



RESHAPE RIVERSIDE

TELL US ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY



Help shape the future of City of Riverside's City Council Wards

Every ten years, U.S. Census data is used to redraw City of Riverside's City Council ward boundaries. This ensures the wards are balanced for changes in population. The City Council wants to hear from you on how these boundaries should be drawn. Complete this form to tell the City Council about your community of interest – keeping communities of interest together is a high-ranking criteria in the re-boundary process.



What is a Community of Interest?

A Community of Interest is a group of people in the same geographically definable area who **share common social and economic interests**. Some examples of Communities of Interest are:

- Senior citizens
- Dog park community
- LGBTQIA+ communities
- Residents who share a common language
- College students living near campus
- People that use the same transportation systems
- People who live downtown or in a neighborhood



What criteria will help the City Council understand the importance of your community in the re-boundary process?

When documenting your community, it is important to address the following questions to assist the City Council in the re-boundary process:

1. Does your community have a **shared culture, characteristics, or bond**?
2. Is your community **geographic in nature**? Is your community able to be mapped? Is there **density within your community**?
3. How would you describe **your community's relationship with the City**, and how it is affected by policy decisions made by the City Council?

The public can submit any testimony, but it is important to remember that your input can be best used if it addresses all three of these questions.



What can you do to further participate in the re-boundary process?

1. Provide your comments on your community of interest by **completing this worksheet** and return it by **emailing a copy to ReshapeRiverside@RiversideCA.gov, mailing the form to the City Clerk, or attend a public hearing and read your comments to the Council**.
2. Attend one of the City of Riverside City Council public meetings or a public outreach meeting. Times and locations are publicized on the website.

Questions or Comments?



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Document Your Community of Interest

1. What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:
2. Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries?
3. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in the City Council re-boundary process? Please describe how the issues before the City Council has an impact on your community.
4. What else would you like to tell us about your community?
5. Are there nearby areas you want to be in a Ward with? Why?
6. Are there nearby areas you don't want to be in a Ward with? Why not?

Community of Interest Form

Providing the following information is optional.
If you provide an email address, we will send you updates on the process.

First name: _____ **Email:** _____

Which ward do you live in? If you're not sure, write your address and we'll look it up:

Ward 1

Ward 2

Ward 3

Ward 4

Ward 5

Ward 6

Ward 7