

# Political Party Newsletter



## May 2024

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### Elections BC Event Readiness Update

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Well into spring, Elections BC headquarters and field staff are busy finalizing plans for the upcoming enumeration and provincial general election.

The electoral boundaries redistribution work has now concluded. All new electoral district boundaries and names have been entered into Elections BC systems. Our public awareness campaign regarding the new boundaries has also wrapped up and we were pleased to see public awareness of the new boundaries almost double, going from 31% to 58%.

Enumeration activities begin in August with the mailing of over 2.1 million voter registration notices to every residence in B.C. In September, District Electoral Officers will kick off field enumeration activities, focusing on groups with historically low participation rates and organization registration events in high-traffic areas. More information about planned field enumeration activities will be published on the Elections BC website in May.

To improve engagement and voter registration in Indigenous communities, Elections BC has created an Indigenous Community Liaison position. To date, over 50 communities have expressed interest in working with a liaison, selected with the input of community leadership, and in most cases hired from within the community itself.

At headquarters, the Elections BC team is busy finalizing lessons learned from testing and simulations to ensure our processes are as streamlined as possible.

**Your input is requested:** Elections BC would like to hear from political parties regarding the timing of the provision of voting area to voting place assignments. Planned voting place locations will be published to the Elections BC website on May 31, 2024. Please provide any feedback to [correspondence@elections.bc.ca](mailto:correspondence@elections.bc.ca) .

## Electoral Finance Training Opportunities

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In advance of 2024 Provincial Election, the Electoral Finance Team has scheduled a series of in-person and virtual information sessions for candidates and parties.

### Candidate Nomination Process (CNAS) for the 2024 Provincial General Election Information Session

- Thursday, May 2 (Virtual Zoom) – Registration: [Information Session on Candidate Nominations | Elections BC](#)

This information session is focused on the nomination process only, please see information below regarding financing and advertising rules.

### Candidate and Party Financing and Advertising Rules for the 2024 Provincial General Election Information Sessions

These sessions will focus on the campaign financing and election advertising requirements for candidates and parties as defined in the *Election Act*.

- **Chilliwack:** Wednesday, July 10
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/VBGYpl2>
- **Surrey:** Thursday, July 11
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/pol1SLJ>
- **Victoria:** Saturday, July 13
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/3p0Ltwk>
- **Vancouver:** Wednesday, July 17
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/2DY9xzv>
- **Kelowna:** Saturday, July 20
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/GjNsnFf>
- **Virtual (Zoom):** Tuesday, August 20
  - Registration: <https://activitymessenger.com/p/Y7gqYpg>

The Electoral Finance team is available to attend political party events or meetings to provide training specific to smaller groups, such as financial agents. Please email [electoral.finance@elections.bc.ca](mailto:electoral.finance@elections.bc.ca) to request Elections BC attendance at your event.

# Foreign Influence Report

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Elections BC is finalizing the next recommendations for legislative change report. The area of focus of this report is foreign influence and interference, as an area important to democracy and Elections BC's mandate.

This report will be tabled with the Legislative Assembly in mid-May and posted publicly once available.

## Publications and Updates

[Guide for Candidate and Political Party Representatives](#): This guide explains the role of candidate representatives and political party representatives for the 2024 Provincial General Election.

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If you have any questions or have suggestions for how we can share information with political participants, please email [correspondence@elections.bc.ca](mailto:correspondence@elections.bc.ca).

