

## Why Should Ottawa County Be A Home Rule Charter County?

### A home rule county charter offers a legally effective way for the county:

- To get more local control, especially in the very needed area of the electric grid. In order to “Save The Campbell” from 2025 closure and demolition, the county with this charter can purchase the Campbell plant and place it in a county electric cooperative. This same cooperative can become the regulator of Consumer Energy electric service in the county. See <https://savethecampbell.com/> for more information on this advantage.
- To have a county constitution consistent with the USA’s founding Christian constitutional principles (<https://savethecampbell.com/home-rule-county-charter-consistent-with-the-usas-founding-christian-constitutional-principles/>).
- To obtain a county executive/administrator more directly accountable to the voters of the county (since directly elected and subject to recall, rather than appointed as now) while also allowing the Board of Commissioners impeachment powers. This greater accountability better allows the Board to be part-time so as to be more in touch with the lives of citizens working in the private sector.

### There are many reasons we need more local control over our electric grid:

- [https://www.yahoo.com/news/outrageous-dte-consumers-enjoy-close-110254202.html?guce\\_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly9kdWNrZHVja2dvLmNvbS8&guce\\_referrer\\_sig=AQAAAIEn5LhKjSlGbDZhoACB80-scql4gaaFQspFd4x2aTzB1L-SsQodRrnl22XZj1lqzpLO6HxL9tuTCxcNqt4H5PYvz8NcHyo1bXzF6cFmtu8mOpKZ2mOKJqaJqyQRtzY8Wyo29DPtghAW3Pk8ZGpuQnOqQOUefa4WDnJXyNCPnUmh](https://www.yahoo.com/news/outrageous-dte-consumers-enjoy-close-110254202.html?guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly9kdWNrZHVja2dvLmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAAIEn5LhKjSlGbDZhoACB80-scql4gaaFQspFd4x2aTzB1L-SsQodRrnl22XZj1lqzpLO6HxL9tuTCxcNqt4H5PYvz8NcHyo1bXzF6cFmtu8mOpKZ2mOKJqaJqyQRtzY8Wyo29DPtghAW3Pk8ZGpuQnOqQOUefa4WDnJXyNCPnUmh) : ‘Outrageous’: DTE, Consumers enjoy close relationship with state panel that regulates them
- <https://thegame730am.com/ixp/43/p/michigan-has-one-of-americas-least-reliable-power-grids/> : Michigan has one of America’s least reliable power grids, while also very expensive
- <https://www.michiganbusinessnetwork.com/blog/new-report-reveals-the-staggering-economic-cost-of-michigans-unreliable-electric-grid> : New Report Reveals The Staggering Economic Cost Of Michigan's Unreliable Electric Grid
- <https://www.eenews.net/articles/grid-monitor-warns-of-blackout-risks-as-coal-plants-retire/> : Grid monitor warns of blackout risks as coal plants retire

Please sign the petition to get the home rule charter county issue on the ballot and encourage county friends to do the same: <https://savethecampbell.com/add-my-name-to-petitions/> .