

Form Summary

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Upload a photo/headshot of the Candidate (optional)	
Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to transition to 100% renewable electricity by 2050?	Yes
Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to be carbon-neutral by 2050?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	
Would you support state general funds or other state funding being directed to programs that support communities and workers most impacted by the climate crisis and the transition to renewables, including programs to retrain workers displaced by the transition off fossil fuels?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	Taxpayer dollars should be spent on improving the community and not harming them. We need to invest in these communities. For too long, citizens of impacted communities have not had the opportunity to have a say in how their communities are impacted by the air, the water and soil that they live with every day. I also support permitting decisions to take account the feedback and input of the community's residents that are impacted.
Do you support the decommissioning of the Line 5 oil pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac?	Yes
Do you oppose the building of a Line 5 oil tunnel under the Great Lakes bottomlands?	No
You may elaborate on your position here:	I would have to do research into the alternative options available for addressing the energy needs that Line 5 currently provides. However, Enbridge's repeated failures to maintain the structural integrity of Line 5 and to comply with basic transparency and reporting requirements has caused significant justifiable concern over the safety of our Great Lakes. We can not afford to gamble with our Great Lakes.

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Do you support lifting the cap on net metering to allow more residents and businesses to participate?	Yes
Do you support returning to net metering, and providing a fairer price to businesses and residents for the solar energy they generate?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	
Do you support policy that requires utilities to allow customers to build community renewable energy projects with fair rates?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	
Do you support policies to accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs), including EV infrastructure like charging stations?	Yes
Do you support policies and investments of state funds to help local communities and schools switch to electric transit and school buses?	Yes
Do you support policies and investing state funding to increase non-motorized transportation (like walking and biking) in Michigan communities, and to increase access to public transportation?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	
Have you signed the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge?	No
You may elaborate on your position here:	Generally, I not to sign pledges. I have not received any funding from fossil fuel companies nor do I want their contribution.
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