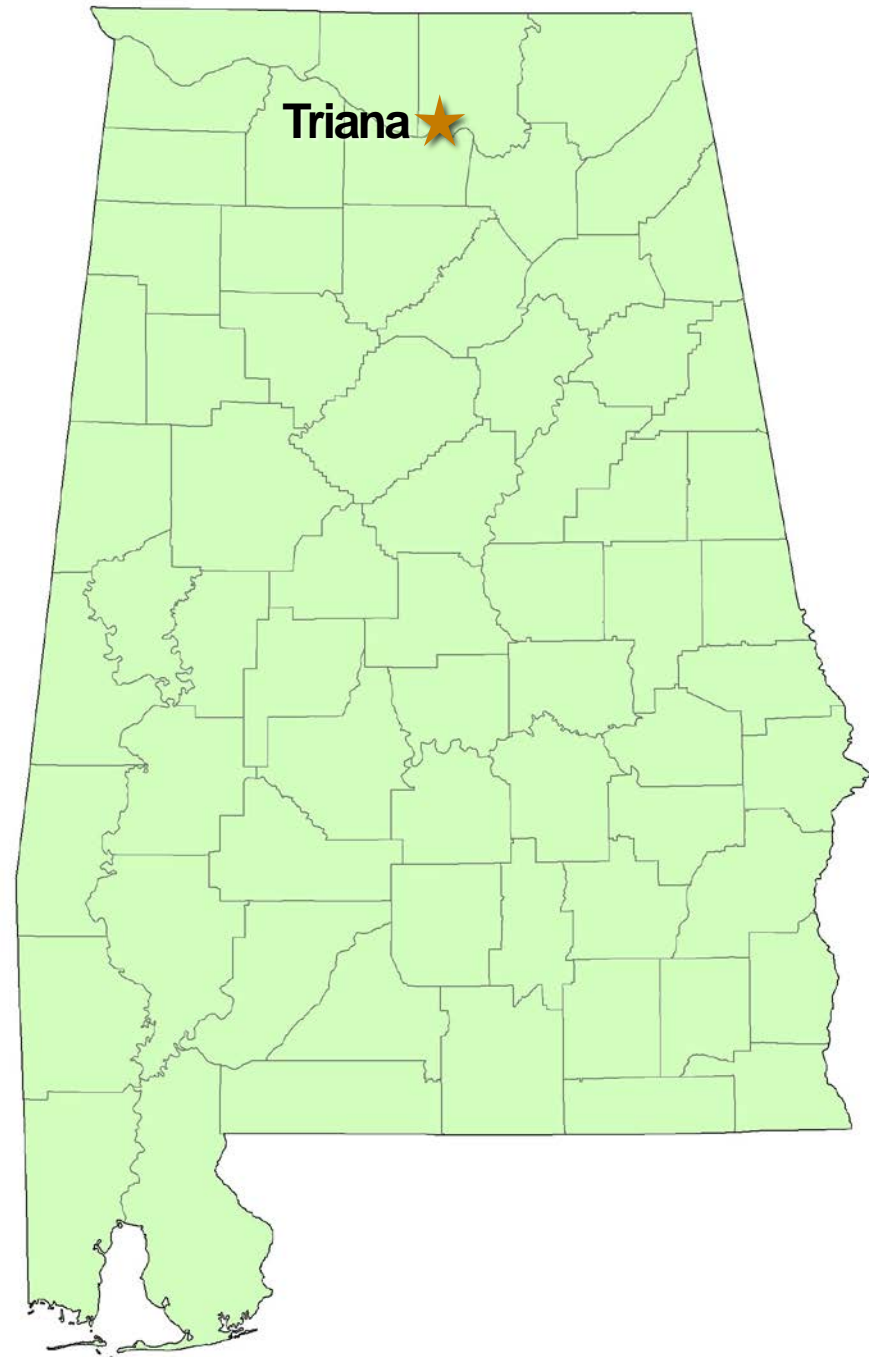


# *Town of Triana, Alabama*

**Redistricting Benchmark Plan  
and Preliminary Redistricting  
Consultant Plan One**  
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# *Introduction and Agenda*

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## *Agenda*

- Introduce the redistricting process for Triana
- Invite feedback from elected officials and the public
- Present a preliminary consultant plan illustrating potential districts

# *Redistricting Considerations*

## *Equal Distribution (One-person, One-vote Principle)*

- The United States Constitution and the Department of Justice require equal distribution of the total population among all voting districts.
- An equal distribution is a total population deviation of 10% or less between the smallest and largest populated voting districts compared to the ideal population.

## *Voting Rights Act of 1965*

- Prohibits voting practices or procedures that discriminate (by intent or with result) on the basis of race, color, or membership in one of the language minority groups.
- Relevant factors include:
  - the history of official voting-related discrimination in the state or political subdivision;
  - the extent to which voting in the elections of the state or political subdivision is racially polarized;
  - the extent to which the state or political subdivision has used voting practices or procedures that tend to enhance the opportunity for discrimination against the minority group, such as unusually large election districts, majority-vote requirements, and prohibitions against bullet voting;
  - the exclusion of members of the minority group from candidate slating processes;
  - the extent to which minority group members bear the effects of discrimination in areas such as education, employment, and health, which hinder their ability to participate effectively in the political process;
  - the use of overt or subtle racial appeals in political campaigns; and
  - the extent to which members of the minority group have been elected to public office in the jurisdiction.

# *Redistricting Practices*

## *Requirements*

- Equal distribution of total population among the districts (10% or less deviation)
- Does not have a racially discriminatory purpose or effect
- Will not make minority voters worse off than they were prior to the change (the change will not be retrogressive)

## *Best Practices*

- Incorporate public input and concerns
- District boundaries should have visible lines of demarcation
- Avoid splitting Census blocks where possible
- Consider polling places and precinct boundaries
- Avoid redistricting elected officials out of their district
- Avoid dividing a strong constituency with new district boundaries

# *Five (5) Steps of the Redistricting Process*

- *Step 1:* Preliminary Assessment
- *Step 2 :* Provide Public Awareness and Seek Public Input
- *Step 3:* Develop a New Plan(s)
- *Step 4:* Provide for Public Review (Public Hearing)
- *Step 5:* Adoption and Implementation

# *Redistricting Process*

## *Step 1: Preliminary Assessment*

- Prepare a Benchmark Plan based on existing districts and 2020 Census block data
  - For jurisdictions with at-large districts seeking new electoral districts, first determine the number of districts to be created
  - Second, calculate the ideal population per district which is equally distributed (2020 Census / Number of New Districts)
  - Evaluate Census data and local data, including current town limits, streets, easements, and geographic boundaries

# *Redistricting Process*

## *Step 2: Ongoing Public Awareness and Seek Public Input*

- Ongoing throughout the redistricting process
- Public meetings and engagement
  - Inform the public of their rights to participate
  - Educate the public on the redistricting process, procedures, and criteria
  - Receive and evaluate feedback and priorities for redistricting

# *Redistricting Process*

## *Step 3: Develop a New Plan(s)*

### *Standards Utilized in Redistricting Plans*

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*Several plans may be needed before one emerges that seems satisfactory*



# *Redistricting Process*

## *Step 4: Provide for Public Review (Public Hearing)*

- Hold a public hearing to formally present the proposed plan(s)
  - Gain public input and comments regarding the proposal
- Make necessary revisions to the proposed plan(s)
- Repeat as necessary
- Choose the best plan

# *Redistricting Process*

## *Step 5: Adoption and Implementation*

- Adoption of the Plan by the Town Council
- Update voter rolls in accordance with the adopted plan
- Implement the plan

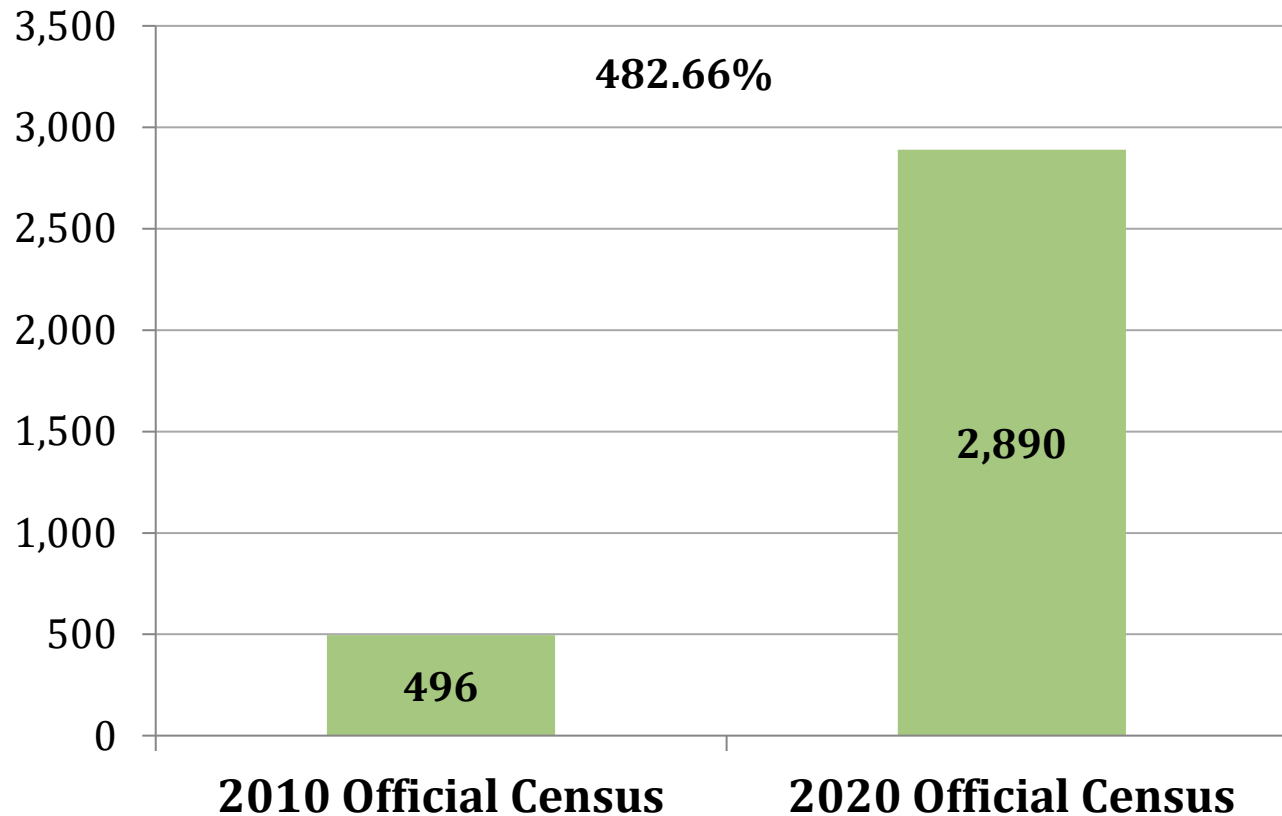
# *Questions about the redistricting process?*

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# *Preliminary Assessment*

- Five (5) new districts are desired for Triana
- Ideal population =  $2,890 / 5 = 578$  total population per district
- Evaluate Census data and local data, including current town limits, streets, easements, and geographic boundaries

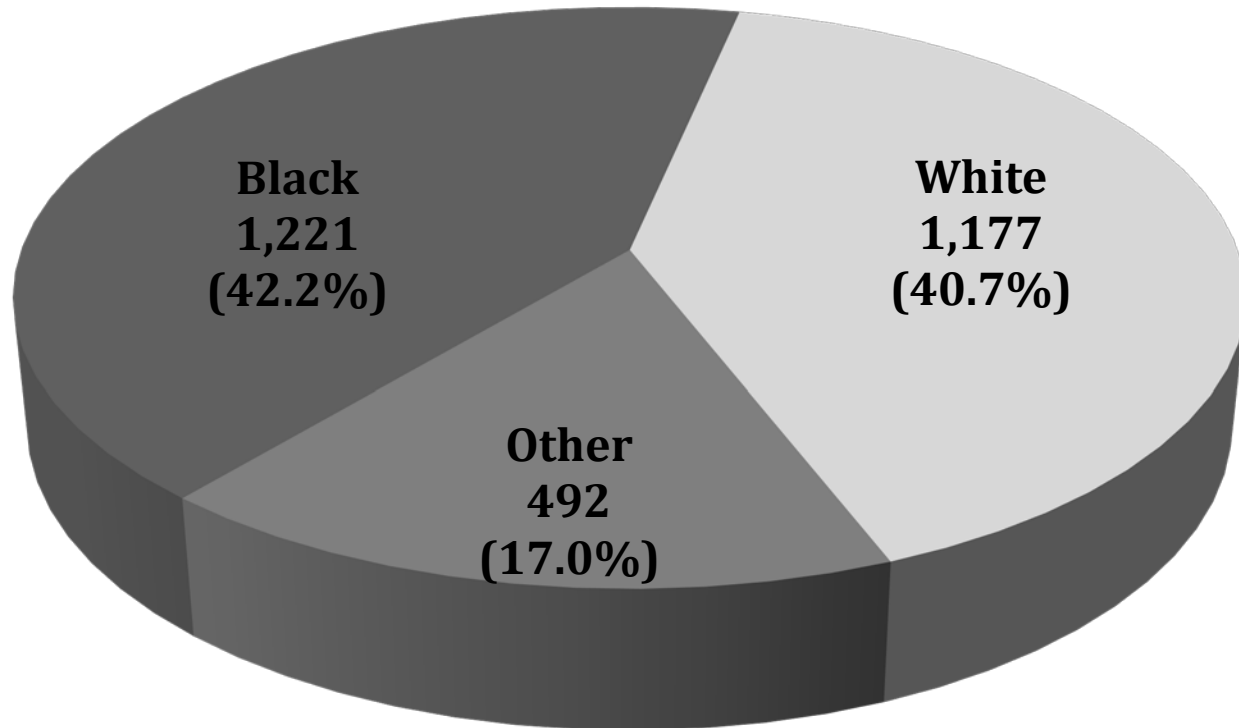
# Town of Triana Population Change



# City of Triana Racial Composition

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## 2020 Census



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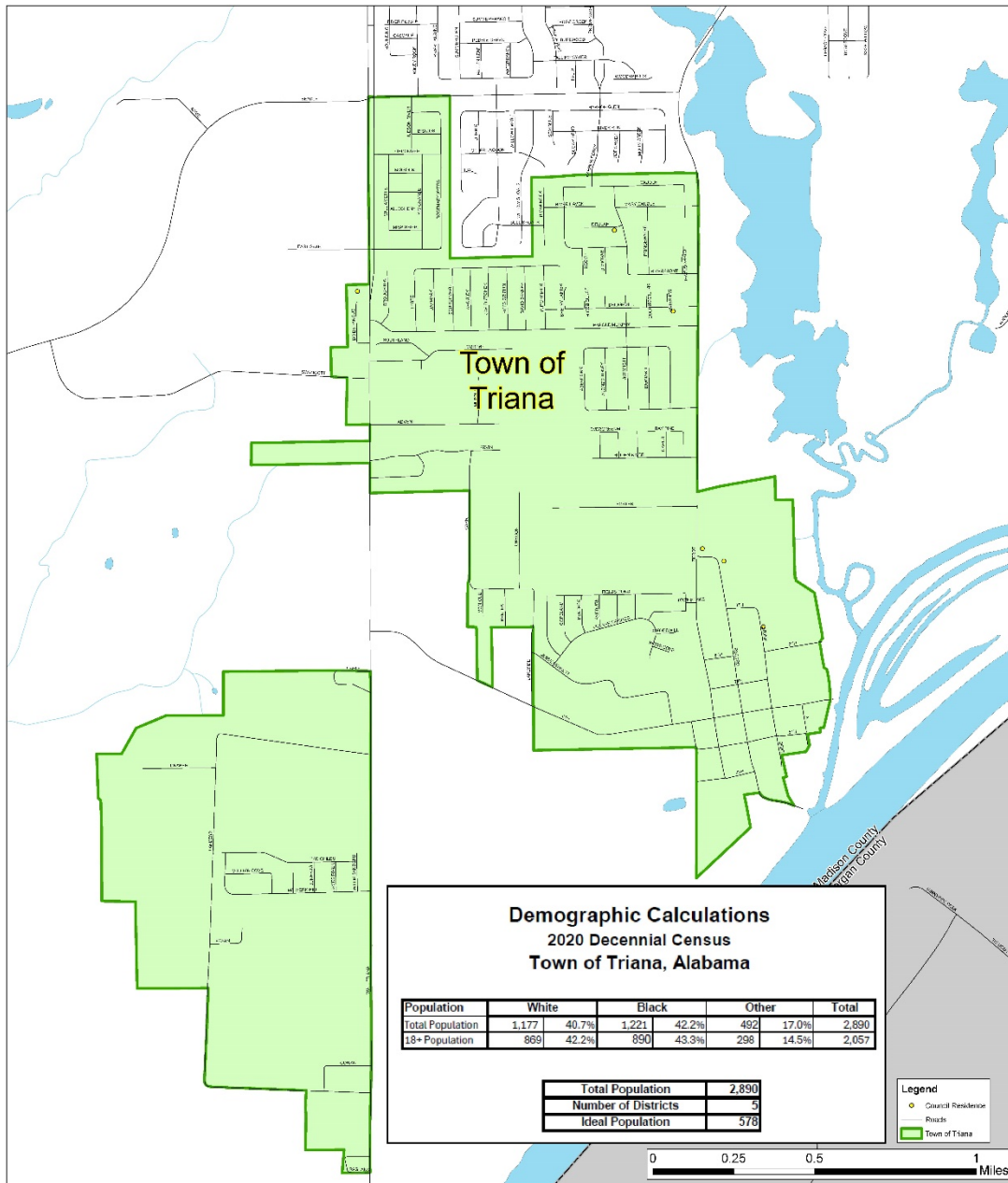
# Redistricting Benchmark Plan Town of Triana, Alabama

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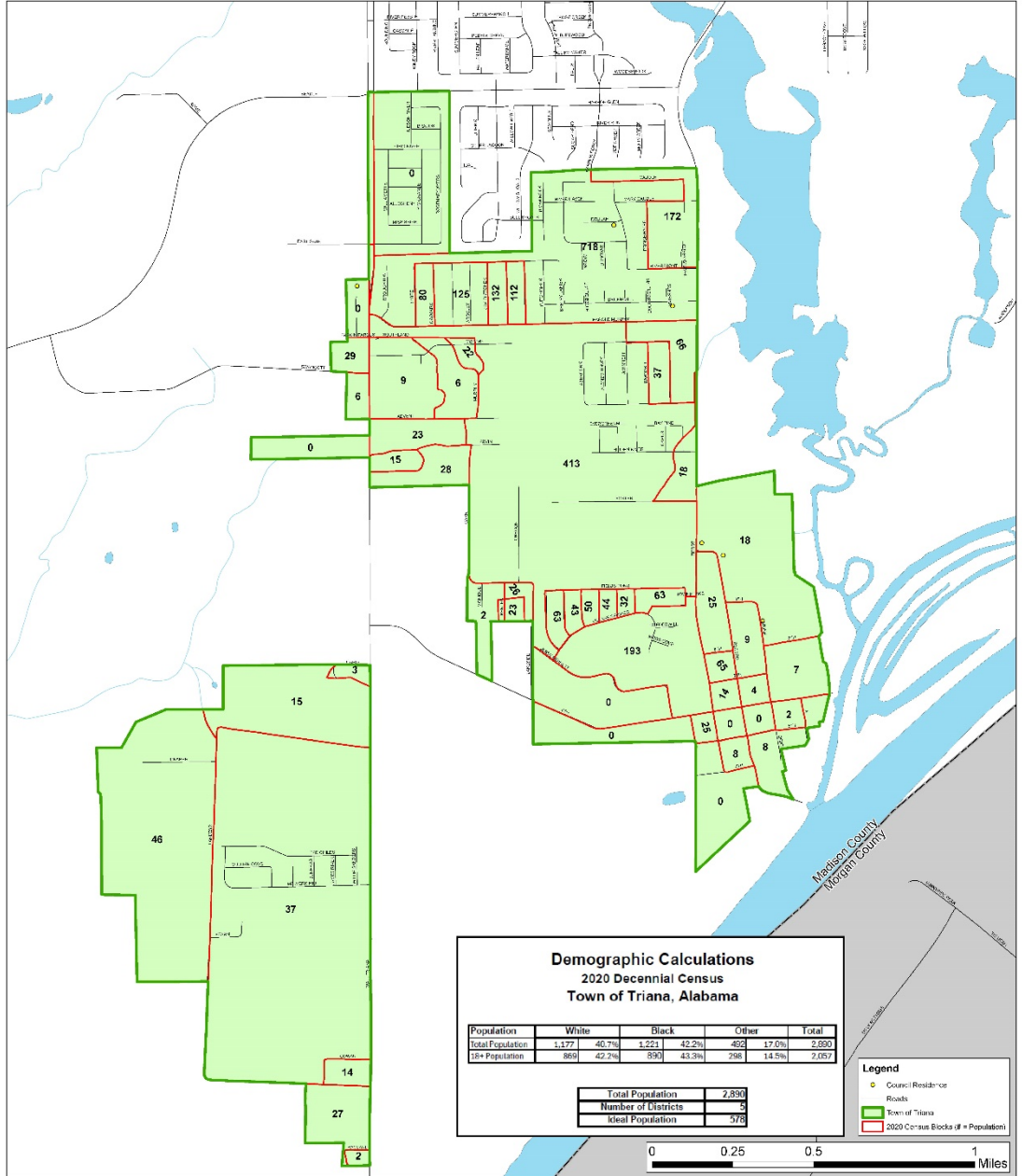
## Demographic Calculations 2020 Decennial Census Town of Triana, Alabama

Population	White		Black		Other		Total
Total Population	1,177	40.7%	1,221	42.2%	492	17.0%	2,890
18+ Population	869	42.2%	890	43.3%	298	14.5%	2,057

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Number of Districts	5
Ideal Population	578







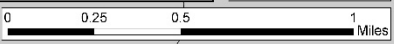
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- Legend**
- Council Residence
  - Roads
  - Town of Triana
  - 2020 Census Blocks (# = Population)



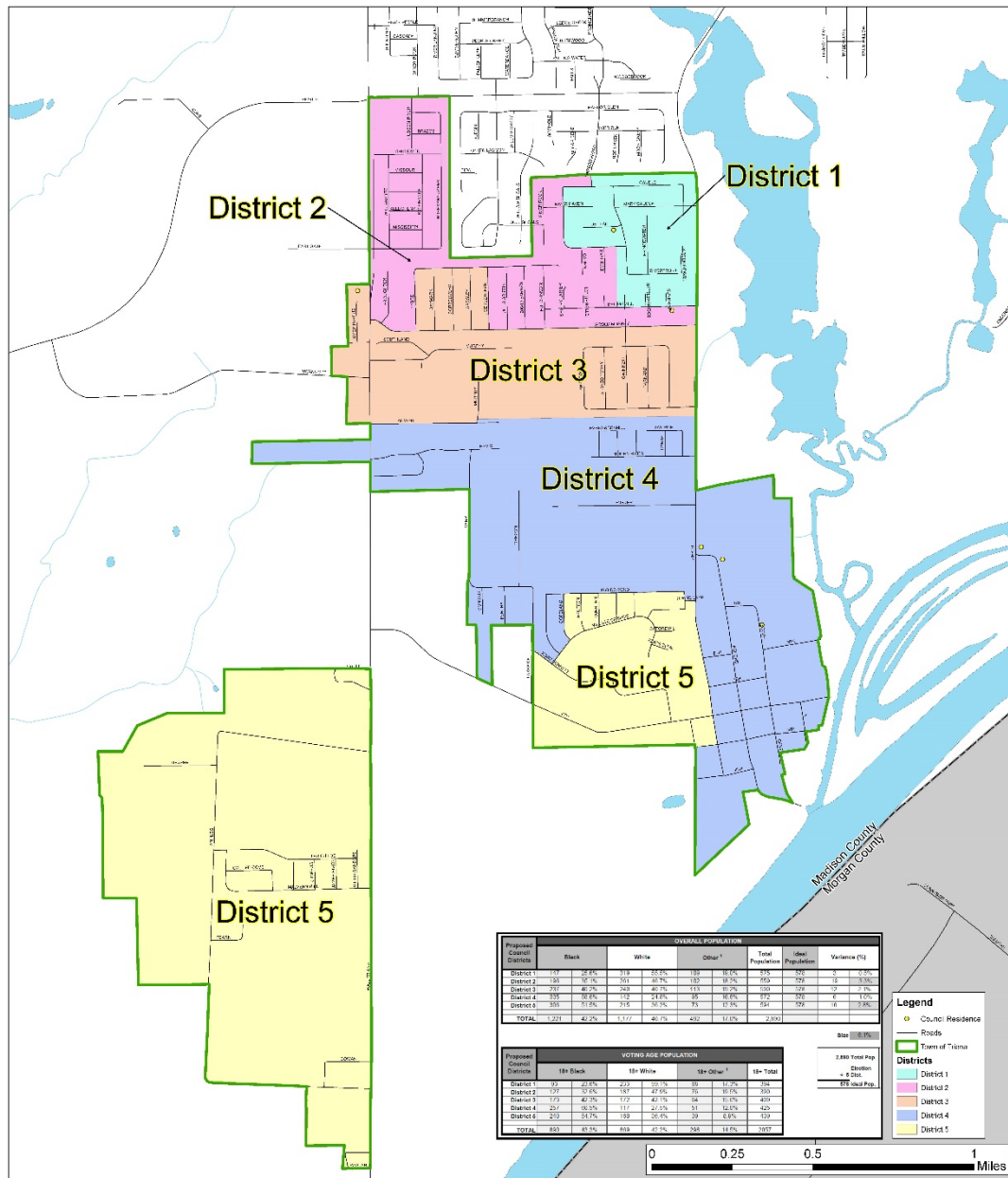
# *Review of Preliminary Assessment*

- Five (5) new districts are desired in Triana
- Ideal population =  $2,890 / 5 = 578$  total population per district
- Two large blocks (Block 2004 and Block 2010) that contain large populations (718 and 413, respectively) and isolate other Census blocks
- Three Town Council member residences concentrated in one block
- 2020 Census Blocks do not reflect recent growth in new housing

**QUESTIONS?**

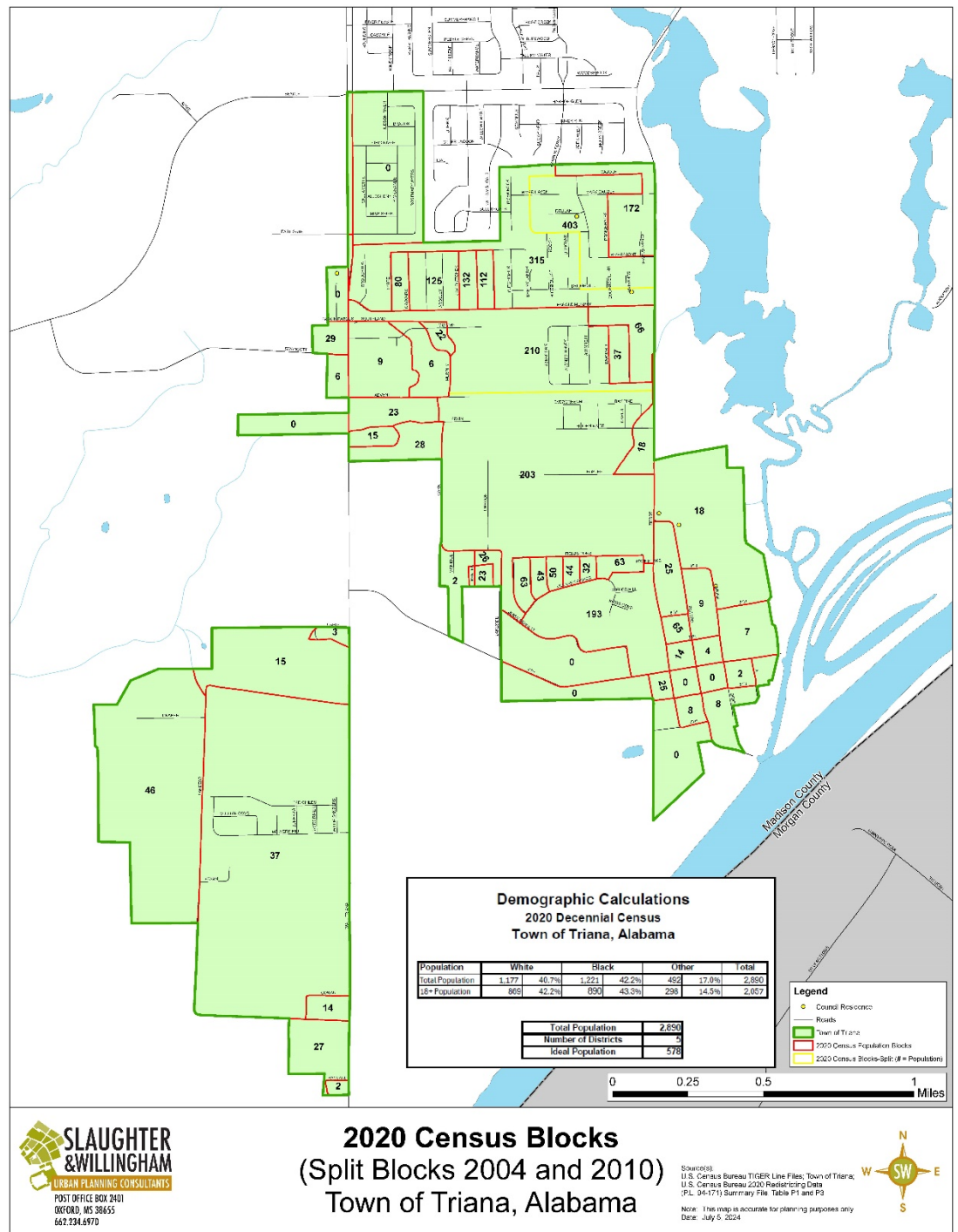
# *Preliminary Consultant Plan One*

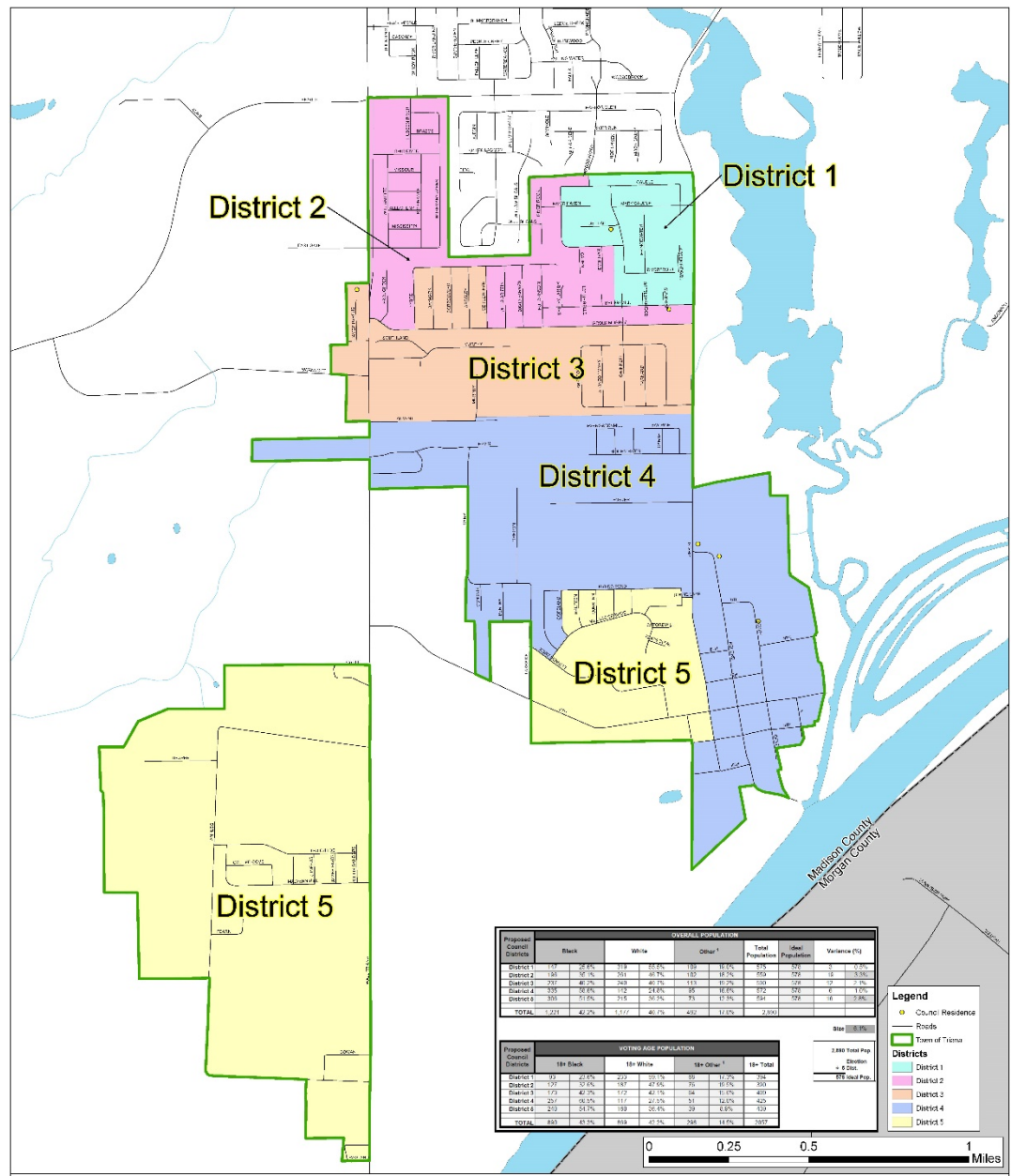
- Slaughter & Willingham's initial attempt at drawing district boundaries
- Key features of the preliminary plan
  - Five districts of proportionately equal size (overall deviation less than 10% total)
  - Block 2004 and Block 2010 are split using a reasonable method to estimate population according to the 2020 US Census
  - District Four (58.6%) and District Five (51.5%) are majority-Black districts
- A starting place for refining Triana's plan. Not a final product!



	Population	Housing Units
Block 2004 (A)	403	151
Block 2004 (B)	315	118
<b>Total</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>269</b>
Block 2010 (A)	210	104
Block 2010 (B)	203	101
<b>Total</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>205</b>

- Calculate population per housing unit
- Using aerial photographs (November 2020), count housing units in blocks to be split
- Determine the location of the split to achieve the desired population
- Calculate population based on average population per dwelling unit
- Attribute total population to split blocks based on population per housing unit
- Estimate race and age (18+) using ratio of race/age category to the total population of the original blocks
- Draw district boundaries
  - Caudle Drive to just east of Donovan Drive (including homes west side of Riverfront) and south to Bridgemill Avenue;
  - North line of Section 21 west to Murphy Circle





Proposed Council District	OVERALL POPULATION				Total Population	Ideal Population	Variance (%)
	Black	White	Other <sup>1</sup>	Total			
District 1	174	35%	318	35%	155	16.6%	2%
District 2	181	37.1%	351	37.1%	155	16.7%	13
District 3	202	40.4%	298	40.4%	113	11.3%	100
District 4	335	33.6%	112	24.8%	85	16.6%	82
District 5	155	27.5%	154	27.5%	75	11.3%	142
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,221</b>	<b>42.2%</b>	<b>1,317</b>	<b>40.7%</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>16.6%</b>	<b>2,550</b>

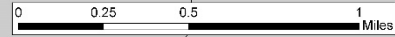
  

Proposed Council District	VOTING AGE POPULATION				18+ Total		
	18+ Black	18+ White	18+ Other <sup>1</sup>	18+ Total			
District 1	93	27.6%	223	27.6%	99	17.7%	26
District 2	107	33.6%	204	33.6%	76	16.3%	80
District 3	173	47.3%	172	47.3%	64	16.1%	40
District 4	221	36.2%	117	21.6%	31	14.3%	42
District 5	212	51.7%	139	35.4%	39	6.9%	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>41.5%</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>41.5%</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>19.7%</b>	<b>109</b>

**Legend**

- Co. No. Residence
- Roads
- Team of Triana
- Districts
- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5

2,880 Total Pop  
 6 Dist  
 876 Ideal Pop.



# Preliminary Redistricting Consultant Plan One

## Town of Triana, Alabama

Proposed Council Districts	OVERALL POPULATION									
	Black		White		Other <sup>1</sup>		Total Population	Ideal Population	Variance (%)	
District 1	147	25.6%	319	55.5%	109	19.0%	575	578	-3	-0.5%
District 2	196	35.1%	261	46.7%	102	18.2%	559	578	-19	-3.3%
District 3	237	40.2%	240	40.7%	113	19.2%	590	578	12	2.1%
District 4	335	58.6%	142	24.8%	95	16.6%	572	578	-6	-1.0%
District 5	306	51.5%	215	36.2%	73	12.3%	594	578	16	2.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,221</b>	<b>42.2%</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>40.7%</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>17.0%</b>	<b>2,890</b>			

Size 6.1%

Proposed Council Districts	VOTING AGE POPULATION						
	18+ Black		18+ White		18+ Other <sup>1</sup>		18+ Total
District 1	93	23.6%	233	59.1%	68	17.3%	394
District 2	127	32.6%	187	47.9%	76	19.5%	390
District 3	173	42.3%	172	42.1%	64	15.6%	409
District 4	257	60.5%	117	27.5%	51	12.0%	425
District 5	240	54.7%	160	36.4%	39	8.9%	439
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>43.3%</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>42.2%</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>2057</b>

2,890 Total Pop.
Election ÷ 5 Dist.
<b>578 Ideal Pop.</b>

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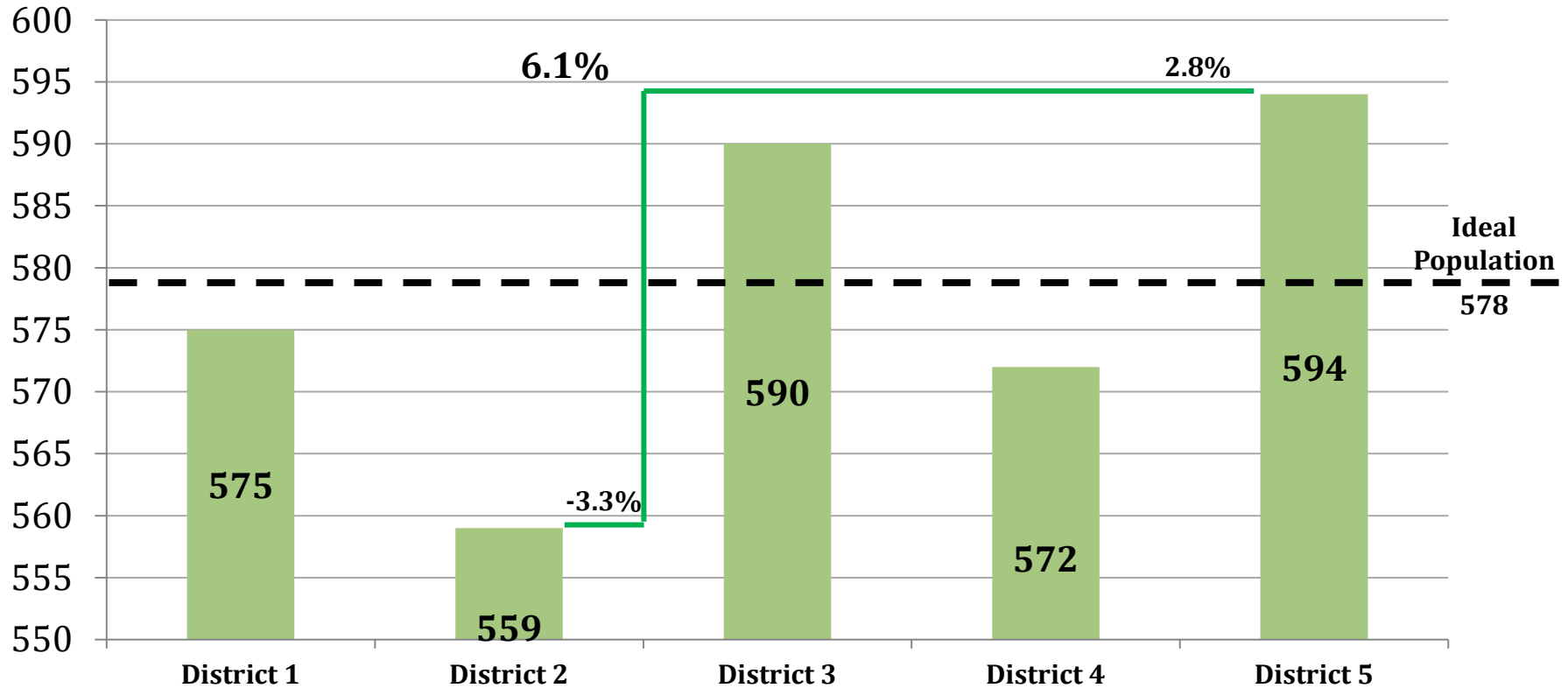
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## Triana Town Council Election Districts



Town of Triana, AL 2020 Population = 2,890

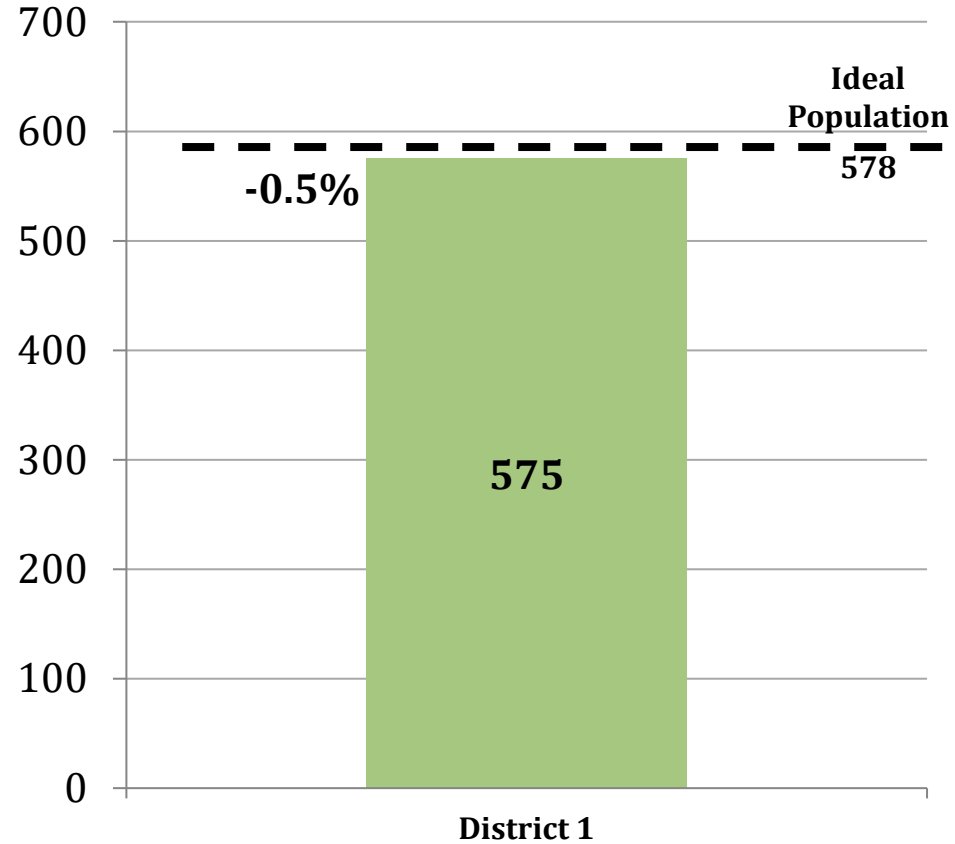
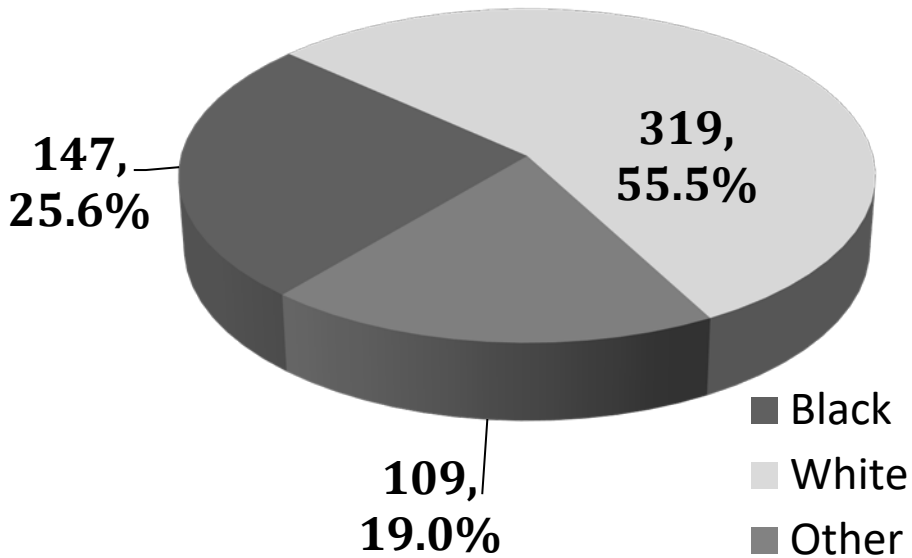
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## District 1

### 2020 Total Population

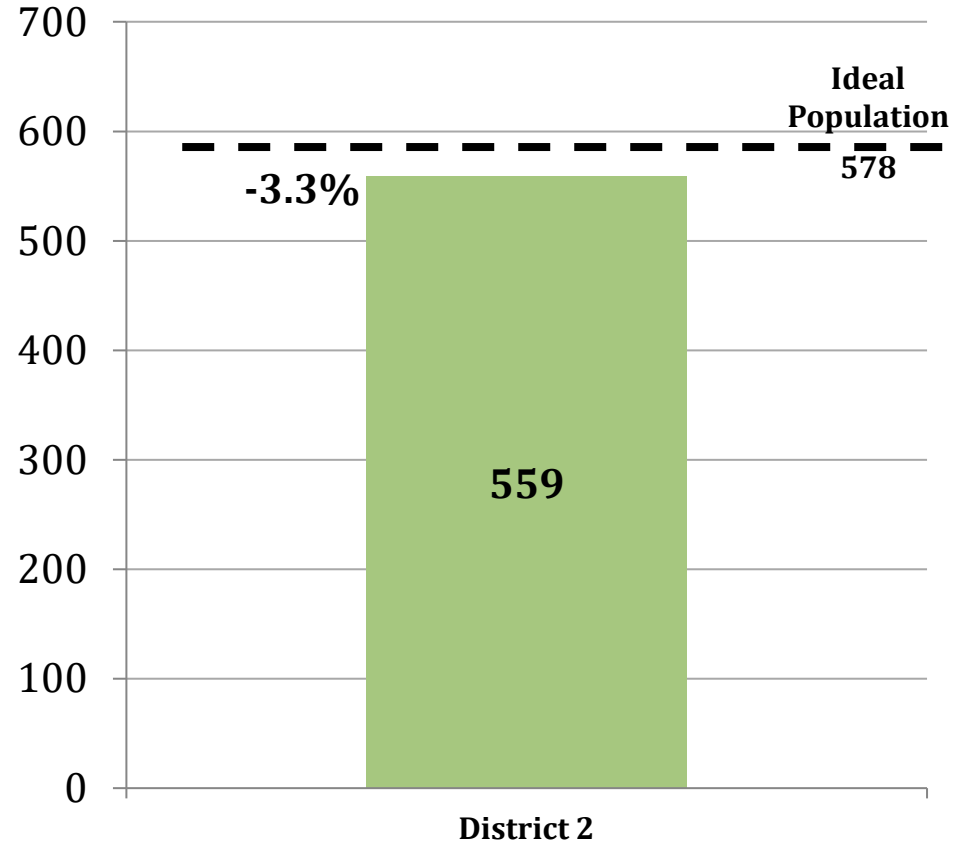
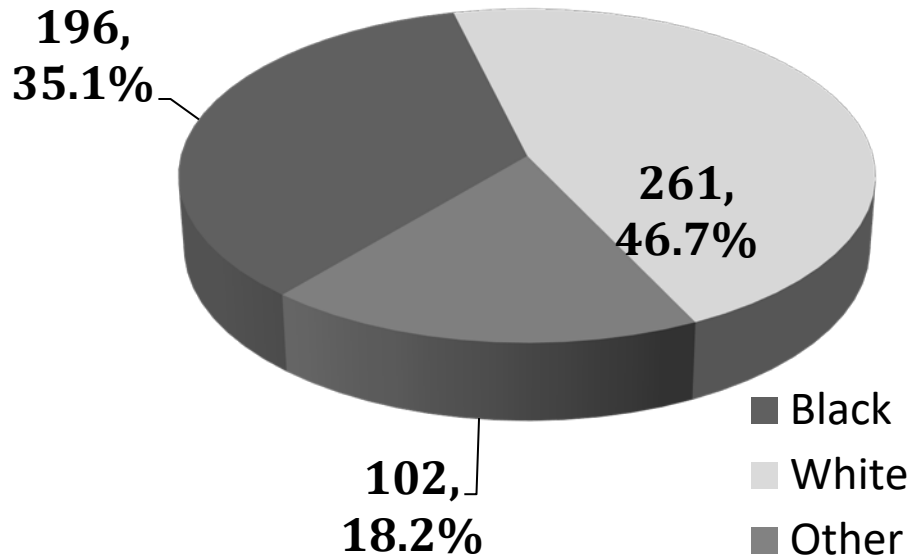


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## District 2

### 2020 Total Population

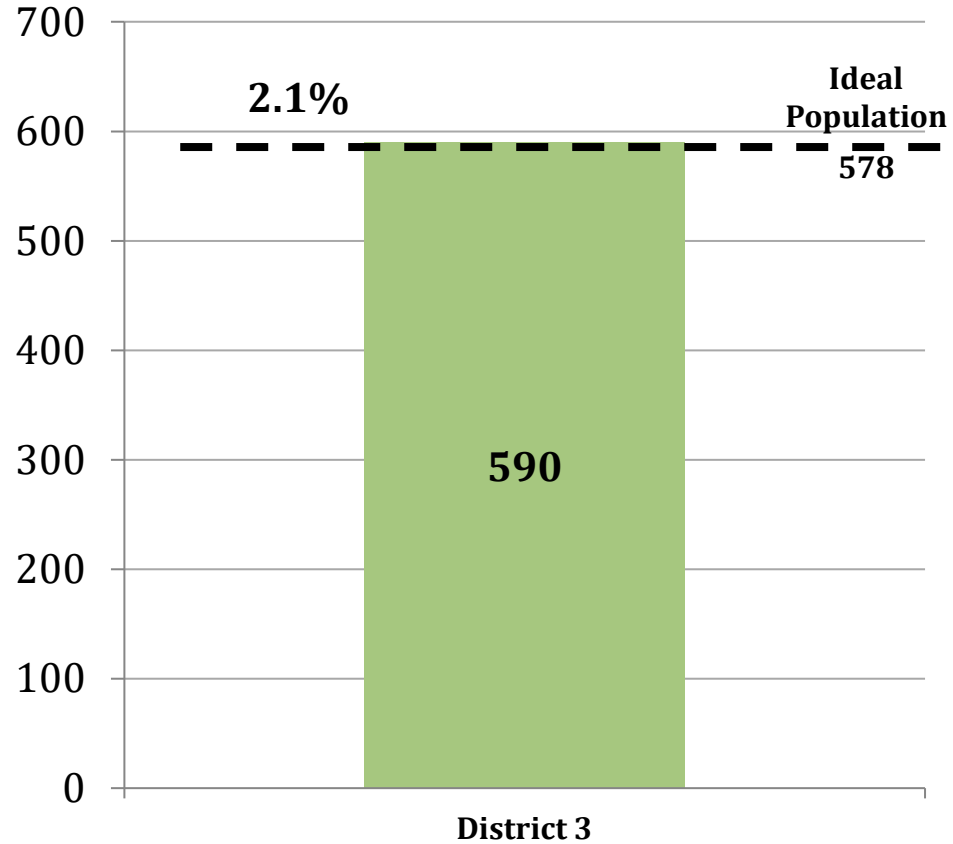
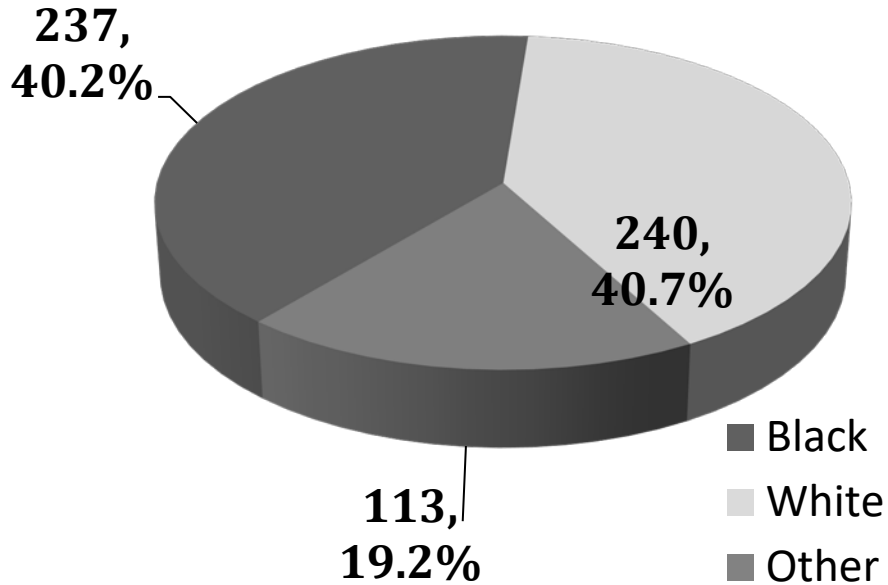


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## District 3

### 2020 Total Population

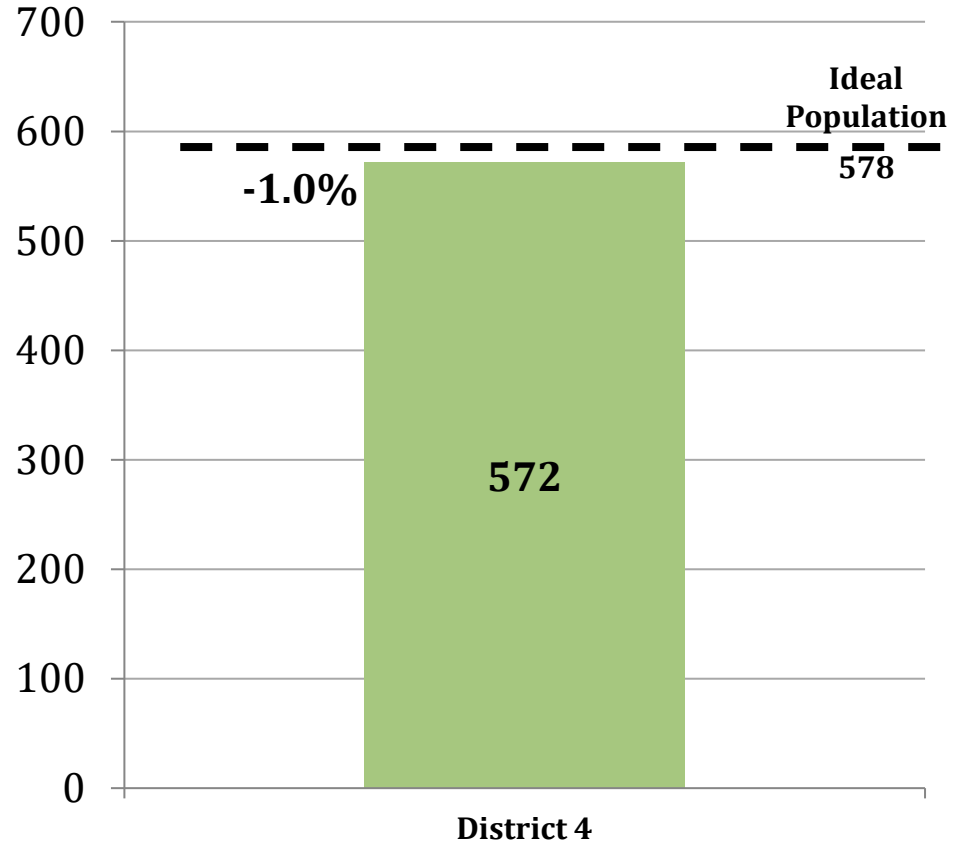
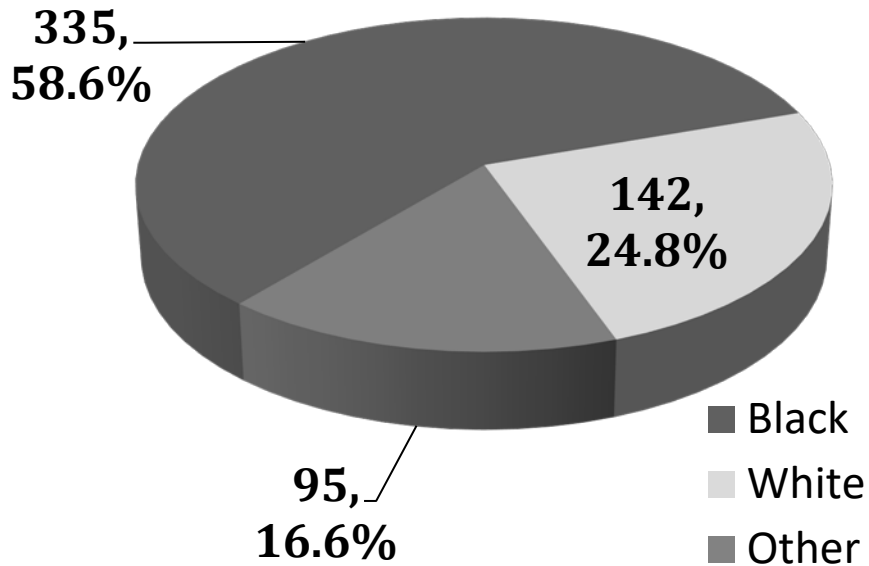


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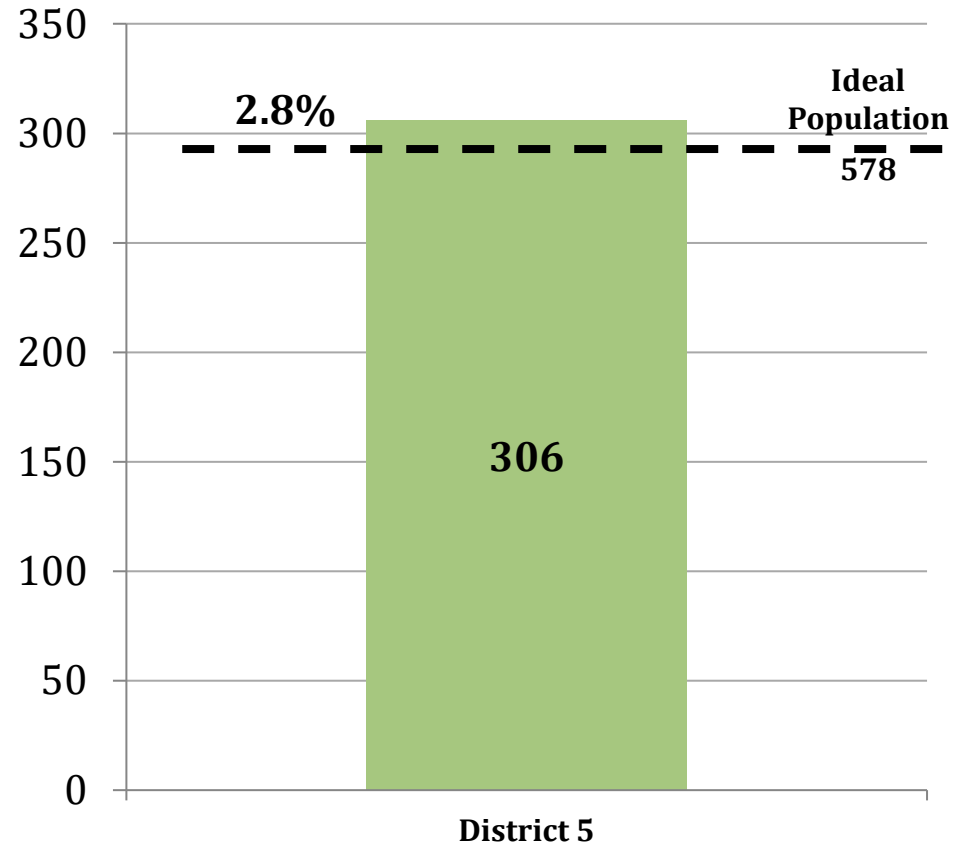
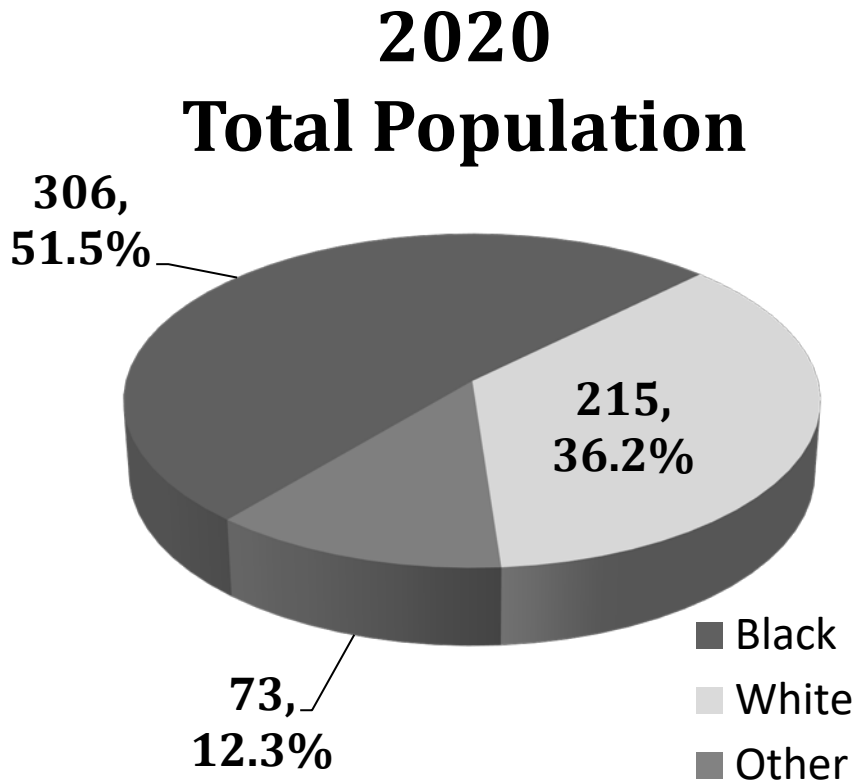
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## District 5



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