



# Municipal Services Division

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## Recall Petition Populations

- The ministry is aware of some confusion in relation to the source of population data to be used for recall petitions under the *Municipal Government Act*.
- Ministerial Order MSD: 021/23 signed on April 6, 2023, provides recall guidance for Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs) and indicates that the 2019 Municipal Affairs Population List (MAPL), excluding the shadow population, is to be used for the purposes of recall petitions under section 240.5(a) of the *Municipal Government Act*. This Ministerial Order remains in effect.
- For purposes other than recall petitions, Ministerial Order MSD: 004/24 was signed on February 1, 2024, approving the 2023 MAPL.

## Municipal Affairs Administrators' Training Initiative (MAATI) – Spring Sessions

- MSD is hosting two in-person sessions as part of the spring MAATI program.
  - April 16 in Lethbridge
  - April 17 in Cochrane
- Registration information will be available on the [Training for Municipal Officials](#) webpage starting March 4.
- Virtual MAATI sessions will be offered from mid-April to mid-May. Registration information will be available on the [Training for Municipal Officials](#) webpage starting March 15.

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