

Are you new to Marengo?

Welcome! If you are not new to Marengo, you may still find this information helpful.

Emergency Services

Law enforcement is provided by the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. **For emergencies, dial 911.** For non-emergencies, call (269) 781-0911.

The Marengo Township Fire Department serves our community as well as Eckford and Lee Townships. **Need a burn permit? Call (517) 494-0142.**

Community Amenities

The **Weaver-Baty Community Pavilion** at the Township Hall is open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis for outdoor meals and relaxation.

The **Holt-Rice Creek Property** combines woods, wetland, and 20+ cropland acres leased for farming agricultural fields. Over 4,000 feet along the Rice Creek, a designated trout stream, allows for recreational use for fishing and kayaks. Located on Partello Road, the property is managed by the Calhoun Conservation District.

Discover What's Happening at the Marshall District Library!

The Marshall District Library is proud to serve our community—and yes, they offer **free Wi-Fi** right from the Township Hall parking lot for your convenience!

Swing by the library to pick up your copy of the **December–February “What’s Happening” brochure**. Inside, you’ll find a wide array of **free programs for all ages**, along with easy instructions on how to register.

From **crafts and book clubs** to **technology help, after-school activities**, and even **story time with Leona**, the certified therapy dog, there’s truly something for everyone. Whether you’re looking to learn, connect, or simply have fun, they’ve got you covered.

For more information visit the library online at www.yourmdl.org or give them a call at 269-781-7821 for any questions.

Education

Mar Lee School, marleeschool.org, enrolls students in grades K–8. **High school** students may choose to attend Marshall High School or Olivet High School, which offer transportation. Alternatively, students may enroll in another high school of their choice, provided they arrange their own transportation.

Online Resources

Visit **marengomi.gov** for updates on Township events, local services, recycling, elections, tax information, and zoning ordinances. Zoning and code enforcement are managed by **scmcci.org**.

Township Governance

The **Township Board** consists of five elected officials and meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

The **Planning Commission** convenes at least four times annually.

The **Zoning Board of Appeals** meets as needed.

Contact the Township if you are interested in serving your community on these boards or in other areas.

Questions? Please don't hesitate to reach out to us at marengomi.gov/contact.

What does the PC do?

In Michigan, a **planning commission** helps decide how a town or city should grow and change over time. The members develop a "master plan" that reflects the community's vision for future growth. They help make sure the township grows in a smart and fair way that aligns with the community's desires.

They also:

- Make plans for where homes, businesses, and parks can be located.
- Check new building ideas to make sure they fit the township's plan.
- Approve or deny special projects.
- Listen to public comments at their meetings.
- Advise local leaders about planning and zoning.
- Help people understand the town's future goals.

Neighborhood Watch

Did you know the local neighborhood watch group has been meeting for over 20 years! Join them the first Monday of each month (except December and July) to hear updates from the Sheriff and learn from various speakers. Bring your favorite potluck dish.

Next Neighborhood Watch Meeting

*Monday, Jan. 5, 2026, 6 pm
Eckford Community Center,
99 Maple St., Homer, MI 49245*

Your Representatives

Gary Tompkins is our 7th District County Commissioner. See facebook.com/garytompkinscc7 and email thompkinscc7@gmail.com to sign up for his monthly email newsletter.

Jonathan Lindsey represents Michigan's 17th District. senatorjonathanlindsey.com

Sarah Lightner serves in the Michigan House of Representatives for the 45th District. gophouse.org/member/repSarahlightner

Tim Walberg is serving his 8th term in Congress as the representative of Southern Michigan. walberg.house.gov.

Elissa Slotkin serves in the US Senate. www.slotkin.senate.gov

Cemeteries

A friendly reminder that **Winter decorations are permitted November 20 – April 30**. Summer decorations may be placed May 10 and must be removed by October 30.

Tree and brush cleanup has recently been completed in the cemeteries.

From the Treasurer

Carole Tabiaddon

Deputy Angela Freitel

Tax payments are accepted **Fridays, 9 AM–3 PM (closed holiday weekends); make checks payable to Marengo Township.**

There are two drop boxes for public use at the Township Hall: a small green box on the west side and a large black box in the front. To receive a receipt, include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Credit cards are accepted at bsaonline.com.

Select Marengo Township and search your **house number**. A fee will be charged.

Winter 2025 taxes are due Monday, 02/16/26 (President's Day); the office is open **9 AM–4 PM that day. After 02/16/26, a 1% monthly interest** will be added to unpaid balances.

Tax Appeals

The Marengo Township Board of Review will meet Friday, December 12 at 10 am at the Township Hall to **address clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact** related to real and personal property assessments (*not to hear protests of assessments*).

Programs for Seniors

Join the **free Tai Chi class** for seniors 60 and up on Mondays at 10:30 am at the Township Hall. Tai Chi uses slow, graceful movement to improve balance, reduce stress and offer pain relief. It is a natural arthritis workout. No RSVP is required.

Every other week seniors meet at the Marengo Community Church, 325 College St. for a **free lunch**, socializing, and alternately play BINGO or hear from a presenter. On opposite weeks, seniors meet for **coffee and donuts/breakfast** at the East Eckford Community Church, 9995 22 Mile Rd. Both buildings are handicap accessible. Check the calendar at marengomi.gov for dates. The Calhoun County Senior Millage provides financial support for these events along with other types of assistance. calhouncountymi.gov/departments/senior_services