

# CANDIDATE INFORMATION GUIDE



**"BE A VOICE IN YOUR COMMUNITY"**



### WHO CAN RUN TO REPRESENT THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD?

You can if you: live, work, rent or own property, attend school, worship, volunteer, or participate in an organization that meets in and/or serves that neighborhood.

Each neighborhood has unique board seats designed to represent its diversity. During a Neighborhood Council election year, go to [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections) to see a list of available board seats for election.

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This voter guide is part of the City of Los Angeles, Office of the City Clerk's "L.A. City Votes!" Voter Outreach and Education Campaign. The campaign seeks to increase electoral participation and awareness of municipal elections among eligible voters in Los Angeles.

For 2019 Neighborhood Council candidate filing and election dates, visit [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections)

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## FINDING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



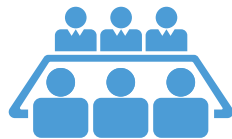
Go to: [neighborhoodinfo.lacity.org](http://neighborhoodinfo.lacity.org)



Enter your address to determine which Neighborhood Council you're located.



To learn more about the Neighborhood Councils and find out about their meetings, visit the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment website: [empowerla.org/councils/](http://empowerla.org/councils/)

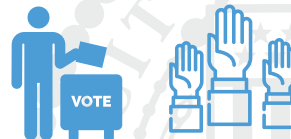


## WHAT ARE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS?

Neighborhood Councils are City-certified local groups made up of people who live, work, own property or have some other connection to a neighborhood. Neighborhood Council Board Members are elected or selected to their positions by the people in the respective neighborhoods themselves.

Neighborhood Councils hold regular meetings where board members and stakeholders review various topics and address those which affect their neighborhood. Your Neighborhood Council's structure is defined by your community's input.

Reference: [EmpowerLA.org](http://EmpowerLA.org)



## WHO VOTES IN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS?

Stakeholders/members of the community vote. Voters may include those who live, work, own property, or rent in the neighborhood. Neighborhood Councils have unique board seats such as youth, seniors, nonprofits, business owners, etc., on which to vote.



## WHY PARTICIPATE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL?

- To be a community advocate.
- To work with other community members to make a difference.
- To give a voice to neighborhood concerns.

*Connect to City Hall: have a say in City budgets and what happens in your neighborhood.*



## HOW TO BECOME A NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CANDIDATE

Neighborhood Council elections occur on **odd numbered years**. Visit the Election Division website: [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections) to determine when the next candidate filing period for a specific Neighborhood Council will begin. On the site you will also find instructions on how to become a candidate and the specific requirements for the different board seats in your Neighborhood Council. You can subscribe to receive Neighborhood Council related updates.

**FOR MORE DETAILS  
ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS,  
visit [empowerla.org](http://empowerla.org)**