

LOCAL ELECTIONS FACT SHEET

Local governments make decisions that directly affect our local communities. They are accountable to you and your neighbors.

They Make Decisions About

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| Public transit  | School Quality  | Affordable housing  | Public health  |
| Policing and public safety  | Sanitation  | Water quality  | Economic development and job training programs  |
| Planning and zoning  | Libraries  | How millions of local tax dollars are spent  | Election administration  |

Why vote in local elections?

Local officials are supposed to represent the community, but if only a fraction of voters vote them in, then only a small part of the community's interests are represented. When more voters cast their votes, the people who are elected are more reflective of the community. This means that they are likely to be more responsive.

Which local offices are elected?

Which local offices are elected varies by municipality. However, they can include:

- Mayor
- City Council
- School Board
- City Clerk
- City Treasurer
- Municipal Judge
- Coroner
- Sanitation Commissioner





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