



Michigan Libertarian Newsletter

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Go to YouTube for Libertarian Party of Michigan Meetings



YouTube is now the place to find videos of the meetings of the Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee (LEC). The October and November meetings have been posted on the party's YouTube channel. [Click here to see the videos.](#)

On Sunday, December 14th at 7:00, there is the regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Michigan Libertarian Committee. All members are welcome to join this zoom meeting by [clicking here.](#)

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January Convention to Select National Delegates, Senate Candidate for 35th District

There will be a special convention for the Libertarian Party of Michigan to be held on January 17, 2026 at the H Hotel, in Midland. Registration information will be available soon.

This special January convention will have a dual purpose, as the Executive Committee (LEC) voted to combine the selection of delegates to the national convention with a candidate nominating convention for the special Senate election in the 35th District.



The nominating convention must legally be held in the 35th District, as delegates from that area will vote for their preferred candidate for Senate. The 35th district includes Midland, Saginaw and Bay City.

The LEC recently interviewed Ali Sledz as a potential candidate. [Click here to see a recording of this interview.](#) Any other residents of the 35th district

who are interested in being considered as a candidate for Senate can email leadership@michiganlp.org to explain why they are interested, and how they are qualified.

The convention also has the purpose of members selecting national delegates for the 2026 Libertarian National Convention, which will be held In Grand Rapids, Michigan on May 21st-25th. At the January convention, Michigan state delegates will vote for members to represent them at the 2026 national convention.

There will soon be an official call to convention to announce the specific dates and location of the January state convention. Local groups select delegates to vote at the state convention on their behalf. If you do not have a local affiliate, you can join the unaffiliated delegate selection caucus. It will be held Sunday December 7 that 7pm. [Click here for the zoom meeting.](#)

In order to become a voting delegate at a state convention, a person who has never been a member of the Libertarian Party of Michigan must become a member at least 30 days prior to a state convention. [Click here to join the Libertarian Party of Michigan.](#)



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Libby Awards Committee Seeks Nominations, Volunteers

The 2026 Libby Awards will be presented at dinner after the [January 17th convention for the Libertarian Party of Michigan.](#)

Recently, Scott Boman was appointed as Chair of the Libby Award Planning and Selection Committee. Angela Thornton, Michelle Gregoire, and Dana Carver volunteered to be members of the committee. The committee is seeking more members. Please email vcpoliticaldirector@michiganlp.org if you are interested.

The committee is also seeking nominations for the following “Defender of Liberty” awards. Please email vcpoliticaldirector@michiganlp.org with your nominations:

Spokesperson for Liberty Award: To a member of the community whose patriotism and conviction have inspired contributions to the cause of liberty.

Promoter of Liberty Award: To a libertarian whose efforts have done the most to promote the Libertarian Party and Libertarian principles.

Producer of Liberty Award: To a dedicated, behind-the-scenes Libertarian whose quiet labors over the years exemplifies the backbone of the Libertarian Party.

The Libby Award tradition has its roots in the 1993 Libertarian Week Banquet at which the Libertarian Party of Michigan presented the [Freedom Fighter Award](#) to famed “Medicide Doctor” Jack Kevorkian.

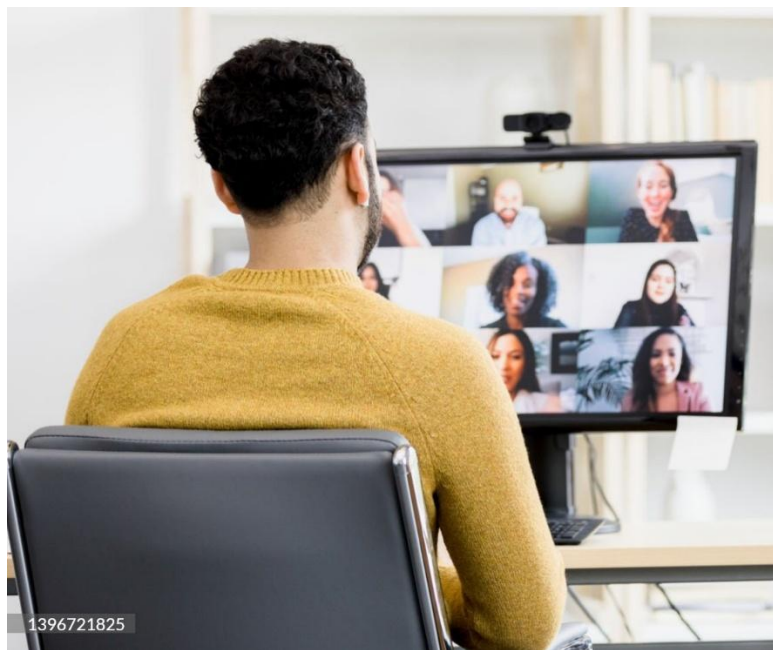
The Libby Awards were originally presented at a separate event, but they have now been incorporated into the Libertarian Party of Michigan’s convention. [Click here for more information about the 2026 convention.](#)





Online Caucus to Choose Delegates for Unaffiliated Areas

There will be an online caucus on Sunday, December 7th, at 7:00 pm for those members who live in counties that do not have a local Libertarian group. At this caucus, voting delegates to the January 17th convention will be selected.



Delegates need to reside in an unaffiliated county of Michigan, which means that there is not a local Libertarian group in that county. The unaffiliated counties in Michigan include:

1. **Mid-Michigan Region:** Saginaw, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland, Bay;
2. **Northeast Region:** Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Alcona Counties; and
3. **Mid-North Region:** Crawford, Roscommon, Clare, Gladwin, Arenac, Iosco, and Ogemaw Counties.

Also, you must be a current LPMI member to nominate yourself or others as delegates, and to vote on the nominations. [Click here to join or renew your membership.](#)

[Click here to join the zoom meeting for unaffiliated members on December 7th, 7:00 pm.](#) Please contact vcandidates@michiganlp.org with questions.



Volunteers Needed! Legislative, Fundraising, Activism, Communications Committees

The Libertarian Party of Michigan is seeking volunteers! Can you help?

The following groups need volunteers!

Legislative Committee

The Legislative Committee Volunteer will:

1. Create direct ballot initiatives that would move policies/laws in a more Libertarian direction circumventing the legislative process;
2. Provide information to fellow Libertarians regarding pending legislation and possible actions to be taken;
3. Attend a few committee meetings in Lansing to speak for or against proposed legislation.

Fundraising Committee The Fundraising Committee Volunteer would assist the committee in creating, planning and executing events which would combine community and fundraising activities.

Policy Manual Committee needs one more volunteer.

Activism Committee The Activism Committee Volunteer will assist in planning and executing activism activities around Libertarian issues.

The Communication Committee needs help with social media, public relations, and the newsletter.

Please contact leadership@michigalp.org if you have any questions or want to volunteer.





Michigan Libertarians Elected to Local Positions

Two Libertarians were elected to offices at the November 4, 2025 election.

Scott Boman was elected as City of Detroit District 4 Police Commissioner. Scotty is the Vice-Chair and Political Director of the Libertarian Party of Michigan.

"I see the need for a civilian commissioner who can truly be an advocate for concerned civilians who approach the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners with concerns about how police officers are doing their jobs," said Boman, "while being understanding of the herculean challenges faced by law enforcement in Detroit."

Chris Clark was elected to the Taylor City Council. "I just want to help make a difference and be a good representative for our city," says Chris. "I will listen to the needs and desires of the people and work with dedication to address their concerns. I will be honest and transparent with all city matters."

Congratulations to both Scott and Chris!



Libertarian Chris Clark with his family



Scott Boman



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District 11 and 12 Libertarians to Choose Representative at January Convention

Michigan Libertarians from Congressional Districts 11 and 12 will be caucusing at the January 17th convention to select a resident of their district who will represent them on the Executive Board of the Libertarian Party of Michigan (LEC).

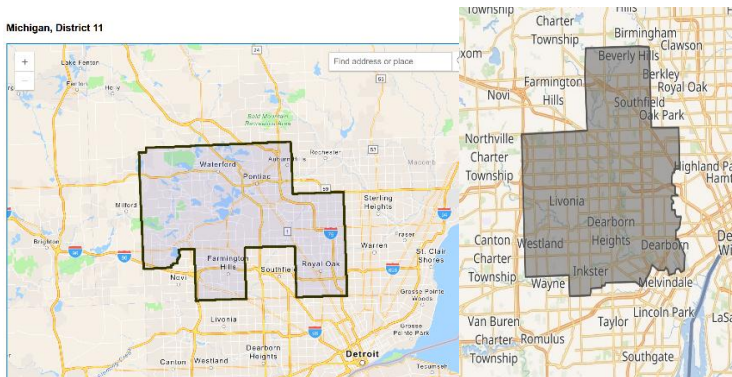
Any party member residing in District 11 or 12 who is interested in becoming a District Representative can attend the upcoming convention, or contact leadership@lpmichigan.org. For more details about the convention, [click here](#).

James Harris is currently doing a great job as District Representative for Congressional District 12. His district will caucus to affirm him or replace him since he was not elected at the last convention, but was appointed by the LEC.

Congressional District 11 contains the following municipalities in **Oakland County**: Auburn Hills, Berkley, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Clawson, Commerce Township, Novi (part), Farmington, Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Keego Harbor, Lake Angelus, Madison Heights, Oak Park, Orchard Lake Village, Pleasant Ridge, Pontiac, Royal Oak, Royal Oak Township, Sylvan Lake, Troy, Walled Lake, Waterford Township, West Bloomfield Township, White Lake Township, Wixom.

Congressional District 12 contains all or portions of the following counties and municipalities: **Oakland County**: Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, Franklin, Lathrup Village, Southfield, Southfield Township. **Wayne County**: Dearborn, part of Dearborn Heights, part of Detroit, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Redford Township, and Westland.

District 12





Libertarian Party of Michigan Seeks 2026 Candidates

Have you ever considered running for political office as a Libertarian?

The Libertarian Party of Michigan is currently seeking candidates for all positions in the 2026 elections.



Local candidates will be selected at local Libertarian meetings this spring, and approved at a summer convention for the Libertarian Party of Michigan on a date to be announced. Statewide candidates will be chosen at this same convention.

Please email leadership@michiganlp.org if you are interested. For more information on running as a Libertarian, [please click here](#).

Local Positions

The Libertarian Party encourages people to consider running at the local level, where it is easier for a third-party candidate to win and have an impact.

Municipal, township, county and school board positions are on the ballot in every town. These include positions such as mayors, city/town council members, clerks, treasurers, and trustees in cities, villages, and townships.

Please attend local township, council, or school board meetings in your area as a first step to determine where a Libertarian might make the most difference.



Libertarian Party of Michigan Seeks 2026 Candidates (continued)

Statewide Positions on the Ballot

Voters in Michigan will elect one member to the [U.S. Senate](#) to fill the Class II Senate seat held by Gary Peters (D), who announced in January 2025 that he would not seek re-election.

Voters will also elect 13 candidates to serve in the [U.S. House](#) from each of the state's 13 U.S. House districts.

Other statewide positions include [Governor](#), [Lieutenant Governor](#), [Attorney General](#), [Secretary of State](#), [State Board of Education](#) (2 seats), [Michigan State University Board of Trustees](#) (2 seats), [University of Michigan Board of Regents](#) (2 seats), and [Wayne State University Board of Governors](#) (2 seats)

The terms of two [Michigan Supreme Court](#) justices will expire on January 1, 2027. These two non-partisan seats are on the ballot in November, as well as 10 non-partisan positions for Michigan intermediate appellate court judges.

Upcoming News

Look for more information in the next edition regarding the following political issues:

- 1. Fusion Voting:** Recently, a representative from the Center for Ballot Freedom talked to the Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee (LEC) about a possible partnership with them as they advocate for legalizing the fusion voting approach. Fusion voting is an arrangement where candidates have the option of being listed on the ballot for two or more parties in the same election.
- 2. The Activism Committee of the Libertarian Party of Michigan will be working with "The Committee for Marshall not the Megasite."** The Michigan Supreme Court recently ruled in favor of these local residents in their fight against The Marshall Area Economic Development Alliance. Marshall city leaders improperly voted to rezone the land to industrial use, which gave Ford the go-ahead to build a mega-site a \$2.5 billion electric vehicle battery park. Ford's BlueOval Battery Park, which is on track to open in 2026, is set to receive hundreds of millions of dollars in tax incentives.



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