

Resolutions Annual Survey - 2021

ID. Council Code (e.g. H-099)
name

Introduction

Thank you for participating in the annual report survey. As parish council resolutions chairperson, your report adds value to our diocesan, provincial and national perspective. Please answer survey questions to reflect the 2021 reporting year only.

You will see questions to "skip" if you do not have a standing committee chairperson in your council for the position. The intent of this question is to determine what personal growth the chairperson had. We absolutely want to hear if your council was still able to make progress related to that question. You can identify the work accomplished by the council near the end of the survey where it asks to share any other council activities not yet reported. (Questions followed by a * must be answered to move on.)

Councils ask why their information is important. The report gives individual councils the opportunity to tell members across Canada what they are doing. The information lets us know what is being done and helps us to make decisions knowing what the councils are emphasizing. We measure success in terms of how many councils acted on the resolution or a campaign. This information can be a great marketing tool.

The survey is very comprehensive and broken into each sub-heading. Please do not feel daunted by the length of the survey. There are many options, but we understand that councils will focus on just a few of the priorities listed. It is perfectly okay to leave questions unanswered if your council has not pursued a certain topic or was unable to recruit a resolutions chairperson. If the answer is "none" or "no" or "not applicable", please do not answer this question. Leave it blank.

Parish councils are required to complete and submit their annual reports electronically by January 15th of each year. Paper copies need to be mailed to CWL National Office at C-702 Scotland Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3M 1X5 by December 15th.

Please feel free to share both your experiences and challenges which will help the League better understand and serve as a basis for future programs or projects in this standing committee. Thank you for completing this annual survey. It will help us to know better what your council is doing and what your members interests are.

Rolande Chernichan, National Chairperson of Resolutions

About You

Q1 Parish Council Name:

Q2 Parish Council Registered Town:

Q3 Parish Council ID Number:

Q4 Reporting to which diocesan/provincial council (this is filled in automatically if completing the survey electronically):

Q5 What is your name?

Q6 Is the position of resolutions standing committee filled or vacant?
 Filled Vacant

Q7 If filled, is this position filled by election or appointment?
 Election Appointment

Q8 If filled, is this position shared with the legislation standing committee?
 Yes No

Q9 Are you completing this survey:
 as a member of the executive of your parish council
 as a member of the resolutions committee
 as a member assisting to do online surveys because I have the skills

Q10 What is your biggest challenge in this committee?
 no standing committee/chairperson finding a topic
 trying to generate interest other

Other: Please describe.

Q11 Did you or your committee contact your local government representative by:

	Yes	No
letter	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e-mail	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
phone call	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
in person visit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

- Q12 Did you or your committee contact your provincial government representative by:
- | | Yes | No |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| letter | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e-mail | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| phone call | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| in person visit | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

- Q13 Did you or your committee contact your federal government representative by:
- | | Yes | No |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| letter | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e-mail | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| phone call | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| in person visit | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Research and Preparation of Resolutions and Briefs

A resolution is similar to a motion in that it introduces new business to an assembly. The new business is introduced in the form of a resolution because of its formality, its length or its complexity.

- Q14 For your own personal development, have you attended any workshops in the last few years that outline the resolutions process in the League?
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| <input type="checkbox"/> diocesan, provincial or national convention | <input type="checkbox"/> Catch the Fire or S'Mores |
| <input type="checkbox"/> diocesan or provincial development days or workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> other |

Other, please specify.

- Q15 Did your committee source the *Resolutions Supplement to the Executive Handbook* or the *Resolutions Guide* in developing your resolution?
- | | |
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| <input type="radio"/> yes | <input type="radio"/> n/a, we didn't develop a resolution |
| <input type="radio"/> no | |

- Q16 Do you refer to communiques and/or annual reports from other levels?
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| <input type="radio"/> yes | <input type="radio"/> no |
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Q17 Have the communiqués been helpful? Please explain.

Q18 Has your council considered and studied issues that might become resolutions?

yes

no

Q19 Did you consult with your diocesan/provincial resolutions chairperson for guidance? Please explain.

Q20 What one issue was your council particularly passionate about in 2021? If none, leave this section blank.

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| <input type="radio"/> abortion | <input type="radio"/> healthy eating |
| <input type="radio"/> abuse of seniors | <input type="radio"/> home care |
| <input type="radio"/> Canada's commitment to the United Nations <i>Convention on the Rights of the Child</i> | <input type="radio"/> indigenous issues |
| <input type="radio"/> Canada's support for the United Nations <i>Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons</i> | <input type="radio"/> Lyme disease |
| <input type="radio"/> diabetes | <input type="radio"/> medication and food labelling |
| <input type="radio"/> employment insurance | <input type="radio"/> oral health |
| <input type="radio"/> ethical vaccines | <input type="radio"/> palliative care |
| <input type="radio"/> euthanasia and assisted dying | <input type="radio"/> pollution |
| <input type="radio"/> exploitation of migrant workers | <input type="radio"/> pornography |
| <input type="radio"/> genetically modified foods | <input type="radio"/> post traumatic stress disorder |
| <input type="radio"/> gender identity | <input type="radio"/> wind turbines |
| <input type="radio"/> grandparents rights | <input type="radio"/> youth mental health |
| | <input type="radio"/> other |

If other, please specify.

Q21 Did your committee begin research and development of a resolution during 2021? If yes, please provide the topic or issue that the resolution seeks to address. Otherwise, please select one of the other options.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> no chairperson | <input type="checkbox"/> actions already done by other councils or levels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> council is too small | <input type="checkbox"/> n/a, we had no issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> no one interested | <input type="checkbox"/> other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> no time | <input type="checkbox"/> yes |

If other, please explain.

If yes, please provide the topic or issue that the resolution seeks to address.

Q22 Please list resolutions developed by your parish council in 2021. If none, please leave this section blank.

Q23 Do you expect the resolution to be completed and submitted for adoption by your council prior to the diocesan deadline to receive resolutions for 2022?

- yes no

Study and Implementation of Resolutions Adopted by Other Levels

Resolutions are only words on paper until action is taken. Impementation is a large part of the annual work of League members.

Q24 Has your council become familiar with the resolutions that require action as listed on cwl.ca?

- yes no

Q25 Please name any national resolutions that your council acted upon in 2021. If none, leave this section blank.

Q26 Please name any provincial resolutions that your council acted upon in 2021. If none, leave this section blank.

Q27 Please name any diocesan resolutions that your council acted upon in 2021. If none, leave this section blank.

Q28 What specific actions has your council undertaken this year to support resolutions adopted at any level?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> signed petitions | <input type="checkbox"/> held letter writing sessions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> wrote to federal or provincial governments | <input type="checkbox"/> mobilized members to address the issue locally through outreach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> made members aware through meetings, e-mail or newsletters | <input type="checkbox"/> met with local member of parliament |
| <input type="checkbox"/> arranged for a guest speaker | <input type="checkbox"/> nothing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> organized demonstrations | |

If possible, please report the number of letters sent by members and indicate the topic of the resolution members wrote about. If members signed petitions, please report the numbers and the topic of the petition.

Q29 Did you participate in virtual diocesan, provincial or national annual meetings of members that were available to you online in 2021? Please specify which ones you participated in.

Q30 Did you find the annual or oral reports on resolutions helpful? Please specify.

Q31 Do you have any new ideas, projects, workshops you have used that have had good results? Please share. If the answer is "none", please do not answer the question.

Q32 Share a success story from this standing committee. If none, leave this section blank.

Summary and Final Thoughts

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey. Your council's initiatives will be added to the strong voice of Catholic women across Canada.

Steps to follow upon completing your annual report survey:

1. **SAVE** a copy of the survey for your records. (Select File, Save or Save As, rename the file and choose the folder for the document, select Save).
2. **PRINT** a copy of your survey for your council archives.
3. Click the **SUBMIT** button. Note: you will no longer be able to edit your survey once it has been submitted.