



A Call To Action: Redistricting in Georgia

What is Redistricting? - Redistricting happens every ten years and is one of the most important events for our democracy. Without fair redistricting plans, communities of color may have reduced or no representation in the local, state, or federal government. When it is done fairly it makes the ideal of "one person, one vote" a reality.

Who is in charge of redistricting? - In most states, the state legislature takes the lead in drawing lines for their own legislative districts as well as those for U.S. Congress. Sometimes redistricting requires state and local action.

Why get involved? - Regardless of who leads the redistricting process, you need to be involved in it to make sure that the plans are fair and that your community gets the full representation that it deserves based on the information for the Census Bureau. Interested individuals and groups, including churches, non-profit organizations, and political parties may use maps and population counts of their states, counties, and cities to tell state and local government leaders where they believe district lines should be drawn. Just keep in mind that all redistricting plans must meet the requirements of the Voting Rights Act, the U.S. Constitution and relevant state laws.

Dates and Locations of Upcoming Hearings - The first Redistricting Committee hearing will take place on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021** virtually from **5-7pm EDT**.

To submit public testimony for this meeting you can register here: <http://bit.ly/GAComments>.

The June 15th hearing will also be live streamed at: <http://bit.ly/RedistrictingMeeting>.

Upcoming dates for the hearings will be held in various locations see below:

All of the following hearings will be held from **5-7pm EDT**

June 28th - Atlanta	July 26th - Brunswick
June 29th - Cumming	July 27th - Albany
June 30th - Dalton	July 28th - Columbus
July 6th - Athens	July 29th - Macon
July 7th - Augusta	July 30th - Virtual Meeting

REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING

When
Tuesday, June 15, at 5:00 p.m. in
Room 341 CAP,

Livestream at
<http://bit.ly/RedistrictingMeeting>

Sign up to provide public comment
at <http://bit.ly/GAComments>

GEORGIA REDISTRICTING ALLIANCE

Press Release - Below are links so that you can learn more about redistricting and the process.

<https://www.garedistrictingalliance.org/news/georgia-redistricting-alliance-demands-meaningful-public-input-to-the-redistricting-process>