

Candidate: David Phillips (Incumbent)  
Office Sought: Superior Township - Clerk  
Party Affiliation: Democratic  
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- 1) What actions will you take (at the level of government you seek) to make government more efficient? In what areas do you see the possibility for increased consolidation, either of services or governmental units?**

*I will continually monitor costs and services to make sure that taxpayers' dollars are being spent wisely. Superior Township already collaborates with neighboring communities for police and fire services. Further collaboration of public safety services should be examined and evaluated.*

- 2) Are there regulations (at the level of government you seek) that you can identify as overly burdensome on small businesses? If so, how do you propose to address this dynamic and if not, why not?**

*The planning approval process can be difficult and expensive for some small businesses. Superior Township has already taken steps to improve this process. I would continue to review and evaluate the planning process to make it fair and efficient while preserving the benefits of the planning review process.*

- 3) Studies have shown the connections between individual levels of educational attainment and overall economic growth and success. What actions will you take in support of broadening educational access and effectiveness, leading to economic growth for our region?**

*I would attempt to maintain communication between the officials and leaders of the local school district, Washtenaw Community College, Eastern Michigan University and other educational groups in order to facilitate any cooperation between us that would benefit the educational process of our residents.*

- 4) Transit has been recently debated at various levels of government throughout our region. What transit policies will you pursue or oppose in the office you seek?**

*For many years, Superior Township has helped to subsidize a bus route into the southern portion of our community. I would work to maintain this service and would be receptive to adding additional service on a limited, trial basis.*

- 5) At the level of office you seek, what actions should government take or not take in terms of infrastructure development? Do you believe that the current levels of investment are sufficient, insufficient or excessive?**

*Superior Township's direct involvement with infrastructure relates mainly to local roads and public water and sewer. We have spent enough general fund dollars on local roads to bring them into good shape. Our public water and sewer system is also in good shape. I believe we the current levels of investment are sufficient.*

- 6) As energy costs increase along with environmental concerns, what policies have you proposed and what policies should we pursue at the national, state or local level to ensure that businesses have affordable and stable energy costs that balance environmental impacts?**

*We completed an energy audit on several of Superior Township's buildings. We then installed upgraded lighting, insulation, furnaces and other energy efficient devices. We obtained considerable energy savings. I would attempt to do more energy audits and energy conservation measures.*