

Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform

Final Report 2024

Appendix C:

Selection Letter from the Yukon Bureau of Statistics

[Date]

[RECIPIENT'S NAME]
[RECIPIENT'S ADDRESS]
[CITY, PROVINCE, POSTAL CODE]

Subject: Confirmation of Eligibility for the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform

Dear [RECIPIENT'S NAME],

According to our records, you have indicated your interest in serving as a member of the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform. This letter is an invitation to confirm your eligibility and availability to participate in the assembly.

Established by the Yukon Legislature, the Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform has been tasked with considering whether the territory should retain its current electoral system or adopt a different system like those used in many different jurisdictions throughout the world. As a member of the Citizens' Assembly, you will learn about different electoral systems, consider their advantages and disadvantages, and work together to recommend an option best able to meet the needs of Yukon residents.

Membership on the Assembly is open to Yukoners 16 and over who completed the survey through Yukon Bureau of Statistics between January-March 2023 and who meet specific criteria (see the attached form). From the pool of applicants, up to two members of each electoral district will be selected to form a broadly representative group of 38 members.

You do not need to be a political expert to participate; it is your perspective as a Yukoner that matters most. This is an opportunity to think deeply about how we govern ourselves and what we want from our political system. As a member of the Citizens' Assembly, you will work to consider and represent the views of all Yukoners – not only your personal interests.

The Citizens' Assembly will meet over five weekends and will table a report in the Yukon Legislative Assembly by October 31, 2024. The working language of the Citizens' Assembly is English. The tentative schedule for meetings will be May 25-26, June 8-9, August 24-25, and September 7. This schedule will be confirmed once the Assembly is selected. Members will receive an honorarium, and those traveling to meetings from outside of Whitehorse will be compensated for their travel costs. Please consider travel time in your availability. We will work to offset childcare and eldercare expenses and address any other accessibility barrier that would prevent you from participating.

To confirm your eligibility and willingness to volunteer, please fill out the form

[FOR EMAIL] by clicking the link below before [CONFIRMATION DEADLINE]

[UNIQUE LINK TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR EMAIL INVITATION]

[FOR LETTER INVITATION] attached to this letter and send it to the Yukon Bureau of Statistics using the prepaid envelope by [CONFIRMATION DEADLINE].

Your participation is not guaranteed. If you volunteer, your name will be entered into a blind draw from among the pool of eligible volunteers. This draw will be conducted in a way that ensures that the Citizens' Assembly represents all Yukoners, and ensures a good geographic and demographic balance of residents.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Sara McPhee-Knowles, Chair of the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform, at chair@yukoncitizensassembly.ca.

Thank you for your willingness to contribute to the Yukon's democratic process.

Sincerely,

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Confirmation of Eligibility and Willingness to Participate in the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform

[RECIPIENT'S NAME]

[RECIPIENT'S ADDRESS]

[CITY, PROVINCE, POSTAL CODE]

1. Please confirm your willingness to participate by selecting the appropriate option below:
 - I am willing to participate in the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform.
 - I am not willing or able to participate in the Yukon Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform.

2. Please confirm that you meet the specified eligibility criteria by checking all the boxes that apply to you:
 - I am a Canadian citizen.
 - I am a Yukon resident.
 - I am not a judge, justice, or court referee.
 - I am not a member or officer of the Parliament of Canada or of the Privy Council of Canada.
 - I am not a member or officer of the Yukon Legislature or of the Yukon Executive Council.
 - I have not been a candidate in the last two federal or Yukon territorial elections.
 - I am not an official representative or agent of a candidate in the last two federal or territorial elections.
 - I am not an immediate family member of a sitting Member of the Yukon Legislative Assembly.
 - I am not a current officer or official representative of a registered political party in the Yukon.

3. Please confirm your current residential address by selecting the appropriate option below:
 - I confirm that I currently reside at the address noted at the top left of the page.
 - I currently reside at a different address, which is provided below:

Signature: _____

Date: _____