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Kern County invites community to participate in redistricting workshops

This year, Kern County will undergo the process of redistricting in accordance with the 2020 U.S. Census data. Redrawing district lines to reflect Kern's current population is vital to ensuring each district is representative of the constituents that live therein.

The County will be holding a series of redistricting workshops throughout the coming weeks and is asking for community members, stakeholders, and organizations to get involved and provide input on this process. Kern County recognizes its obligation to residents and values accessibility to Kern's community when it comes to this complex conversation.

Kern County has also launched a website dedicated to this endeavor with detailed information about the local redistricting process. Please visit: <u>https://www.kerncounty.com/government/2021-redistricting-menu</u>

Each upcoming workshop is designed to provide an open forum for the community to provide input and feedback on the redistricting process. These workshops will be accessible in a variety of formats and languages. <u>Please see below for information on how to attend:</u>

• July 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

- Virtual informational meeting (English with Spanish and Punjabi translation) to educate the public on the redistricting process and public mapping tools, and to receive testimony on communities of interest.
 - Video conferencing device: <u>https://bit.ly/3yTqRTb</u>
 - Or call in (audio only): 1-831-296-3421
 - Enter Phone Conference ID: 306 227 881
 - Spanish Phone Conference ID: 172 117 451
 - Punjabi Phone Conference ID: 253 770 060

• July 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

- Virtual informational meeting (Spanish with English translation) to educate the public on the redistricting process and public mapping tools, and to receive testimony on communities of interest.
 - Video conferencing device: <u>https://bit.ly/3i1eEVM</u>
 - Or call in (audio only): 1-831-296-3421
 - Enter Phone Conference ID: 169 321 620
 - English Conference ID: 409 329 194
- July 31, 2021 at 10 a.m.
 - Hybrid of in-person and virtual public hearing to educate the public on the redistricting process and public mapping tools and receive testimony on communities of interest. A workshop covering the mapping tools will be conducted for those attending.
 - > Location: Kern County Board Chambers, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA, 93301
 - Video conferencing device: <u>https://bit.ly/3kbEcSQ</u>
 - Or call in (audio only): 1-831-296-3421
 - Enter Phone Conference ID: 766 290 430
 - Virtual translation lines to follow.

Please visit the County's redistricting website for information on how to provide public comment for each workshop. For additional questions, please contact Ally Triolo at (661) 308-6805.

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