

VOTER GUIDE – NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION
COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 13

Tuesday, November 6, 2018
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA

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2 Candidates for COUNTY COMMISSIONER for ONE 2-year term

| <u>CANDIDATES for COUNTY COMMISSION</u> | <u>Question 1 (150 Words or less):</u> Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for County Commissioner and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position. | <u>Question 2 (150 Words or less):</u> What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the County Commission should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them? |
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| <p>ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p> <p>Republican MICHELLE DINARDO 37125 Fox Glen Farmington Hills, MI 48331</p> | <p>Michelle is a single mother with 2 children (Emilia 14 and Sebastian 10). Michelle is a graduate from Indiana University in Financial Administration and is currently a shareholder and Client Advisor at Griffin Portfolio Management Corp. Michelle has been employed with this registered investment advisory firm, located in Farmington Hills, for 25 years. My extensive knowledge of investing and financial matters as well as running a small business will help me to best serve Oakland County and its citizens.</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assure Oakland County maintains its AAA bond rating by conscientiously working to control spending. This bond rating saves taxpayers millions of dollars in future borrowing costs. 2. As spending needs are increasing throughout the metro area, Oakland County residents needs must come first. Wasteful spending must end. 3. Taxes cannot be raised. This is where diligent spending is a requirement and decision making must be based on ethical principles and comprehensive data. |

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| <p><i>Democrat</i> MARCIA GERSHENSON 5964 Wing Lk. Rd. Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301</p> | <p>I am a native Michigander and University of Michigan graduate. I am running for re-election to continue my work on some great initiatives that benefit our community.</p> <p>I started a Women's Alliance for Oakland County and have held seminars for women Veterans and Women in the workforce. We are now focused on vocational jobs and apprenticeship opportunities.</p> <p>I co-chair a gun safety committee. We have sponsored PSA's that encourage the use of gun locks or safes to promote responsible gun ownership. We also give free gun locks to local police stations to distribute among residents. We are working to limit violence and bullying in our schools and implementing strong safety standards in our community.</p> <p>We have established a new fund for the County to match local cities money to repair existing roads.</p> <p>Oakland County has a budget surplus and I will continue to work to see that money directed into services that benefit our community.</p> | <p>Unfortunately, my top Three issues have not changed over my tenure as Commissioner. Roads, decaying infrastructure and seniors continue to dominate my work.</p> <p>Because our federal and state legislators do not send enough money to our communities to fix the roads, I have voted for a road fund within the county to fix local roads. I will try and increase those dollars.</p> <p>Our aging infrastructure must be addressed. We have successfully replaced all the drinking fountains in our schools to reduce the chance of chemical contamination to our children.</p> <p>Seniors are the fastest growing demographic in our county. I have worked to secure the necessary resources to keep our seniors health and independent. Seniors need services to age in place comfortably and affordably.</p> |

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