

MY COUNTY *My* VOTE

MONDAY, OCT. 18

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Strathcona County **Democracy in action**

Strathcona County's next general municipal election will take place on October 18.

Residents are encouraged to get involved in the democratic process and take part in shaping the County's future.



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How can I get involved in our local democracy?

For any democracy to function, it needs active participants! There are many ways to participate, and some of those opportunities last well beyond Election Day:

- VOTE!
- Run for an elected position to serve a four-year term as a Ward Councillor or as Mayor
- Apply to be an election worker during the Advance Vote period or on Election Day
- Volunteer with or donate to a candidate's campaign
- Attend or participate in a council meeting
- Volunteer for a board or committee

What is a municipality responsible for?

Local government is the order of government closest to the people. Some of the areas Strathcona County is responsible for as a municipality are:

- Economic development
- Emergency services, policing and bylaw enforcement
- Family and community services
- Infrastructure (facilities, roads, bridges, utilities)
- Parks, recreation and culture
- Planning development, zoning and permitting
- Property assessment and tax
- Transit



What are our Mayor and Councillors responsible for?

The people we elect to represent us make important decisions on our behalf. Council decides how your property tax dollars are spent, service levels and how our community develops.

Responsibilities of Council are to:

- Consider and promote the welfare and interests of the County
- Develop and evaluate County policies and programs
- Promote an integrated and strategic approach to intermunicipal land use planning and service delivery with neighbouring municipalities
- Participate in council and committee meetings
- Adhere to the Council Code of Conduct Bylaw
- Respond to and address the concerns of County residents

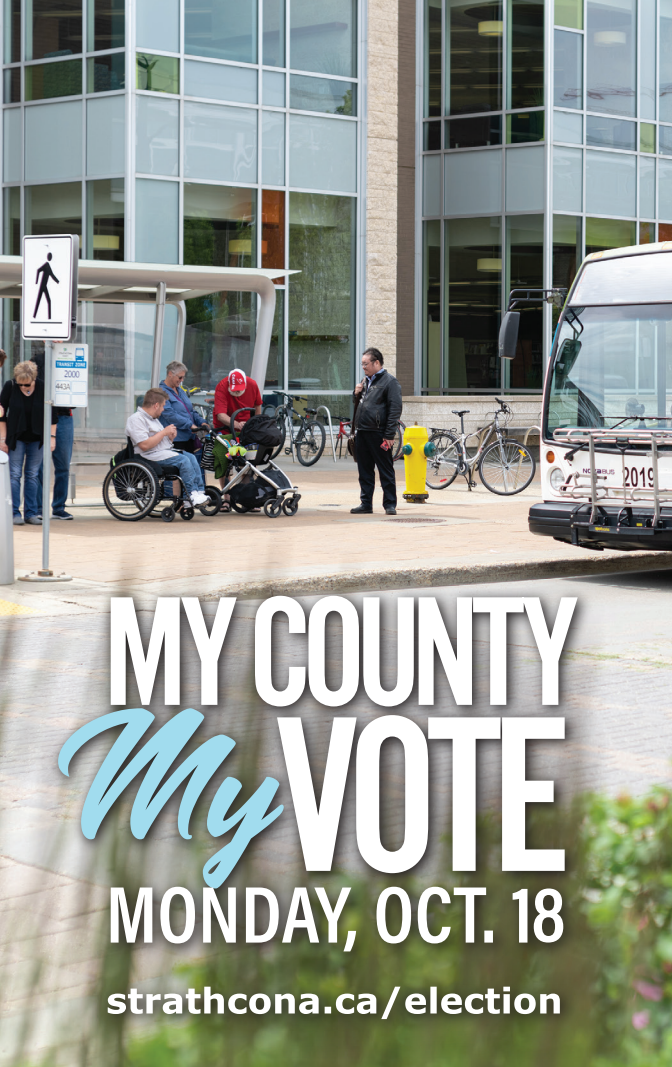
Can I run for office?

Yes! If you are:

- A Canadian citizen
- 18 years of age or older
- Have lived in Strathcona County - for Mayor, and in the Ward - for Councillor, for at least six months before Nomination Day

How do I run?

- Prospective candidates can file their nomination form and deposit between January 1, 2021 and 12 noon on September 20, 2021.
- The 2021 Election Nomination Guide provides candidate information about running for Mayor and Council. Please visit **strathcona.ca/election**.



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