To view the report, visit: www.macombcountymi.gov/MCPED.

County Employees Give Back to Community through BoC Sponsored Program

Through the generosity of Macomb County employees, more than \$18,000 was collected in 2011 through Causal Friday fundraisers to assist numerous charities.

The money was contributed by county employees who donated a dollar to wear jeans or casual clothing. Groups such as Meals on Wheels, Care House, Special Dreams Farm and Myasthenia Gravis Association are among those which benefitted from this effort.

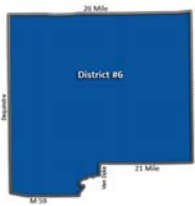
The initiative, sponsored by the Board of Commissioners, raised more than \$16,000 in 2010 and has been helping charities since 1994.

Library for the Blind Settled in New Location

The Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is now open inside the Clinton-Macomb Public Library.

The library's materials and services are free to Macomb County residents who are legally blind or unable to hold a book/turn pages. The library offers more than 30,000 materials, including audio books and players, large print books, and books printed in Braille.

Located inside the Clinton-Macomb Public Library Main Branch at 40900 Romeo Plank, the library is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For more info, call (586) 286-1580 or visit www.cmpl.org/MLBPH.



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News & Information



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Shelby Township Events

6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., May 3: Mother & Son Dance: Celebrate Mother's Day together at the beautiful Cherry Creek Banquet Center. Tickets in advance only. Call the Shelby Township Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Department for details at (586) 731-0300 or visit www.shelbytwp.org.

8 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 9: Youth Fishing Derby: Held at Heritage Garden Lake, this event is free for Shelby Township and Utica kids ages 15 and younger. Registration is required. Visit www.shelbytwp.org for details.

Aug. 11-12: 2012 Shelby Township Art Fair: Come out and enjoy local art and much more in the park-like setting of the Shelby Township municipal grounds. Model sailboat races, and old-time craft demonstration, local and Michigan made products, free drawing lessons, a kid's mural painting area and more are planned. For information, call the Shelby Township Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Department at (586) 731-0300.



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) 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

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Macomb County Office Closures

County offices and courts will be closed on the following days:

April 6: Closed at Noon (Good Friday)

May 25* and 28 (Memorial Day)

July 4 and 5* (Independence Day)

**Indicates a county-wide employee furlough day*