



CONGRESSWOMAN BRENDA L. LAWRENCE OF MICHIGAN'S 14TH DISTRICT

Congresswoman Brenda L. Lawrence has lived in Michigan's 14th Congressional District, which includes a portion of Detroit as well the City of Southfield and 16 other cities located in Oakland and Wayne counties, her entire life. She was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in November of 2014, where she serves as a Senior Whip and is a ranking member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, where she also serves on the Interior Subcommittee, as well as the House Committee on Small Business, where she also serves on the Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy, and Trade and the Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce.

Born and raised in Detroit, Congresswoman Lawrence is a product of Michigan's public school system. She is an alumna of Pershing High School and earned her bachelor's degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University. Before she began her career in public service, the Congresswoman had a notable career with the U.S. Postal Service.

She was elected Mayor of the City of Southfield in November of 2001 and became the first African American and the first woman to serve in that post. She previously served on the Southfield City Council, where she was elected President in 1999. She has also served on the Southfield Public School Board of Education as President, Vice President, and Secretary.

She and her husband, McArthur Lawrence, are the proud parents of Michael and Michelle. They also adore their granddaughter, Asya.