

## ELIGIBLE DISTRESSED AREAS

Public Act 346, Chapter One, Section 11, as amended, defines an “eligible distressed area” as one or more of the following:

1. Community Wide:

A community which meets all of the following requirements (formula allocation):

- A. The municipality shows a negative population change from 1970 to the date of the most recent federal decennial census.
- B. The municipality shows an overall increase in the state equalized value of real and personal property of less than the statewide average increase since 1972.
- C. The municipality has a poverty rate, as defined by the most recent decennial census, greater than the statewide average.
- D. The municipality has had an unemployment rate higher than the statewide average unemployment rate for three of the preceding five years (Section 11(u)(ii)).

2. Blighted Areas Within a Community:

An area located in a city with a population of at least 10,000 which is either designated as a “blighted area” by a local legislative body or which is determined by the Authority to be blighted or largely vacant by reason of clearance or blight. If the Authority designates the area as blighted, it must determine that private enterprise has failed to provide a supply of adequate, safe, and sanitary dwellings sufficient to meet market demand. In addition, the city must approve the changes in income limits that are associated with this designation by either a resolution or written communication from the higher legislative body of the city or the mayor (Section 11(u)(i)(B)).

3. Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Qualified Communities:

An area located in a local unit of government certified by the Michigan Enterprise Zone Authority as meeting the criteria prescribed in Section 2(d) of the Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Act of 1992.

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**CITIES**

Adrian	Gibraltar	Mt. Clemens
Albion	Gladstone	Mt. Morris
Alma	Grand Haven	Mt. Pleasant
Alpena	Grand Rapids	Muskegon
Ann Arbor	Grayling	Muskegon Heights
Bangor	Hamtramck	Norton Shores
Battle Creek	Harbor Beach	Norway
Bay City	Harper Woods	Oak Park
Benton Harbor	Hart	Omer
Bessemer	Hartford	Onaway
Big Rapids	Hazel Park	Owosso
Bronson	Highland Park	Pinconning
Burton	Holland	Pontiac
Cadillac	Inkster	Port Huron
Carson City	Ionia	Portage
Caspian	Ironwood	River Rouge
Center Line	Iron Mountain	Saginaw
Cheboygan	Iron River	Sault Ste. Marie
Coldwater	Ishpeming	Southfield
Coleman	Jackson	St. Louis
Crystal Falls	Kalamazoo	Sturgis
Dearborn	Lansing	Taylor
Dearborn Heights	Lincoln Park	Three Rivers
Detroit	Livonia	Traverse City
Dowagiac	Ludington	Trenton
East Lansing	Manistee	Vassar
Eastpointe	Manistique	Wakefield
Ecorse	Marquette	Warren
Escanaba	Melvindale	Wayne
Ferndale	Menominee	Wyandotte
Flint	Midland	Wyoming
Gaastra	Monroe	Ypsilanti

Village of Baldwin

## **TOWNSHIPS**

Benton (Berrien)  
Buena Vista (Saginaw)  
Calumet (Houghton)  
Carp Lake (Ontonagon)  
Carrollton (Saginaw)  
Champion (Marquette)  
Columbia (Tuscola)  
Duncan (Houghton)  
Elba (Gratiot)

Elmwood (Tuscola)  
Emerson (Gratiot)  
Genesee (Genesee)  
Marlette (Sanilac)  
Minden (Sanilac)  
Montrose (Genesee)  
Mt. Morris (Genesee)  
Oscoda (Iosco)  
Pulawski (Presque Isle)

Redford (Wayne)  
Royal Oak (Oakland)  
Sebewaing (Huron)  
Sheridan (Calhoun)  
Spaulding (Saginaw)  
Turner (Arenac)  
Wheeler (Gratiot)  
Wisner (Tuscola)

123 EDAs, 96 Cities, 26 Townships, 1 Village