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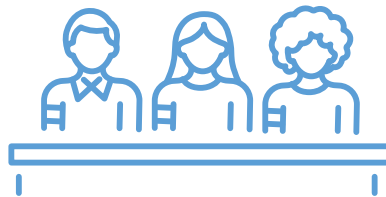
In compliance with article No. 16 of Law No. 331, Electoral Law, and Activity No. 20 of the Electoral Calendar, the Municipal Electoral Councils (MEC), on February 22 of the current year, appointed the Owner and Substitute Members of the Vote Receiving Boards (VRB), for the 2024 Regional Elections.

The appointments to VRB positions are one or a President, one or a First Member and one or a Second Member, all with their respective Substitutes, who will perform their functions in the 751 Vote Receiving Boards (VRB), enabled in the Autonomous Regions of the Northern and



Southern Caribbean Coast so that citizens can exercise their constitutional right to vote on March 3.

It should be noted that, from January 19 to 24 of the current year, the period for the presentation of Ternas by the Political Parties and Alliances of Political Parties to integrate the Members of the Vote Receiving Boards was carried out successfully (VRB), in accordance with article No. 16 of Law No. 331, Electoral Law, and Activity No. 19 of the Electoral Calendar of these Regional Elections.



The Supreme Electoral Council will put 751 Vote Receiving Boards (VRB) into operation, in 308 Voting Centers (VC), so that the citizens of the Indigenous and Afro-descendant Peoples can exercise their constitutional right to vote this coming March 3 in the “Victorious Elections Caribbean 2024.”



751

**Voting receiving
boards**



308

**Voting
centers**



MEC swears in and administers the oath of office to the Members of the Voting Receiving Boards



In compliance with Activity No. 21 of the Electoral Calendar and article No. 16 of Law No. 331, Electoral Law, the Municipal Electoral Councils (MEC), on February 24 of the current year, guaranteed the swearing-in process and Immediate Taking of Possession of the 4,506 Members who will make up the 751 Vote Receiving Boards (VRB), in the Autonomous Regions of the North and South Caribbean Coast, and who will exercise their functions on March 3 in the “Victorious Elections Caribbean 2024.”

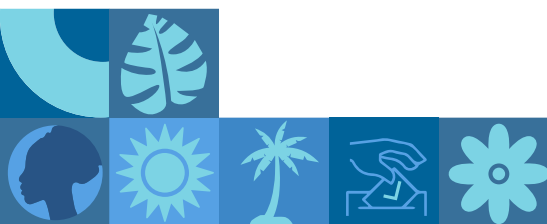




The Members that make up the Vote Receiving Board (VRB) have the responsibility of verifying the credentials of their members, the Prosecutors and Electoral Police accredited to their VRB, as well as verifying that the citizens are registered in the Definitive List of the Electoral Roll, guarantee the exercise of suffrage and deposit of votes in the corresponding ballot box, as well as order in the corresponding precinct during voting.

After citizens exercise their right to vote, the Members who make up the Vote Receiving Boards (VRB) have the power to count the votes, receive and process challenges and appeals in accordance with Law No. 331, Electoral Law.

The Supreme Electoral Council reiterates its commitment to continue strengthening the values of democracy, peace and stability so that each and every citizen the Autonomous Regions of the North and South Caribbean Coast participate in an Electoral Process in peace, tranquility, freedom, fairness, and transparency.

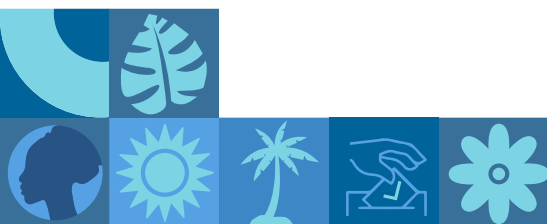


Ministry of the Interior trains Electoral Police for Regional Elections 2024



From January 29 to February 9, 2024, the Ministry of the Interior of Nicaragua issued a call to citizens for the voluntary registration of Electoral Police, who will serve in this Electoral Process.

Once the call was made, the Ministry of the Interior of Nicaragua through the Supreme Electoral Council trained 1,855 citizens who will serve as Electoral Police in the Voting Centers (VC) and Vote Receiving Boards (VRB), in the 2024 Regional Elections to be held on March 3, all in accordance with article 176 of Law No.331, Electoral Law.



In this sense, the Supreme Electoral Council prepared and delivered the Instructions of the Electoral Police, which establishes the specific and general functions of those who will ensure an orderly Electoral Process, in justice and peaceful coexistence.

Likewise, the citizens, who will be Electoral Police in the 2024 Regional Elections, were trained on Law No.331, Electoral Law, so that they can guide the citizens of the Autonomous Regions of the North and South Caribbean Coast, to verify their name at the Electoral Information Kiosks, in addition to providing priority attention to pregnant women, the elderly and people with disabilities.

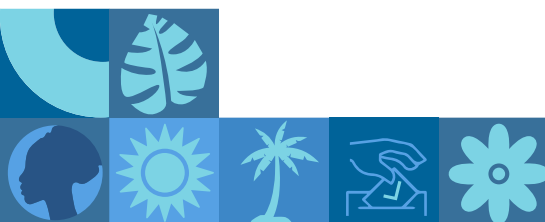


“Victorious Elections Caribbean 2024” are successfully developed



On a media tour, the President of the Supreme Electoral Council, Brenda Rocha, highlighted the good development of the Electoral Process and the fulfillment of the activities established in the Electoral Calendar of the 2024 Regional Elections, in full compliance with the Political Constitution. of the Republic and Law No.331, Electoral Law.

In this sense, Rocha highlighted: "Before the Caribbean Coast was not recognized as part of Nicaragua, we did not have Rights, we did not have the Right to have Education, the Right to have Drinking Water, the Right to have Roads, the Right to have Health, the Right to have Communication".



Furthermore, it was highlighted that “it is with the Revolution that occurs and is recognized in the Political Constitution of 1986, and in 1987 with the approval of the Statute of Autonomy that gives those Ancestral Rights that were not recognized. Now, every citizen of the Caribbean Coast has the right to choose and to be elected.”

In this sense, Rocha highlighted different aspects carried out successfully in the development of the “Victorious Elections Caribbean 2024”:

The process of the Regional Elections began in December 2023, with the approval of the Electoral Calendar, once it was reviewed by the Political Organizations, it was approved and published in La Gaceta, official dairy. This Electoral Calendar consists of 36 activities and 6 sections, said the President of the SEC.

Likewise, Rocha pointed out that the Constitution of Alliances of Political Parties was successfully developed. In addition, she added that the Regional Electoral Councils were integrated applying Gender Equality and the Concept of Alternation.

“The two Regional Electoral Councils that are integrated were formed. I also always say with great pride that they are made up of 50% women and 50% men,” emphasized.



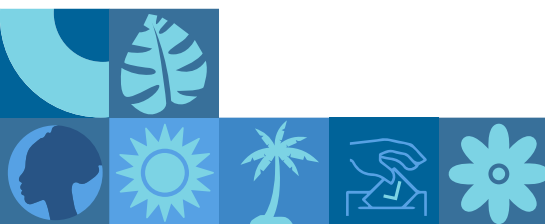
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Men



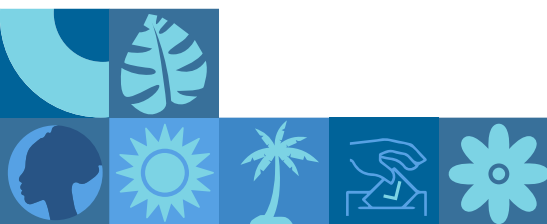
In this context, Rocha explained that the Regional Electoral Councils swore in the Municipal Electoral Councils, which in turn would swear in the Members of the Vote Receiving Boards (VRB).



This Electoral Branch, using Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), designed a platform in which citizens could make Address Changes online. Likewise, the accreditation of the Prosecutors was carried out through the digital platforms that the SEC has made available.

Another aspect that the Presiding Magistrate, Brenda Rocha, emphasized is that with the reform of the Electoral Law, for the first time the Alternates of the Members of the Regional Councils will also be elected in the Autonomous Regions of the North and South Caribbean Coast.

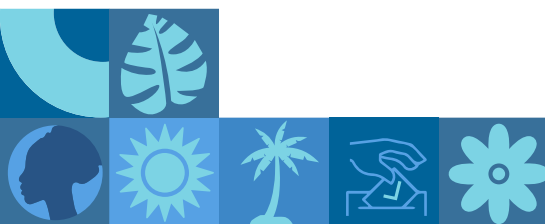
Likewise, she referred to the closest activities of the Electoral Calendar, among which she specified: the last day of the electoral campaign, the beginning of the electoral silence and the period in which the media will be at the disposal of the SEC to disseminate timely information about the process.



Citizens with Expired Identity Card will exercise their Right to Vote



The Supreme Electoral Council (SEC) of Nicaragua reminds the citizens of the Autonomous Regions of the South and North Caribbean Coast, that on February 16 of the current year, this Power of the State with the objective that they have the right to participate in the electoral processes contemplated in article 51 of the Political Constitution of the Republic, and in use of the powers conferred on it by articles 173 and 180 of the Magna Carta; Articles 2 and 10 of the Electoral Law, agreed to provide for the validity of Citizen Identity Cards for those citizens with expired Identity Cards, solely to guarantee the right to universal, equal, direct, free and secret suffrage, as stated. Articles 2 and 180 of the Political Constitution of the Republic establish for the Regional Elections to be held on March 3.





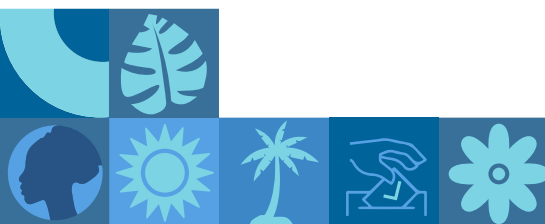
Likewise, by provision of Law No. 1133, published in La Gaceta, official diary, No. 202 of October 27, 2022, for these Regional Elections called, any person who is on the list of citizens and Citizens with ID cards from a Vote Receiving Board (VRB), and are not in the Electoral Registry of the respective VRB, may request their inclusion in that JRV by presenting their Citizen Identity Card. The Vote Receiving Board will register it immediately without further paperwork, allowing the citizen to exercise the right to vote.

In this sense, Nicaraguans who attend the 751 Vote Receiving Boards (VRB) enabled in the 308 Voting Centers (VC), which correspond to them, and present their expired identity document, will be allowed to exercise their Right to the Vote.



In this way, all the measures that the Nicaraguan State institutions have been implementing are strengthened, to guarantee and facilitate the exercise of Human Rights and Political Rights of the Nicaraguans of the Autonomous Regions of the North and South Caribbean Coast, to elect and be elected in these “Victorious Caribbean Elections 2024”.

With this legal provision, it is promoted that the exercise of free, direct, secret, personal and universal voting is also without discrimination ; guaranteeing that no citizen, regardless of the format of ID they have, is left without exercising their Right to Vote in this Electoral Process.





Upcoming Activities of the Electoral Calendar of the 2024 Regional Elections



February 28, 2024

Last day of the Electoral Campaign



February 29, 2024

Beginning of electoral silence



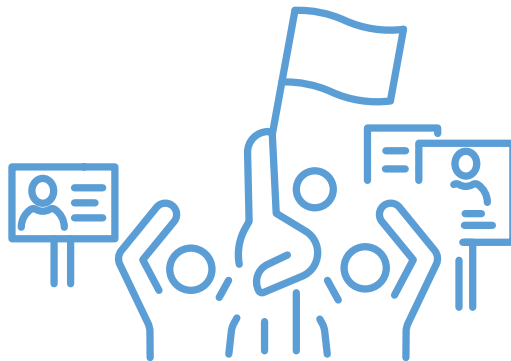
From February 29 to March 2, 2024

Period in which the media will be at the disposal of the Supreme Electoral Council, to disseminate timely information about the Electoral Process



March 3, 2024

Voting and Transmission of Results





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