

U.S. House, District 10

Open seat (John James running for governor). Republican Michael Bouchard faces Democrat Christina Hines.

Michael Bouchard

REPUBLICAN · OPEN SEAT

Army captain who served in the 82nd and 101st Airborne divisions and the Michigan Army National Guard; Bronze Star recipient.

Christina Hines

DEMOCRAT · OPEN SEAT

Former assistant prosecutor in Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

Where the candidates stand on the issues Pope Leo XIV has raised, in their own words and votes. Bracketed numbers link to sources. We do not rate, score, or endorse candidates.

WAR & PEACE

POPE LEO XIV *Leo invited citizens of every country involved in the war with Iran to contact their leaders and members of Congress “to work for peace and to reject war and violence.”* [Remarks at Castel Gandolfo, Apr. 7, 2026](#) (Vatican News via [The Good Newsroom](#))

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

Says “peace through strength isn’t just a slogan to me”; on the current war, said “People want the war to end.”

[1] CBS Detroit: Bouchard announces candidacy
[2] Fox 11 / Sinclair: Bouchard interview (Oct. 2026)

CHRISTINA HINES

No public position found.

AI & THE DIGNITY OF WORK

POPE LEO XIV *“No one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data.”* [Magnifica Humanitas presentation, May 25, 2026](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

Supports Trump’s efforts to “protect Michigan manufacturing,” bringing manufacturing jobs home and cutting regulations on small businesses. No specific AI or labor policy found.

[1] Bouchard campaign: [Where Mike Stands](#)

CHRISTINA HINES

Supports the PRO Act to make it easier to form unions, a higher federal minimum wage and expanded paid family leave. No specific AI policy found.

[1] Branch: [Christina Hines profile](#)

THE POOR & THE SAFETY NET

POPE LEO XIV *The preferential choice for the poor is “a source of extraordinary renewal both for the Church and for society.”* [Dilexi Te, Oct. 4, 2025](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

On health care, supports hospital price transparency and most-favored-nation drug pricing; blames housing costs on “overburdensome regulation.”

[1] Fox 11 / Sinclair: Bouchard interview (Oct. 2026)

CHRISTINA HINES

Calls health care “a human right”; would cap premiums and out-of-pocket costs, expand the ACA, Medicare and Medicaid, and criticizes federal Medicaid cuts.

[1] Hines campaign: [health care plan](#)

LIFE OF THE UNBORN

POPE LEO XIV *Abortion “cuts short a growing life and refuses to welcome the gift of life.”* [Address to the Diplomatic Corps, Jan. 9, 2026](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

No public position found.

CHRISTINA HINES

Says she wants to protect reproductive freedom.

[1] Michigan Public: [MI-10 race](#) (Sept. 2026)

THE DEATH PENALTY

POPE LEO XIV *Someone who opposes abortion but favors the death penalty “is not really pro-life.”* [AP via PBS NewsHour, Sept. 30, 2025](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

No public position found.

CHRISTINA HINES

No public position found.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

POPE LEO XIV *“Defending human life also includes welcoming, protecting and assisting immigrants.”* [Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

Supports finishing the border wall, restoring “Remain in Mexico,” ending catch-and-release and deporting “criminal illegals.”

[\[1\] Bouchard campaign: Where Mike Stands](#)

CHRISTINA HINES

Supports increased border security while pledging to “push back against Department of Homeland Security policies that destabilize families or target communities unfairly.”

[\[1\] Branch: Christina Hines profile](#)

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & EDUCATION

POPE LEO XIV *Religious freedom is “the right of every person to worship according to conscience.”* [Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

Supports increasing parental choice in education and would back a Parents’ Bill of Rights.

[\[1\] Michigan Public: MI-10 race \(Sept. 2026\)](#)

[\[2\] Bouchard campaign: Where Mike Stands](#)

CHRISTINA HINES

No public position found.

CARE FOR CREATION

POPE LEO XIV *“We cannot love God, whom we cannot see, while despising his creatures.”* [AP, Oct. 1, 2025](#)

MICHAEL BOUCHARD

Prioritizes “energy independence” through more domestic production and refining, and opposes a rapid shift away from gas-powered vehicles.

[\[1\] Fox 11 / Sinclair: Bouchard interview \(Oct. 2026\)](#)

CHRISTINA HINES

Backs Great Lakes Restoration Initiative funding, PFAS regulation, a 10-year nationwide lead-pipe replacement deadline, and clean-energy incentives like the Inflation Reduction Act.

[\[1\] Hines campaign: water plan](#)

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