## Terms of Use

MyDistricting is offered through a third-party vendor, CityGate GIS, as a service by the Cook County Board of Commissioners to facilitate public participation in the Board's decennial redistricting process. All software and user-created data are on servers operated and maintained by CityGate GIS. By registering as a user, you give permission to CityGate GIS to store your user-created data, including your full or partial plan(s).

All user-created data may be considered public records in the possession of a public body and, thus, disclosable under the Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140). By registering as a user, you acknowledge that the data that you create may be obtained by others through a Freedom of Information request.

As administrators of MyDistricting, the consultants to the Cook County Redistricting Committee may, from time to time, view the data created by users. The consultants will not alter any user-created data without the express permission of the user who created the data.

As a registered user, any comments that you offer must comport with the policies of the Cook County Board of Commissioners with respect to public testimony. Breach of these policies may result in the termination of your user rights.

The baseline data supporting MyDistricting are derived from the American Community Survey (2015-19) and ESRI. They are intended to provide guidance on the population and demographics of Cook County. These data will be superseded by data released by the U.S. Census Bureau in accordance with PL 97-141. The data released by the U.S. Census Bureau in accordance with PL 97-141 (expected to be available by the third week of August 2021) are the data that will be used in the development of a preliminary and final maps to be acted on by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.