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Dear Chief Administrative Officers, Corporate Officers, and Chief Election Officers:

On behalf of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs (Ministry), I am pleased to share that our **2022 general local elections** education materials are now available online. Please visit www.gov.bc.ca/localelections for useful information about local elections and to download electronic versions of the guides, brochures, and video content (a list of all the materials can be found in the Appendix). Printed copies of select materials will also be sent in July for your reference and general public use.

This year, the Ministry has created a new video series about being an effective elected official and responsible conduct. We hope that the series will support election officials as part of orientation sessions and packages for potential candidates. The videos can be found online here.

Another new resource is the <u>Voters Guide for Electors Living on Reserve</u>. This guide is intended to provide additional information, and understanding, about voter eligibility for general local elections and answer Frequently Asked Questions.

If you have any further questions about municipal or regional district election administration, please contact the Ministry's Governance and Structure Branch. You can reach the Governance and Structure Branch by phone or email at: 250-387-4020 or LGGovernance@gov.bc.ca.

For answers to questions about elector organization registration, election advertising, third party sponsors or campaign financing please contact Elections BC. You can reach Elections BC by phone or email at: 250-387-5305 or elections.bc.ca. Elections BC also has resources available online at: http://elections.bc.ca/lecf.

*Please note: the **deadline for Elector Organizations to register** with Elections BC for the 2022 general local elections is **August 2, 2022**.

Sincerely,

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<u>APPENDIX</u>: 2022 General Local Election Resources – Ministry of Municipal Affairs

Webpages

- General local elections (main "hub" webpage)
- Responsible conduct (webpage about the responsible conduct framework and key resources)

Videos

- Being an effective elected official (*NEW video series featuring a panel of elected officials)
- The basics of general local elections (animated series providing an overview about local elections)
- The role of local elected officials (video series for those considering running for local office)

Guides

• <u>Candidate's Guide to Local Elections</u> (guide for candidates about elected office and the election process including rules, qualifications, and key dates)

Brochures

- General Local Elections 101 (information about the election process and participants)
- Thinking About Running for Local Office? (information for candidates about elected office)
- What Every Candidate Needs to Know (overview for candidates about how to run for office)
- Supporting a Candidate for Local Elections (ways and rules for supporting a candidate)
- <u>Scrutineers Guide to General Local Elections</u> (*NEW brochure for those volunteering as scrutineers)
- Voter's Guide for Electors Living on Reserve (*NEW brochure for those voters living on Reserve)
- Elector Organization Guide to Local Elections (overview of elector organizations in local elections)
- Voter's Guide to Local Elections in B.C. (overview for voters about local elections and eligibility)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections Chinese Traditional (translated brochure)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections Chinese Simplified (translated brochure)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections Farsi (translated brochure)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections French (translated brochure)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections Korean (translated brochure)
 - Voter's Guide to Local Elections Punjabi (translated brochure)