We welcome your interest in leading our team. Saginaw Charter Township is a special place.” -Tim Braun, Supervisor
Township Manager
Saginaw Charter Township

Saginaw Charter Township is a community of over 40,000 residents who enjoy a high quality of life with a wide variety of amenities. The Township has thriving neighborhoods, top-notch schools, strong commercial corridors, easy access to parks, multi-use pathways and the Tittabawassee River.

Because of its location within Saginaw County, Saginaw Township residents benefit by being within close proximity of I-675 and other highways, MBS International Airport, Saginaw Valley State University, Delta College, and high-quality hospitals and health care institutions.

Saginaw Township offers our next leader with a community with a strong financial position, stable and cohesive Township Board with a combined 114 years of service and an incredible and talented management team that has the ship headed in the right direction. The Township offers outstanding public services and deeply embraces the responsibility to serve the public. The current manager is retiring after 25 years of stellar performance. He served as Township a Manager for the final eight years of his tenure.

The Township Board is seeking an experienced manager who is able to lead a group of highly successful department heads. There is no need to reinvent our wheel. Our next leader must be focused on developing and implementing a succession plan as many members of the management team are eligible for retirement in the next 1-3 years.
Looking back almost 200 years, Saginaw Township was first organized in 1831, and it extended south to what is now Chesaning and north past the City of Midland and Bay City. The area of Saginaw Township at the time of its incorporation was 34 miles by 36 miles, totaling more than 783,360 acres. Development occurred rather rapidly, even in the 1830’s. Gratiot Road and Brockway Road were surveyed but not yet constructed at the time. In 1877, the area north of Brockway became a subdivision of 23 lots.

Today, Saginaw Township is a diverse and fully-developed suburban community that is a critical part of the greater Saginaw-Midland-Bay City Combined Statistical Area, often called the Tri-Cities. Saginaw Township’s role in the region is defined by its people, businesses, infrastructure, amenities, and opportunity for growth. To that end, the Saginaw Charter Township Board of Trustees has articulated the following four Core Values:

1. Provide for a safe community.

2. Promote a neat, clean, attractive community with beautiful neighborhoods.

3. Provide quality of life opportunities.

4. Maintain a professionally well-run, efficient government.

In short, Saginaw Township has all the amenities and opportunities of a modern metropolitan area, but it still contains the distinctive spirit residents have always sought in a traditional small town.
THE RIGHT FIT

The Saginaw Charter Township Board of Trustees is most interested in meeting candidates who “show them that they care, before you show them what you know”. Education and experience are important, but fostering a cohesive and team oriented work environment is critical. We seek a candidate who will serve as our “leader” rather than our “manager.”

The ideal candidate will adhere to the following principles and objectives:

- Be a calm leader
- Progressive, forward looking thinker
- Personable, create a family atmosphere
- Approachable, across the community and region
- Supports and builds upon our excellent leadership team
- Listens before reacting
- Has some local ties to Saginaw Township
- Project confidence, not arrogance
- Be visible throughout the community
- Thinks “destination,” Saginaw Township is not a “pit stop” along the way
- Be a Coach, not a “my way” type of approach
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

- Build a Succession Plan based on planned retirements
- Develop a strategic vision for the future of Fashion Square Mall
- Develop a plan to increase technology across the Township
- Assist in developing a vision for local road funding
- Lead in the process to update the Township’s current Personnel Policies Handbook
- Complete a comprehensive update of the immediate and future needs of our park system
- Develop a plan to increase industrial development on Center Road
- Create an accelerated vision to replace our 16,000 water meters
- Create a team to update the 1986 Zoning Ordinance
- Determine a plan of action for the remodeling of the Township Hall
- Work with the business community to develop an action plan to revitalize the Bay Road Commercial District
THE SAGINAW TOWNSHIP PROCESS

DEADLINE TO APPLY: April 10, 2020

Please submit cover letter, resume, and five professional references to Frank L. Walsh, Walsh Municipal Services, LLC. Applications will be received at walshmuni@gmail.com. Please indicate in your cover letter whether you desire confidentiality as allowed under the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Saginaw Charter Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer.