

# THE VILLAGE OF SEBEWAING RECREATION PLAN UPDATE 2018



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# PROJECT SCOPE

The purpose of this project is to update the Village of Sebewaing Master Plan, focusing on recreation. The vision for this plan is to incorporate a kayak presence and walking path into attainable goals, evaluate current kayak and walking trends, analyze data for feasibility, identify the best potential site(s), and formulate strategies to create a more navigable community for residents and visitors.

# GOALS

**Goal 1:** Provide safe community-based recreation opportunities that improve the overall quality of life for all residents in the Village of Sebewaing

**Goal 2:** Preserve and enhance the natural features and environment of the Village of Sebewaing through means of sustainable implementation methods.

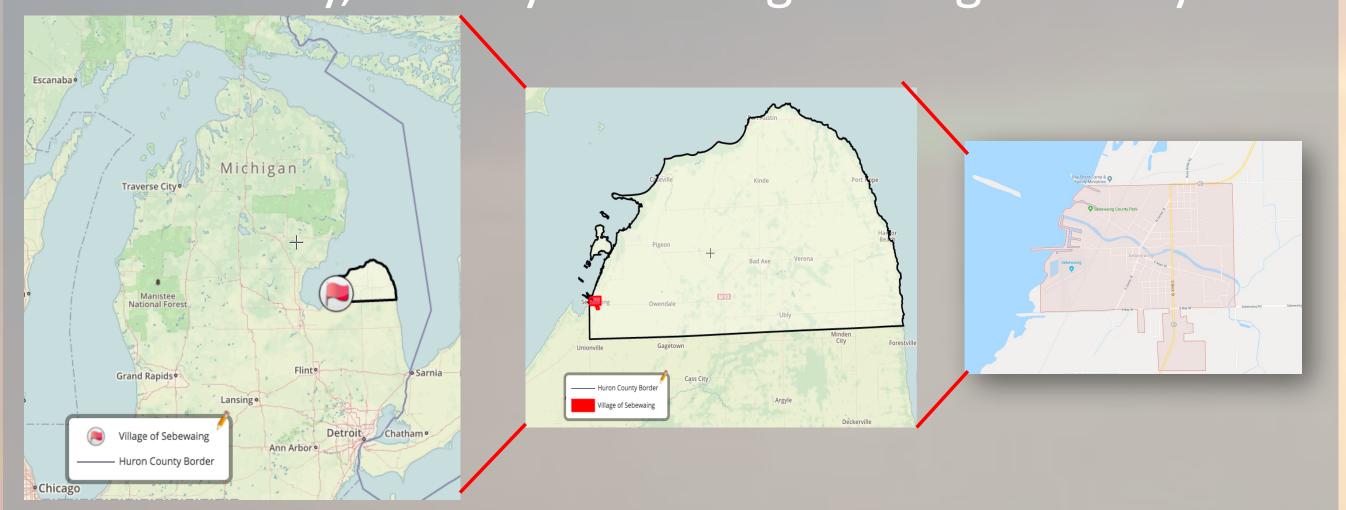
**Goal 3:** Promote walkability between recreational opportunities in the Village of Sebewaing

**Goal 4**: Attract and enhance opportunities for recreation-based tourism in Sebewaing

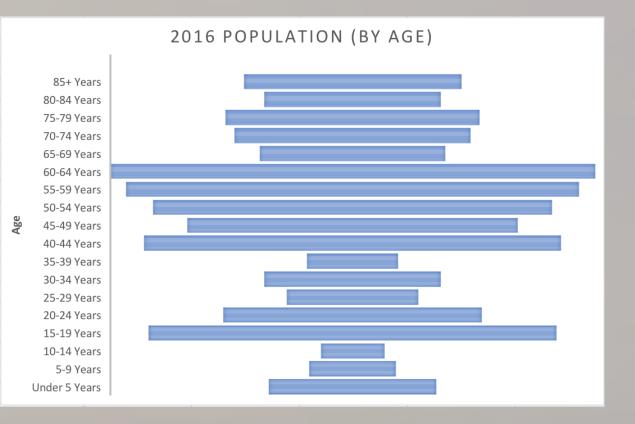


# COMMUNITY OVERVIEW

Sebewaing, Michigan, is a small village located within Huron County, directly bordering the Saginaw Bay.



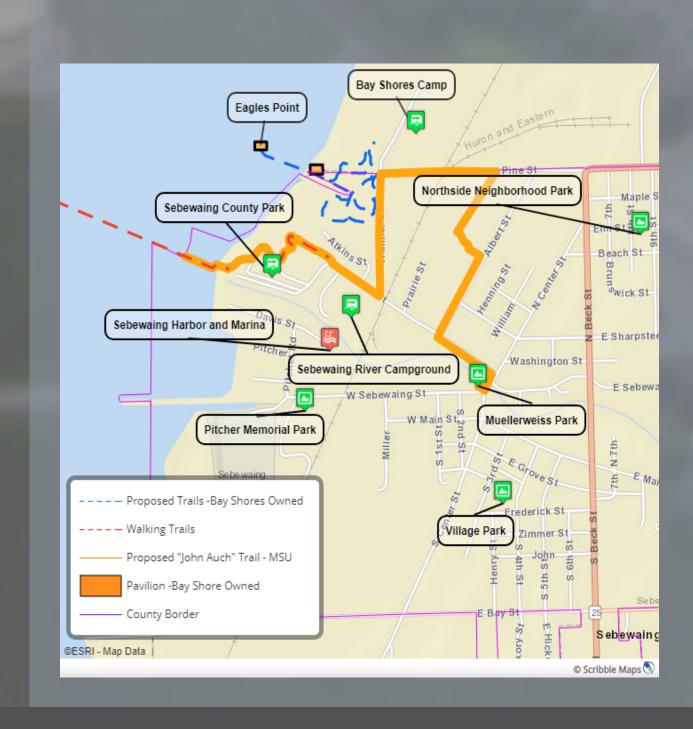
According to the U.S. Census Data from 2016, Sebewaing has a population of 1,610 and a median age of 51.8 years. Therefore, there is a trend to appeal to a middle-aged demographic, and an urge to attract visitors.

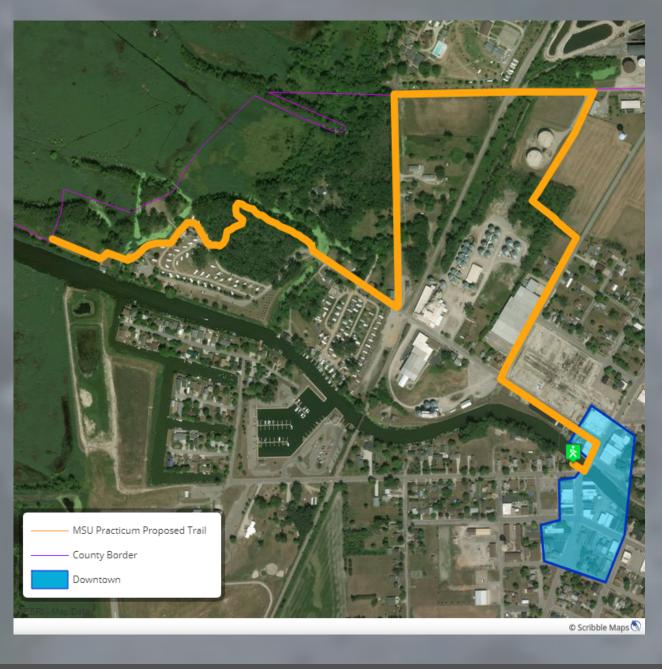


### RECOMMENDATIONS

## Proposed "John Auch" Walking Trail:

This proposed walking trail, of approximately 1.85 miles, extends from the center of the downtown area to the bayside edge of Sebewaing County Park. The intention is that visitors can familiarize themselves with this trail, and the natural amenities accessible by the many access points of the trail, and two trail heads. Either gravel or asphalt will be used for construction of these trails, and all areas will be non-motorized and ADA compliant.





#### Proposed Kayak Launches:

Currently, the only official kayak launch in the Village is also the large boat launch at the Sebewaing Harbor and Marina. Village stakeholders have stated that there is a safety issue regarding large boats and small boats occupying the same area. There have been three sites determined that are ideal for kayak launches in the village. A Standard Duty Aluminum kayak launch was chosen, and will be installed with ADA requirements.

