Input from the public is critical to help inform the Board of Trustees about your Community of Interest. The Peralta Community College District has prepared this Public Comment Form to provide the public with a way of submitting information on characteristics that may define your Community of Interest.

The concept of protecting Communities of Interest is to draw boundaries in a manner that preserves communities that share common interests and that should be included within a single district for purposes of their effective and fair representation. There are many types of common interests that may identify a Community of Interest. For example, communities may be defined by the location of geographic boundaries or features, such as a housing subdivision, parks, cities, lakes, mountains or freeways. Communities may share a common culture or language. Communities may be defined by their neighborhood, or by the location of cultural, religious or educational institutions. Certain public services, like public schools and public transit may also help define a community.

If you would like the Board of Directors to consider a particular Community of Interest, we invite you to complete and submit a Public Comment Form, to speak at a public hearing or to submit your written comments to the District. All personal information listed on this form is **voluntary** and will become a part of the Peralta Community College District’s public record. The public is not required to fill out all of the questions below, but the more information the District gathers, the better informed the process of redrawing Board of Trustees district boundaries will be.

**Name:** **Date:**

**Email or phone number:**

**What is the neighborhood/zip code where you reside:**

**How do you describe your community to someone who hasn’t visited?** **What streets/boundaries define your community?**

**What are the major cultural/recreational/educational/religious institutions in your community?**

**Does your community have major geographical boundaries/features (freeways, parks, lakes, mountains)?**

**Do you have concerns about the current boundaries of your Board of Trustees District?**

**Other Comments:**