

# HOW TO: HOST AN MPP FOR A TOUR OF YOUR ORGANIZATION

Invite your MPP to your organization during a work day to see and better understand what you do. This is a less formal way to interact with your MPP. Hosting your MPP for a tour of your organization gives them the opportunity to see the important on-the-ground work community organizations do and a chance to see the human side behind the issues.

Keep in mind - It will likely also be more attractive to your MPP to share their visit through social media. Think about whether that is appropriate in your context.

Step by step:

**1. Ask** – in person, call, email or letter are all acceptable. If you have a community event, you can also invite your MPP to attend to meet the community. Your invitation should include a brief outline of your organization's work, and a description of the event or what you will be showing them on the tour.

**2. Schedule** – follow up with a phone call to the [Constituency Office of your MPP](#) to negotiate a date, time and confirm location. Have an idea of how much time you would like, and be prepared to shorten the meeting if necessary.

**3. Prepare** – once the meeting is confirmed, nail down the details: who will participate? What do you want your MPP to learn about your organization and community? What do you want to learn about them? The Ontario for All [Questions for your MPP](#) can be a helpful resource.

**4. Inform** – make sure your MPP knows who will be in the room and what to expect. Make sure your staff and community know the candidate is coming and what to expect.

**5. Meet** – be curious, focused, and keep things organized. Use [these guidelines](#) on how to engage in politics while being non-partisan as you think about how to interact with your MPP.

**6. Follow-up** – with a thank you note to your MPP after your meeting. Remind them you'll be looking to them to respond to the issues you discussed. And let us know! We want to share stories of collective impact. Fill out a short feedback form [here](#).