

By-Election November 4, 2024

Councillor Ward 15, Don Valley West



Apply to Vote by Mail

Submit your application to vote by mail from September to October 10 at www.toronto.ca/VoteByMail.

Check the Voters' List

Starting September 20, check that you're on the voters' list, find where to vote and review the list of candidates at www.toronto.ca/MyVote.

Key Dates

September 20

- First day to apply for **Mail-in Voting**.
- First day to add, change or update information on the **Voters' List**.
- First day to request a **Proxy Form** and make an appointment to have it certified by emailing VoterRegistration@toronto.ca. Call 311 for information.

October 10

- Deadline to apply for **Mail-in Voting**, by 4:30 p.m.
- Deadline to add, change or update the **Voters' List** at www.toronto.ca/MyVote, by 4:30 p.m.

October 17

- **Voter Information Cards (VICs)** are mailed to eligible voters.

Only eligible voters who are on the voters' list by October 10 will be sent a VIC in the mail. If you are on the voters' list and do not receive a VIC in the mail, access your VIC at toronto.ca/MyVote. You don't need a VIC to vote.

October 26 and 27

- Two days of **Advance Voting** from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Advance vote locations: **Bob Rumball Centre** and **Jenner Jean-Marie Community Centre**.

October 28

- Completed **Mail-in Voting** packages must be received by noon (12 p.m.).

Monday, November 4 is Election Day

- Vote from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., at your assigned voting place.
- Find out where to vote at www.toronto.ca/MyVote.

Voting Options

In Person

Vote in person on any of the available voting days:

- Vote early during the advance voting weekend on October 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Vote at either: Bob Rumball Centre, 2395 Bayview Ave., **OR** Jenner Jean-Marie Community Centre, 48 Thorncliffe Park Dr.
- Vote on election day, November 4, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. You must vote at your assigned voting place on election day.

Find advance vote and election day voting place details at www.toronto.ca/MyVote or on your Voter Information Card.

By Mail

To vote by mail, follow the steps below and apply starting September 20.

Step 1: Apply Online

Visit www.toronto.ca/VoteByMail to apply from September 20 to October 10 at 4:30 p.m.

Step 2: Complete Your Package

Once your application is processed, starting October 4 you will be sent a Mail-in Voting package to complete.

- Sign the declaration form
- Mark the ballot
- Insert the sealed secrecy envelope into the yellow return envelope

Step 3: Mail Your Package

- Completed packages must be **received by noon (12 p.m.) on October 28**.
- Take your completed package to any Canada Post mailbox or hand deliver it to one of the yellow Toronto Elections drop boxes.
- Two yellow drop boxes will be available starting October 21 at:
Bob Rumball Centre, 2395 Bayview Ave.

OR

Jenner Jean-Marie Community Centre, 48 Thorncliffe Park Dr.

Learn more at www.toronto.ca/VoteByMail.

By Proxy

If you are not able to vote in person or by mail, you may appoint a voting proxy. A proxy is someone who you trust to vote on your behalf and is an eligible voter in the city of Toronto. Complete a Voting Proxy Appointment Form, signed by you and your proxy, and have it certified by the City Clerk before November 4 at 4:30 p.m.

Starting September 20, email VoterRegistration@toronto.ca to request a Proxy form and make an appointment to have it certified. Alternatively, you can visit City Hall or North York Civic Centre Monday to Friday during regular business hours.

Visit www.toronto.ca/ByElection or call 311 to learn more about proxy voting.

Who Can Vote

To vote in the 2024 By-election for Councillor Ward 15, Don Valley West, you must be:

- a Canadian citizen; and
- at least 18 years old; and
- a resident in Ward 15, Don Valley West; or
- a non-resident of the city of Toronto, but you or your spouse own or rent property in Ward 15, Don Valley West; and
- not prohibited from voting under any law.

You may only vote once regardless of how many properties you own or rent within Ward 15.

A resident of Toronto must vote in the ward where they live, not the ward(s) where they own or rent additional property.

Students Living Away from Toronto for School

If you are a Toronto resident of Ward 15, Don Valley West, but are studying in another Ontario municipality, you are eligible to vote in this by-election.

Learn more at www.toronto.ca/ByElection.

Get on the Voters' List

Starting September 20, it's important to check if your information on the voters' list is correct, especially if you've moved recently or changed your name. If you're on the voters' list by October 10, a Voter Information Card will be mailed to you, or you can use MyVote to view, download or print your Voter Information Card.

Until October 10 at 4:30 p.m., add or update your information on the voters' list by:

- Visiting toronto.ca/MyVote
- Emailing VoterRegistration@toronto.ca
- Calling 311

If you miss the October 10 deadline, you can add yourself to the voters' list when you vote in person during advance vote (October 26 and 27) or on election day (November 4). **You must show ID when you vote, even if you are on the voters' list.**

MyVote

Starting September 20, visit www.toronto.ca/MyVote to:

- Find out if you are on the voters' list
- Apply for Mail-in Voting (**until 4:30 p.m. on October 10**)
- Add or update your voters' list information (**until 4:30 p.m. on October 10**)
- Check out the candidates running for councillor
- Find out where and when to vote, and accessibility information about voting places
- View, download or print your Voter Information Card
- View a sample of your ballot (**available in October**)

Check MyVote before you go to vote in person, as voting places can change.

Voter Information Card

Voter Information Cards (VICs) are in the mail starting October 17. Taking your VIC when you go to vote can help speed up time spent in the voting place. Your VIC cannot be used as identification.

Visit toronto.ca/MyVote to view your Voter Information Card and show it on your mobile device when you go to vote.

- If you're on the voters' list by October 10 and you don't receive your VIC, but someone in your household does, this may be because Canada Post mails the cards in batches.
- If you receive more than one VIC, bring the most accurate card that matches your identification to the voting place when you go to vote.
- If you receive your VIC, but the information is incorrect, you can take the card with you when you go to vote and ask to complete a Voter List Amendment Application.
- If you receive a VIC for a person that does not live in your household, you can print Return to Sender on the card and drop it in any Canada Post mailbox.
- You do not need a VIC to vote. Learn more about the VIC at www.toronto.ca/VIC.

Acceptable Identification

Identification (ID) is required when you go to vote. Remember to take one piece of ID showing your name and qualifying Ward 15, Don Valley West address. If you do not have acceptable ID and are not on the voters' list, you will be asked to return with your ID in order to receive a ballot.

Examples of Acceptable ID:

- Ontario issued photo card, driver's licence or motor vehicle permit (vehicle portion).
- Cancelled personalized cheque, credit card or bank account statement.
- Utility bill for hydro, telephone or cable TV, water, gas or a bill from a public utilities commission.
- Cheque stub, T4 statement or pay receipt issued by an employer.
- Statement of direct deposit for Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program.

- Property tax assessment, income tax assessment notice, Child Tax Benefit statement.
- Mortgage statement, lease or rental agreement.

Find a complete list of acceptable identification at www.toronto.ca/ByElection. A passport cannot be used as identification.

Accessibility Information

All voting places are accessible. Information about entry points, ramps, automatic door openers and availability of Voter Assist Terminals (VATs) is available at www.toronto.ca/MyVote or www.toronto.ca/ByElection. If you face a barrier to voting, contact Toronto Elections by emailing elections@toronto.ca or calling 311.

Accessible Voting Equipment (VAT)

The VAT is a device that allows voters with disabilities to mark their ballot privately and independently. The VAT has a touch screen, an audio function, a braille key pad, a sip/puff tube device, a rocker paddle/foot switch and zoom features to adjust font sizes and colour contrast.

VATs will be available at advance vote locations. If you require the use of a VAT on election day and one is not located at your designated voting place, call 311 to learn how to request a ballot transfer. Find VAT location details listed under the My Voting Places tab at www.toronto.ca/MyVote.

Other Services

Call 311 or visit toronto.ca/ByElection to learn more about the following services and accessible voting options:

- If you are not able to vote in person, you can apply to vote by mail at www.toronto.ca/VoteByMail.
- If you are not able to vote in person or by mail, you may appoint a voting proxy to vote on your behalf.
- Request a ballot transfer if you face a barrier at your designated voting place.
- If you are physically unable to go inside the voting place, ask to have your ballot brought to your vehicle or another area within the voting place.
- Bring a friend to help you mark your ballot or ask an election official for assistance.
- All voting places welcome the use of support persons and service animals.
- Magnification sheets and how-to-vote instructions in braille will be available at all voting places.
- Information for the deaf or hard of hearing is available by calling the TTY line at 416-338-OTTY (0889).

Social Media, Web and Email

X: @cityoftoronto

Facebook: City of Toronto

Instagram: @cityofto

Website: www.toronto.ca/ByElection

Email: elections@toronto.ca

Translation of Information

The City of Toronto's website can be translated into many languages using the Google Translate tool. You can also call 311 to get information about City services in more than 180 languages.

If you require information in another language, call 311 or visit www.toronto.ca/ByElection. Instructions on how to vote will be available at all voting places in 26 languages.