



Redistricting Reform

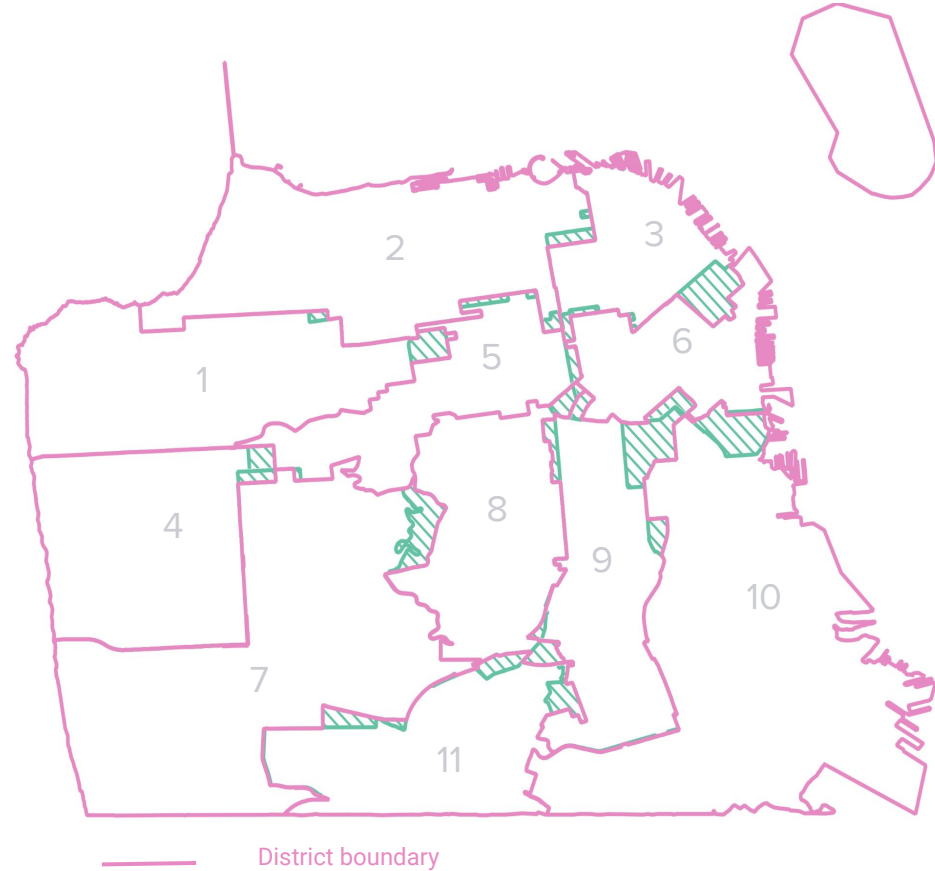
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San Francisco Redistricting Unity Map Coalition

The Unity Map Coalition is made up of organizations and individuals representing low-income communities and people of color across San Francisco.

We convened and consulted over 85 organizations across all districts of San Francisco through a communities of interest survey, multi-district stakeholder meetings, one-on-one conversations, tracking public comments at Redistricting Task Force meetings, and a collaborative decision making process since October 2021.

Community Unity Map



Guiding Principles of Unity Map Coalition

- Fulfill requirements of the **Voting Rights Act** while limiting major district boundary changes.
- **Keep communities of interest together:** groups of people with shared backgrounds, identities, values, or experiences.
- Maintain the voice and representation of **low-income communities and people of color.**
- Avoid cutting through **cultural districts and historical neighborhoods** who have long been integral to San Francisco's rich and diverse culture.
- **Minimize negative impacts** on communities that have suffered the most harm from gentrification and borne the brunt of previous redistricting changes.

Who endorsed the Community Unity Map 2022

Arab Resource and Organizing Center
ABD/Skywatchers
Bayanihan Equity Center
Bernal Heights Democratic Club
Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center
Bill Sorro Housing Program
Bindlestiff Studio
California Alliance for Retired Americans - S.F. Chapter
Causa Justa Just Cause
Chinatown Community Development Center
Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco
Chinese Progressive Association
Cole Valley Improvement Association
Coleman Advocates For Children & Youth
Community Well
Demonstration Gardens
Dolores Street Community Services
Filipina Women's Network
Filipino Community Center
Filipino Community Development Corporation
Galing Bata Bilingual Program at the Filipino Education Ctr
GLIDE
Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council
Harvey Milk LGBTQ Democratic Club
Hospitality House
Housing Rights Committee of San Francisco
Huckleberry Youth Programs
Invest Black Coalition (District 11 map)

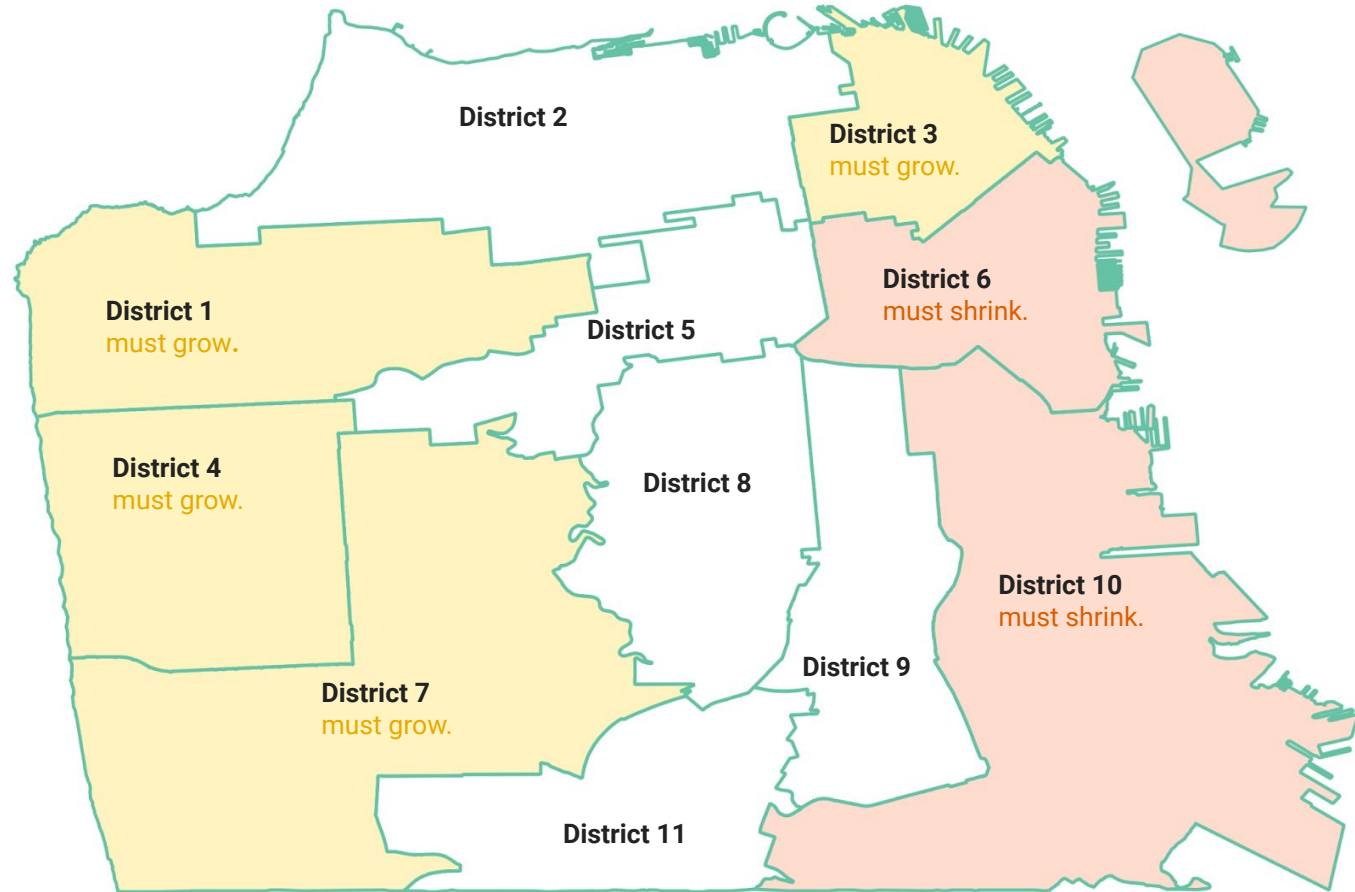
Kulintang Arts Inc
Larkin Street Youth Services
Leather & LGBTQ Cultural District
Mujeres Unidas y Activas
National Union of Healthcare Workers
PODER
Rainbow TL
Richmond District Rising
SF Tenants Union
San Francisco District 11 Democratic Club
San Francisco Gray Panthers
San Francisco Human Services Network
San Francisco Rising
Senior and Disability Action
SOMA Pilipinas Filipino Cultural Heritage District
South of Market Community Action Network
Southeast Asian Development Center
Tenderloin Chinese Rights Association
Tenderloin Filipino-American Community Association
Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation
Tenderloin People's Congress
The Transgender District
TODCO
Westside Community Coalition
West Side Tenants Association
West Bay Pilipino Multi Service Center
Young Community Developers



The 2010-2020 supervisor districts had to change their boundaries to match the ideal population of 79,545 per district.

The law allows a 5% variation from ideal population.

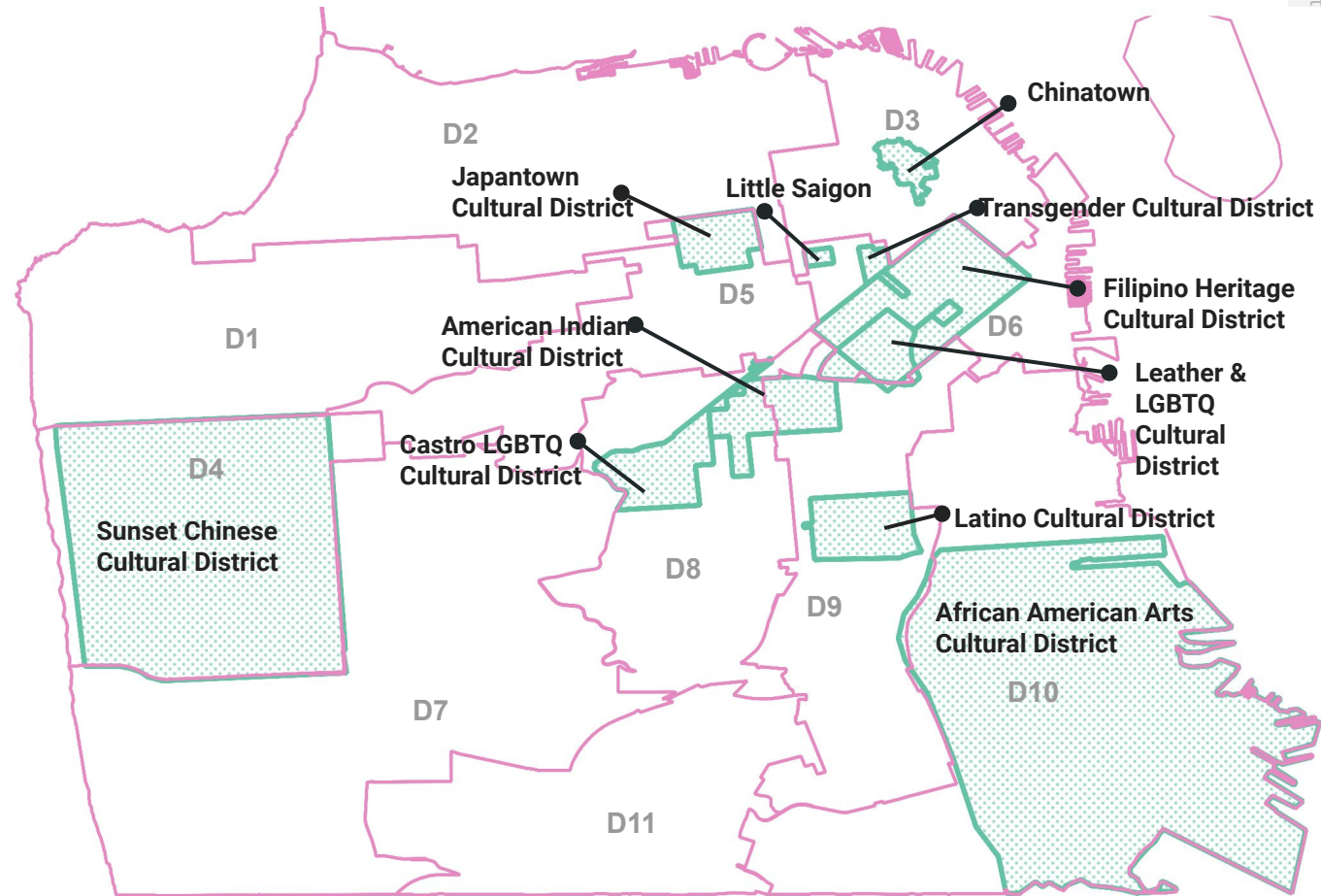
Which Supervisor Districts Must Change?



The Community Unity Map's boundary changes reflect the desires of Communities of Interest and Cultural Districts that wanted to be kept whole in one supervisorial district.

District 6 was able to keep all three cultural districts intact as well as Little Saigon.

Cultural Districts



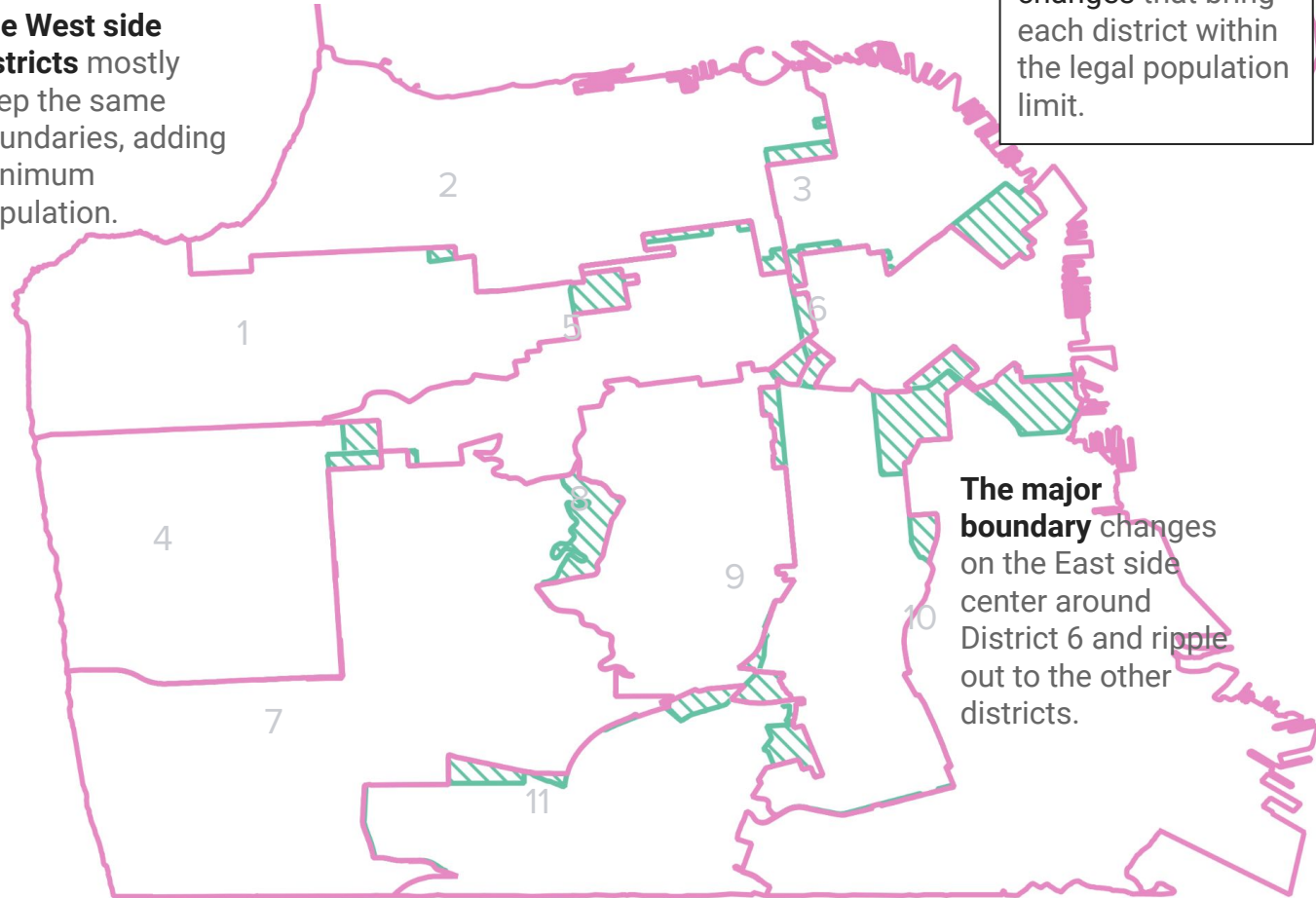
This map shows the proposed redistricting lines for the Community Unity Map.

New districts are drawn in pink lines.

Boundary line changes are shaded in green.

Community Unity Map

The West side districts mostly keep the same boundaries, adding minimum population.



Unity Map Coalition's Assessment

- The legally conforming Unity Map was submitted to the Task Force but NEVER considered for discussion.
- 146 public comments supported the Community Unity Map, over 50 organizational endorsements.
- 164 public comments supported keeping TL and SOMA together in D6 and just 15 suggesting TL should move to D3 or D5.
- Nearly 200 people waited hours to testify before the Task Force to urge support for a draft map which would keep the Tenderloin and SOMA together in District 6.
- Votes were reversed without explanation, giving an appearance of outside interference.

What are our goals for Redistricting reform?

- Transparency and no conflict of interest
- Inclusion of diverse voices and representation of low-income communities and people of color
- Minimize negative impacts on communities of interest and cultural districts

Priority 1 - A Qualified Task Force

- **Composition & qualifications:** Task Force should represent all 11 districts, include alternates, include underrepresented communities, with minimum qualifications and conflict of interest provisions
- **Selection method:** Not by elected officials, Elections Commission should conduct a broad outreach process and administer a randomized selection process from qualified applicants

Priority 2 - A Fair Mapping Process

- **Map criteria:** maintaining integrity of Communities of Interest and Cultural Districts ranked above other criteria such as compactness, exact equal population (as long as within legal requirement of 5% deviation), etc
- **Transparency requirements:** map decisions based solely on map criteria AND public input, report justifying decisions and splits
- **Decision-making:** ensure Task Force consensus on final map

Other Considerations

- **Timeline:** start date not dependent on Census, deadline for release of first draft map for public comment
- **Support:** funding and staffing to support Task Force, training for Task Force members, stipends and/or reimbursements to ensure equitable participation from lower income residents



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