

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Hart Research
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RE: Poll Shows Christina Hines Leading the Democratic Primary Race in MI-10

This memo outlines findings from a mixed-mode (live phone and SMS) survey conducted among 400 likely Democratic primary election voters in MI-10. The survey fielded July 7 to 9, 2026, and has a margin of error of +/- 5.2 percentage points.

The Upshot. Christina Hines is well positioned in this race, but it remains a very fluid electorate with less than a month before the primary. She leads the initial ballot test, has the most durable coalition of support, and a clear path to growth. With so many voters undecided and just beginning to tune in, there is a significant opening for Hines to introduce herself to voters and expand her share of the electorate. Her strongest messages connect her record as a prosecutor and advocate for vulnerable people with the broader fight against corporate special interests and rising costs.

1. Christina Hines starts the race in the strongest position, holding a 23-point lead in the three-way contest.

- In the initial trial heat, Hines wins the largest share of primary voters at 42%, followed by Chung at 19% and Greimel at 16%, with 23% undecided.
- Hines leads across every demographic and among both strong and soft Democrats, running strongest with women (43%), voters over age 60 (48%), and college grads without postgrad degrees (53%).
- Hines' support is also firmer than her opponents': 46% of her voters strongly support her compared to 39% for Greimel and 38% for Chung.

2. This is still a very dynamic race, with most voters just starting to tune in, and Hines is best positioned to benefit.

- Only 33% of likely primary voters say they know a lot about the candidates at this point.
- Hines is the best known and best liked candidate of the three: 59% of voters know enough to offer an opinion of her, and 52% are favorable. That compares to 55% name ID and 48% favorable for Chung, an 48% name ID and 40% favorable for Greimel.
- Two thirds of the primary electorate is still persuadable, including undecideds and those only softly supporting to a candidate. Persuadable voters are distributed across the electorate but completely undecided are most concentrated among men under age 50

(31%, the highest of any subgroup), voters of color (28%), and women without college degrees (26%).

3. Basic introductions to the three candidates move Hines to nearly 50% support.

- After hearing short bios for each of the candidates, Hines' vote share grows to 49%, followed by Chung at 26% and Greimel at 19%.

Christina Hines is a career prosecutor specializing in sexual assault cases of children and abuse, serving as chief of the Special Victims Unit. She is a working mom of three young children.

Tim Greimel served for the past four years as mayor of Pontiac. He previously served in the Michigan legislature, including four years as Democratic leader of the Michigan House of Representatives.

Eric Chung was a senior lawyer for the U.S. Department of Commerce, focusing on implementation of the CHIPS and Science Act. He is the child of an autoworker and immigrants who escaped from Vietnam.

- Hines gains the most with women (+10: 43% initial to 53% post-bio), especially women without college degrees (+16 points to 50% post-bio), women under age 50 (+13 points to 53% post-bio).
- Chung's biography resonates with men, improving his standing from 20% to 32%. Even so, Hines (at 42%) keeps her lead overall with men after bios.
- Hines supporters are also the most loyal: she retains 91% of her initial voters after hearing the three bios, compared to 78% for Chung and 72% for Greimel.