



# Leadership Training Opportunities

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Below is information on two on-line leadership training opportunities HSA members may be interested in.

Please note, both events meet the criteria for the union's Political Action Fund. Members can [apply to the fund](#) to help access these events.

## **Our Future Your Path**

The [New Westminster & District Labour Council](#) has launched registration for their local government leadership initiative [Our Future Your Path](#) for union members and community leaders identifying as women or non-binary who are interested in running for political office or leadership positions in the next 1-5 years.

The program is in conjunction with [PowHERhouse Impact Media](#), a BC based Indigenous-owned social impact organization. It kicks-off with a free FireCircle event on Saturday, May 29, 2021. This event features Hli Haykwhl Wii Xsgaak, The Hon. Melanie Mark, Minister of Tourism, Art, Culture, and Sport, the Hon. Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care, and Trish Mandewo, Coquitlam City Councillor speaking on their paths to elected office, and will include break-out groups and activities with other past and current local government leaders from across BC.

## **Our Future Your Path FireCircle Event**

**Saturday May 29, 2021**

**9:00am-noon**

**Free virtual event, attendees must identify as women or non-binary**

**Register here: <https://www.powherhouse.com/nwdlc-firecircle-may-29/>**

The FireCircle event will be followed by a 10-week intensive cohort program. Limited spots are available for this interactive experience beginning June 16. Designed for those looking to become future political champions by those who have been there with input from those leading in politics at this time. Cohort cost: \$695 per person for NWDLC Affiliates; Affiliates and other Labour Councils: \$895 per person.

These sessions run evenings on June 16, July 7, July 28, and August 18.

*More information on the cohort program, including registration can be found [here](#).*

## **So You Want to Run for Local Office?**

Are you considering running for Council, School Board, or Regional District Board in 2022 in your community?

The Canadian Labour Congress and the Winch Institute are hosting a workshop for potential candidates on May 25 at 7:00 pm Pacific time. The 90-minute Zoom session will consist of a panel discussion with current and former councilors and trustees, regional breakout groups, and expert instruction.

The workshop will be part of a series of campaign workshops and community forums in the lead up to the 2022 Local Government Elections. This initial workshop will focus on the reasons to run for public office, the work of elected officials, and what you need to start doing now in order to win in 2022.

You can apply for the course [here](#). Space is limited, so sign up quickly! You'll be notified if you are accepted.

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