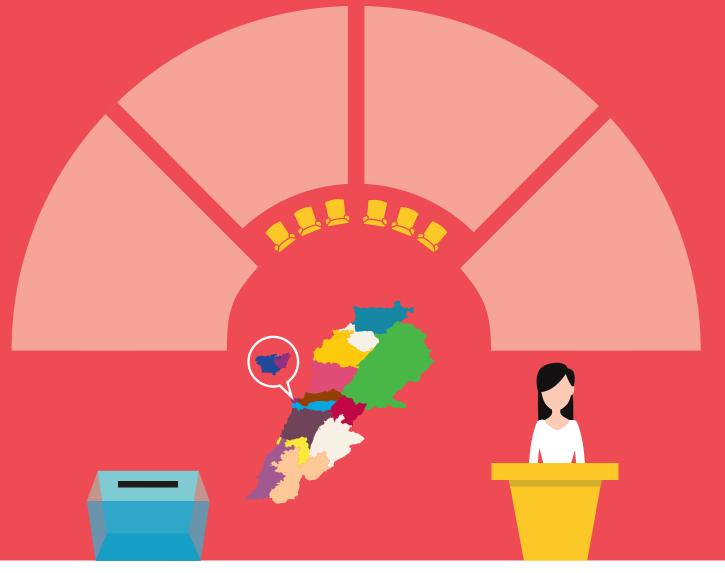
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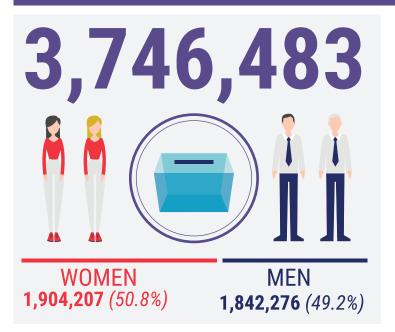


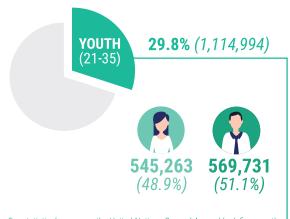
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#### WOMEN IN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

# 01 Key Figures

#### 2018 REGISTERED VOTERS

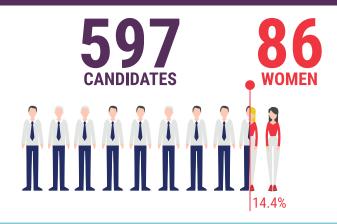




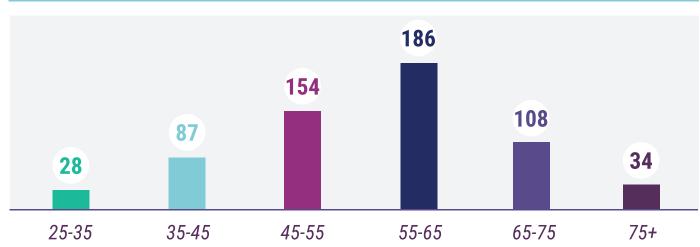
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### 2018 REGISTERED CANDIDATES





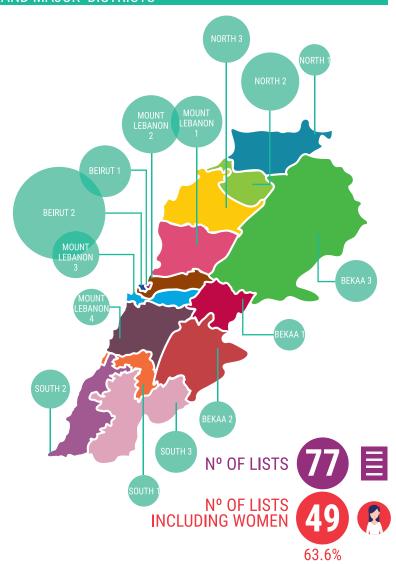
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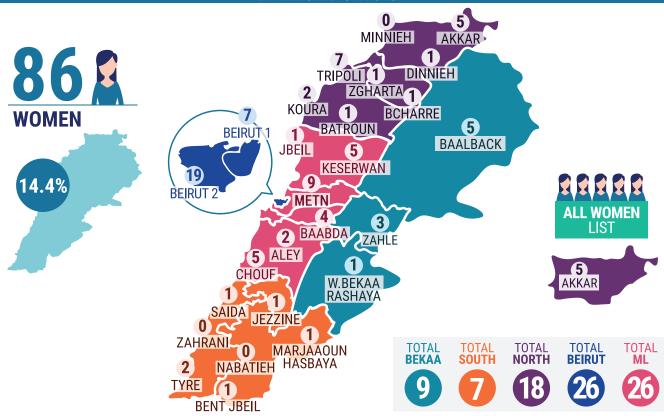
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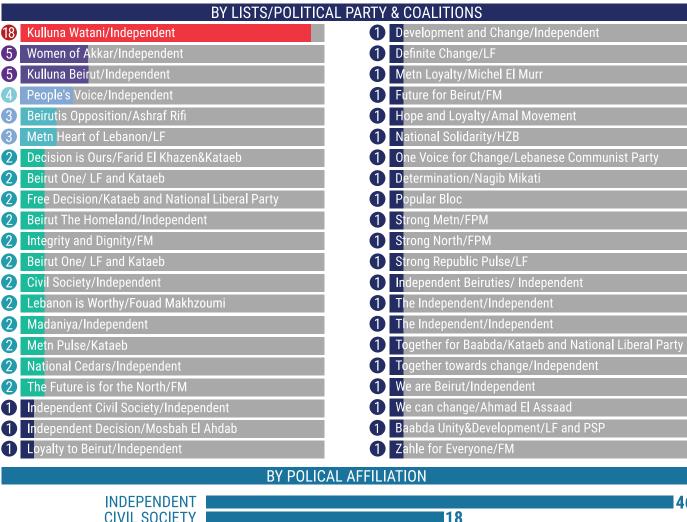
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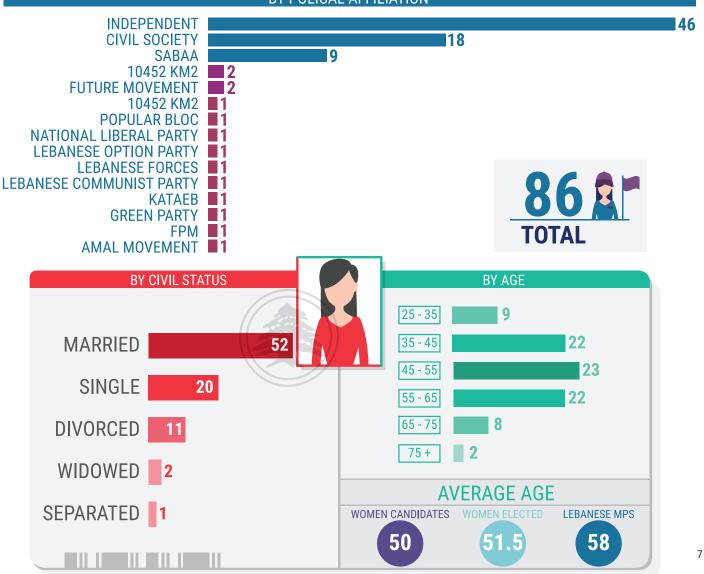


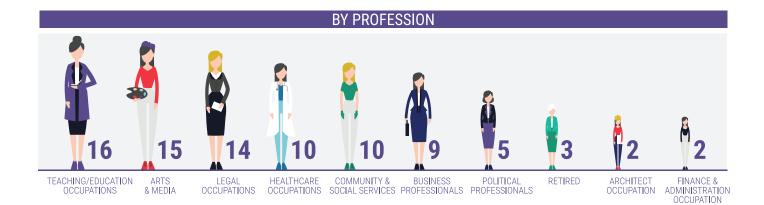


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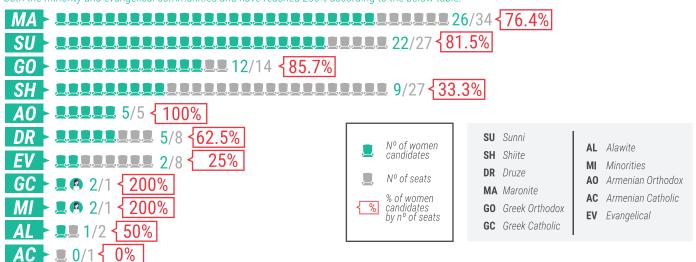




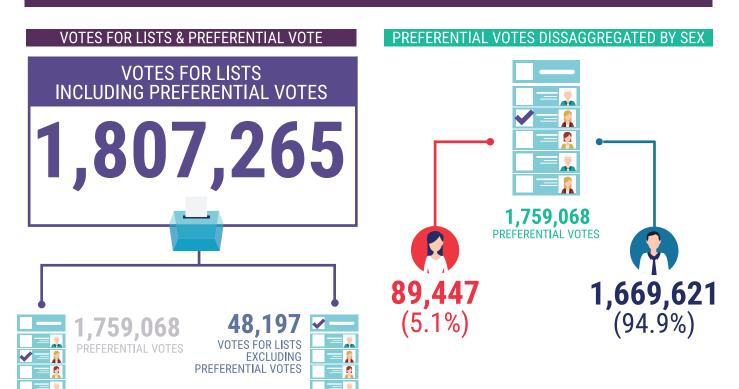


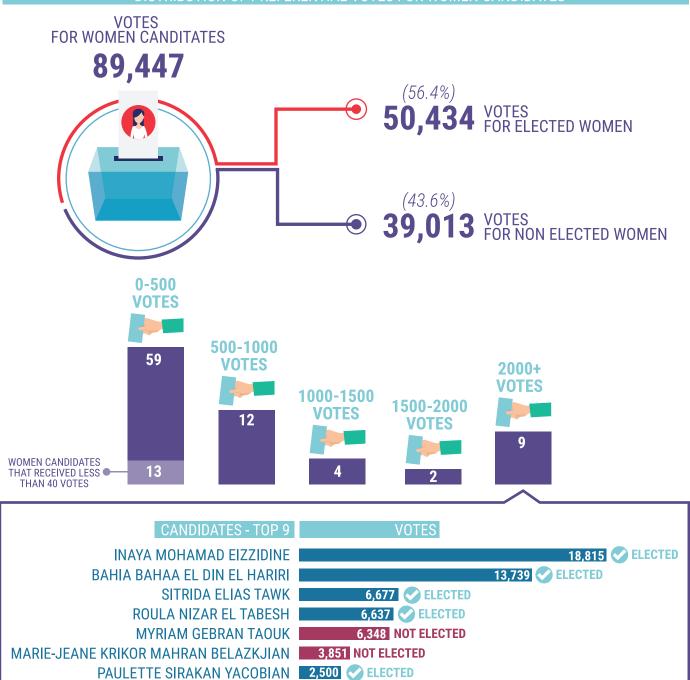
#### BY CONFESSION

The highest number of women candidates was in the Maronite community. In terms of proportion and number of seats, the highest proportion was in both the minority and evangelical communities and have reached 200% according to the below table.



# 2018 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS RESULTS FROM A GENDER PERSPECTIVE





#### DISTRIBUTION OF PREFERENTIAL VOTES BY SEX, OCV (OUT OF COUNTRY VOTING) & POLLING OFFICIALS

GHADA GHAZI MAROUNI 2,094 NOT ELECTED

DIMA MOHAMAD RACHID EL JAMALI 2,066 🕢 ELECTED



#### WOMEN IN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

# OP Gender Results By Major Districts

**BEKAA 1** Zahle

EQ\*13.095.43

#### Zahle for Everyone

36,391



#### Marie-Jeane Krikor Mahran Belazkjian

Seat A0 **Minor District** Zahle 31 Age Pharmacist **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Popular Bloc

10,885



#### Myriam Gebran Taouk

Seat **Minor District** Zahle 53 Age **Profession** Politician Political Affiliation Popular Bloc













#### Kulluna Watani

1,599



#### Vanda Edouard Chedid

Seat GO **Minor District** Zahle

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society















# **BEKAA 1**





**INCLUDING** 

Zahle for Everyone | 36,391 Popular Bloc | 10,885 Kulluna Watani | 1,599



**NOT INCLUDING WOMEN** 

Zahle Choice & Decision | 23,546 Zahle Our Cause | 18,702



























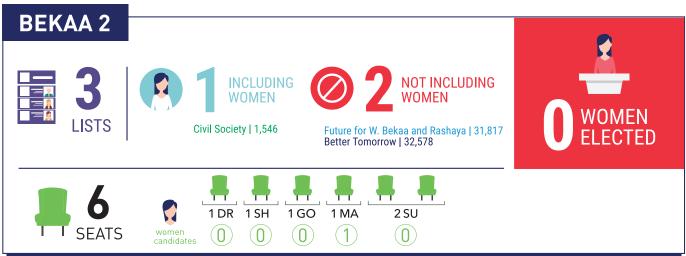












## BEKAA 3 Baalbeck - Hermel

EQ\* 18,706.90



#### **Development and Change**

4.053



#### Siham Georges Antoun

GC Seat **Minor District** Baalback - Hermel 49 Age

**Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

**Education Specialist** 

1,123











#### **National Cedars**

491



#### Layla Youssef Tannouri

Seat MA **Minor District** Baalback - Hermel Age 53

**Profession** University Professor Political Affiliation Independent

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#### Waed Hussein Soukarieh

Seat **Minor District** Baalback - Hermel Age 45 **Profession Medical Doctor** Political Affiliation Independent

37

















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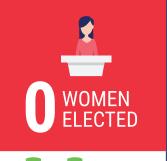
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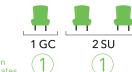














The Independent | 5,470 Development and Change | 4,053







#### **Integrity and Dignity**

16,470



#### Bahia Bahaa El din El Hariri

SU Seat **Minor District** Saida 66 Age

**Profession** School Teacher **Political Affiliation Future Movement** 















#### Angele Bechara El Khawand

Seat MA **Minor District** Jezzine Age 79 **Profession** Social Activist **Political Affiliation** Independent

36 WOMEN



















**INCLUDING** WOMEN





For Everyone | 22,083 Saida & Jezzine Together | 20,127 Power of Change 6,238





















EQ\* 21,043.14

#### Hope and Loyalty



#### Inaya Mohamad Eizzidine

Seat SH Sour **Minor District** 57 Age

**Profession** Medical Doctor Political Affiliation Amal Movement













## **Together towards Change**

11,481



#### Lina Hassan El Houssaini

Seat SH Sour **Minor District** 43 Age **Profession** Lawyer Political Affiliation Independent





Number of Seats





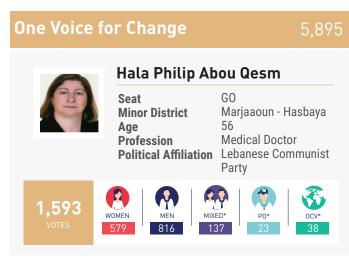


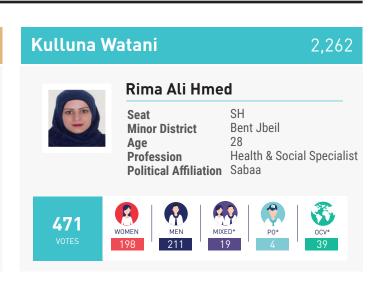


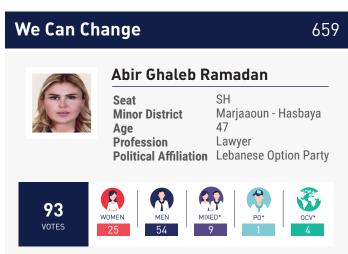


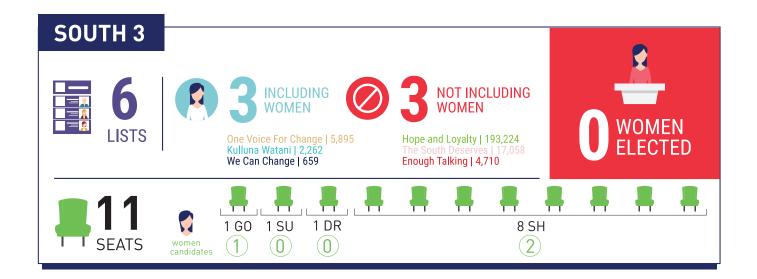
# SOUTH 3 Nabatieh - Bent Jbeil - Marjaaoun - Hasbaya

EQ\* 20,526.18









#### NORTH 1 Akkar

EQ\* 19,058.86

#### Women of Akkar





#### Nidal Karam El Skaff

Seat GO
Minor District Akkar
Age 46
Profession Lawyer
Political Affiliation Independent















#### Roula Mohamad El Mrad

Seat SU
Minor District Akkar
Age 47
Profession Politic

Profession Political Party Leader Political Affiliation 10,452km<sup>2</sup>















#### Golaye Khaled El Assad

Seat SU Minor District Akkar Age 26

**Profession** Political Party Member **Political Affiliation** 10,452km<sup>2</sup>

**75**VOTES













#### Marie Salem Salem El Khoury

Seat MA Minor District Akkar Age 66

Profession Social Activist Political Affiliation Independent





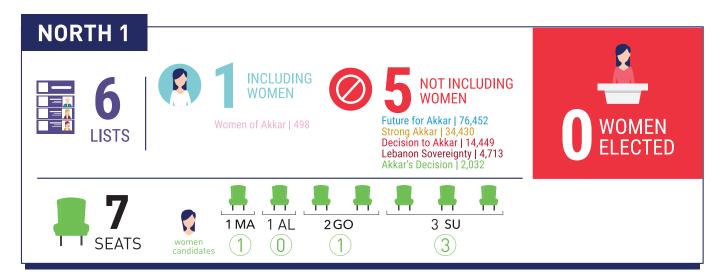






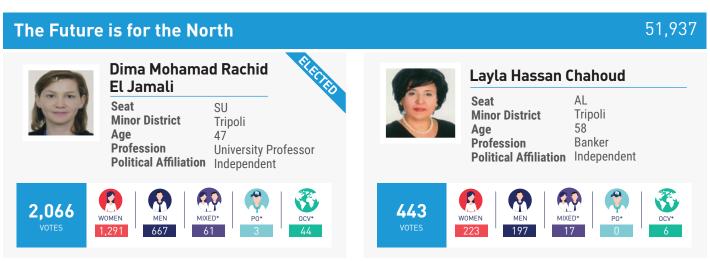






### NORTH 2 Minnieh - Dinnieh - Tripoli

EQ\*13,310.82



The Constitutional Council annulled the election of MP Dima El Jamali based on the decision no. 10/2019 dated February 2019. Following this decision, the Tripoli by-elections took place on the 14th of April where Ms. Dima El Jamali was re-elected with 19,387 votes.



#### Mirvat Mohamad Fadel El Houz

Seat **Minor District** Tripoli 56 Age

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Nariman Hilal El Jamal

Seat **Minor District** Tripoli 53 Age

Social Activist **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent













Kulluna Watani



#### Farah Ibrahim Issa

Seat GO **Minor District** Tripoli Age 31

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa

452













#### Nariman Adel El Chamaa

Seat SU **Minor District** Tripoli 45 Age Lawyer **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society

111













#### Hiba Issam Naja

Seat **Minor District** Tripoli 67 Age **Profession** Retired Political Affiliation Civil Society

















#### Samah Yehya El Arja

Seat **Minor District** Dinnieh 44 Age

Social Activist **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society











NORTH 2









Determination | 42,019 Independent Decision | 4,184 Kulluna Watani | 2,680



**NOT INCLUDING** WOMEN

National Dignity | 29,101 A Sovereign Lebanon | 9,656 People's Decision | 4,122











The Future is for the North | 51,937



#### Strong Republic Pulse

37,376



#### Sitrida Elias Tawk

Seat **Minor District** Bcharreh 51 Age Politician **Profession** Political Affiliation Lebanese Forces













#### **Strong North**

33,342



#### **Gretta Habib Saab**

Seat Koura **Minor District** 63 Age

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

97











Kulluna Watani



#### Layal Semaan Bou Moussa

MA Batroun **Minor District** Age

Media Personality/Figure Profession

Political Affiliation Civil Society



















#### Fadwa Fayez Nassif

GO Seat **Minor District** Koura Age 67 Consultant **Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa















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#### **Antonia Ramez Ghamra**

MA Seat **Minor District** Zgharta 56 Age Social Activist **Profession** 

Political Affiliation Civil Society



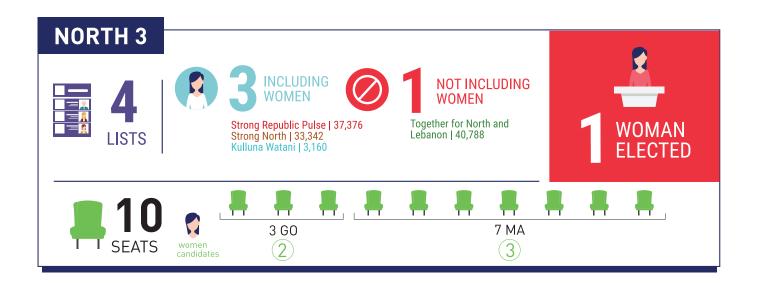












#### BEIRUT 1 Medawar - Rmeil - Ashrafieh - Saifi

EQ\* 5,458.25

#### **Beirut One** 16,772



#### Carole Nora Khadjik Babikian

A0 Seat Beirut 1 **Minor District** 56 Age

Social Activist **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

124















#### Alina Nishan Klonisian

ΑO Seat Beirut 1 **Minor District** 55 Age

**Profession** Social Activist Political Affiliation Independent













#### Kulluna Watani

6,842



#### Paulette Sirakan Yacobian

ΑO Seat Beirut 1 **Minor District** 42 Age

Media Personality/Figure **Profession** 

Political Affiliation Sabaa



#### Joumana Atallah Salloum

MΙ Seat **Minor District** Beirut 1 48 Age Journalist **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society





Number of Seats























#### **Lori Garabet Hitayan**

Seat A0 Beirut 1 **Minor District** 43 Age

Oil And Gas Expert **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society

218













1,272



#### Michelle Gebran Tueini

Seat GO **Minor District** Beirut 1 31 Age Journalist **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

428 VOTES











## **Loyalty to Beirut**

94



#### Gina Jamil Al Shammas

Seat MΙ **Minor District** Beirut 1 58 Age Accountant **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

31











#### **BEIRUT 1**







**INCLUDING WOMEN** 

Beirut One | 16,772 Kulluna Watani | 6,842 We are Beirut | 1,272 Loyalty to Beirut | 94



**NOT INCLUDING** WOMEN

Strong Beirut 1 | 18,373























\*OCV Out of Country Voters

EQ\*13,075.36

#### **Future for Beirut**

62,970



#### Roula Nizar El Tabesh

Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 46 Age **Profession** Lawyer

Political Affiliation Future Movement













#### **Lebanon** is Worthy

15,773



#### Zeina Kamal Menzer

Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 42 Age Lawyer **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

















#### Rana Mohammad Samir El Shmaytli

SU Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 47 Age **Profession** Architect Political Affiliation Independent













#### **Beirut The Homeland**

7,475



#### Dalal Halim Al Rahbani

Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 67 Age Retired **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Salwa Ayyoub Khalil

Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 72 Age Retired **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent













#### Kulluna Beirut

6,174



#### Zeina Nabih Majdalani

G0 Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 54 Age Profession Architect Political Affiliation Independent















#### Nouhad Salim Yazbek

ΕV Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 60 Age **University Professor Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Nadine Mahmoud Itani

SU Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 38 Age

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Fatme Ahmad Meshref

SU Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 Age 60

Medical Doctor **Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa













People's Voice 1,339



#### **Neemat Hashem Badreddine**

SH Beirut 2 **Minor District** 37 Age

Profession Media Personality/Figure

Political Affiliation Civil Society

153













#### **Hanan Ahmad Osman**

Seat SU **Minor District** Beirut 2 43 Age

School Teacher **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

57













#### Roula Toufik Al Houry

Seat SU **Minor District** Beirut 2 Age 50

Social Activist **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

54













#### Faten Faisal Zein

SU Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 36 Age **Profession** Freelancer Political Affiliation Independent















#### Hanan Adnan Al Shaar

SU Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 43 Age University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### **Khouloud Mouwafag Al Wattar**

SU Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 54 Age

**Profession** Social Activist Political Affiliation Independent















#### Lina Mohammad Ali Hamdan

Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** 63 Age

**Communications Officer Profession** Political Affiliation Independent















#### Zeina Shawki Mansour

Seat Beirut 2 **Minor District** Age

Media Personality/Figure **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

15













#### Safiya Maarouf Zaza

Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 Age 67 Secretary **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

7













#### **Future for Beirut**



#### **Andira Samir Zouheiry**

DR Seat **Minor District** Beirut 2 40 Age Lawyer Profession Political Affiliation Independent











# **BEIRUT 2**



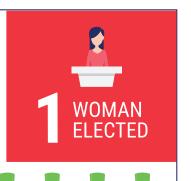
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Future for Beirut | 62,970 Lebanon is Worthy | 15,773 Beirut The Homeland | 7,475

Kulluna Beirut | 6,174





#### **Definite Change**

26,980

#### **Decision is Ours**

18,553



183

#### Patricia Jean Elias

Keserwan **Minor District** Age Profession Lawyer Political Affiliation Independent

















#### Gilberte Maurice Zwein

Keserwan **Minor District** Age Profession Social Activist Political Affiliation Independent













#### **Decision is Ours**

18,553

#### **National Solidarity**

12,551



#### Yolande Simon Khoury

MA Seat Keserwan **Minor District** Age

**Profession** Media Personality/Figure Political Affiliation Independent

**78** VOTES













#### Zeina Joseph Kallab

Seat MA Keserwan **Minor District** 57 Age **Profession** Lawyer Political Affiliation Independent













Kulluna Watani

2,526



#### Josephine Antoine Zgheib

MA Seat **Minor District** Keserwan Age 40 Consultant **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society

















#### Rania Victor Bassil

MA Seat **Minor District** Jbeil Age 41

**Medical Doctor Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa























# **MOUNT LEBANON 1**



**LISTS** 



**INCLUDING** WOMEN





Strong Lebanon | 54,544













7 MA (6)

#### Strong Metn

#### 38,897

#### 19,003



#### Corine Kabalan El Ashkar

Metn **Minor District** Age

**Profession** Entrepreneur Political Affiliation Independent

696













#### Metn Pulse



#### Nada Khattar Ghareeb

Metn **Minor District** 60 Age

**Profession** Political Party Leader Political Affiliation Green Party













#### **Metn Pulse**

#### 19,003

#### Metn Loyalty

#### 13,779



#### Violette Krekor Ghazal

GO Seat Metn **Minor District** Age

Media Personality/Figure **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

178



**Metn Heart of Lebanon** 













MA Seat Metn **Minor District** Age Profession

Medical Doctor Political Affiliation Independent













#### 13,138



#### Jessica Joseph Azar

GO Seat **Minor District** Metn 32 Age

Media Personality/Figure **Profession** Political Affiliation Independent

1,030















(\*) Electoral Quotient = <u>Total Number of Valid Votes</u>

Number of Seats



Seat

Age



**Minor District** 

**Profession** 



Political Affiliation Independent

Giselle Edward Abdo

Nehme Hachem



MA

63

Metn



Media Personality/Figure



#### Lina Samir Mkhayber

GO Seat Metn **Minor District** 57 Age

**Profession** Hospital Manager Political Affiliation Independent

178











#### Kulluna Watani 5,027



780

#### Victoria Sabeh El Khoury

Seat MA **Minor District** Metn 44 Age Consultant

**Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa











#### **Nadine Victor Moussa**

Seat **Minor District** Metn 59 Age Lawyer **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society

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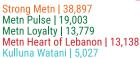
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#### MOUNT LEBANON 3 Baabda

EQ\*13,077.83

#### **Baabda Unity & Development**

26,500



#### Cynthia Ahmad Riad El Asmar

MA Seat Baabda **Minor District** 41 Age

Media Personality/Figure **Profession** 

Political Affiliation Independent















# **Together for Baabda**

5,768



#### Olfat Hamzeh El Sabeh

Seat Baabda **Minor District** Age

University Professor **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society













#### Kulluna Watani 4,992



#### Rania Refaat Al Masri

Seat **Minor District** Baabda 46 Age

**University Professor Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society















#### Marie-Claude Albert El Helou

Seat **Minor District** Baabda 70 Age Lawyer **Profession** Political Affiliation Sabaa





















Baabda Unity & Development | 26,500 Together for Baabda | 5,768 Kulluna Watani | 4,992



**WOMEN** 

National Accord | 40,669





















# MOUNT LEBANON 4 Chouf - Aley

EQ\*13,125.92

9,987



Kulluna Watani

#### Ghada Ghazi Marouni

Seat MA Chouf **Minor District** 52 Age

Media Personality/Figure Profession Political Affiliation Sabaa

2,094













#### Zoya Najib Jraydini

GO Seat Aley **Minor District** 63 Age **Profession** Manager Political Affiliation Civil Society















#### Rania Adel Ghaith

Chouf **Minor District** 38 Age Lawyer **Profession** Political Affiliation Civil Society













#### 5.446 **Free Decision**



#### Theodora Toni Bejjani

MA Aley **Minor District** 28 Age

**Profession** Interior Designer Political Affiliation Kataeb

1,219













#### Daad Nassif Al Azzi

Seat MA Chouf **Minor District** 37 Age

**Profession** University Professor Political Affiliation National Liberal Party

172



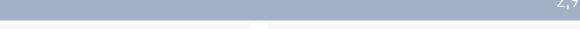








Madaniya





#### Maya Wahid Terro

Chouf **Minor District** 32 Age **Profession** Entrepreneur Political Affiliation Civil Society

373















#### Eliane Michel Azzi

Seat Chouf **Minor District** Age **Profession** Psychologist Political Affiliation Civil Society













# **MOUNT LEBANON 4**



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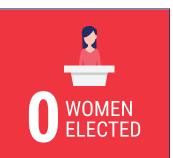
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Kulluna Watani | 9,987 Free Decision | 5,446 Madaniya | 2,91



**NOT INCLUDING WOMEN** 

Reconciliation | 98,967 Mount Lebanon's Guaranteed Change | 39,027 National Unity | 12,796





























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#### WOMEN IN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

# Recommendations and Path Forward



# **LEGAL FRAMEWORK**



Encourage the national authorities to examine the legal framework from a gender perspective, and to develop a consistent gendersensitive electoral legal regulatory and procedural framework



Adoption of electoral women's quota. It could be in the form of candidacy and or reserved seats. The law should also stipulate gender mixity in the formation of the lists



Amend all gender discriminatory laws such as personal status and nationality law



Develop and endorse a new law to protect women from violence against women in politics (VAWP)



Government of Lebanon to respect abide by commitments including the UHRD (Universal Declaration of Human Rights), and implement articles 2 and 7 of CEDAW\*



Amend the electoral law by lowering the candidacy fees, and including provisions for the reimbursement of the candidacy fees in case of withdrawal within the period mentioned in the electoral calendar

\* Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

#### Article 2

States Parties condemn discrimination against women in all its forms, agree to pursue by all appropriate means and without delay a policy of eliminating discrimination against women and, to this end, undertake: (a) To embody the principle of the equality of men and women in their national constitutions or other appropriate legislation if not yet incorporated therein and to ensure, through law and other appropriate means, the practical realization of this principle; (b) To adopt appropriate legislative and other measures, including sanctions where appropriate, prohibiting all discrimination against women; (c) To establish legal protection of the rights of women on an equal basis with men and to ensure through competent national tribunals and other public institutions the effective protection of women against any act of discrimination; (d) To refrain from engaging in any act or practice of discrimination against women and to ensure that public authorities and institutions shall act in conformity with this obligation; (e) To take all appropriate measures to eliminate discrimination against women by any person, organization or enterprise; (f) To take all appropriate measures, including legislation, to modify or abolish existing laws, regulations, customs and practices which constitute discrimination against women; (g) To repeal all national penal provisions which constitute discrimination against women.

States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to eliminate discrimination against women in the political and public life of the country and, in particular, shall ensure to women, on equal terms with men, the right: (a) To vote in all elections and public referenda and to be eligible for election to all publicly elected bodies; (b) To participate in the formulation of government policy and the implementation thereof and to hold public office and perform all public functions at all levels of government; (c) To participate in non-governmental organizations and associations concerned with the public and political life of the country.



Adoption of electoral reforms and/ or a new electoral law should be endorsed and published one year prior to elections



Amend legislation that prevents Lebanese women from passing on citizenship to children



Adopt TSMs (temporary special measures) to increase women's participation in the parliament through enforcement mechanisms



# ELECTORAL MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION



Advise MoIM and any other government bodies involved in the electoral administration, of the importance of achieving gender balance at all levels of election management including decision-making positions



Encourage the development of a gender-sensitive legal, regulatory, procedural, operational and outreach framework for the electoral process



Encourage the MoIM and SCE to collect sex-disaggregated data, including on voter turnout and candidacy



Appoint gender focal points at the MoIM with the main responsibility of Gender mainstreaming across all electoral processes



# **MEDIA**



Adopt a gender policy within media institutions in order to combat gender stereotyping and sexism inside the institution and amongst the public



Encourage the media to avoid disparaging and stereotypical reporting on women candidates but to report on them as active political participants and capable leaders



Increase balanced and meaningful representation of women in the media



Encourage media to host women candidates on prime time shows and receive equal airtime on radio and television during the campaign period



Adopt clear procedures to consider complaints from candidates against discriminatory media practices (ie. code of ethics and gender policy)



Encourage women candidates to adopt an inclusive media strategy



SCE (Supervisory Commission for Elections) should clarify regulations in regards to the ceiling for paid ads in private media



# **POLITICAL PARTIES**



Encourage parties to put in place transparent and competitive selection processes for candidates ensuring that women have a fair and equal chance to compete



Encourage political parties to remove all barriers that directly or indirectly discriminate against women's participation at all levels of the party structure through the adoption of TSMs and quota



Promote capacity building efforts, through organizing trainings, seminars, workshops, study tours and lessons learned exercises for all candidates



Encourage parties to consider establishing appropriate mechanisms and strategies to raise funds to assist equitably candidates (women and men) in their election campaigns



Adopt a new political parties law to strengthen democracy in Lebanon



Adopting gender strategy and internal gender quota in political parties to make internal practices more inclusive and to allow the accession of women in decision making position internally



Support women party members to run for union elections, municipal elections, and legislative elections



Assign gender focal points within the political parties to implement and monitor the gender strategy of the political parties, and to organize gender trainings targeting both women and men party members



Involve men in gender mainstreaming within the political party and especially the political bureau



Support political parties to adopt a gender sensitive approach in their rhetoric and by laws as well as enforcing quota within the party if needed



# VOTER EDUCATION AND ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN



Develop a clear electoral timeline with a timely and effective voter education and awareness campaigns targeting both men and women



Produce inclusive electoral awareness campaigns targeting vulnerable groups such as women, youth and PWDs



Organize gender awareness sessions in universities and schools to encounter the gender stereotypical roles that eliminate women from the political and the public sphere. Hence, raise awareness amongst the youth on gender and engage them in civic activities as creating clusters of gender equality at their universities





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