

Questions to Ask Municipal Candidates

Below are four possible questions to ask of Municipal Candidates in person at candidate forums, when knocking on your door, at events, etc. You may also choose to email each candidate asking for their written response. We encourage you to share the responses with your networks and possibly through social media; even a candidate's non-response is worth noting.

1. Several Alberta municipalities have made a commitment to employ individuals with developmental disabilities and have acted on that commitment. How will you ensure your municipality becomes an inclusive employer of individuals with developmental disabilities or expands its existing commitment?
2. Children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families want to be included in all aspects of community life and not restricted to programs only for people with disabilities. How will you ensure the recreation, leisure and cultural programs offered to all members of your municipality are equally welcoming and inclusive of children and adults with developmental disabilities?
3. The lack of accessible and available transportation is a major challenge, limiting individuals with disabilities from fully participating in all aspects of community life. What actions will you be taking to improve the availability of accessible and inclusive public transportation for individuals with disabilities?
4. Across Alberta and Canada there is increased interest in affordable and accessible housing for individuals with disabilities. We are also interested in inclusive housing across neighbourhoods and communities, in contrast to congregate social housing. Would you be willing to work with families and community organizations to create municipal policies and practices that support affordable, accessible and inclusive housing?