

# COMMUNITIES OVER BILLIONAIRES:

 **Who we elect matters!**

Check your voter registration status and make your voting plan today at **VOTE.ORG**.

*Your vote can make life better in your community!*



Our Catholic faith directs us to put the needs of working families over the interests of billionaires and corporations. This includes electing leaders who will make our health care, housing, and groceries more affordable.

## Compare your Candidates for Senate for Michigan



**Abdul El-Sayed**  
Democrat  
[abdulforsenate.com](http://abdulforsenate.com)

### Will your candidate work for...

**Mike Rogers**  
Republican  
[rogersforsenate.com](http://rogersforsenate.com)



- ✓ As Wayne County health director, launched a **medical debt relief program**.
- ✓ **Advocates for Medicare for All**, along with **"making Medicaid whole"** and replacing the ACA tax credits cut in the 2025 Republican budget law.

### Quality, affordable health care for all?

Catholic teaching affirms that health care is a universal right, not a privilege reserved for the wealthy.  
(*Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, #166)

✗ **Praised** the 2025 Republican budget law that **cut \$1 trillion from Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act (ACA)** to pay for **tax cuts for the ultra-wealthy**. As a result of the law, average monthly healthcare **premiums have skyrocketed**, around **123,640 Michiganders** have lost Medicaid, and **130,789 fewer Michiganders** have ACA coverage.

- ✓ **Supports the PRO Act** which protects workers' right to form a union and collectively bargain for better wages.
- ✓ Promotes **investing in research** and targeted trade policies to create more **good-paying jobs**.

### Good-paying jobs with benefits and protections?

The Catholic Church affirms the dignity of work and workers, and calls for wages that let us "live a truly human life." (*Mater et Magistra*, #71)

✗ As House representative, **voted against raising the federal minimum wage** to \$7.25/hour.

- ✓ Calls for a **"building boom"** of new **housing**, with action against unfair regulations and corporations driving up costs, and supports **stronger protections for renters**.

### Affordable food and housing for all?

Catholic teaching affirms that food and housing are universal rights, not privileges reserved for the wealthy.  
(*Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, #166)

✗ **Praised** the 2025 Republican budget law which has **taken away food assistance from 196,024 Michiganders** – including children, seniors, veterans, parents of teenagers, and former foster youth.



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✓ Supports **taxing billionaire wealth** and opposes corporate tax breaks. Believes in stronger antitrust enforcement to **hold Wall Street accountable**.

✓ Would **redirect farm subsidies to family farmers** over corporate agribusiness.

## An economy that helps families over billionaires?

Catholic teaching calls for an economy that places people over profit and ensures that we all have what we need to thrive. (*Populorum Progressio*, #33)

✗ **Praised** the 2025 Republican budget law that gave **\$4.5 trillion in tax cuts, nearly all to the wealthiest Americans**, averaging more than \$64,720 in tax cuts for the top 1%, paid for by taking away health care, food, home energy upgrades, and climate protections from our communities.

✓ Supports a **pathway to citizenship**, border policies that create lasting security, and immigration **enforcement that respects the Constitution**.

## Safe and welcoming neighborhoods?

Catholic doctrine recognizes every person's intrinsic dignity, the right to live free of violence, and the right to migrate to seek a safe and good life for ourselves and our families. (*USCCB, Strangers No Longer*, #103)

✗ **Praised** the 2025 Republican budget law which gave **ICE and border patrol \$170.7 billion for mass detention and deportations** that separated families, brought violence to our neighborhoods, and resulted in the killing of American citizens.

✓ Supports a **transition to 100% renewable energy** by investing in clean energy, **taking on corporate polluters**, and strengthening protections for clean air, safe water, and **natural resources like Lake Michigan**.

## Affordable energy, safe drinking water, clean air?

Care for the earth is a requirement of the Catholic faith. (*Laudato Si'*, #8)

✗ **Defends current energy policies as gas prices are high**, and supports increasing domestic oil pumping.

✓ **Opposes proposals like the SAVE Act** that would make it harder for millions of eligible U.S. citizens to vote.

## Our right to vote?

The Catholic faith calls each of us to participate in public life, especially through voting, to serve the common good. (*Christifidelis Laici*, #42; *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #2240)

✗ Suggested recruiting off-duty police officers to monitor polls, a tactic aligned with **historic attempts to intimidate voters**.

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