



DRA 2020 Quick Start Guide

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About DRA 2020

DRA 2020 is a web app to create, view, analyze, and share redistricting maps. DRA 2020 includes demographic data from the 2020 census and 2020 5-Year ACS/CVAP estimates. NDC has created map templates for the public to use to draw proposed district boundaries.

How to Get Started

1. Open davesredistricting.org in your web browser. You must create an account on the DRA site to edit and save district maps. Click the “Signup” button to register. Be sure to verify your email address to activate your account.
2. Once you are logged in, you can access the [Soledad 4-District Template](#) or the [Soledad 5-District Template](#) by clicking the links on the City’s website or by clicking “Published Maps” on the “My Maps” page and searching for Soledad. *(Tip: Click the link after you have created an account. The Template may take 30 seconds or more to fully load.)*
3. On the Template page, click the paintbrush icon  to “Make editable copy of this map.” This opens a map of city precincts that you can assign to districts. *(Tip: You will not be able to manipulate the template page, you must first make an editable copy.)*
4. Once an editable copy is created, it is saved under “My Maps” in your profile. It will take several seconds to copy. Refresh the page and you should see “Copy of Soledad ... Template”. Select it and click “Edit” on the top bar to open the template and begin drawing districts. *(Tip: There is no “Save” button—the program automatically saves to the DRA’s server as you make edits.)*
5. Submit your map by using the share icon  at the top of the page. This will create a link that you can copy and paste into an email. Send the link to communityengagement@cityofsoledad.com. Submitted maps will be presented to the City Council and posted online. If you would like credit for the map, please include your full name in the body of the email.