

# THE POWER OF THE MICHIGAN NATIVE VOTE



## INDIGENOUS FUTURES SURVEY

Michigan is a battleground state in the upcoming presidential election. In 2016, Trump defeated Clinton by less than 11,000 votes, becoming the first Republican presidential candidate to win this key state. Native voters represent a key voting bloc whose potential power is undeniable.



U.S. Census Bureau,  
American Community  
Survey (2021)



U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Current  
Population Survey Voting and  
Registration Supplement. Percentage  
of citizens, 18+, who voted in the 2020

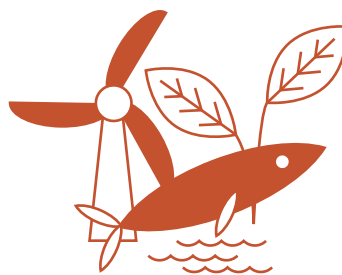
## National Survey Shows What Michigan Native Voters Care About Most

The Indigenous Futures Survey is the largest nationally representative survey led by Native peoples, for Native peoples. 2023 survey responses from Native peoples living in Michigan identified the following priorities that will influence how they vote in 2024.



### Economy and cost of living

Unemployment, inflation, and chronic underfunding of government services are widening the economic and racial disparities for Tribal and urban Native communities.



### Environmental protection and climate change

Climate change is harming natural resources and food harvests, disproportionately affecting Native peoples. Urgent government action is needed to mitigate the impacts and provide Tribes with resources to repair damage to lands and waters.



### Tribal sovereignty and self-determination

Threats to treaty rights, both legal and inherent, are increasing. Recent attempts to overturn the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and desecrate sacred places highlight the need to elect policymakers who will honor Tribal sovereignty and self-determination.

# Our Vote Is Our Power

When Natives show up to the polls,  
Indian Country is seen and heard.  
Ensure you're registered to vote, and  
encourage your family, community, and  
Tribe to mobilize our collective power.



➤ **Register to vote /  
check your registration.**



➤ **Learn more about  
Michigan's key dates,  
regulations, and  
polling locations.**



➤ **Find out where  
candidates stand on  
the issues important  
to you and your  
community.**



## Michigan's Deadline for Voter Registration

Online or by mail:  
**October 21, 2024.**  
In person:  
**November 5, 2024.**



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