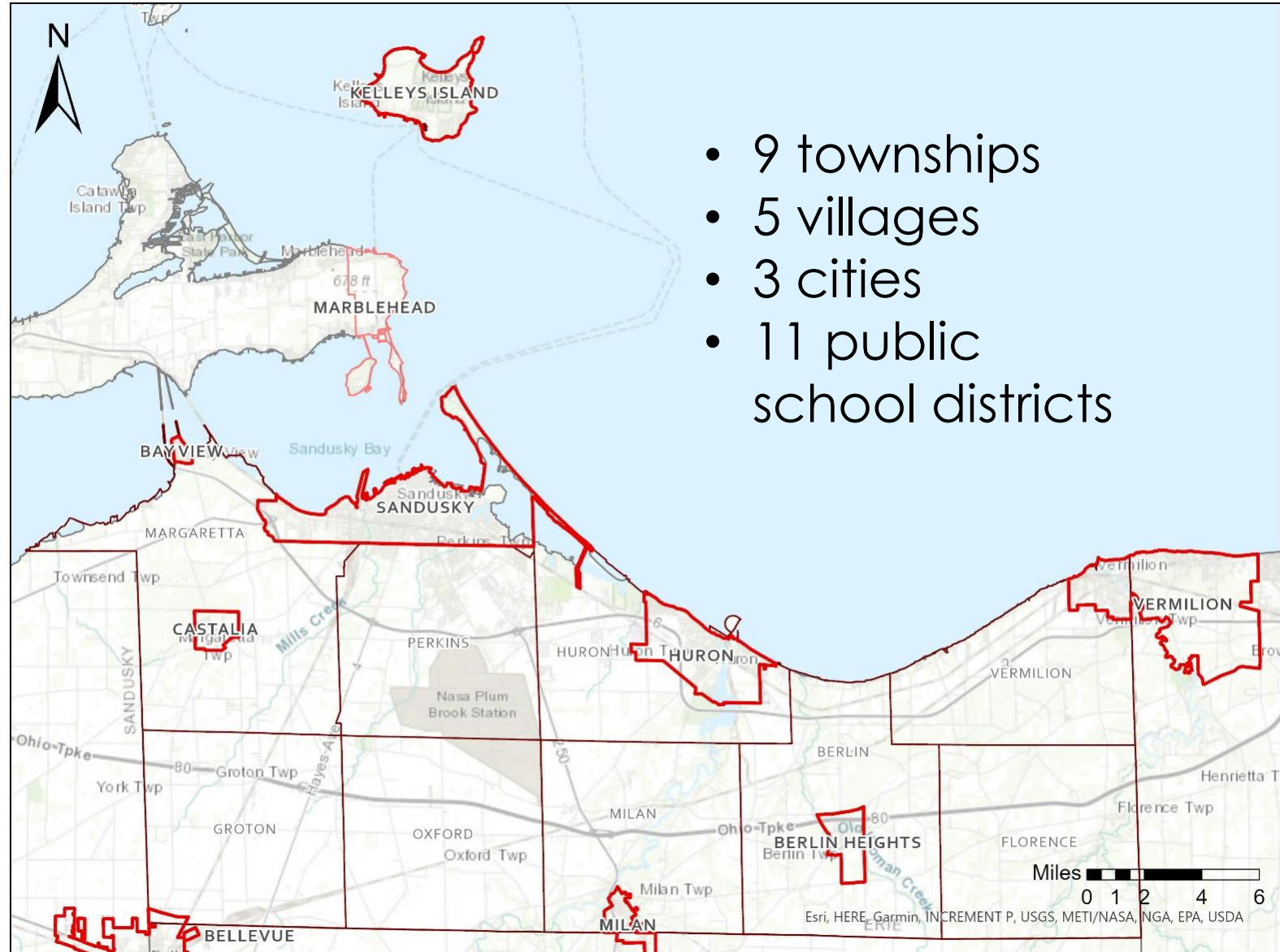


ERIE COUNTY BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

Goal:

Identify cost saving opportunities to lower required millage for funding local government and property tax bill

- 9 townships
- 5 villages
- 3 cities
- 11 public school districts



ERIE COUNTY BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

Committee Structure

- Organized by Erie County Board of Commission
- Seven member Commission with diverse background in education, local government, business owners, and finance
- Tasked with developing the process and final analysis

Committee Members

Jeff Krabill – (Co-Chair) Sandusky City Commissioner

Michael Parker – (Co-Chair) Township Trustee

Karen Balconi-Ghezzi – Former Director of Erie County Jobs and Family Services

Lisa Crescimano – Local Government CFO

Kelly Moon –Former Berlin Heights Mayor

Tom Forster– Consultant, Healthcare insurance

Tom Tucker– Former School Superintendent

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

- Commission began in January, 2025
- Identified 14 topics for comprehensive review
- Held weekly public meetings on the topics to discuss:
 - Existing best practices
 - Areas for increased collaboration
 - New practical ideas
- Reached out to over 150 local stakeholders
- Final report presented in June, 2025

RECOMMENDATIONS

Top Recommendations

✓ Health Insurance

Review Group Health Insurance Concepts

✓ Water and Sewer Public Water and Sewer Regionalization

✓ Local Courts

Reduce Erie County Common Pleas Judges from 4 to 3

Education

Feasibility Study on School District Consolidation

• Other Topics Reviewed

- Economic Development
- Information Technologies
- Purchasing
- Public Transportation
- Fire and Police Services
- Roadway Infrastructure
- Public Health
- Metroparks
- Public Libraries

• ***Additional recommendations and advocacy in report***

✓ – Active implementation is ongoing

More info available at our website:

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