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1. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 TheRhapsodyRestaurant.com
2. Crystal Gardens
16703 Fort St, Southgate
(734) 285-2210 CrystalGardensonline.com
3. Arnoldo's Banquet Center
18275 Quarry Rd, Riverview
(734) 282-2198 arnoldos.com

Best BBQ

1. Jay Ray's BBQ
2803 1st St, Wyandotte
(313) 231-0834 jayraysbbq.com
2. Zuckin's Rib Shack
967 Dix Hwy, Lincoln Park
(313) 388-1170 Zuckinsribshack.com
3. Round House BBQ
2760 W. Jefferson, Trenton
(734) 671-6100 RoundHousebbq.com

Best Beer Store

1. Discount Drinks
2811 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 282-3800 Discountdrinksetc.com
2. Johnny Mac's Wyandotte
3312 4th St, Wyandotte
(734) 281-4755 facebook.com/Johnny-MacsMarket
3. Vreeland Market
26796 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 675-7006 vreelandmkt.com

Best Breakfast

1. Kate's Kitchen
26558 Huron River Dr, Flat Rock
(734) 782-3909 kateskitchenflatrock.com
2. Zorba's Coney Island
18237 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 283-6522 Riverviewzorba.com
3. Secret Recipes Family Dining
11222 Allen Rd, Taylor
(734) 287-3450 secretrecipesfamilydining.com

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Best Brewery

1. Whiskeys on the Water
2903 Biddle, Wyandotte
(734) 720-9738 Whiskeysonthewater.com
2. Bierkeller Tavern & Eatery
20085 Goddard Rd, Taylor
(734) 250-7358 bierkellertaylor.com
3. Wyandotte Beer Co.
3016 1st St, Wyandotte
(734) 556-3231 Wyandottebeercompany.com

Best Brunch

1. Truago
2775 W Jefferson Ave, Trenton
(734) 676-2233 Truago.com
2. Bobcat Bonnies
118 Sycamore, Wyandotte
(734) 530-1806 Bobcatbonnies.com
3. Whiskeys on the Water
2903 Biddle, Wyandotte
(734) 720-9738 Whiskeysonthewater.com

Best Burger

1. Joe's Hamburger
3041 Biddle, Wyandotte
(734) 285-0420 JoesHamburgers.net
2. Mallie's Sports Grille & Bar
19400 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 287-0800 malliesgrill.com
3. Bubba's 33
22175 Eureka Rd, Taylor
(734) 479-9610 Bubbass33.com

Best Catering

1. Jay Ray's BBQ
2803 1st St, Wyandotte
(313) 231-0834 jayraysbbq.com
2. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 TheRhapsodyRestaurant.com
3. Ray's Prime Foods
23167 Eureka Rd, Taylor
(734) 287-8240 raysprimefoods.com

Best Chicken Wings

1. Buffalo Wild Wings — Woodhaven
20990 West Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 676-9464 buffalowildwings.com
2. Detroit Wing Company Taylor
21312 Eureka Rd, Taylor
(734) 318-2329 DetroitWingCo.com
3. Sneaky's Bar and Grill
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Tony Cannoli Sweets and Eats just made their entry into the downriver community two short years ago (2018) as they established their roots with their bakery here on West Rd. in Woodhaven. Over these couple short years they have been acknowledged as the talk of the town and have built an unbelievable following with their "homemade Italian pastries" and "gourmet cakes".

Originally from Sicily, the Cangialosi brothers wanted to share their love of food and desserts with people everywhere. Their journey to follow their dreams has led them to owning and operating several restaurants both locally as well as in Florida. The bakery business has been instilled in these 2 men since they were young as their pastries date back 80 years ago when their Grandpa had his own bakery in Borgetto, Sicily (Antonino Cangialosi). The Cangialosi brothers take a lot of pride in their family heritage. The family's secret homemade recipes include nothing but authentic ingredients which is the key for maintaining the high quality their family has always been known for.

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Tony Canolli Sweets & Eats now has a 2nd downriver location as they want to share their love and specialties with all of the downriver community! They truly appreciate each and every one of their loyal customers and will continue to give you the highest quality to show you the love back you deserve. It is the hope of the Cangialosi family to bring authentic Italian desserts into the hearts and homes of all of our visitors, one cannoli at a time. From our family to yours. Welcome to Tony Cannoli Sweets and Eats (EST. 2018).



Best Chinese Restaurant

1. China Star
3869 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 281-6330
2. Shong Hey Restaurant
3480 West Rd, Trenton
(734) 676-0686
3. New Hong Kong
8695 Telegraph Rd, Taylor
(313) 292-3050

Best Coney Island

1. Zorba's Coney Island
18237 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 283-6522 riverviewzorba.com
2. Leo's Coney Island — Woodhaven
23305 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 318-9999 leosconeyisland.com
3. Parthenon Coney Island & Restaurant
17064 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 285-5900 parthenonconeyisland.com

Best Deli / Sub Shop

1. V Gonella's Original Deli
22069 W. Outer Dr, Dearborn
(313) 563-8500 vgonellasoriginaldeli.com
2. Jersey Mike's
23106 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 672-7684 jerseylikes.com
3. LUNCH-Wyandotte
3050 Biddle Ave, Wyandotte
(734) 407-7011 lunchwyandotte.com

Best Dessert

1. Tony Cannoli Sweets & Eats
16125 West Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 672-6018 tonycannolisweetsand-eats.com
2. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 TheRhapsodyRestaurant.com
3. The Vault
3058 1st St., Wyandotte
(734) 888-2858 thevaultonfirst.com

Best Family Owned Restaurant

1. Mexican Gardens
15950 Eureka Rd, Southgate (734) 282-5633 mexicangardens.net
2. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 therhapsodyrestaurant.com
3. Sammy's Cucina
19135 West Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 671-3065 sammyscucina.com

Best Family Style Restaurant

1. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 therhapsodyrestaurant.com
2. Mexican Gardens

15950 Eureka Rd, Southgate
(734) 282-5633 mexicangardens.net

3. P.T. Christoff's
22900 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 675-4626 ptchristoffs.com

Best Fish Fry

1. Prush's Bar & Grill
1212 Eureka Rd, Wyandotte
(734) 282-6535 facebook.com/Prushs-BarGrill
2. JP McGuire's Bar & Grill
21138 Goddard Rd, Taylor
(313) 291-7372 facebook.com/JP-McGuire-Bar-N-Grill
3. Frank's Cafe
3852 6th St, Wyandotte
(734) 283-4660 facebook.com/Frank-sCafe3852

Best Greek Restaurant

1. Auburn Cafe
3520 W. Jefferson, Ecorse
(313) 381-8133 TheAuburnCafe.com
2. Parthenon Coney Island
17064 Fort St, Riverview
734-285-5900 parthenonconeyisland.com
3. Gus & Us Grill
17445 Hamilton Ave, Allen Park
(313) 359-2700 facebook.com/GusUsGrill

Best Happy Hour

1. Mallie's Sports Grille & Bar
19400 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 287-0800 MalliesGrill.com
2. JP McGuire's Bar & Grill
21138 Goddard Rd, Taylor
(313) 291-7372 facebook.com/JP-McGuire-Bar-N-Grill
3. Wheat & Rye — Allen Park
7721 Allen Rd, Allen Park
(313) 928-4322 Wheatandryebarandgrill.com

Best Hungarian Restaurant

1. Hungarian Rhapsody
14315 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-9622 TheRhapsodyRestaurant.com

Best Ice Cream

1. Bob's Jo's Frozen Custard
4071 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 282-6818 facebook.com/BobJos-FrozenCustard
2. Calder Dairy
1020 Southfield Rd, Lincoln Park
(313) 381-8858 calderdairy.com
3. Doc's Ice Cream
37337 Huron River Dr, New Boston
(734) 606-5328 letsmeetatdocs.com

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- 3. Waterfront**
507 Biddle Ave, Wyandotte
(734) 286-9046 thewaterfrontwyandotte.com

Best Mexican Restaurant

- 1. Mexican Gardens**
15950 Eureka Rd, Southgate
(734) 282-5633 mexicangardens.net
- 2. Angelina's Mexican Restaurant**
Southgate
Angelinasfreshmex.com
- 3. Mexican Fiesta**
24310 Ford Rd, Dearborn Heights
(313) 274-3066 mexicanfiesta.net

Best Middle Eastern/Lebanese Restaurant

- 1. Malek Al Kabob**
22371 Goddard Rd, Taylor
(313) 203-2067 malekalkabob.com
- 2. Shish Garden**
22673 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 362-6600 shishgarden.com
- 3. Taza Fresh Grill**
16185 Dix-Toledo Rd, Southgate
(734) 281-3101 tazafreshgrill.net

Best New Restaurant

- 1. The Vault**

- 3058 1st St, Wyandotte
(734) 888-2858 thevaultonfirst.com
- 2. JP's Waterfront**
13200 Middle Gibraltar Rd, Gibraltar
(734) 672-6299 jpswaterfront.com
- 3. Fat Daddy's Hot Chicken and Waffles**
18283 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 288-3051 fatdaddys-chicken.com

Best Pizza

- 1. Buddy's Pizza**
21611 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 362-7162 buddyspizza.com
- 2. Sportsman's Pizzeria**
2425 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 284-6770 sportsmanpizzeria.net
- 3. B.C.'s Pizza 1**
226 Fort St, Lincoln Park
(313) 388-3888 bcpizza.com

Best Pizza Roll

- 1. Caprara Bakery**
13498 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 284-2820 caprarabakery.com
- 2. Sportsman's Pizzeria**
2425 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 284-6770 sportsmanpizzeria.net
- 3. Jack's Bakery**
18841 Allen Rd, Melvindale
(313) 928-9500 facebook.com/jacksitalianbakery

Best Polish Food

- 1. Sabina's Restaurant**
3840 Oakwood Blvd, Melvindale
(313) 388-5171 sabinapolishrestaurant.com
- 2. Little Pierogi and Crepe Kitchen**
125 Elm St, Wyandotte
(734) 639-0877 pierogicrepekitchen.com
- 3. Polonus Restaurant**
1744 Biddle, Wyandotte
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Best Seafood Restaurant

- 1. H2O**
3233 Biddle Ave, Wyandotte
(734) 556-3202 h2oseafood.net
- 2. Truago**
2775 W. Jefferson, Trenton
(734) 676-2233 truago.com
- 3. The Vault**
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Best Sports Bar

- 1. Mallie's Sports Grille & Bar**
19400 Northline Rd, Southgate
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- 2. JP McGuire's Bar & Grill**
21138 Goddard Rd, Taylor
(313) 291-7372 facebook.com/JP-McGuire's-Bar-N-Grill
- 3. Tim O'Mallays**

- 6752 Allen Rd, Allen Park
(313) 406-2128 facebook.com/timothyomalley

Best Steak House

- 1. Moro's Dining**
6535 Allen Rd, Allen Park
(313) 382-7152 morosdining.com
- 2. Texas Roadhouse**
14660 Pardee Rd, Taylor
(734) 374-5500 texasroadhouse.com
- 3. Black Rock — Woodhaven**
22753 Allen Rd, Woodhaven
(734) 307-7335 blackrockrestaurants.com

Best Sushi

- 1. Black Pine Tree**
18700 Eureka Rd, Southgate,
(734) 284-8700 blackpinetreesushi.com
- 2. Sushi Bar Japanese Cuisine**
130 Maple St, Wyandotte
(734) 720-9717 sushibarusa.com
- 3. Sushi Q**
16052 Eureka Rd, Southgate
(734) 318-2990

Best Thai Restaurant

- 1. Bangkok 96**
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2. Hungarian Rhapsody

14315 Northline Rd, Southgate

(734) 283-9622 therhapsodyrestaurant.com

3. The Vault

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(734) 888-2858 thevaultonfirst.com

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1800 Biddle Ave, Wyandotte

(734) 281-6464 MorelloLawGroup.com

2. Roger Kaly

4146 Oakwood, Melvindale

(313) 381-7777

3. Law Office of Kevin Gilhool

2409 Fort St, Wyandotte

(734) 285-9040 kgelderlaw.com

Best Assisted/Senior Living

1. Michigan House Senior Living

18533 Quarry Rd, Riverview

(734) 283-6000

2. American House (Riverview)

20300 Fort St, Riverview

(734) 720-1159 americanhouse.com

3. Belle Fountain

18591 Quarry Rd, Riverview

(734) 282-2100 bellefountain.com

Best Auto Repair

1. Reliable Auto Service Center

17250 Ecorse Rd, Allen Park

(313) 388-8888 reliableautoservicecenter.com

2. Goddard Auto Repair

24633 Eureka Rd, Taylor

(734) 946-7555

3. Fellows and Co Family Auto

27512 Telegraph Rd, Flat Rock

Best Bank

1. Flagstar

12 Local Locations

Flagstar.com

2. Chase

7 Downriver locations

Chase.com

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3. Citizens Bank

7 Downriver locations

Citizensbank.com

3. Huntington Bank

8 Local Locations

Huntington.com

Best Barbershop

1. Sal's Barber Shop

3605 Fort St, Lincoln Park

(313) 383-7188 facebook.com/SalsBarberShop

2. Superior Cuts — Wyandotte

3395 Fort St, Wyandotte

(734) 283-5110

3. Legend's Haircuts for Men

3931 West Rd, Trenton

(734) 304-4387 facebook.com/Legends-HaircutsforMen

Best Car Wash/Auto Detail

1. Downriver Auto Detail

12554 Fort Street, Southgate

(734) 285-8770 facebook.com/downriver-autodetailing

2. The Detail Shop

1333 Eureka Rd, Wyandotte

(734) 324-5797

3. Classic Car Wash

10275 Pelham Rd, Allen Park

(313) 386-4466 classicautowashap.net

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(734) 285-0110 Jabrocarpetone.com

2. Joe's Carpet Service

15490 Racho Blvd, Taylor

(734) 374-2554 Joescarpetservices.com

3. Dalton Flooring Center

14701 Eureka Rd, Southgate

(734) 283-7030 Daltonflooringcenter.com

Best Charitable Organization

1. Downriver For Veterans

2447 Fort St, Wyandotte

(734) 934-0532 downriverforveterans.org

2. Mimi's Mission

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2. Donathan Chiropractic
17533 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 283-3200 facebook.com/Donathan Family Chiropractic
3. Cousineau Chiropractic
14550 King Rd, Riverview
(734) 479-1880 cousineauchiropractic.com

Best Collision Shop

1. Yost Collision
3491 Fort St, Wyandotte
(734) 284-7094
2. Rony's Body Shop
11650 Allen Rd, Taylor
(734) 287-3910 Ronysbodyshop.com
3. Widener Collision
18650 Fort St, Riverview
(734) 285-7770 widenercollision.com

Best Credit Union

1. Public Service CU
4 Downriver locations — Flat Rock, Grosse Ile, Trenton & Taylor
pscunow.com

2. Downriver Community Federal CU
4 locations — Woodhaven, Southgate, Ecorse & Lincoln Park
downrivercu.com
3. Zeal Credit Union
16225 Fort St, Southgate
(800) 321-8570 zealcu.org

Best Daycare

1. Riverside Child Care & Learning Center
15918 King Rd, Riverview
(734) 479-5448 childcareriverside.com
2. Kindercare Learning Center
15500 Reeck Rd, Southgate
(734) 281-1111 kindercare.com
3. Meadowbank Nursery and Day school
2122 Dix Hwy, Lincoln Park
(313) 388-2122 meadowbankschools.com

Best Dentist

1. JSP Dental (Jackson Snider Parker Dentistry)
254 West Rd, Trenton
(734) 676-1333 trentonsmiles.com
(Tied for 2nd place)
2. Bezzo Dental
45 Elm St, Wyandotte
(734) 281-2710 bezzodental.com
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3. Alexander's Dry Cleaners
5741 Allen Rd, Allen Park
(313) 386-7300 Alexandersdrycleaners.net

Best Eye Doctor

1. Castleman Eye Center
13080 Eureka Rd, Southgate
(734) 283-0500 castlemaneyecenter.com
2. The Visionary
7333 Allen Rd, Allen Park
(313) 389-3937 thevisionaryinc.com
3. Byrd & Wyandotte Eye Clinic
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(734) 284-2444 byrdeyeclinic.com

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2. TL Financial Group
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(734) 250-8041 Tlfgroup.net
3. Raymond James
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Best Furniture Store

1. White Furniture
3025 Biddle, Wyandotte
(734) 282-2155 whitefurniture.com
2. McLaughlin's Home Furnishing
3 locations — Southgate, Novi, & Lakeside
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(734) 285-5454 mclaughlins.com
3. Metropolitan Furniture
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1. Schwartz Greenhouse
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2. Downriver Guns & Ammo
19999 Dix Toledo Hwy, Brownstown
(734) 479-1390 downriverguns.com
3. Recoil Firearms
22509 Ecorse Rd, Taylor
(734) 423-3010 recoil-firearms.com

Best Hair Salon

1. Superior Cut
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(313) 382-4890 & (734) 283-5110
2. Salon on Oak
9800 Oak St, Wyandotte
(734) 281-1291
3. Salon DV8
15590 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 281-7388 salondv8.com

Best Health Club/Gym

1. Downriver Gymnastics
13777 Eureka Rd, Wyandotte

(734) 282-1947 downrivergymnastics.com

2. Southgate YMCA
16777 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 282-9622 ymcadetroit.org
3. Fitegrity Athletics
14685 Northline Rd, Southgate
(734) 444-8230 fitegrityathletics.com

Best Hearing Aid

1. Cruz Hearing
12213 Telegraph Rd, Taylor
(734) 245-2361 cruzhearing.com
2. Beltone
3 Downriver locations — Allen Park, Brownstown, & Southgate
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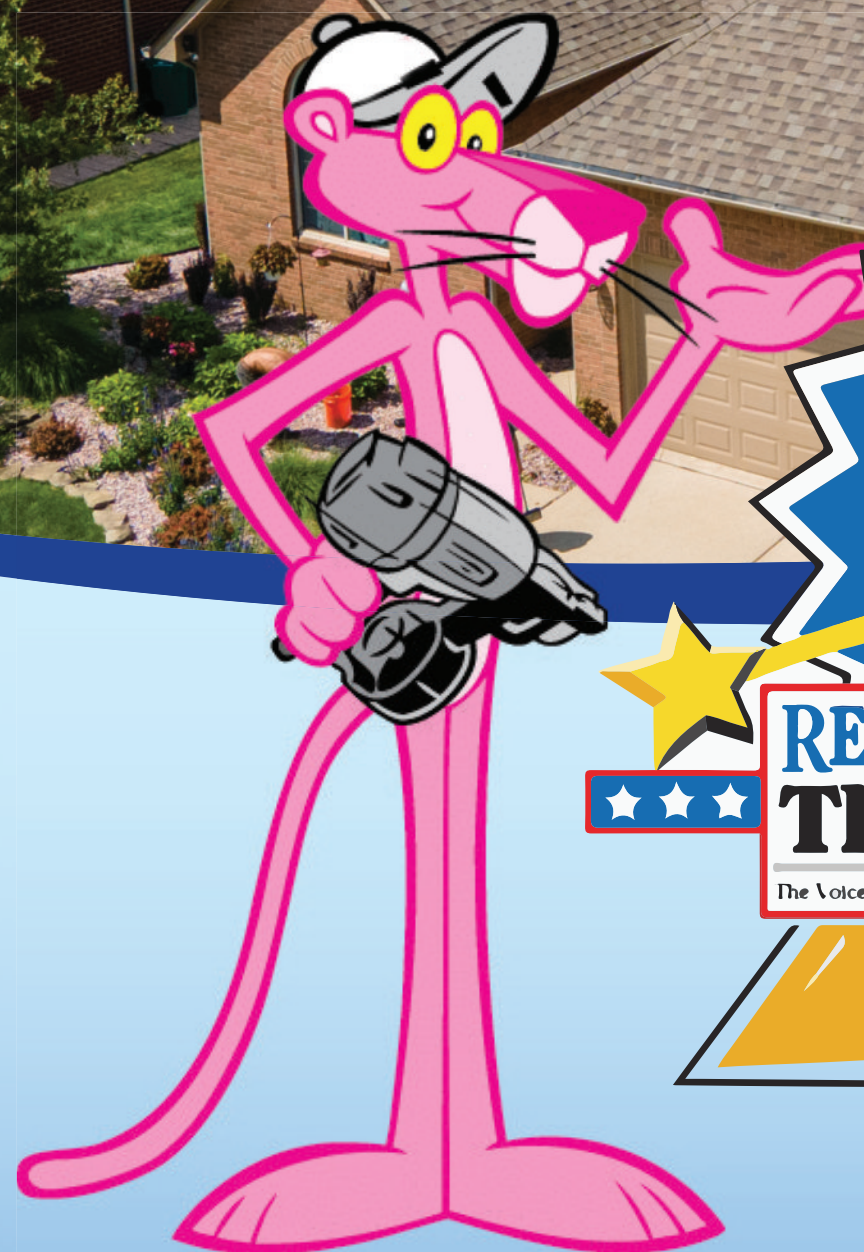


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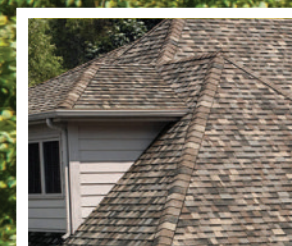


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By Jane Peterson
For Media News Group

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"We represent the needs of our clients first," said Smith Insurance Group Vice President Dan Smith. "We are honored to be named among the Best of the Best. We have very loyal clients who often refer their friends and family to us."

The advantages of an independent agent go beyond the various carriers. Independent agents also make valuable connections to a variety of insurance professionals throughout the industry and possess a wide breadth of knowledge when it comes to many different types of insurance.

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That also means watching out for clients even when their needs stay the same. Since insurance rates and policies are constantly changing, agents consistently review their client's policies to ensure that they are always getting the best price, coverage and service available.

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Today, Smith Insurance Group remains focused on its goal to be the most referred agency in the Great Lakes State. It has a new name and home in Allen Park, but remains committed to offering a wide range of insurance policies, including renters insurance, umbrella policies and flood insurance, to meet the needs of today's busy clients.

With such longevity, its roots in local neighborhoods are strong. Many of Smith Insurance Group's agents have been born and raised in the area and are now raising their own families here.

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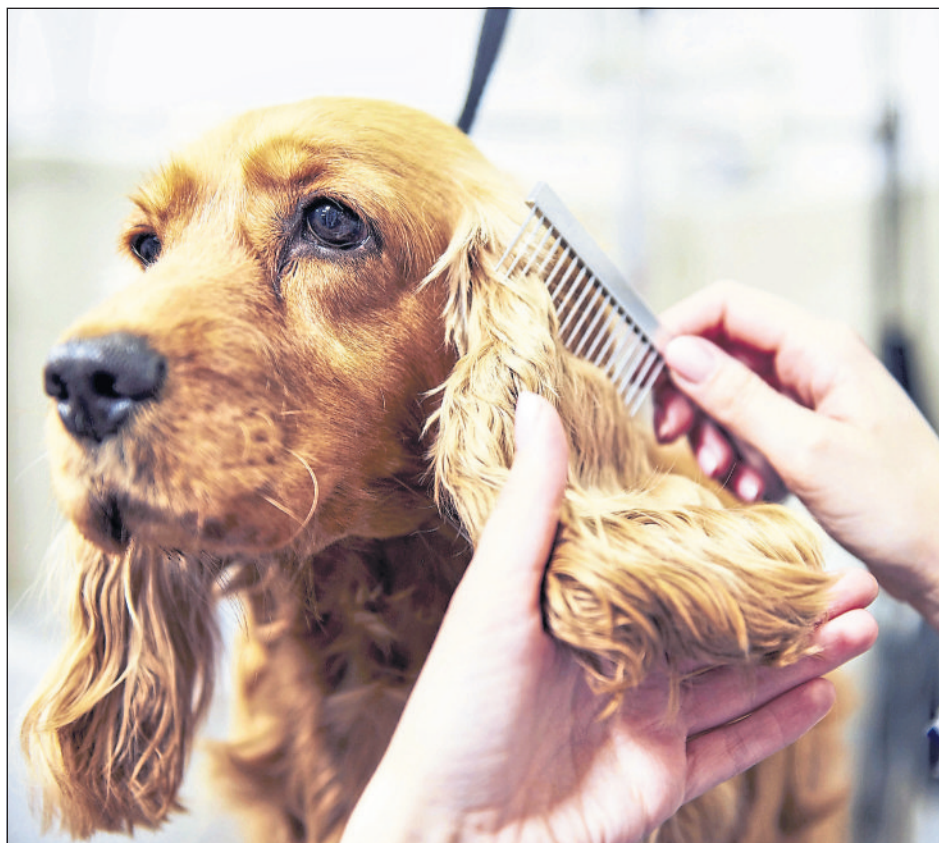


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EXPECTED FEDERAL TAX LAW CHANGES AND YOUR ESTATE PLAN

By: Morello Law Group P.C.

2021 is certain to bring significant changes to how a person's hard earned assets are taxed at death.

The result of both U.S. Senate run-off elections in Georgia being won by Democrats virtually guarantee to impact our country's tax policy, both related estate and tax planning strategies, now and for years to come.

For 2021, the federal estate tax exclusion amount (for gift, estate and generation-skipping taxes) has increased to the highest level ever of \$11.70 million per person. Married couples can transfer \$23.40 million without transfer tax liability. Portability (the ability to utilize your deceased spouse's unused exclusion amount) is preserved.

The "problem" with this increased estate tax exclusion amount is that it is scheduled to sunset at the end of 2025, and reverts to the 2017 exclusion amounts (i.e. \$5.0 million per person), indexed for inflation. It can also change as soon as early 2021, due to the Democratic party now controlling all three branches of government.

We anticipate that the estate tax exclusion may be reduced to \$5.0 million or even lower. However, it is not expected that such a change would be applied retroactively (to penalize individuals who made transfers during the time when the higher estate tax exclusion amount was in place). As such, it is imperative that any high-net-worth clients discuss available transfer tax planning strategies with their advisors and attorneys, and potentially utilize these strategies before they are diminished or disappear completely in light of potentially-upcoming tax legislation.

The COVID-19 virus also continues to persist and has introduced issues most of us never anticipated. Given the severity of the situation, a planner needs to reflect on whether all of his or her clients have completed and updated their comprehensive estate plan, in addition to having a strategy in anticipation of the tax ramifications resulting from potentially-upcoming tax legislation.

Given these significant events, among others, it appears that 2021 presents a perfect storm, creating potential planning opportunities for many of our clients, including but not limited to the following:

1. For individuals without updated estate planning documents, now is the time to either complete or update your comprehensive estate plan.
2. When was the last time you looked at the beneficiary designations for retirement plans and life insurance policies? Are they accurately conveying your wishes? Should these assets be left in a trust for your spouse and/or children? How much control should a survivor be allowed to exercise – especially if there is a blended family?
3. For individuals of high-net-worth, transfer tax planning should be done now. Many of the currently-available tax planning opportunities are likely to be diminished or disappear completely.
4. Certain stock values may have fallen dramatically. Is this the time to make gifts, outright or in trust for younger generation family members?
5. Interest rates are at record lows for our lifetime. Many planning opportunities are best utilized when interest rates are low (GRATs, IDGTs, etc.).
6. The SECURE Act of 2019 has eliminated lifetime stretch out of retirement plan benefits for most beneficiaries. The conduit trust may no longer be the best planning alternative – an accumulation trust for beneficiaries may be a better alternative.

These factors, among others, present challenges to us as planners and we owe it to our clients to make them aware of these potential issues and the planning opportunities that remain available in these uncertain and difficult times.

Are there estate planning needs or tax-savings opportunities available for you? You may want to consider addressing the challenges of 2021, as well as taking advantage of the opportunities that 2021 has presented, and the sooner the better. The challenges of 2020 and 2021 are an opportunity to address planning from a fresh perspective. There is a window of opportunity that may remain or may be closed in early 2021 never to return. The phrase "use it or lose it" may be appropriate.

Take a fresh look at your planning situations to be sure that your decisions and documents express and memorialize those decisions are up to date, and take maximum advantage of the estate planning, income tax, and business planning opportunities offered by the current tax laws before there are any changes.

We encourage you to contact us at either 734-281-6464 or 248-347-2950 at your earliest convenience so that we can discuss with you how to best address your tax and estate planning needs in these unique times. You can also visit our website at morellolawgroup.com for more information regarding our practice.

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