

# MUNICIPAL POLICIES TO PROMOTE ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER



It is easier to choose water over sugar-sweetened beverages (e.g., soft drinks or juice) when drinking water is available in our daily environments

## WHERE POLICIES FOR DRINKING WATER ARE MADE



Federal Government



Municipal Government



Provincial Government



Organizations



### CASE STUDY:

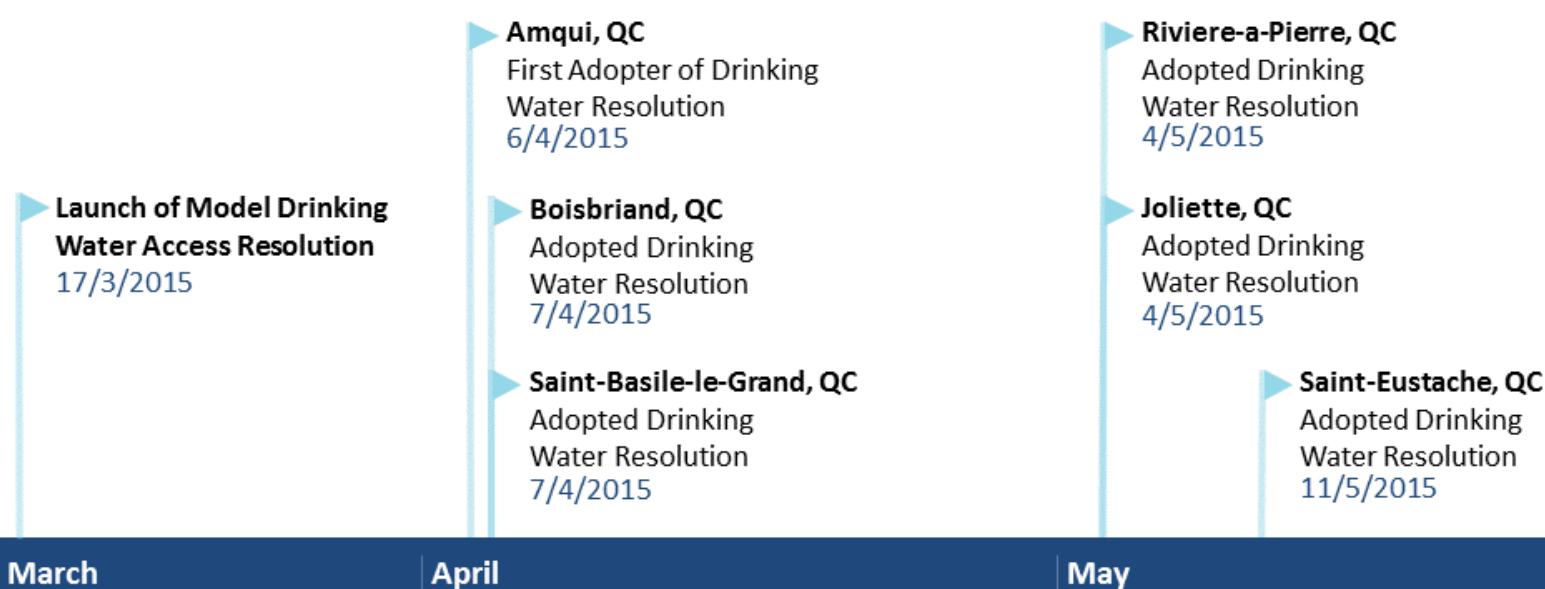
### INNOVATIVE DRINKING WATER POLICIES IN QUEBEC

Since 2015, six municipalities in Quebec have adopted policies to promote free access to drinking water in public spaces



These municipalities adopted a **resolution**, which is a non-binding record of a council's commitment or plan to address issues in the municipality

## Timeline of policy adoption & initiatives across Quebec, Canada



## FACTORS INFLUENCING THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES THAT IMPROVE ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER



External influences from advocacy groups



Availability of resources to support implementation



Municipalities that are receptive to innovation



**Public health advocates** can influence policy development by facilitating communication through existing networks