



# REACHING FOR POWER

Influencing leadership for marginalized women and non-binary persons in municipal politics

## About the Project

The City of Hamilton's City Manager's Office and YWCA Hamilton, with the generous support of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Women in Local Leadership (CanWILL) Toward Parity grant funded by the Department for Women and Gender Equality, present Reaching for Power 2022.

We were inspired by the 2020 YWCA Hamilton led project, that shares its name, that offered a monthly workshop series to women and non-binary individuals who identify as Black, Indigenous, Persons of Colour.

Our proposed initiative seeks to engage women and non-binary individuals in a forum of networking, conversation, and expert led workshops on the topic of civic engagement.

## A Virtual two-half-day conference:

**Thursday, June 23 4PM - 9PM**

**Saturday, June 25 10AM - 3PM**

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A place where women and gender-diverse folks who are Queer, Trans and Indigenous, Black and People of Colour can discuss Demystifying Municipal Government, What's your Why, Overcoming barriers in Municipal Government, Developing/enhancing your skills set and many other topics.

The Reaching for Power conference will increase the role and influence of marginalized women and non-binary persons in municipal politics, in addition to preparing for other potential leadership opportunities, by engaging participants in interactive learning through the conference.

**This project could inspire the next great leader, advocate or change-marker in Hamilton!**

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