**Making Votes Count Café**

**When people in our community vote………………**

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**those elected are more likely**

**to respond to our concerns.**

**Join us in this Making Votes Counts Café to:**

* Share ideas as to how municipal politics relate to our everyday lives.
* Know who can vote and how.
* Have fun and support each other in finding ways to engage family and neighbours in the October 2014 municipal election.

If you are not eligible to vote, you can still give your views to candidates and encourage others to vote.

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**We can vote for three levels of government**

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|  | **Municipal**  **City of Ottawa** | **Provincial**  **Ontario Legislative Assembly** | | **Federal**  **Canadian Parliament** |
| **Who do we elect?** | * Mayor * City Councillor * School Board Trustee | MPP (Member of Provincial  Parliament) | | MP (Member of Parliament) |
| **What area do they represent?** | * Mayor – the city * City Councillor – one of 23 WARDS in Ottawa * School Board Trustee – a school board ZONE, there are 4 school boards in Ottawa | RIDING, there are 7 ridings in Ottawa | | RIDING, there are 7 ridings in Ottawa |
| **Where do they meet?** | * City Hall (City Council) * School Board Offices | Queens Park, Toronto | | Parliament Hill, Ottawa |
| **When do we elect them?** | Every four years, next election is October 27, 2014. | A general election is held every four years; the next set date is June 12, 2014. | | A general election is held every four years; the next set date is October 19, 2015. |
| However, if the party in power loses a “non-confidence vote”, the government can call an election before then. | | |
| **For more information?** | City of Ottawa  <http://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/your-city-government/elections> | Elections Ontario [www.elections.on.ca](http://www.elections.on.ca) | Elections Canada  [www.elections.ca](http://www.elections.ca) | |