

C&G Newspapers Candidate Profile

ERIC COLEMAN

Oakland County Commissioner (since 1996)

Southfield, Michigan, since 1975

Southfield School Board (1986-1990): President, Treasurer, Secretary

Oakland County Commissioner (1996 to present)

Bachelor of Fine Arts, The School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL

John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Education: I will fight to strengthen our schools and provide EVERY student with the skills they need to make them successful in a globally competitive environment, including: assuring that all school districts have equitable funding.

I will work to make training and education affordable and accessible for all.

Jobs: Improve Michigan's economy by creating a business friendly environment where businesses can thrive and grow by: reducing the burdensome red tape and regulations that makes it difficult for businesses to operate; put an equitable business tax structure in place; give tax incentives to businesses who hire the unemployed and retrained workers.

Taxes and Revenue Sharing: Adopt a 2-3 year balanced budget; change our tax structure to a graduated tax; stabilize revenue sharing from the state for local communities for needed services, especially police and fire protection. I will work with local leaders and the legislature to prevent raids on these funds.