



The *ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation (MAMH)* wants to encourage candidacy in the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, municipal elections. Therefore, several tools have been created to inform citizens and encourage them to think about a possible involvement in municipal politics. This content is particularly interesting for people who are already involved in their communities and who care about the development of their community.

### [Municipal elections 2021 - From volunteerism to municipal politics](#)

The next municipal elections are fast approaching! On November 7<sup>th</sup>, more than 8,000 positions will be up for election in Quebec. In the last municipal elections of 2017, 56.3% of the positions (councillor, mayor) were filled without opposition. Yet, citizen participation is essential to ensure the health of municipal democratic life!

The *ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation (MAMH)* would like to invite everyone who is already involved in their community to consider the possibility of taking the leap into municipal politics. Municipal volunteers, in particular, often have qualities and skills that are very important to elected officials, such as knowledge of local issues, the ability to listen and a desire to work for the community.

If you want to put your skills to even greater use in your municipality, represent the interests of the public and participate in the decision-making process, you probably have what it takes to apply.

Think about it! Municipalities are truly local governments. They offer a very attractive environment for people who want to get involved. Don't hesitate to find out more on the subject.

### **I take action!**

There are several sources of information that may be useful to you if you are thinking of applying for an elected official position. Here are some of them:

#### **- Guides and publications**

At <https://jemepresente.gouv.qc.ca/>, you will find, among other documentation, publications on the role of elected officials and municipal organization in Quebec. The *Guide d'accueil et de référence pour les élus et les élus municipaux* can be an excellent starting point!

**- MAMH regional branches**

The MAMH can provide support through its regional branches. To contact them, call the dedicated line for potential candidates: **1-844-844-8466**. You can also attend one of the « Je me présente aux élections municipales 2021 » information sessions.

**- The president of election for your municipality**

This person can answer your questions about the declaration of candidacy and election procedures, among other things. Contact information is available through your municipality.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact: [communications@mamh.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:communications@mamh.gouv.qc.ca)

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