

## Guiles, Anna

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**From:** redistricting@marincounty.org  
**Sent:** Monday, October 18, 2021 10:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting 2021 Inbox  
**Subject:** New submission from Contact Us

### Name

Charles Oldenburg

### Email

[REDACTED]

### Message

Ever since I moved to Homestead Valley in 1963. I have been active in community affairs: president of the Homestead Valley Community Association, cofounder and president of the Homestead Valley Land Trust, board member of the Homestead Valley Sanitary District, and currently member of the Flood Zone 3 Advisory Board. Since 1963, Homestead Valley has sometimes been in District 3, and sometimes in District 4. I worked with the relevant County Supervisors, but I have always felt that Homestead Valley should be in district 3 with the city of Mill Valley and Tamalpais Valley, where there are common issues. While our current supervisor from West Marin has done an excellent job of serving Homestead Valley, there are many issues, e.g. sea level rise, that require working with Mill Valley and Tam Valley.

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**From:** Michael Bornstein <michael.bornstein@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 18, 2021 10:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting 2021 Inbox  
**Subject:** Redistricting Marin - Homestead Valley Voters

I am writing in support of including Homestead Valley in District 3 with the rest of Mill Valley 94941. This would be consistent with the school district and improve community representation at the County Board of Supervisors. Those of us that are in the unincorporated areas of Homestead Valley already lack a voice on the Mill Valley City Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Bornstein



**From:** marie porti [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** Redistricting 2021 Inbox <Redistricting@marincounty.org>  
**Subject:** Redistricting Homestead Valley

# Redistricting Marin

Date: October 20, 2021  
From: Marie -Louise Porti  
Resident of Homestead Valley, Marin County, District 4

Email: [REDACTED]

To: Redistricting 2021  
Subject: Redistricting Homestead Valley

Dear Supervisors,

As a 41 year resident of Homestead Valley, I have seen  
The complexion of the neighborhood change, as well as its needs.

We need a more local representative. It is unrealistic for  
One person to be able to respond to 50,000 people {This is most likely not an up to date number}, in such  
a **large** geographic area.

The needs of West Marin, as I have studied, are very different than Homestead Valley.

Density issues affecting, flooding, traffic, school and library services are quite different in Southern Marin and have  
changed. All of which I have witnessed first hand.

I live on Reed Creek which borders 2/3 of my property. As the size of houses have grown, there is less land to absorb  
water. As a result there is more chance of flooding in the lower portion of the valley. This is an issue of concern that  
needs more attention from a local supervisor.

Having a local person who is already involved in this area  
Would better serve our community.

I would like to thank Denise Rodini for his service.

Also, Stephanie Moulton Peters, former Mill Valley Councilmember and Mayor, has always including Homestead Valley  
as part of the City of Mill Valleys Boards, Commissions, Task Forces and community initiatives.

Thank you for attending to this issue.  
Sincerely,  
Marie-Louise Porti

Homestead Valley resident.

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**From:** redistricting@marincounty.org  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 6:06 PM  
**To:** Redistricting 2021 Inbox  
**Subject:** New submission from Contact Us

### Name

Debra Howell

### Email

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### Message

I live in San Rafael. I ask that there be one Supervisorial District that includes the Canal neighborhood, the Lincoln Avenue Corridor, and portions of the Bret Harte and Montecito neighborhoods. I believe this is a larger 'community of interest' which includes more than the Canal neighborhood. Representation could be improved if the district lines reflected this. Both the City of San Rafael and the San Rafael School District recognized a larger community of interest when drawing their maps, and the County of Marin should do the same.

While drawing the lines, the Board must consider not only balancing population numbers but also 'communities of Interest' defined by State law as "a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation." This can include income, education, language, immigration status, and housing types.

The San Rafael City Council and School District drew areas that share these characteristics:

- Younger
- Majority immigrant population
- Nearly half have child at home (close to double found in other districts)
- Half have income under 50k (other districts average 30% under 50k)
- Three quarters are renters vs average of 46% across all districts
- Two thirds live in multi-family housing

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Debra Howell