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UNITE

Canada is the best country in the world. Our sovereignty is under threat. America's unjustified trade war is an attempt to weaken us. We will not let that happen. It's time to build a future that makes Canada strong. We can give ourselves much more than any foreign government, including the United States, can ever take away. Building one Canadian economy, for example, can expand our economy by up to \$200 billion – proof that we are strongest when we are united.

To unite this country, a Mark Carney-led government will build one economy where Canadians can work wherever they want. Where goods can move freely from coast to coast to coast. Where the government's significant purchasing power buys Canadian goods and supports Canadian industries and workers. Where we use domestic strength to grow a strong economy that can never be taken away.

As Canadians, we have our own unique identity, history, and geography. To keep Canada strong, we will protect our culture, protect our environment, and protect our core values. And continue to build in true partnership with Indigenous Peoples.

Canadians are hardworking, generous, and sensible people. We care for each other. But our kindness should not be mistaken for weakness. We stand up to bullies. And we will never back down.

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One Canadian Economy

America's unjustified and reckless trade war threatens Canadian jobs, businesses, and our way of life. They are trying to weaken us so they can own us. In the face of this threat, we have a plan to build the strongest economy in the G7.

To do this, there must be one Canadian economy, not thirteen. That's why Mark Carney has a plan to remove barriers to internal trade. We will reduce internal trade costs by up to 15% and expand our economy by up to \$200 billion, that is up to \$5,000 for every Canadian. We will also build trade corridors that stitch this country together more tightly – where people can work anywhere, where businesses can sell their products anywhere. These actions will grow our economy and offset the impacts of Trump's tariffs. Our plan will lower costs for consumers, create new jobs and careers, open new markets for our homegrown goods and services, improve our energy independence, and increase labour mobility, including for health care workers and construction workers.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Unleash free trade in Canada by Canada Day by tabling legislation to eliminate all federal barriers to interprovincial trade and labour mobility and to remove all federal exceptions under the Canada Free Trade Agreement.** By removing internal trade barriers we will create higher paying jobs, unlock economic potential, and become stronger at home and abroad.
- **Achieve mutual recognition of credentials with provinces and territories so Canadians can work wherever they want.** This includes health professional credentials, professional qualifications in financial services, and trucking safety certifications, amongst others. In cases where mutual recognition is not attainable, we will harmonize regulations to enhance labour mobility. Following Nova Scotia, Ontario, New Brunswick, and PEI's initial actions, we will drive down costs for Canadians and businesses, strengthen supply chains, increase productivity, and bring new opportunities.
- **Reduce red tape.** We will require all relevant federal departments – such as Transport Canada, Natural Resources Canada, and Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada – to undertake reviews and to report on progress, within 60 days, on steps to eliminate outdated or unnecessary rules, reduce duplication or overlap with provincial rules, and streamline the administration of rules and the delivery of regulatory decisions.
- **Protect our economic sovereignty by unlocking projects that grow our economy.** We will work with provinces and territories and Indigenous Peoples to establish a list of nation-building projects that span provincial and territorial boundaries and deliver major economic and strategic benefits to Canadians. Long project approval timelines in Canada create significant investment uncertainty, hindering the rapid response needed to address today's global economic shifts. We will prioritize funding and assessment resources for these projects on an expedited basis.

Nation-building Projects

It's time to unite this country and invest in nation-building infrastructure on a scale not seen in generations. Major nation-building projects will connect Canada and grow the economy in ways that last for generations, such as the Port of Churchill, hydrogen production in Edmonton, seizing vast solar potential in Cowessess, high-speed rail that starts with Windsor to Québec City, and a trade corridor to Grays Bay in Nunavut, amongst others.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Invest to build infrastructure that connects Canada, breaks down barriers, and brings people and economies closer together.** We will work with all orders of government and Indigenous Peoples on critical infrastructure that connects communities. These could include contributions to projects such as the George Massey Tunnel that connects Richmond to Delta; supporting Alberta's work on Edmonton to Calgary passenger rail; the Québec City Tramway; the Grays Bay Port and Road Project connecting the Arctic Ocean to Yellowknife

and into southern Canada; and other projects such as the twinning of the Trans-Canada Highway. We will:

- **Make the Confederation Bridge, Northumberland and Marine Atlantic, and the *Coopérative de Transport Maritime et Aérien* Ferries more affordable.** We will ensure fair and equal treatment for PEI's bridge and ferry access.
- **Build high-speed rail** that connects communities between Windsor and Québec City.
- **Direct the Canadian Transportation Agency to develop a plan to address persistent complaints about accessibility on aircraft** and other modes of transportation.
- **Build new trade infrastructure that connects Canada through the new \$5 billion Trade Diversification Corridors Fund, including ports, railways, airports, highways, and other trade enabling infrastructure.** This will develop economic corridors that can make the greatest contribution to interprovincial and international trade, prioritizing areas where jobs and growth are held back by infrastructure capacity constraints. We will work in partnership with provinces, territories, and Indigenous Peoples to advance this work.
- **Build the Arctic economy** with more ports, highways, railways, and energy infrastructure, with a focus on dual-use infrastructure that grows our economy, reinforces our partnership with Indigenous communities, and secures our sovereignty [[more](#)].
- **Advance nation-building infrastructure projects through the recently doubled Indigenous Loan Guarantee Program from \$5 billion to \$10 billion and increasing the sectoral scope.** This will make it easier for more Indigenous communities to have a greater share in the benefits of major projects, including resource, infrastructure, transportation, and trade projects across the country.
- **Build out Canada's east-west electricity grid, a nation-building transmission project developed with provinces, territories, and Indigenous partners, and stakeholders.** This commitment will unleash clean growth across the country, connecting more homes and businesses to the power of clean electricity and attracting new investments in resource projects. And we will open new markets for large electricity producers in Canada, such as Hydro-Québec and Manitoba Hydro, and enhance connectivity to low-emissions electricity needed for industry and the broader economy to reach net-zero emissions. This effort will strengthen our energy security and build Canada into one economy.
- **Make rural and small communities more affordable and accessible** through investing an additional \$250 million in the Rural Transit Solutions Fund. By working with provinces and territories, we will lower costs and further support the development, expansion, and operation of local, regional, and cross-Canada transit and bus solutions that help Canadians get to work, school, medical appointments, and visit loved ones.
- **Invest in digital infrastructure for the economy of tomorrow.** We will catalyze the construction and development of AI infrastructure including data storage facilities, computing capacity, high speed, safe and reliable communication networks, and digital supply chain

solutions to improve efficiency and reduce costs for Canadians. This will include improving rural broadband and reliable cell service that connects communities.

- **Provide disaster mitigation and recovery funding** where infrastructure that connects Canada is under threat. This will help communities get back on their feet after natural disasters that are increasing with climate change.
- **Build critical health infrastructure** like hospitals, clinics, and long-term care facilities by working with provinces and territories.
- **Build community infrastructure that brings communities together.** We will engage with municipalities that make progress on housing first.
- **Make buildings more accessible** by increasing funding to the Enabling Accessibility Fund to ensure that workplaces are accessible and incorporating more barrier-free and barrier-free ready designs into upcoming housing catalogues and into Canada's building efforts so that new housing is accessible to all Canadians.

Getting Projects Done Faster and Better

As the global economy and trading system is being fundamentally reshaped by the reckless tariffs imposed by the United States, Canada needs to use every tool at its disposal to get nation-building projects built. We have the resources the world wants, the best workers, a strong domestic market, and access to three coasts to trade from. Major projects will grow our economy, bring our products to new markets with reliable trading partners, and create good jobs for generations of workers.

Investors are looking for certainty. They want a consistent, reliable, and safe place where they can build long-term multi-year projects, in an environment free from political volatility. Canada will be that place. We respect Indigenous rights, protect the environment, uphold the rule of law, and build things in the right way. It's time for the government to commit its powers, policy instruments, and fiscal capacity to speed up the review process so we can build major projects in the national interest.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Get big projects built quickly by establishing "One Window" project decisions through a Major Federal Project Office** and effectively shifting the focus of project review from "why" to "how." This will enable businesses to navigate regulations more quickly and with fewer redundancies. This office will uphold rigour when it comes to environmental protection and Indigenous consultation and participation.
- **Require the new Major Federal Project Office to render final decisions on projects on a maximum two-year timeline**, much faster than the former government's five-year timeline. This will include where other federal decisions are required, including under the *Fisheries Act*, the *Species at Risk Act*, and other federal legislation.
- **Move forward with One Project, One Review.** Within six months, we will sign Cooperation and Substitution Agreements with all willing Premiers, as well as Indigenous Governing

Bodies, allowing the federal government to recognize provincial, territorial, and Indigenous-led assessments. It will reinforce the rigours of Canada's system that protects the environment, guarantees Indigenous consultation and involvement, and builds community buy-in. This is a bonus for investors because it provides long-term certainty, which, compared to growing uncertainty in the U.S. provides a distinct Canadian advantage.

- **Advance Indigenous participation in major projects** to ensure First Nations, Inuit and Métis rights-holders are a part of Canada's accelerated push to build [\[more\]](#).
- **Double capacity support so more Indigenous communities can take an active role in project decisions at various stages**, and to improve meaningful and immediate participation [\[more\]](#).

Reinforcing CBC/Radio-Canada, Protecting Canadian Voices

In this time of crisis, protecting Canada means protecting our culture, our journalism, our perspectives. The Americans have threatened our sovereignty and issued inflammatory statements about our economy; we need to be able to tell a story that fights back. Our public broadcaster, CBC/Radio-Canada has stitched this nation together, reporting from Corner Brook to Trois-Rivières to Whitehorse to Comox, bringing Canadians together at critical moments. This institution is a cornerstone of our national identity; to not defend it is to cede the ability to tell our own stories.

Pierre Poilievre wants to erase 90 years of Canadian history, culture, and pride. He wants to get rid of a key bastion for protecting and promoting our culture and the French language. And he wants to do this at a time when reliable access to information – by Canadians, for Canadians – is absolutely essential.

A strong culture is forged by the history we share and the stories we tell that are uniquely our own. In a sea of American media and disinformation, we need Canadian voices more than ever.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Enshrine and protect CBC/Radio Canada** by introducing legislation to establish statutory funding. Funding for our national public broadcaster should not be subject to the whims of government; our national institutions deserve to be protected by Parliament and changed only with the consent of the House of Commons and the people it represents.
- **Strengthen CBC/Radio Canada's mandate** by:
 - **Developing a governance plan with CBC/Radio Canada to improve accountability**, empower leadership, streamline processes and tap into the spirit of innovation. This will also improve citizen engagement and understanding of our country, from the West Coast to the East Coast and to the far reaches of the Canadian North. It is only by engaging all parts of our country that we can tell its stories.

- **Equipping them to further promote and support Canadian culture including Quebec's unique culture**, which is at the heart of our national identity.
- **Strengthening local news**, so that all Canadians have access to timely, relevant and reliable news.
- **Adding to their mandate the clear and consistent transmission of life-saving information during emergencies.**
- **Including a commitment of including Indigenous perspectives.**
- **Fully equipping them to combat disinformation** so that Canadians have a news source they know and trust.
- **Bolstering innovation and investing in new digital tools** so that they can deliver the news when and how Canadians want it.
- **Provide an initial \$150 million boost in annual funding while directing CBC/Radio Canada to develop a strategic plan consistent with this new mandate.** We will work towards bringing CBC/Radio Canada's long-term funding levels in line with the average funding of other national public broadcasters over time.
- **Support Canadian artists and creators by increasing funding to agencies such as the Canada Council for the Arts, Telefilm, the Canada Media Fund, and the National Film Board,** recognizing the economic importance of Canada's creative industries and creators. The more of our perspectives that are brought to life, the better we understand Canada, and the more we can show the world what makes Canada strong.

Discovering and Celebrating Canada

Canada is the most beautiful country in the world. Right now is the moment to give Canadians a reason to discover, and rediscover, it for themselves. Trips to Parks Canada and national historic sites, galleries, and travelling by rail, deepen our love for this country, open our eyes in new ways, and make the memories that mould a strong Canadian identity.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Introduce a Canada Strong Pass for three months this summer.** The Canada Strong Pass will provide children and youth under the age of 18 with free access to Canada's incredible [national galleries and museums](#), and free seats on [VIA Rail](#) when they travel with their parents. We will work with willing provinces and territories to establish similar pricing structures in our beautiful provincial museums and galleries. This pass will be available from June to August 2025. We will also introduce heavily discounted access and fares for young Canadians aged 18-24.

- **Make access to National Parks and Historic Sites free this summer for everyone.** We will also reduce prices for camping sites in national parks for all Canadians from June to August. Now is the time to rediscover Canada in all its beauty [[more](#)].

Buy Canadian

President Trump's tariffs are fundamentally restructuring global trade and Canadian businesses are anxious about lost customers and jobs. In this time of crisis, Canadian businesses need to know that domestic demand is there. It's time for the Government of Canada to give Canadian companies due consideration in federal procurement. Buying Canadian gives companies the confidence to build, to hire, and to stand strong in the face of this crisis.

At a time when our economy is under threat, consumers want to do their part as patriotic Canadians, buying things that are truly made here. But sometimes figuring out what is a Canadian product is hard.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Make it easy for Canadians to Buy Canadian.** Working with retailers, agricultural producers, manufacturers, food and beverage companies, and by maximizing Canada's supply chain we will increase transparency and increase stringency in origin of product labelling so that it is simple, clear, and easy to identify what is a truly Canadian product. To help make this happen, we will provide support to help manufacturers adapt and for the Competition Bureau to enforce these new requirements.
- **Deploy a made-in-Canada procurement strategy** that prioritizes, whenever possible, Canadian suppliers and supply chains, and limiting bidders from foreign suppliers to bidding only on what we have agreed to in Canada's Free Trade Agreements. We will prioritize Canadian contractors in our defence procurement, including the Canadian aerospace industry. Crown Corporations with major capital acquisitions, like VIA Rail, will also be encouraged to meet this standard.
- **Buy Canadian clean** by prioritizing Government of Canada purchases to be low carbon emission and when applicable, sustainability certified products and materials. This includes building materials, vehicle fleets, and other goods and services. We will support clean growth in Canada, create jobs, and support Canadian business.
- **Establish Buy Canadian standards for federal infrastructure funding** including maximizing Canadian steel, aluminum, and forestry products.
- **Leverage government funding to prioritize and procure Canadian-built vehicles**, catalyzing domestic investment to grow the Canadian auto industry.
- **Bet on Canadian innovators and entrepreneurs** by leveraging the government's purchasing power to drive Canadian innovation, solving Canadian problems in new ways, and improving efficiency and service delivery, while supporting our small and medium-sized businesses.

SECURE

The world is increasingly dangerous and divided. Now, more than ever, we need to secure Canadian sovereignty by strengthening our military, making our communities more resilient, and protecting ourselves against growing threats, including in a warming Arctic where we must work in collaboration with Arctic and Northern Indigenous Peoples so that we are prepared to face a hostile Russia or emboldened China.

There are brave women and men across this country who have put up their hands to serve. We will make sure that they have what they need to meet this moment and give them the support their commitment deserves. We must invest in our ability to shape the world we live in, because a peaceful, prosperous world is one where Canada thrives.

We will be vigilant against foreign interference in our democracy and protect the security and sovereignty of Canada. A Mark Carney-led government will keep Canada strong and free.

Defending Our Sovereignty

Canada is a sovereign nation. But in 2025, the sovereignty that we have secured and defended is under threat. We will stand up for Canada.

We will rebuild our defence capacity, we will rearm the Canadian Armed Forces, and we will invest in Canadian defence companies. We will strengthen our security, build stronger links with our partners in Europe and Asia, and invest in the North. We will build our defence industry to keep it resilient and benefit our economy. Most importantly, we will put Canadians first by supporting our people and making the Canadian Armed Forces a lifelong career.

Our investments will be spent wisely and effectively to put Canada on track to exceed our NATO defence spending target before 2030. This when, ten years ago, under a Conservative government, defence spending was less than 1% of GDP. We will increase investments significantly and quickly to protect Canada. Now, more than ever, we need to reaffirm our sovereignty and invest in the Canadian Armed Forces.

Rebuild the Canadian Armed Forces

The members of our Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) have put up their hands to defend our sovereignty, volunteering to put themselves in harm's way to protect Canadians. We ask a lot of our military. In recognition of their service, we need to take better care of them and their families. We will fix these shortcomings and invest to make the CAF one of the best workplaces in the country,

which also means paying our serving members a wage that reflects the sacrifices they make for our country.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Give a pay raise to CAF members** to recognize that we are asking more of them as Canada steps up to defend our sovereignty.
- **Give better support to our CAF members, through investments in housing, health care, and child care.** This means rapidly increasing the stock of high-quality housing on bases across the country and ensuring access to primary child care and health care – including mental health supports – for serving members and their families.
- **Modernize our recruitment process,** including by streamlining security clearances and applying online, so that more applicants can get trained, faster. Every year, thousands of Canadians try to join the CAF, but encounter frustrating barriers and a slow process, leading to a recruitment rate of less than 10%. To solve our personnel crisis, we need to make it easier for high-quality candidates to enter service more quickly.
- **Address the external recommendations to combat military sexual misconduct.** Sexual misconduct has absolutely no place in the Canadian Armed Forces. Like all Canadians, members of the Canadian Armed Forces must have a safe workplace.

Rearm

In a world of growing threats, Canada must be equipped to detect and deter, those who would attack our sovereignty. To do this, we will need to procure new equipment and technology for our Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. We have a plan to meet our NATO commitments and ensure that the CAF has the equipment they need to defend our sovereignty. That means dozens of new investments in equipment for our military, including foundational investments.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Expand our ability to monitor our coastlines and secure Canada's Arctic,** including with new submarines for the Royal Canadian Navy and additional heavy icebreakers, building on our commitment to all orders underway through the National Shipbuilding Strategy.
- **Expand our fleet of aerial and underwater drones to build a persistent presence in the air and sea,** including persistent surveillance to protect against threats in the Arctic and at our border. We will work to build Canadian industry through defence partnerships and by leveraging domestic innovations.
- **Buy Canadian-made airborne early warning and control aircraft,** supporting our domestic aerospace industry and accelerating the procurement process.

- **Support the Canadian Army with significant new investments**, such as new self-propelled artillery systems and ground-based air defence capabilities so that the CAF have the capacity to operate in today's context.
- **Give the Canadian Coast Guard a new mandate and the right equipment to conduct maritime surveillance operations to secure our coasts.** Our Coast Guard carries out important work, but we need to update their mission to protect our sovereignty and counter criminal activity, such as drug trafficking. Expanding the reach and abilities of the Canadian Coast Guard will also mean integrating them into Canada's NATO defence capabilities.
- **Invest in our Reserves and Canadian Rangers** to give them the equipment they need to continue protecting our sovereignty and conduct domestic disaster responses that directly helps Canadians.

Reinvest

We must reinvest in our Canadian defence industries, taking advantage of technologies that have both military and civilian uses. We must also reform the way Canada procures for its defence so that we do not suffer undue delays in equipment deliveries and are not giving money to countries that attack our sovereignty. Our procurement system is too slow and out of date; we can no longer afford to treat defence procurement like other parts of the government.

Sovereignty is not just about new equipment, it means leveraging Canadian innovation to serve as a force multiplier, empowering our military to achieve greater operational impact than our adversaries. This approach doesn't just strengthen our defence posture, it creates highly skilled jobs, spurs domestic innovation, and positions Canada as a leader in emerging defence technologies.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Establish the Bureau of Research, Engineering and Advanced Leadership in Science (BOREALIS)** to ensure the Canadian Armed Forces and Communications Security Establishment have the made-in-Canada innovation solutions they need in areas such as AI, quantum computing, cybersecurity, and other advanced research and technology.
- **Overhaul defence procurement to better meet our needs and the urgency of the moment** by:
 - **Establishing a new Defence Procurement Agency.**
 - **Amending legislation and regulations as required**, including taking steps to expand risk-based approaches to approvals, to centralize expertise from across government and streamline the way we buy equipment for the military.
 - **Buying Canadian whenever possible** and prioritizing Canadian raw materials such as steel, aluminum and critical minerals.

- **Boosting Canada's domestic defence industries and production** as we build security relationships with our partners. That includes advancing Canada's involvement in the ReArm Europe Plan in support of transatlantic security, and prioritizing investment here in Canada – with every dollar spent wisely and effectively.

Arctic Sovereignty and Prosperity

We can never take sovereignty and security in the Arctic for granted. With our sovereignty under threat, it is time to work with Indigenous and Northern partners to strengthen the North, to deter incursions, and to strengthen our presence in the Arctic. To keep all of Canada strong and free.

We must take a smarter approach to building infrastructure in the North. For too long, we've built separate infrastructure for communities and the military. To invest smartly, we need to prioritize projects that defend the Arctic just as much as they help Northerners, particularly Indigenous Peoples. This work can only proceed in full partnership with Arctic and Northern Indigenous Peoples.

The North faces existential threats as countries try to take advantage of new shipping routes opened by climate change, exploit our critical minerals, and encroach on our borders. We will keep Canada strong, free, and sovereign.

That means that when we build a new airstrip in the Arctic, fighter jets can take off to patrol our airspace while cargo planes land with food and supplies for remote communities. When we build new deepwater ports to support our destroyers patrolling Northern waters, we will build new trade routes for cargo ships that export Canadian goods.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Work closely with Arctic and Northern Indigenous leadership as partners**, in defence and security investments that respect their rights, incorporate traditional knowledge, and ensure community priorities are reflected, especially on targeted investments in dual-use infrastructure such as airstrips and other critical infrastructure.
- **Strengthen the presence of Canadian Armed Forces in the Arctic to protect the sovereignty of our land, air, and sea**, including through a network of deepwater ports that will allow us to protect the Northwest Passage year-round.
- **Move forward to detect and deter early warning radar coverage of threats to the Arctic** by working with partners in Australia to develop advanced Over-the-Horizon Radar. This will also help deepen our defence and trade ties with Australia.
- **Invest in Northern infrastructure**, including a new hydroelectricity project and other energy projects, so that people have access to safe, reliable energy; improve housing stock, accelerate housing development, and meet growing housing demand. We will also invest in new port projects, railways, airstrips, and highways, all with dual-use capabilities. This work will be undertaken with Arctic and Northern Indigenous partners.

- **Forge a new Canada-Europe Arctic security cooperation agreement** that deepens ties in the North in recognition of the rapidly shifting security landscape.
- **Expand our fleet of aerial and underwater drones – as well as investments in Canadian satellite technology** – to build a persistent presence across the North to monitor our vast landscape and the world’s longest coastline by investing in made-in-Canada innovations.

Veterans

Canadian Veterans stood up to defend our sovereignty. After completing their service, Veterans face unique challenges, with almost half reporting difficulties in transitioning to civilian life. We must recognize the sacrifices that they and their families have made to keep our country strong and free. We owe the more than 460,000 Veterans living in Canada so much; the least we can do is make sure that they have the support they need and that their sacrifices are honoured.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Improve health services and support for women Veterans’ health** by launching a health research study on the experience of women Veterans to ensure proper data is collected so that its service delivery can capture the increase of women Veterans transitioning to civilian life and ultimately improve their health outcomes.
- **Modernize and streamline the benefits system**, to deliver faster decisions, shorter wait times, and less paperwork so that Veterans and their families get the support they need sooner and more easily.
- **Make it easier for Veterans to get jobs** by working with provinces and territories to streamline the recognition of military trade credentials in the civilian world, so that qualified Veterans do not needlessly retrain once they leave the military. We will also work to make it easier to maintain a security clearance when necessary after retirement so Veterans can continue contributing to the protection of Canadian sovereignty.
- **Expand recognition of service** by reviewing the designation of certain military missions, including in the Persian Gulf, so that Veterans’ sacrifices in conflict zones are properly recognized. This would be done in consultation with Veterans groups, CAF, and Veterans Affairs Canada to ensure we develop clear recognition for their service.
- **Expand culturally relevant services for Indigenous Veterans** in consultation with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis peoples. Indigenous Peoples put up their hands to join Canada’s military at particularly high rates.
- **Preserve the National Field of Honour** through work with the Last Post Fund to assume ownership of the National Field of Honour in Montreal, so that it remains an appropriate and respectful final resting place for Veterans.

Defending Our Economy

Our workers and businesses are under threat from America's unjustified trade war. It is an attempt to weaken our economy in a misguided belief that they can dominate the Canadian economy. We will reject any attempt to weaken us, wear us down, divide us, or own us. Our response will always be to fight, to protect our workers and industries, and to build.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Respond to existing U.S. tariffs on our economy for as long as is necessary** while also ensuring that we are safeguarding Canadian industry from the threat of trade diversion. Every dollar raised from these tariffs will support Canadian workers and businesses affected by the trade war.
- **Create a \$2 billion Strategic Response Fund** to boost our auto sector's competitiveness, protect manufacturing jobs, support workers to upskill their expertise in the industry, and build a fortified Canadian supply chain – from raw materials to finished vehicles.
- **Build an “All-in-Canada” network for auto manufacturing component parts.** With this network, we will work with industry to build more car parts in Canada, limit those parts crossing the border during production, and attract investment into our own industry.
- **Maximize Canada's steel, aluminum, and critical minerals** – from exploration to battery production – to seize this economic opportunity, create higher-paying jobs, and build the strongest economy in the G7.
- **Safeguard our economy and our values and protect Canada from attempts to buy up our businesses, our core public health care, intellectual property, critical minerals and other resources by strengthening the *Investment Canada Act*.** We will make more transactions reviewable, as well as modernizing standards to capture manipulative transaction models – including by reviewing the potential impacts to Canada's data sovereignty. We will also make clear that any transactions involving core infrastructure in our public health system, such as long-term care facilities and family health practices, will be subject to stringent review and protection under the Act.

Food Security

Our farmers and fishermen and women do hard work, good work. It's the backbone of so many of our rural and coastal communities. This is a time of immense upheaval – from Trump's tariffs, trade wars, and the significant impact of climate change. Farmers, fishers, and others who help put food on Canadians plates are seeing the impacts of climate change firsthand and it's important that we work together to support sustainable and resilient practices.

Food security is about more than just ensuring there is enough food on our plates, it's also about protecting Canada's economic sovereignty. When Canadians are worried about inflation and their

financial security, it's important that we make sure food prices are in reach for all. It's about every family across Canada, including in the North, having confidence that they have access to fresh, nutritious, and affordable food. And making sure that, while America attempts to weaken our economy, Canadians can know that they are supporting our farmers, fishers, and food producers.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Strengthen Canada's food security** by investing in greenhouses, hydroponics, and other controlled environment agriculture that allow us to grow more types of food, here at home. We will work with the private sector to protect Canadian food security.
- **Work to increase the resilience of food supply chains and support innovation** [\[more\]](#).
- **Amend the mandates of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and the Pest Management Regulatory Agency** to ensure they consider food security and the cost of food in all their regulatory decisions without compromising on health and safety. Currently, these important agencies only look at their respective mandates through a health and safety lens.
- **Direct the Canada Infrastructure Bank to prioritize investments in agriculture, fisheries, agri-food, and the food supply chain**, particularly those that improve food security and reduce the cost of food for Canadian families, unlocking potentially billions in investment for the sector.
- **Help Canadian farmers get their goods to market at low cost**, particularly in Alberta, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan. We will do this by extending the Extended Railway Interswitching pilot by three years. As part of our commitment to support Canadian workers, we will explore all options to exclude non-Canadian railways from being included in this project.
- **Support modern water management practices and safeguard local water** resources as part of the freshwater action plan [\[more\]](#).

Farmers and Agri food

Our farmers and the workers and businesses that feed Canadians have faced Trump's uncertainty before. We need this industry to be strong to protect food security in Canada.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Keep Canada's supply management off the table in any negotiations with the U.S.** We will protect Canada's commitment to supply management and supply-managed sectors, including dairy, poultry, and eggs. This will protect Canadian jobs, insulate these segments of our food supply from fluctuations in production costs, and guarantee Canadian farmers a minimum price for their products.
- **Make permanent the doubling of revenue protection for farmers under the AgriStability Program**, from \$3 million to \$6 million per farm, in the case of significant revenue drops caused by tariffs, extreme weather events, and other external shocks.

- **Build more domestic processing capacity**, including food processing capacity in rural and remote areas, with a new \$200 million Domestic Food Processing Fund, applicable to both agricultural and fisheries products. This could include processing milk into baby formula.
- **Increase support for farmers, ranchers, and producers, including in the fish and seafood sectors**, to access new markets for their food products with an additional \$30 million in the AgriMarketing Program. This will build on recent successes, including the recent opening of new Agri-Food Offices abroad, which helps our farmers access new markets and diversify away from the United States.
- **Increase the support for farmers and ranchers to buy more efficient farm equipment**. This will support farmers in growing their businesses and hiring more workers, while reducing emissions and improving resiliency to the effects of climate change and extreme weather events.
- **Double the loan guarantee limit, from \$500,000 to \$1 million, of the *Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Program* and expand terms to 20 years**. This will help the next generation of young farmers start their own farms by facilitating the purchase of land, the construction or improvement of farm infrastructure, the purchase or repair of equipment, and more.
- **Work with the National School Food Program and provinces and territories to prioritize the purchasing of Canadian food products as much as possible**, supporting our farmers and ensuring Canadian kids have access to local, fresh food grown and caught right here in Canada [[more](#)].
- **Work with the Canada Food Inspection Agency to ensure mutual recognition of food safety standards with reliable trading partners**. This will cut red tape to accelerate access to new technology approvals without compromising health and safety.

Fishers

On the shores of the Atlantic, Pacific, and Arctic Oceans, there are communities of fishermen and women with deep roots. We need to protect their livelihoods, including from the threat of tariffs, and the fish and oceans they rely on.

Sustainable, secure, innovative fishing is essential for Canadian fishermen and women to feed the world, pass their work on for new generations, and for us to build a strong economy now.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Invest an additional \$250 million in the repair and maintenance of small craft harbours**. These harbours are the backbone of the fishing industry, especially in Atlantic Canada, and are the homebase for many of Canada's fisheries. Tackling much needed repairs and improvements will protect livelihoods, and help these small fisheries grow.
- **Help our fisheries respond to tariffs and reduce the risk involved in expanding to new markets** by creating a new Arctic Fisheries Fund, and revamping the Atlantic Fisheries Fund,

the Quebec Fisheries Fund, and the British Columbia Salmon Restoration and Innovation Fund, increasing funding by 20% for each. This new funding will help our fishermen and women face tariff risks including on developing new export markets, new product development and promoting Canadian seafood for dinner tables here at home. Funding will also drive innovation, sustainability, and productivity so that our industry is set up for long-term growth.

- **Protect marine life and clean up our shores.** Ghost gear (lost or abandoned fishing equipment) traps and kills fish, marine mammals, and seabirds, damages sensitive habitats, and litters coastlines. We will work to clean up ghost gear through new innovations, such as AI-powered data analysis and satellite imagery, GPS-enabled buoys, RFID tags, and acoustic sensors to retrieve ghost gear in real time. These innovations will reduce harm to marine habitats, protect fish stocks, and keep fishermen and women safe.

Safe and Secure Communities

Crime and violence are rising in our neighbourhoods and online. An increase in violent crime, including car theft and home invasion, is making Canadians less and less safe in their daily lives. Canadians are being harassed at their places of worship and on the way to school. Everyone must feel safe in their communities, including our kids. We need to take action to prevent crime before it starts, give law enforcement the tools they need to disrupt it, and hold those who commit crimes accountable. A strong Canada means strong protections in our communities and a *Criminal Code* which is responsive to emerging issues and protects victims of crime and keeps our kids safe.

Responsible Gun Control

A serious plan to keep our communities safe starts with responsible action to keep guns off our streets. We will continue to take action to keep assault-style firearms out of our communities, all while respecting the longstanding traditions of hunting, including among Indigenous Peoples, and sport shooting.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Continue to implement an efficient gun buyback program** for assault-style firearms.
- **Legislate a pre-authorization system** that ensures that the classification of new firearm models entering the market is determined by the RCMP and not the gun industry.
- **Automatically revoke gun licences for individuals convicted of violent offences**, particularly those convicted of intimate partner violence offences, and those subject to protection orders.
- **Increase capacity to track down guns used in crimes** so we can catch those responsible by investing in the capacity of the RCMP's National Forensic Laboratories in Ottawa and Surrey, as well as the Saskatchewan Ballistics Laboratory.

- **Toughen oversight of firearms licensing** and strengthen the enforcement of yellow and red flag requirements by bolstering the capacity of Provincial Chief Firearms Officers to fulfill their obligations.

Resilient, Well-equipped Frontline Workers

New threats to our safety and sovereignty are emerging every day. Our security agencies keep us safe from these threats, but they need to be well resourced to respond to evolving threats and new realities.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **End drug and human trafficking in our communities** and boost resources to fight modern threats, such as foreign interference, transnational repression, and cybercrime. We will also recruit and train 1000 more RCMP personnel, establish a new RCMP academy within Depot, and increase pay for cadet recruits.
- **Crack down on drugs, including fentanyl and its precursors, illegal guns, and stop gangs from smuggling stolen cars out of the country.** We will train 1000 new Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) officers. In addition, to secure our borders, we will stand up additional border scanners, drones, and new K-9 teams, to target more suspicious shipments at our land borders, ports, and railyards.
- **Put those profiting from fentanyl behind bars** by prosecuting more complex drug trafficking and organized crime offences. We will invest in the Public Prosecution Services of Canada so that they can do so.
- **Amend the *Canada Post Corporation Act* to allow police to search for and seize fentanyl** and other contraband in Canada Post mail with a general warrant.
- **Support the health, including mental health, of our first responders** by doubling our collaboration with the Canadian Institute of Health Research, and the Canadian Institute of Public Safety Research and Treatment.
- **Amend the *Public Service Superannuation Act* to expand early retirement eligibility**, also known as “25 and out” for frontline employees including firefighters, paramedics, correctional service employees, border services officers, Parliamentary protection officers, and search and rescue.

Safe at Home

Every Canadian should feel safe in their community, especially in their home. We will act decisively to strengthen the *Criminal Code* and move aggressively to protect victims by making bail laws stricter for violent and organized crime, home invasion, car theft, and human trafficking.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Make it harder to get bail for those charged with violent car theft, car theft for a criminal organization, home invasion, and certain human trafficking and smuggling offences** by establishing a reverse onus for these crimes.
- **Require the court to prohibit possession of firearms or weapons when releasing someone charged with a violent offence or any offence involving a criminal organization.**
- **Toughen sentencing guidelines so they are stricter for repeat offenders of car theft, as well as violent and organized crimes. We will:**
 - **Direct courts to primarily consider denunciation and deterrence** when sentencing repeat car thieves or home invasion offenders.
 - **Allow for consecutive sentencing for car theft with violence or car theft involving a criminal organization** on top of home invasion offences if applicable, or any other offences the person is subject to.
 - **Allow for consecutive sentencing** for serious and violent offences.
- **Protect victims of sexual violence and intimate partner violence by:**
 - **Making murder motivated by hate a constructive first-degree offence**, including femicide.
 - **Make it a criminal offence to distribute non-consensual sexual deepfakes.**
 - **Increase penalties** for the distribution of intimate images without consent and sexual assault on summary conviction.

Keeping Children Safe

Our children are growing up in a world with threats that are very different, even compared to a decade ago. New technologies are changing the way they interact with the world, and criminal organizations are trying to exploit them. We need to do more to protect our kids.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Introduce legislation to protect children from horrific crimes** including online sexexploitation and extortion and give law enforcement and prosecutors the tools to stop these crimes and bring perpetrators to justice.
- **Provide new funding to the Canadian Center for Child Protection** in Winnipeg, Manitoba.
- **Tighten laws to crack down on child-luring** including by raising the maximum sentence.

- **Amend the *Mandatory Reporting Act*** to extend the period of preservation of data related to a child sexual offence and extend the limitation period for the prosecution of an offence under that Act.
- **Prevent crime before it starts** by extending the Building Safer Communities Fund, and prioritizing approaches to steer youth away from criminal activity. This fund will also support Indigenous-led community safety priorities.

Protecting Our Communities

We have seen a horrifying rise in hate, and hate-related crimes, in our communities. The numerous incidents of Antisemitism and Islamophobia are deeply troubling. And we see an ongoing rise of homophobia and transphobia. In Canada, no one should feel afraid because of who they are or how they worship.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Introduce legislation to make it a criminal offence to intentionally and willfully obstruct access to any place of worship, schools, and community centres.**
- **Make it a criminal offence to intentionally and willfully intimidate or threaten those attending services at these locations.**
- **Protect the safety of 2SLGBTQI+ people** by maintaining support for Fierté Canada Pride in administering funding for security needs at Pride festivals across the country.
- **Address the rise of hate** by implementing Canada's Action Plan on Combatting Hate.
- **Significantly increase the annual budget of the Canada Community Security Program** in order to help protect vulnerable communities and places of worship.

Global Leadership

Canada is a nation of values. We champion human rights, democracy, and the rule of law. These values are the basis of the 80 years of peace and prosperity that saw Canada grow and take its place in the world. Today, these values are under threat, including from our neighbours to the south who are attacking our sovereignty, and violating their trade agreements to wage economic war that threatens our way of life. It was America that once declared itself a shining city on a hill, but today it is casting a shadow. We will step out from behind that shadow to defend our sovereignty and our values around the world.

It was a Canadian who drafted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It was a Canadian who came up with the concept of a UN peacekeeping force. In this crisis, we will not forget what Canada stands for – a world where everyone can live with equal rights, dignity, and respect. Pierre Poilievre has said that he will make “massive cuts” to Canada's foreign aid. Liberals will continue to stand

behind the institutions that support Canadian values and our global stability, including the UN and its agencies.

We must never forget that our sovereignty, security, and prosperity are tied to broader global stability. At a time of rising global conflict and authoritarianism, there are those who are stepping back from global leadership. Canada believes in open cooperation, in the free flow of good services and ideas.

If the United States no longer wants to lead, Canada will.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Restore Canada's diplomatic presence abroad** through a new, full foreign policy. The last time Canada issued a full foreign policy was in 2005 – the world is immensely different today than it was then. The intention is to deploy more Canadian diplomats and officials abroad, to expand our trade, and to restore Canadian leadership. We will also issue a complementary national security review.
- **Build alliances to protect our sovereignty** including work to build a security and economic partnership with our Nordic partners to promote Arctic security, Canadian sovereignty, and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. This will build on our close relationships, and we will continue to leverage our close relationships with the Commonwealth and *La Francophonie* to present a united front against threats to sovereignty around the globe.
- **Defend our values of peace and stability** by continuing to support Ukraine and Ukrainians including: working to bring home Ukrainian children stolen by Russia; building on Canadian leadership to seize Russian sovereign assets and using them to fund Ukraine's reconstruction; and, if needed, build on our peacekeeping heritage and step up to guarantee Ukraine's security.
- **Expand FinDev's lending capacity** to support the private sector in low-income and emerging economies by investing in infrastructure that reduces emissions, addresses global famine and food insecurity, and closes economic development gaps.
- **Protect Canada's proud tradition of supporting the poorest and most vulnerable in times of crisis** by maintaining our international humanitarian assistance budget at no less than \$800 million per year.
- **Assert Canada's leadership in supporting women and girls by protecting funding for sexual and reproductive health care and rights**, education, and combatting child marriage. At a time when women's rights are under threat and reproductive rights are being rolled back at a shocking rate, we will ensure that our foreign assistance is gender responsive and helps the poorest and most vulnerable.
- **Add additional funding for the LGBTQI+ International Assistance Program** to provide support for LGBTQI+ individuals facing persecution abroad, promote global equality, and

partner with international organizations. We will also expand the Rainbow Refugee Assistance Partnership.

- **Continue our international climate finance program** to focus on bringing in more private capital into helping developing economies reach their climate goals, while supporting the poorest and most vulnerable to adapt to the effects of climate change.
- **Leverage Canadian expertise to solve global problems** – including leveraging our tech ecosystem – with increased funding to accelerate progress on the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- **Use Canada’s G7 Presidency to catalyze action in defence of our values**, including working to protect the rules-based international order from those who want to destroy it.

PROTECT

In times of national crisis, we must remember what we are fighting for: to protect our Canadian way of life.

We must protect our belief in the common good – our belief that we are stronger together. Canada will never be America. From public health care to Canada-wide child care to bilingualism, Canadians recognize that these are the things that make us strong and that being there for one another is fundamental to our way of life.

We look out for each other. Not just those who look like us, talk like us, pray like us, love like us. We look out for, and stand up for, all Canadians. It's in our Charter, in our Constitution. And it's what it means to be part of the Canadian family.

Public Health Care

In the United States health care is a business, in Canada it's a right.

Canadians expect a strong public health care system that improves and modernizes over time, responds to changing needs, and is available wherever and whenever Canadians need care. We respect the jurisdiction of provinces and territories and their key role in health care delivery. We will work in full partnership with provinces, territories, and Indigenous Peoples to advance the outcomes we all want to see: better access to care, where and when it's needed.

Together, we will stand up to defend the *Canada Health Act* and build a health care system we can be proud of. It's time to return to the foundational values upon which our national health care was developed: free of charge, fair, universal, and accessible. We will also protect dental care and pharmacare – two critical services and key parts of a strong public health care system that Pierre Poilievre would cut.

Our plan will make sure that Canadians have access to the care they need, and support provinces and territories in their lead role in delivering that care.

Improving Access to Health Care

Access to universal, public health care underpins our economic strength. Families rest easy knowing that a trip to the emergency room or a bad diagnosis won't bury them in debt. Today, our emergency rooms are overflowing, primary care is getting harder to access, health care workers are burnt out. It's time to protect public health care and make it work for Canadians.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Add thousands of new doctors to Canada's health care system** by working with the provinces, territories and Indigenous Peoples to:
 - **Increase medical school and residency spaces, and build new medical schools** and expand residency positions, especially for family medicine. This will be done in close collaboration with each province and territory to reflect their priorities and population needs. We will consider the unique health care access needs of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis and establish a dedicated stream to increase access to medical care in areas of federal jurisdiction.
 - **Make it easier for internationally trained doctors and health professionals to practice in Canada.** We will work with provincial and territorial partners to streamline credential recognition for internationally trained doctors and nurses so that qualified health care professionals already living here can contribute to our health care system.
 - **Address labour mobility issues and implement pan-Canadian licensure** so that health workers can be employed anywhere in Canada. By advancing mutual recognition of credentials across provinces and territories we can improve workforce flexibility, lower health care costs, and reduce regional shortages [[more](#)].
 - **Recruit qualified doctors through a new global recruitment** strategy that will fast-track the arrival of doctors into Canada, including Canadians practicing abroad and other U.S.-trained physicians and health researchers. To make sure Canada fully capitalizes on this opportunity, we will increase funding for research grants and infrastructure at our hospitals and other health care institutions.
- **Make it easier to set up clinics in new communities** through a new-practice fund to help family doctors with the costs of opening a practice, such as new clinic space and medical equipment and technologies. New doctors graduate with a lot of debt. We want them to be able to start practices in communities where patients are looking for doctors.
- **Build hospitals, clinics, and more by investing \$4 billion to construct and renovate community health care infrastructure.** This will also support investments in public long-term care; improve access to team-based care, including mental health care services; and provide funding for expensive machinery like MRIs. We have seen hospitals and clinics closing at the same time as health care needs are growing. The urgency to end wait times and hallway health care cannot be ignored. It's time to build hospitals so that Canadians have access to the care they need. We will work with provinces and territories to accelerate this work and cost-share these investments. We will also work with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis communities to ensure improved access to these critical services.
- **Provide Personal Support Workers (PSWs) with up to \$1,100 a year** by immediately legislating a refundable Health Care Workers Hero Tax Credit.

- **Support training for nurses, PSWs, and teachers** by expanding the Union Training and Innovation Program (UTIP) to include training spaces. When we take care of caregivers, they are better able to take care of patients.
- **Protect and permanently fund Sexual and Reproductive Health Fund** [\[more\]](#).

Protecting What Matters to Canadians



Dental Care – in May, up to 4.5 million uninsured Canadians between 18 and 64 years-old will join the millions already eligible for the program. More than 3.4 million Canadians have been approved and 1.7 million have already received care. This must be protected to ensure Canadians without coverage can receive affordable dental care.

Pharmacare – we are committed to making sure that Canadians can get the medications they need, no matter where they live or ability to pay. The first phase of pharmacare provides universal, publicly funded access to diabetes medications for the 3.7 million Canadians living with diabetes and free contraceptives so women have the ability to choose the options that are best for them and their families, regardless of cost.



Better Mental Health Care

There is a mental health and addictions crisis hurting our communities. It's a crisis that demands real solutions, not slogans. That means significant investments in emergency treatment, mental health care services, new health care infrastructure, and supportive housing with on-site health care. We need to build on the recent successes from the provinces and territories, focusing on destigmatization, prevention, treatment, and recovery. For the people suffering, for their loved ones, and for a stronger Canada that benefits from all they have to offer.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Provide 100,000 young people a year with mental health care by establishing a permanent Youth Mental Health Fund.** This fund will enhance community-based mental health services and give access to mental health care to people who otherwise would not, improving the lives of young people, and the friends and families that love them.
- **Provide urgent and immediate support to address the overdose crisis** by adding \$500 million to the Emergency Treatment Fund to support municipalities, Indigenous Peoples, and community health care organizations to confront the toxic drug and overdose crisis and connect more people to treatment and vital services, faster.
- **Invest in deeply affordable housing, supportive housing, and shelters in recognition of the link between housing and mental health outcomes.** We will do this through \$6 billion invested in the new Build Canada Homes (BCH) which will build and acquire housing. This investment builds on the Rapid Housing Initiative which supported 15,000 homes for our most vulnerable, including projects like Dunn House in Toronto, Canada's first-ever social

medicine supportive housing initiative. We will continue to work with partners to deliver projects that recognize the link between housing and health outcomes.

- **Continue to fund the [9-8-8 suicide crisis helpline](#)** which responded to over 300,000 calls and texts in its first year. People need help but it can be hard to ask, especially when you are struggling. Every call this line takes, every message they respond to, is there to support people in crisis and offer help without judgement.

Modernize Canada's Public Health Care System

A stronger health care system must be modern, digitized, and efficient.

Patients get better care when they can safely share their data with their health care providers. Doctors have more time to spend with patients when they have digital tools that reduce paperwork. Our researchers achieve breakthroughs when they have access to better data. Canada's health care system is long overdue for modern tools.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Significantly reduce wait times for life-saving medications.** Canadian patients wait too long for public access to medicines following Health Canada approval, compared to patients in peer countries, putting us behind other G7 countries. By cutting red tape without compromising on safety we will cut this timeline while maintaining all relevant safety standards, supporting our research community, and delivering lifesaving medicines more quickly.
- **Ensure Canadians can securely access their health care data** because your medical history should be available instantly to you and your doctor anytime and anywhere in Canada. We will table legislation to enable secure access to health data. Better data that moves with patients to each new appointment means better care, better outcomes, and more choice for patients.
- **Reduce the administrative burden on doctors** with streamlined and standardized forms and scaling up digital tools that significantly reduce paperwork and leave more time for patient visits. And we will also launch a new program to support doctors in safely and securely adopting new digital tools such as e-prescribing and e-referrals. We will also support tools that are bilingual for doctors and nurses.
- **Launch a Task Force for Public Health Care Innovation** to invest and scale up made-in-Canada public health care solutions, leverage, and improve the quality of data, and evaluate and ensure accountability in public investments in health care, including the \$25 billion Working Together Agreements signed with provinces and territories.
- **Implement a national licence for physicians and nurses**, giving health workers more mobility across the country and making it easier to respond to workforce needs across jurisdictions.

Support for Families

Five years ago, a Liberal government made a promise to Canadians that it would stand up a Canada-wide early learning and child care system. Today, over 900,000 children are getting high-quality early learning, which is shown to be one of the best ways to expand their horizons of opportunity in ways that last their whole lives. Our labour force is stronger because of the parents, most of them mothers, who no longer have to choose between the price of daycare and building their careers. And families across the country are saving thousands of dollars a year paying, on average, a third of what they paid in 2021.

In just a few short years, this program has become a core part of Canada's social infrastructure. We cannot let it be taken away or weakened. When families are strong, the economy is strong, and we make Canada strong.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Protect and strengthen \$10-a-day Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) system to create 100,000 new spaces by 2031.** This will increase the supply of not-for-profit and public early learning and child care, getting more families off wait lists, and saving families money. It will also create 35,000 jobs for early learning and child care workers.
- **Ensure ELCC providers have good wages, which is critical to keeping child care centres staffed.** We will work with provinces and territories so that workers have predictable wage increases and investments in pensions and benefits programs.
- **Require provinces, territories, and municipalities to expand child care in public infrastructure** wherever possible, including in schools and community centres, and in community infrastructure that receives federal financing, so families can get child care close to home.
- **Link child care with housing development** on sites that receive federal financing or affordable housing funds. When child care is considered from the start of the development process, it ensures spaces grow alongside communities, saving time and money, and giving more children and families access, earlier.
- **Make the National School Food Program permanent.** The program is a direct investment in the middle class, making life a little easier for working families especially as they try to keep up with inflation. It is also a safety net for children who don't always have enough to eat at home. Last year, this program was introduced with a goal of reaching 400,000 children. In less than ten months, agreements were reached with all provinces and territories to reach over 500,000 kids, exceeding targets and helping more families. Conservatives voted against this program. No child should go hungry. So, we will make this program permanent. And we will prioritize Canadian-made food as much as possible.
- **Continue to advance the National Caregiving Strategy.** We will move forward with a comprehensive plan to better support those caring for loved ones. The Strategy will focus on early recognition of caregivers, simplified and increased access to government benefits and

services, and better coordinating on emotional, financial, and practical support with the provinces and territories. We recognize that caregiving responsibilities disproportionately fall on women, with significant impact on careers and economic security. We will ensure caregivers are treated with dignity, supported from diagnosis through to the end of life, and helped through their own healing journey after loss.

- **Protect and deliver the Canada Child Benefit**, which helps low- and middle-income families afford the costs of raising a child.

Protect Nature

The Rockies. The Great Lakes. The High Arctic. The Bay of Fundy. The St. Lawrence. The Red River. The unparalleled natural beauty of our landscape is deeply woven into our identity and culture. It's who we are as Canadians. And it needs to be protected.

Canada's natural heritage is under threat from climate change and unsustainable development practices. It is also under a more immediate threat: President Trump wants Canada's land, water, and resources. He wants to weaken us so America can own us – but we won't let that happen. Protecting the ecological foundations of our country and our economy is a responsibility we owe ourselves, each other, and future generations. Our approach will draw on the wisdom of Indigenous traditions, the power of modern technology, and the strength of a united Canada.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Protect more nature** by advancing the creation of at least 10 new National Parks and Marine Protected Areas; supporting the creation of 15 new urban parks and green spaces in municipalities; halting and reversing nature and biodiversity loss through reinforced efforts to conserve 30% of lands and waters by 2030; and implementing the Global Biodiversity Framework.
- **Protect more of our freshwater as it becomes increasingly attractive to foreign actors** by developing a National Water Security Strategy and prohibiting their inclusion in trade deals. We will also create a strategic water security technology fund to advance development of related Canadian R&D, AI, monitoring, and data tools. We will also modernize the *Canada Water Act* to address evolving challenges. And through the Canada Water Agency, we will strengthen national water stewardship and launch a municipal stream under the Freshwater Action Plan for regions facing freshwater challenges and equipping them to safeguard local water resources. We will also invest in the deployment of new technologies and enforcement efforts in the fight against aquatic invasive species. Freshwater is a precious resource and we will keep our water clean, our ecosystems healthy, and our freshwater sovereign.
- **Launch the Canadian Nature Protection Fund** to restore old-growth forests, safeguard carbon-rich peatlands, and revive our coastal waters. Every dollar Canadians, businesses, and philanthropists contribute will be matched by the federal government, up to \$250 million.

Together, we'll supercharge conservation efforts, support Indigenous leadership, and protect our natural legacy for generations to come.

- **Conserve nature in partnership with Indigenous Peoples** by expanding the Indigenous Guardians Program to include 50 new Arctic Indigenous Guardians This will support Indigenous leadership in environmental monitoring and land management ensuring invaluable traditional knowledge is incorporated into nature protection [[more](#)].
- **Champion nature conservation internationally** by stopping illegal wildlife trade across our borders with modern digital solutions; ratifying the High Seas Treaty as soon as possible; and supporting growth of our marine resource sectors, while advocating for strong evidence-based international protections.
- **Improving Parks Canada's disaster response capabilities**, having learned lessons from what happened in Jasper, Alberta, last year, and the devastation experienced by the local economy and the surrounding nature and wildlife. We will invest to ensure our national parks have a well-resourced response force including expanding and equipping Parks Canada's wildfire response teams with additional training and modern firefighting equipment to meet emerging wildfire threats. We will increase investment in FireSmart programs, including strategic debris clearing and controlled burns; ensure comprehensive evacuation planning for all communities within national parks, developed in collaboration with local and Indigenous partners; update building codes and infrastructure standards for all new constructions in national parks, ensuring climate-resilient design that accounts for future wildfire and climate risks.
- **Prioritize natural infrastructure, like forested areas and wetlands.** Nature protects against flooding, storm surges, extreme heat, mudslides, and other natural disasters. The government will use a mix of conservation funding, climate change adaptation funding, and leverage public-private infrastructure investments to invest in nature that protects communities.
- **Map Canada's ecologically sensitive areas.** We will map Canada's carbon and biodiversity-rich ecological landscapes – including ocean coastlines, peatlands, and permafrost areas – to enable a more holistic ecosystem approach to conservation, carbon accounting, and project development.
- **Proactively rehabilitate and mitigate environmental and species at risk impacts in areas where we expect there to be significant infrastructure development over the next five years.** We will do this in cooperation with project proponents, provinces, territories, and Indigenous partners that could impact endangered and at-risk species across the country. This includes habitats and environments near ports, railroads, airports, highways, critical mineral sites, energy infrastructure, and more. This will ensure prevention, mitigation, or offset measures are in place before projects even break ground.
- **Connect Canadians with nature** by making access to national parks and historic sites free for this summer [[more](#)].

Official Languages

Canada's official languages, English and French, are powerful symbols of who we are. They are integral to our diversity, enshrined in the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. Both languages embody distinct, vibrant cultures celebrated and loved by Canadians.

Over 8 million Canadians identify as Francophones, with 85% of Francophone Canadians calling Quebec home. Canadian Francophones have fiercely defended their language and culture, from St. Boniface, to Shédiac, and everywhere in between. The federal government will stand strong as America targets French in Canada. We will fiercely defend both languages, in Quebec and throughout the country.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Establish a 12% target for Francophone immigration outside of Quebec by 2029**, a 20% increase from current targets. Only a Liberal government has and will defend the rights and freedom, as well as prosperity, of Francophone communities outside of Quebec [[more](#)].
- **Support entrepreneurs in Official Language Minority Communities** looking to scale their businesses, notably by facilitating access to Francophone and bilingual workers.
- **Continue to invest in community spaces** for English-speaking minorities in Quebec and French speaking minorities across the country.
- **Promote French-language educational pursuits across Canada** by collaborating with provinces and territories to invest in educational and community spaces, such as early learning and child care that serve official language minority communities; creating a scholarship for Francophone students who continue their post-secondary studies in French in a minority context.
- **Protect and modernize CBC/Radio-Canada** to ensure that it continues to provide vital programming in both French and English.

Seniors

President Trump's reckless trade war has caused new levels of volatility in the financial markets. This chaos is putting retirement savings at risk. We must act quickly, with purpose and force, to ensure seniors and families have the support they need at this time and we can protect their life savings as much as possible.

We have always stood up for seniors. The previous Conservative government, which Pierre Poilievre was a part of, tried to raise the age of retirement to 67. Liberals reversed this to protect Canada's promise that, after a lifetime of hard work, seniors deserve a safe and dignified retirement.

We will fight for the economic security of Canadians, protect their incomes and savings, and build the economic conditions for resiliency.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Protect Canadians' retirement savings from volatile market conditions** by reducing the minimum amount that must be withdrawn from a Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF) by 25% for one year. This gives seniors much-needed flexibility to avoid liquidating their retirement savings in a down market to meet current RRIF rules. Unlike Pierre Poilievre's plan, this will benefit every senior who uses an RRIF and make sure they preserve more of their savings during this period of heightened uncertainty.
- **Give a temporary income boost to low-income seniors** by increasing the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) by 5%, providing up to an additional \$652 in income per year, tax-free. GIS has been proven to help lift seniors in Canada out of poverty.

Young Canadians

Young people should be optimistic about their future – they need a government that is as forward looking as they are.

It's time to recognize the intergenerational unfairness that Gen Z and millennials face. Despite younger generations investing more time than ever in education, the bargain that hard work means a good life isn't panning out. We need to restore the bargain that allowed other generations of Canadians to succeed.

A strong economy is an economy that can be sustained over the long term, that keeps Canada strong well into the future. It's time to build the future young Canadians deserve, where they have the tools to succeed in the years ahead.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Get young Canadians started with their first job** by connecting young people with the jobs and skill development opportunities they need to launch their professional lives. We will do this by doubling down on what works and fixing what does not. To do this we will:
 - **Provide funding and expand the mandates, where appropriate, for the Student Work Placement Program, the Youth Employment and Skills Strategy (YESS), Canada Summer Jobs, and the Canadian Service Corps.** We will work to better align the mandates with critical and emerging sectors such as green technology, artificial intelligence, and advanced manufacturing. This will increase opportunities within the not-for-profit organizations, the public sector, and private sector organizations.
- **Establish a Youth Climate Corps pilot** which will provide paid skills training for young Canadians to quickly respond to climate emergencies, support recovery, and strengthen resilience in communities across the country. This is our moment to act boldly, prepare for the emergencies we know are coming, and empower the next generation to lead the fight for our future.

- **Continue to uphold the removal of interest on Canada Student Loans and Canada Apprenticeship Loans.**
- **Make generational housing investments to double the pace of construction and drive down the cost of homes, rent, and mortgage payments.** The high cost of housing has become a barrier to opportunity for too many young Canadians and this plan will help restore the bargain that hard work helps you afford a home [\[more\]](#).
- **Offer the Canada Strong Pass** so young Canadians can discover Canada this summer [\[more\]](#).
- **Provide 100,000 young people a year with mental health care** by establishing a permanent Youth Mental Health Fund [\[more\]](#).
- **Provide a new Apprenticeship Grant of up to \$8,000** for registered apprentices [\[more\]](#).

Party of the Charter, Party of Equal Rights

The Liberal Party is the party of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. The Charter was introduced under a Liberal government and through it Canada enshrined rights to freedom of expression, freedom of the press, the right to vote in free and fair elections, the equal status of both English and French in Canada, equality under the law, and freedom from discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, disability, and other factors.

The Charter also ensures that all Canadians are equal regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. It preserves and enhances the multicultural heritage of Canadians. In recent years, discrimination has increased, and members of the 2SLGBTQI+ community and other vulnerable groups have been witnessing the rollback of rights around the world and an increase in marginalized groups being targeted.

The Charter is venerated by democracies around the world for the strength and clarity of its values and principles – values that are the bedrock of strong democracies. These values are under threat around the world, and even in Canada. The Charter is a beacon of light and it must shine brightly.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Stand up for the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms***, protecting the values it was founded on, which are under threat, and ensuring the protection of our most vulnerable people.
- **Enable Canadians to take more action to affirm their rights** by expanding the Court Challenges Program.
- **Build a Canada where everyone has a fair shot, feels a sense of belonging, and contributes to our shared future by reshaping systems** to better reflect and support all Canadians and make sure that no matter your heritage or identity you can fully participate in Canada.

- **Confront systemic barriers and create opportunities for Indigenous Peoples, Black Canadians, and racialized communities**, ensuring equal treatment and access in all aspects of Canadian society.
- **Make funding permanent for the 2SLGBTQI+ Community Capacity Fund** to support community organizations and networks that protect rights and advance equality across Canada.
- **Review and reform the process to apply for the Disability Tax Credit (DTC)** now that the DTC has become the gateway to key federal programs like the Canada Disability Benefit, the CCB for children with disabilities, the dental benefit, and various other programs. We will also consider expanding the eligibility criteria to include additional impairments.
- **Guarantee equal access to justice for people with disabilities** by developing a Disability Justice Framework to address long-standing inequities, biases, and systemic discrimination against persons with disabilities within the justice system and before the law.

Protect Women’s Rights and Prosperity

Around the world, progress is rolling back on women’s rights and equality.

Women have fought for these rights for generations. They have fought to achieve them, and to protect them. Under a Liberal government, women’s rights in Canada will never be compromised. We will protect these rights, and fight for true equity for women – in health, in the workplace, and in their access to fundamental rights.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Make the Sexual and Reproductive Health Fund Program permanent**, so that there will always be funding for abortion care in Canada, with access to reproductive care protected for underserved communities [\[more\]](#).
- **Establish a new in vitro fertilization (IVF) program that provides up to \$20,000 for a single standard cycle of IVF treatment**, making it more affordable for Canadians who want to become parents, especially 2SLGBTQI+ Canadians who face a costly journey to parenthood. We will work with the provinces and territories to make sure more Canadians can access this support.
- **Address the under-researched area of postpartum maternal health by investing in research into postpartum maternal health** to fund studies and track outcomes, disparities, and service gaps, and inform future investments so that women get better care after giving birth.
- **Invest in increased collection of data to help address women’s health gaps in Canada**, particularly in understudied areas of menopause, endometriosis, maternal mortality and morbidity, stillbirth, and perinatal health.

- **Work to end gender-based violence** by continuing investments in the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence so that we can support victims and survivors, prevent violence from happening in the first place, and support Indigenous-led approaches that will be prioritized in partnership. Gender-based violence increases in times of uncertainty and racialized women and women in rural and remote communities often see the highest rates of violence. Keeping Canada safe means keeping every Canadian safe, no matter who they are or where they live [\[more\]](#).
- **Unlock new economic opportunities for women by increasing support for the Women's Economic and Leadership Opportunities Fund.** This fund invests in projects that promote women's economic security and prosperity. A strong economy must be one where women can access high paying jobs, get equal pay for equal work, and achieve success without systemic barriers holding them back [\[more\]](#).
- **Protect and strengthen child care in Canada.** Child care responsibilities largely fall to women. A strong, affordable child care system lets women return to the workforce as soon as they are ready so that they can build their careers and have more financial security, for themselves and their families [\[more\]](#).

Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples

At the core of a Mark Carney-led government will be a fundamental commitment to advance the process of reconciliation. This must be grounded in the recognition of the rights of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis in alignment with Section 35 of the constitution and the implementation of the *United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*.

Building at the scale and scope needed to build the strongest economy in the G7 will not happen without First Nation, Inuit, and Métis participation. To advance prosperity for all, we must work in true partnership to protect essential services and advance towards substantive equality. And increasing access to training and education, and creating good jobs and economic security with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis partners.

Building one economy in Canada must include a strategy for economic reconciliation. Together, we can build a better future for the next generation.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Work in full partnership with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis** to advance and realize the rights of Indigenous Peoples through a distinctions-based approach.
- **Support Indigenous-led processes for advancing self-determination** and the exercise of jurisdiction in priority areas such as education, health, child and family services as well as community safety and policing.
- **Work in partnership** on the implementation of treaties, land claim, and self-government agreements.

- **Commit to developing and supporting, in partnership, the structures that support a nation-to-nation, Inuit-Crown, government-to-government relationship** to progress on shared priorities.
- **Move forward on the important work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action** and support Indigenous communities to uncover unmarked and undocumented graves and burial sites at residential schools.
- **Move forward on the implementation** of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Calls for Justice and the National Action Plan.
- **Implement the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*** and the Action Plan.

Lifelong Education and Training

Building a strong economy means an economy where everyone has opportunity. Education and skills training is a critical gateway but too many Indigenous Peoples face barriers.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Launch a new Indigenous Pathways to Prosperity Skills and Training Fund** which will support partnerships between First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities and organizations, schools, training centres, and colleges to advance access to skills training and education opportunities. This will support the training of more First Nations, Inuit, and Métis doctors, teachers, and builders, amongst other priority areas identified by partners.
- **Accelerate funding for access to post-secondary education so more First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students can go to school and invest in associated infrastructure.** Cost should not be the barrier. We will also invest in Indigenous-led post-secondary education institutions such as the Inuit Nunangat University and the First Nations University.
- **Protect K-12 education on-reserve** so that more First Nations kids can go to school surrounded by their language, culture, and communities.

Stronger, Healthier Indigenous Communities

The work to build a strong Canada must include Indigenous communities.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Expand the Indigenous Loan Guarantee Program from \$5 billion to \$10 billion and increase the sectoral scope.** This will enable a greater share in the benefits of natural resources and energy projects in Indigenous Peoples' territories, on their own terms. And we will work with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis partners to improve accessibility. An expansion will create more space for more communities to access lower interest loans thus enabling greater opportunities for investment and profit from natural resources [[more](#)].

- **Build together with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities the critical infrastructure needed all across the country.** Predictable funding cycles and getting priority setting closer to community needs is critical to increasing the pace of work and the effectiveness of infrastructure funding. To accelerate this work, we will:
 - **Expand the kinds of projects the Canada Infrastructure Bank can support** to be more in line with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis priorities.
 - **Explore options for an Indigenous Infrastructure Bank** to address access to capital.
 - **Determine the best path forward towards First Nations 10-year infrastructure plans.**
 - **Realize First Nations control over First Nations infrastructure** wherever possible through models like the First Nations Atlantic Water Authority.
 - **Work in partnership with Indigenous communities and Indigenous housing providers** to directly support building housing including in urban, rural, and northern Indigenous communities.
- **Increase lands added to reserves within the next four years** and work with First Nations to accelerate additions to reserve.
- **Immediately introduce and pass legislation** affirming that First Nations have a human right to clean drinking water.
- **Revitalize Indigenous languages** by supporting community-driven projects that restore, protect, and promote this important part of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis cultures and histories.
- **Increase investments for Indigenous mental health, healing and wellness centres, and friendship centres.**
- **Co-develop evidence-based food security approaches to replace Nutrition North Canada with Inuit and Northern Indigenous leaders.** The affordability crisis that all Canadians are feeling is even more extreme in Northern communities. Concrete action that brings real results must be taken to bring down prices and increase access.
- **Double First Nation, Inuit, and Métis capacity funding** to contribute to major project assessments for more consistent, fair, and meaningful consultations [[more](#)].
- **Establish a new Indigenous Climate Readiness and Adaptation Fund and support Indigenous-led conservation initiatives** to safeguard forests, waterways, oceans and wildlife and to bolster disaster response activities. This ensures invaluable traditional knowledge is incorporated into how we protect nature and advances reconciliation.
- **Work with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis peoples to advance economic reconciliation,** including reforms that enable Indigenous-led initiatives. This work will support Indigenous

Peoples and communities in overcoming long-standing economic injustices and enable self-determination of their own economic futures.

- Continue to support **Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care**.
- Continue to partner with Inuit to **eliminate tuberculosis in Inuit Nunangat by 2030**.
- Continue to fund **Jordan's Principle**.
- Continue to fund **Inuit Child First Initiative**.
- Continue the work on **child welfare reform**.

BUILD

We used to build things in this country. Over our history, we have shown that we can come together to build big infrastructure that ties us more closely together, from a railway that spanned this country to the Trans-Canada Highway to the St. Lawrence Seaway.

It's time to build again. To build a new Canadian economy. To build the strongest economy in the G7. To build more than anyone can ever take away from us. To build Canada strong.

Canada should be the most prosperous country in the world. We have the resources, the geography, the mindset, and, above all, the right people to build a world-leading economy. To do that, we need to build homes on a scale not seen since the Second World War. We need to bet on Canada's innovators and company builders. We need to make sure Canada's proudly skilled and well-educated workers are getting the training and upskilling necessary for good jobs and great careers. We can build an economy that produces prosperity to benefit all Canadians.

Our plan to build this economy is based on a new approach, where we spend less on government and invest more in the people and businesses that will grow our economy.

We have everything we need to build Canada into an economic superpower.

Building an Economy Everyone Can Afford

On April 1, gas prices went down for tens of millions of Canadians. That's because, as his very first act as Prime Minister, Mark Carney cancelled the consumer carbon tax. Cancelling the consumer carbon tax was the first step in ensuring that Canadians can keep more of their hard-earned money. The second step will ensure that Canadians don't bear the cost of achieving our climate targets, instead having big industrial polluters pay their fair share for emissions and supporting Canadians in making clean choices.

We have a plan to help Canadians keep more of their hard-earned money. A plan to protect them from the worst impacts of the unjustified trade war. And a plan to build an economy that everyone can afford.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Cut income taxes for the middle class and save dual-income families up to \$825 a year.** We will reduce the marginal tax rate on the lowest tax bracket by 1 percentage point. A tax cut for the middle class means millions of hard-working Canadians will be able to keep more of what they earn and build a stronger future. This will come into effect on Canada Day 2025.

- **Cut the GST for first-time homebuyers on homes up to \$1 million.** Canadians will save up to \$50,000, allowing more young people and families to achieve their dream of homeownership. This will lower upfront costs so Canadians can keep more of their hard-earned money.
 - In recognition of the high costs of homes in more expensive housing markets, we will also lower the GST on homes between \$1 million and \$1.5 million for first-time buyers.
- **Get Canadians the benefits they deserve by delivering automatic tax filing** starting with low-income households and seniors. This will ensure more Canadians can access the benefits they are entitled to such as the Canada Child Benefit and GST/HST credit, both benefits which help lift Canadians out of poverty.
- **Make mortgage payments more affordable** by reviewing Canada's mortgage market with the objective to offer Canadians more options while retaining stability in the market. This work will look at barriers to longer interest rate terms on mortgages, which would give Canadians more financial stability.
- **Fund home retrofits and lower utility bills** while making it easier for low- and middle-income households, including renters, to adopt heat pumps and energy efficiency upgrades. Eligible costs could include insulation upgrades, heat pump installation, and window replacements.
- **Lower household risks to floods and wildfires**, directly helping Canadian families to protect against floods, wildfires, and other extreme weather events. This will help with funding towards costly adaptation measures such as repairing or replacing your roof, installing a sump pump, or sealing cracks in your foundations. We will use a reformed carbon credit market to finance these climate conscious choices, meaning that big polluters will pay.
- **Amend the *Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act* to legislate the repeal of the consumer "carbon tax" after Mark Carney's government cancelled it on Day One, in March 2025.** We will do this while making sure big polluters pay and delivering a bold plan to reduce emissions and drive investments in clean technologies.

Saving you money



Getting your government back into the business of building homes and doubling the pace of construction over the next decade to almost 500,000 new homes a year while reducing charges and new home construction costs, **reducing the costs of new homes by tens of thousands of dollars.**

Expanding dental coverage to Canadians aged 18-64 to provide access to around 4.5 million Canadians, so more people get the care they need, **saving Canadians around \$800 in dental care costs for each person who accesses these benefits.**



Protecting \$10/day child care, which has already driven down child care costs to a third of what they were in 2021, **saving families thousands of dollars a year.**

Continuing the Canada Child Benefit, which **provides up to \$7,787 per child under six and \$6,570 per child aged six to 17.**



Housing

The last time we faced a housing crisis at such a broad scale was after the Second World War. Canada came together, got to work, and put roofs over the heads of tens of thousands of families.

Today, we are facing a crisis on two fronts. Firstly, governments, at every level, neglected their role in building housing for decades and, secondly, the market failed to build houses at a pace that kept up with our growing country. This has left younger generations facing rents, down payments, and mortgage payments so high that it turned housing into a barrier to opportunity instead of a cornerstone of opportunity. Now, with America's unjustified trade war, Canadians are facing a compounded cost of living crisis.

Building on cutting the GST for first-time homebuyers, Mark Carney has a credible plan to build more homes – a Team Canada approach – that will build the future of this country and build the strongest economy in the G7.

Build Canada Homes

It used to be that the federal government built the housing that our growing population needed. So we're going to get back into the business of building houses. We will use every tool at our disposal, leveraging technology and innovation, to build homes at a scale and at a speed not seen since the Second World War. We will invest in our homegrown building industry supporting workers and businesses and driving the adoption of Canadian mass timber, modular, and prefabricated technologies. We will secure the essential industries and workers needed to build housing supply and set the foundations of an industrial strategy for building.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Create Build Canada Homes (BCH) to get the federal government back into the business of building homes.**
- **Through BCH, Canada will:**
 - **Act as a developer to build affordable housing at scale, including on public lands.** BCH will develop and manage projects and partner with builders for the construction phase of projects.
 - **Build faster, smarter, sustainable, more affordable homes** by providing over \$25 billion in financing to innovative prefabricated home builders in Canada, including those using Canadian technologies and resources like mass timber and softwood lumber. BCH will also issue bulk orders of units from manufacturers to create sustained demand. This will revitalize how we build homes in Canada, bringing forestry, innovation, engineering, manufacturing, and construction together.
 - **Support affordable homebuilders** by injecting \$10 billion in low-cost financing and capital for homes that support middle- and low-income Canadians. This will include housing for students, seniors, Veterans, people with disabilities, and Indigenous housing, shelters, and more.
 - **Prioritize -sustainable building** including sustainably sourced wood, recycled content, and low-emissions materials.
 - **Incentivize companies to hire apprentices and recent graduates** by establishing new requirements on federal contribution agreements to major projects that commit industry partners to include significant opportunities for young Canadians.

A Better Housing Market

To build homes faster, more affordably, in the places Canadians need them, we need to come together as Team Canada. We need a market that works. A system with less red tape, with barriers removed, and that incentivizes building. A market that gets homes built. That catalyzes builders and municipalities, that takes homes from blueprints, to approval, to shovels in the ground, to move-in day, faster than ever. It's how we build supply, create jobs, and protect our economic security. These measures will build homes for renters and owners, alike.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Cut municipal development charges in half for multi-unit residential housing** for five years by working with provinces and territories to keep municipalities whole. These revenues will be offset by federal investment in housing infrastructure like water, power lines, and wastewater systems.

- **Reintroduce a tax incentive for home builders known as the Multi-Unit Rental Building (MURB),** which, in the 1970s, spurred tens of thousands of rental housing units across the country.
- **Facilitate the conversion of existing structures into affordable housing units.**
- **Build on the success of the Housing Accelerator Fund,** further reducing housing bureaucracy, zoning restrictions, and other red tape so that builders only need to navigate one housing market, instead of thirteen. And we will publicly report on municipalities' progress to speed up permitting and approval timelines.
- **Speed up approvals** by reforming and simplifying national building codes; eliminating duplicative inspections and streamlining regulations for prefabricated and modular housing; leveraging pre-approved, standardized housing designs across all public lands and encouraging the adoption of the designs as-of-right across the country; allowing builders and other orders of government to apply for multiple projects at once; and fast tracking builders who have a proven record with government.
- **Build federal homes in ways that reduce the risk of costly damages. To protect homeowners and renters from costly flood and wildfire risks,** federally supported housing will not be built in areas that are at high risk for floods and wildfires. Housing will be built in safer locations, reducing homeowners' exposure to costly risks and protecting their health and wellbeing.
- **Stand up Canada's high-risk flood insurance program by April 2026** to support homeowners to reduce their exposure to future climate risk. We will expedite work with provinces, territories, and industry to finalize this low-cost program.

Catalyzing Private Investment in Housing

Cutting development costs in half is expected to spur an estimated \$8 billion of private investment, every year, towards building homes.

That's a **500% return on the government's investment** when it comes to growth.

This is one way that Mark Carney's plan invests more to catalyze growth.

Immigration

While the United States is a melting pot, Canada is a mosaic. Many families came here to build better lives and be part of building Canada. Diverse communities have brought new businesses, innovations, cultures, religious plurality, and a strong, well-educated labour force to Canada.

Together, we have been partners in building communities based on shared values of fairness, solidarity, responsibility, resilience, and sustainability. This shared mission has made Canada strong and is an economic advantage.

But since the pandemic, the previous federal government has let immigration levels grow at a rapid and unsustainable pace, with our housing and social infrastructure failing to absorb all the people arriving. This places at risk the bargain Canadians accept of a sustainable intake of newcomers that is consistent with our capacity to welcome them. The government has a responsibility to those who come here to ensure that they have access to jobs, social services, and housing. If we cannot meet those responsibilities, we need to adjust the numbers until we get back on track.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Return immigration to sustainable levels** by capping the total number of temporary workers and international students to less than 5% of Canada's population by the end of 2027, from a past high of 7.3%, to ease the strain on housing, public infrastructure, and our social services.
- **Stabilize permanent resident admissions** at less than 1% of Canada's population annually beyond 2027 with a focus on attracting top global talent that will drive economic growth and prosperity. Our immigration plan will also allow for the reunification of families, while maintaining Canada's global leadership in prioritizing the world's most vulnerable, including human rights defenders and refugees.
- **Attract the best talent in the world to build our economy** by revitalizing the Global Skills Strategy to help high-growth Canadian businesses and entrepreneurs with new projects that will support Canada's strategic economic growth. This includes attracting highly skilled talent from the United States who can help grow the economy here in Canada.
- **Work with provinces and territories to streamline and speed up recognition of foreign credentials and international professional experience**, so that those who come to Canada can contribute their skills to the economy more quickly upon arrival.
- **Work towards a fairer and faster process and enhance service delivery for applicants** by leveraging digital service tools to reduce processing times and eliminate backlogs to ensure that our immigration system is more reliable for families, businesses, and applicants.
- **Support legal aid for asylum seekers and refugees** so that claimants receive timely advice and representation, have their cases resolved as quickly as possible, and reduce unnecessary appeals.
- **Move forward with a credible and fair immigration system that removes failed claimants once due process has been accorded**, reinforcing the system's integrity.
- **Strengthen the integrity of the border** by increasing resources for security screenings, quickly identifying and removing inadmissible individuals, tightening visa requirements, and enhancing enforcement against immigration fraud.
- **Continue to respect that immigration, both permanent and temporary, is a shared responsibility with the Government of Quebec.** We share their commitment, within the Canada-Québec Accord, to responsible immigration levels that protect the French language and Quebec's unique culture.

- **Establish a 12% target for Francophone immigration outside of Quebec by 2029**, a 20% increase from current targets, to strengthen Francophone communities throughout Canada [\[more\]](#).
- **Strengthen federal, provincial, and territorial collaboration** by enhancing cooperation between governments, agencies, and organizations to enable real-time information sharing on claimant status, removals, and settlement supports to improve efficiency and service delivery.

Building a Clean Economy and Tackling Climate Change

Canada needs a climate policy that moves past division and focuses on the future we want. We need a climate policy that is unifying, credible, and predictable; that reduces emissions, drives investment, and builds the economy of the future. Investments made today can drive emissions down, drive new economic growth across Canada, and open new export markets with like-minded countries.

Action now will be far less costly than the impacts we will face in the years to come, making these investments prudent and necessary for Canada's long-term sustainability. It's time for generational investment from both government and the private sector.

The sustainable transition in Canada must be based on strong partnerships with Indigenous Peoples and ensure they share in the benefits.

From the mining of minerals and metals, to harnessing clean energy, fueling oil and gas production, harvesting forests sustainably, and advancing aquaculture, the workers and businesses in these sectors are the backbone of our economy. They power industries, create high-quality jobs, and drive innovation in construction, manufacturing, and clean technology. By responsibly developing our natural wealth, these sectors ensure prosperity today and build a resilient, sustainable future for generations to come.

As we build the strongest economy in the G7, we cannot lose sight of the impact our choices will have on our children and grandchildren; we must always be mindful of long-term sustainability and the kind of economy and environment we want for them.

Energy Superpower, Energy Security

It's time to build Canada into an energy superpower that combines our conventional energy resources with our unlimited potential when it comes to clean, affordable energy. It is what will power the economy of the future – it will be the backbone of the economy we build together. We have major untapped hydro resources. We have the critical minerals needed for batteries and new technologies and the resources needed to produce more biofuel. We already rank at the top for global investment in battery and storage technologies. And we have barely begun to scratch the surface of our potential to build out more renewable power, such as wind and solar power. Around the world, investment is driving towards clean growth, and, with the uncertainty of America's trade war, Canada's stability makes it more attractive than ever.

Let's truly establish Canada as an energy superpower. Let's use this moment to marshal public and private sector capital and seize Canada's potential to lead, to create new jobs and new prosperity for Canada – prosperity that will last for generations.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Kickstart the clean energy supply chain** by investing in critical minerals, attracting investment in critical minerals to get them from “rock to road” faster, supporting early-stage mining companies, and supporting thousands of jobs across the supply chain. To get the vital components needed to build Canada strong, we will:
 - **Connect critical mineral projects to supply chains** through a new First and Last Mile Fund (FLMF). This will make more projects viable and create a more integrated and accessible Canadian economy.
 - **Directly support clean energy and critical mineral projects** through the FLMF, reducing our reliance on other countries and protecting Canadian jobs. This will include supporting on-site development, processing, and refining capacity.
 - **Accelerate exploration and extraction**, including investing in prospecting activities and recovering valuable minerals from end-of-life products like mining waste and batteries, contributing to a circular economy.
- **Attract, expand, and derisk investments in critical minerals exploration and extraction** through the expansion of existing tax credits. We will do this by:
 - **Broadening the Critical Mineral Exploration Tax Credit** by expanding qualifying minerals to include critical minerals necessary for defence, semiconductors, energy, and other clean technologies.
 - **Expanding eligible activities under Canadian exploration expenses** to include the costs of technical studies, such as engineering, economic and feasibility studies for critical minerals projects.
 - **Modifying the Clean Technology Manufacturing Investment Tax Credit** to include critical mineral mine development expenses for brownfield sites while expanding the list of priority critical minerals. This will accelerate how we get critical minerals from “rock to road” and will create good jobs.
- **Invest in ourselves** by providing funding for projects of national and economic significance and leveraging the Canada Growth Fund to accelerate private investment in Canadian critical minerals projects. This will deliver strong value for taxpayers and make Canada an even more attractive market for investments.
- **Expand Canada's electric vehicle (EV) charging network by supporting the building of thousands of new stations by 2027.** We will also look at ways to reintroduce a purchase

incentive worth up to \$5,000 that supports Canadian workers and strengthens our domestic supply chains.

- **Examine measures to reduce Canada’s reliance on imported clean fuels** as part of our plan to support Canadian farmers and businesses.
- **Secure Canada’s energy and electricity sovereignty.**
- **Move forward on Canada’s six major investment tax credits (ITCs) that support clean energy and technology** – the Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage ITC, Clean Technology ITC, Clean Electricity ITC, Clean Hydrogen ITC, Clean Technology Manufacturing ITC, and Electric Vehicle Supply Chain ITC.
- **Continue to be a world leader in Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage technology** so that Canada is a world leader in responsible energy production.
- Expedite project reviews, including for major energy infrastructure [\[more\]](#).
- Bring our energy potential to the world [\[more\]](#).
- Safeguard our resources from predatory investors [\[more\]](#).

Catalyzing Private Investment in the Clean Economy

Our plan for Canada’s clean economy investment tax credits (ITCs) is expected to support \$200 billion of private capital investment in Canada over five years.

Clean Investment, Growth, and Good Jobs

We need to unleash clean capital and forge a new era of economic prosperity. To do that, we need to stop dragging our heels and give the market the certainty and clarity it relies on. Doing so will unlock a new growth that creates jobs and builds a clean economy that no one can ever take away.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Finalize and implement the voluntary made-in-Canada sustainable investment guidelines** for every priority sector by fall 2026.
- **Issue Canada’s first-ever transition bonds by 2027**, to finance projects that help industrial and agricultural sectors get cleaner and more competitive. The federal government will issue at least \$10 billion per year through new bonds.
- **Lead by example and reduce energy bills, in government-owned buildings** by phasing out fossil fuel use by 2030.

- **Ensure new federal buildings will be top performers in energy efficiency** by adopting the top tiers for energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions reductions. This will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, lower long-term energy costs, and stimulate demand for clean energy technologies and green construction jobs.
- **Invest in the prefabricated and modular housing industry** to reduce home construction emissions by up to 22% compared to traditional construction methods [\[more\]](#).

A Made-in-Canada Industrial Competitiveness Strategy

Canadian industry has an obligation to decrease their emissions as rapidly and efficiently as possible. Amidst the current trade crisis, industry needs a strategy that fosters a clean comparative advantage.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Make sure big emitters pay while protecting the competitiveness of Canadian industry.** We will improve the Output-Based Pricing System (OBPS) for large industrial emitters and actively work with provincial and territorial governments to ensure carbon markets continue to function well, reduce barriers to harmonizing and linking these markets across the country, and ensure they establish a long-term signal to lock in investments. This will make sure that, as Canadian industry reduces emissions, we are still competitive, make sure companies are able to withstand America's trade war, and that Canada is positioned to take advantage of new opportunities in the global marketplace.
- **Enable opportunities for big polluters to support consumers in lowering their carbon footprint.** We will work with provinces and territories to seek ways for large emitters to support consumer adoption of green technologies and retrofits, such as heat pumps and electric vehicles, which also help lower household energy bills.
- **Promote fair competition with our trading partners by developing a Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism.** Companies that take their climate responsibilities seriously should be treated fairly. So we will work with reliable partners to ensure fairness for Canadian industries and better economically integrate Canada with allies in the fight against climate change. This approach would focus on ensuring the competitiveness of Canada's most energy-intensive, trade-exposed sectors, and protect Canadians who work in industries such as steel and aluminum.
- **Support carbon contracts for difference** to derisk investments in the clean economy and further foster Canada's clean industrial competitive advantage. We will also work with industry to make sure that emissions decline to achieve our climate goals, including through enhanced final oil and gas methane regulations that support innovation in Canadian technology.
- **Become a world leader in carbon removal and sequestration** by establishing Canada as a world leading hub for carbon removal and sequestration technology. We will ensure that the full value of the Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage Investment Tax Credit (CCUS ITC) is

extended to 2035, support a broad range of technologies and innovation in carbon removal, accelerate offset protocol development across a range of carbon removal technologies, and establish a separate carbon removal target for Canada for 2035 and 2040.

- **Establish broad coverage of climate risk disclosure** for companies across Canada. We will prioritize working with provincial, territorial, and international partners to enhance transparency for investors, better assess climate risks and opportunities, enable the development of transition plans, and help align capital towards a sustainable economy.
- **Speed up the approval of clean energy projects** while upholding environmental rigour and Indigenous rights [[more](#)].

Supercharging Growth

Canada is a nation of builders – it’s time to build businesses.

America is trying to fundamentally restructure its economy and is destabilizing the global economy as collateral damage. This crisis poses an enormous risk to businesses in Canada and it requires a steady hand to manage the uncertainty. Mark Carney has a plan to help our economy withstand this uncertainty and attract investment and capital to Canada.

Businesses in Canada need to be able to excel, to rapidly scale, to grow, and to draw in global talent and investment. Yet business investment in Canada has dropped from 14% of GDP in 2014 to 11% in 2024, undermining long-term economic growth and workers’ wages.

A change of course is desperately needed.

As one of his first acts as Prime Minister, Mark Carney announced that Canada will cancel the proposed hike in the capital gains inclusion rate, because we recognize the vital role that builders, investors, and small businesses play in creating a strong economy.

Entrepreneurs and risk takers need clear incentives to take risks during this crisis. And we need to increase our productivity so that Canadians can have better, higher paying jobs. To be the strongest economy in the G7 we need to foster economic dynamism and, like other leading economies, bet on winners.

Helping Builders Build

America is attempting to weaken our economy—to attract investors away from Canadian innovators and companies. A Mark Carney government won’t let that happen.

It’s time to be ambitious, to invest in high-potential companies, to make sure that Canada is where the best and the brightest want to be.

Canada creates the greatest innovators and entrepreneurs there are, but too many of them have been drawn away from Canada. Great ideas and innovations that are born and nurtured in our

educational institutions, companies, and economy should stay here, grow here, and create jobs here – not move to the U.S.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Reduce the cost of investment for Canadian companies and make sure they are internationally competitive** by extending immediate expensing for manufacturing or processing machinery and equipment, clean energy generation, energy conservation equipment, and zero-emission vehicles, as well as the Accelerated Investment Incentive.
- **Drive increased private sector investment in research and development** by increasing, to \$6 million, the claimable amount under the Scientific Research and Experimental Development Tax Incentive Program (SR&ED) for Canadian companies, along with other reforms, to drive economic growth for small- and medium-sized businesses. This program will help Canadian companies stay on the cutting edge, build in Canada, and stay ahead of foreign competitors.
- **Invest in our homegrown startups** by recapitalizing the Venture Capital Catalyst Initiative (VCCI) by \$1 billion. Combined with Mark Carney’s previously announced reversal of the capital gains hike, this will encourage Canadian capital funds to take risks and invest in promising companies. It’s about fueling our startup ecosystem, commercializing Canadian science, and betting on our own companies. This will include a defence-specific stream to catalyze our early-stage defence companies.
- **Incentivize investment in innovation, especially in Canada’s startups, to help them grow and scale** by introducing flow-through shares to our Canadian startup ecosystem, supporting companies in AI, quantum computing, biotech, and advanced manufacturing to raise money faster. This works by allowing companies to issue new shares that allow investors to deduct eligible R&D expenses directly from their taxable income, lowering the risk of investing in innovative Canadian companies. This builds off the successful model that has drawn investment into Canada’s world-leading mining sector and will help our startups to scale up and be the best in the world.
- **Bring IP back to Canada and attract talent by creating a Canada Patent Box** that will reward builders who locate or stay in Canada. This will encourage more businesses to grow at home and create jobs here. This will reverse the flow of made-in-Canada ideas to the U.S., ending the trend of subsidizing the U.S. economy with Canadian-grown ideas.
- **Make the Black Entrepreneurship Program permanent** and provide ongoing funding to support Black-owned businesses. The more entrepreneurs with good ideas that are supported, the more resilient and sustainable our growth will be. Supporting Canadian businesses from every community is how we build Canada strong.
- **Secure the Canadian advantage in strategic industries** like biomanufacturing, quantum computing, and ag-tech. These industries protect our sovereignty and security—from being able to make our own vaccines and medicines, to protecting our security, to ensuring food security. These industries will keep us sovereign, set Canada up to lead in the economy of the future, and create high paying jobs.

- Invest in the Women’s Economic and Leadership Opportunities Fund [\[more\]](#).

Catalyzing Private Investment to Make Canada More Competitive

It is estimated that:

- Extensions to immediate expensing and the Accelerated Investment Incentive will support nearly \$90 billion in private investment over the next five years.
- Enhancements to the SR&ED program will support over \$11 billion in private R&D over the next five years.

The Economy of the Future

To grow the strongest economy in the G7, Canada needs to build a modern, tech-enabled economy. Making sure Canada takes advantage of the opportunities presented by Artificial Intelligence (AI) is critical for our competitiveness as the global economy shifts – and for making sure we have a government that actually works.

Canada is where some of the most important developments in AI happened. We used to lead the world but have fallen behind in important ways. Artificial Intelligence is the key to unlocking productivity, higher paying jobs, and new prosperity that will benefit everyone. AI reduces the repetitive tasks workers have to do so they can focus on other more valuable aspects of their jobs, including for workers in the public service. AI can lead to advances that make our companies more competitive, especially our small and medium-sized businesses.

We will be relentless in looking for ways to make government more efficient. The potential of AI to improve services and delivery must be included in that work. In 2025, a modern, industrialized economy must integrate these technologies—it is how government improves service delivery, it is how government keeps up with the speed of business, and it is how government maximizes efficiency and reduces cost.

All this adds up to higher productivity, which is about more prosperity for Canada’s middle class.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Build AI infrastructure** by:
 - **Investing in nation-building energy infrastructure and cutting red tape** to make Canada the best place in the world to build data centres. Canada must have the capacity to deploy the AI of the future and ensure we have technological sovereignty.
 - **Building the next generation of data centres** quickly and efficiently by leveraging federal funding and partnering with the private sector to secure Canada’s technological advantage.

- **Invest in AI training, adoption, and commercialization by:**
 - **Measuring growth by tracking the economic impacts of AI in real-time** – not just occasionally – so we can proactively help Canadians seize new opportunities, boost productivity, and ensure no one is left behind.
 - **Boosting adoption** with a new AI deployment tax credit for small and medium-sized businesses that incentivizes businesses to leverage AI to boost their bottom lines, create jobs, and support existing employees. Companies would leverage a 20% credit on qualifying AI adoption projects, as long as they can demonstrate that they are increasing jobs.
 - **Catalyze commercialization by expanding successful programs at Canada’s AI institutes (Mila, Vector, Amii)** so that we can connect more Canadian researchers and startups with businesses across the country, which will supercharge adoption of Canadian innovation in businesses, create jobs, and strengthen our AI ecosystem.
- **Improve AI procurement by:**
 - **Establishing a dedicated Office of Digital Transformation** at the centre of government to proactively identify, implement, and scale technology solutions and eliminate duplicative and redundant red tape. This will enhance public service delivery for all Canadians and reduce barriers for businesses to operate in Canada, which will grow our economy. This is about fundamentally transforming how Canadians interact with their government, ensuring timely, accessible, and high-quality services that meet Canadians’ needs.
 - **Enabling the Office of Digital Transformation** to centralize innovative procurement and take a whole-of-government approach to service delivery improvement. This could mean using AI to address government service backlogs and improve service delivery times, so that Canadians get better services, faster.

Championing Science and Research

Researchers, scientists, and leading thinkers are under attack around the world. Ideologues are attacking their work, undermining evidence-based research and scientific frontiers, and attacking rights to freedom of expression and freedom of thought. Discoveries made by scientists and researchers have the potential to seed massive companies and new jobs. The current U.S. administration has had a chilling effect on research, including in high-demand fields like STEM, and many of those affected are Canadians.

For too long, Canadian-trained researchers have gone elsewhere to pursue their careers and build their businesses, many to the U.S.

Canadian expertise can solve the world’s biggest problems; it’s time to strengthen our science and research community so homegrown discoveries can benefit our workers and build a strong economy for Canada.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Attract leading researchers to Canadian institutions** by creating the Canadian Sovereignty and Resilience Research Fund. If the U.S. cuts a researcher's project funding, we will work with the Canadian research ecosystem if projects can directly help Canadians or be commercialized here. Where the U.S. is squeezing out researchers, we will look to welcome research here in Canada. Eligible researchers could include professors and graduate students. More researchers at home will help us solve Canadian problems, and export more Canadian solutions to the global marketplace.
- **Finalize Canada's modernization of science and research**, through the creation of a capstone organization that will ensure the federal granting agencies are driving mission-driven research that brings Canadian expertise to big global challenges and effectively commercializes homegrown ideas.
- **Enable the fuller inclusion of people with disabilities in academic, social, and professional life** by requiring Canadian publishers to provide an accessible copy of all e-books produced or released in Canada by 2030.

Workers

Building Canada strong starts with our workers. Mark Carney has promised that every dollar collected from Canada's reciprocal tariffs will go to protecting Canada's workers and the businesses most affected by this crisis.

The nature of work is changing as the economy of the future arrives. Workers need new skills so they have access to good, well-paying jobs. And workers need the security of knowing that even if they are in the gig economy or artists, the social safety net will be there for them.

The strength of our economy depends on how we choose to meet the challenges before us. It's not just about fighting back; it's about a government that is ready to take bold action to build an economy that will be stronger than ever.

Employment Insurance for All Workers

Canada needs an Employment Insurance system that reflects the modern workforce. A social welfare system that supports those who become displaced, as well as those who are taking time out from working to build skills for the new age. We need flexible, reliable support so that they can invest in their future, and by extension, our future.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Continue to support workers affected by President Trump's unjust trade war through the revenues from counter tariffs.** We have already taken key actions to protect workers and businesses through the trade war including:

- **Temporarily waiving the one-week EI waiting period.**
- **Suspending rules around separation for a six-month period**, so workers don't have to wait to get EI until they have exhausted their severance pay.
- **Making it easier to access EI** through increasing regional unemployment rate percentages.
- **Strengthen our social safety net and ensure no one is left behind.** As a priority over the next year, we will work to enhance the Employment Insurance system to better reflect the modern workforce with flexible, reliable support.

Skilled Trades

In Canada, every person who puts their hand up to work hard should have access to the tools they need to succeed.

Building Canada starts with the bricklayer, the crane operator, the electrician, the autoworker. The skilled workers who bring ideas to life, who are building the future of Canada. They are the driving force of economic prosperity, they take pride in their work, and it's work that supports millions of middle-class families. We need more skilled tradespeople to fill labour gaps, and to make sure that they have the skills they need to build Canada's future.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Provide a new Apprenticeship Grant of up to \$8,000 for registered apprentices.** Should an apprentice not complete their program within established timelines, the grant converts to an interest-free loan. This is in addition to the \$20,000 interest-free Canada Apprentice Loans available to apprentices progressing through training. We will work with First Nation, Inuit, and Métis communities to raise awareness of the new grant. And we will make certain expenses eligible that make it easier and more affordable for women to apprentice in the trades.
- **Increase access to union-led training initiatives by permanently doubling the funding of the Union Training and Innovation Program from \$25 million to \$50 million.** This funding will now support investments in training spaces and classrooms, supporting any of the Red Seal trades.
- **Establish a new \$20 million capital funding stream for colleges to support new training spaces, such as classrooms, for apprenticeships.** We will also work with provinces and territories to increase operating funding for trade colleges, building on the successes of jurisdictions like Quebec, which has been a leader in funding apprenticeship and vocational training, as well as strategic workplace apprenticeships.
- **Uphold the Apprenticeship Service program** to support employers in hiring new apprentices in Red Seal trades, with \$5,000 for first-year apprentices and \$10,000 for women, people with disabilities, and other underrepresented groups.

- **Increase labour mobility for skilled trades people between provinces and territories to address labour shortages.** By increasing internal trade, we will build one Canadian economy – instead of thirteen – where qualified workers can work anywhere in Canada.
- **Expand the Labour Mobility Tax Deduction** to ensure workers who travel more than 120 km from their home to a job site can deduct their expenses. We are also committed to significantly increasing the per-year tax deduction limit upon consultation with key industries.

Training

As we build a new economy for Canada, workers will need the skills for new jobs. Training is a fast track to higher wages and new opportunities. Canadians work hard, and if they're committed to getting better at their jobs, it should be encouraged. It's how we build the best workforce in the world—a workforce that is Canada strong.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Launch a new training and upskilling benefit worth up to \$15,000 for workers in the middle of their careers. This benefit will be targeted to workers in priority sectors including manufacturing, health care, construction, AI, and technology.** In the face of the economic uncertainty and volatility many Canadian businesses are facing, we will collaborate with employers to support retention and upskilling within their companies.
- **Ensure that Canadian workers impacted by tariffs have the necessary tools to pursue good paying jobs and advance their careers in priority sectors.** We will design these supports in partnership with labour, employers, and industry.
- **Futureproof the workforce by ensuring federally funded training programs better align with labour market needs, which means meeting the needs of employers today, and the employers of tomorrow.** To secure Canada's future, we need to build up the domestic skills and capabilities of our workforce in sectors like AI and cybersecurity, to spur innovation in Canada. We will track labour market impacts of AI to rapidly adjust training programs, so workers are continually ready for the jobs of the future.

Building New Markets for Canadian Goods

For decades, the U.S. has been our partner, but their unjustified tariffs have ruptured that relationship, and we must focus on other, more reliable, partners moving forward. Thankfully, the rest of the world wants and needs what Canada has to offer. It's the Saskatchewan potash that farmers use to feed the world; and the Canadian energy that is powering economies around the world. This trade is essential to our prosperity, and in order to build the fastest growing economy in the G7, we need to double down on our advantages and strengthen our relationships with reliable partners, taking full advantage of our existing trade agreements, such as CETA. We need to diversify our supply chains so that we can have a more resilient, prosperous economy that isn't dependent on any one country.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Open a \$25 billion export credit facility to support Canadian businesses as they expand into new markets.** This program offers financing to help other countries procure Canadian goods and services, with similar programs having facilitated the sale of potash to Bangladesh and water bombers to the European Union.
- **Help Canadian businesses diversify their markets** by expanding the CanExport program and pivoting it to focus on diversifying from the United States and fully take advantage of our existing trade deals, such as CETA and CPTPP.
- **Pursue new trade deals with MERCOSUR and ASEAN** so that Canadian businesses can access markets worth \$9 trillion combined.
- **Modernize Canada's *Special Import Measures Act*** to respond to the new international trade reality, particularly to update Canada's trade remedy tools in situations of circumvention or diversion, including legislating express timelines for safeguard actions.
- **Build trade enabling infrastructure** to diversify our trade away from the United States, create new jobs, and build one Canadian economy [[more](#)].

Building Responsibly

The federal government has been spending too much.

There are federal programs and processes that aren't working as well as they should and adjustments that need to be made if we are to respond with strength to this challenging moment. Efficiency and effectiveness must guide everything government does.

Change means adjusting how we do things, to make the best use of our talented public service and new technologies, to save money. It means focusing on outcomes for Canadians and making sure they get what they expect from their government.

It's time for Canada to have a government focused on maximizing investments that drive growth and delivering results.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Spend less, so Canada can invest more.** It is time to build a new Canadian economy through investments that will create great jobs, higher incomes, and drive the productivity we need to pay for a stronger health care system and social services.
- **Balance the operating budget by Budget 2028,** ensuring responsible fiscal management while making wise, long-term investments to build for Canada's prosperity and future.
- **Ensure the federal government's capital investment dollars catalyze multiple times their value in private investment.** This will maximize job creation, boost incomes for Canadian

workers, supply more resources for federal programs to protect vulnerable Canadians, and build a stronger, fairer Canada.

- **Ensure that government debt-to-GDP declines over the budget horizon.**
- **Protect transfers to individuals** (e.g. pensions, EI, CCB payments, etc.) **and to provinces and territories** (e.g. Equalization, Canadian Health Transfer, Canada Social Transfer, and Territorial Formula Financing).
- **Protect social programs including \$10-a-day child care, dental care, and pharmacare** [\[more\]](#).

Catalyzing Growth Through a Plan to “Spend Less, Invest More”

Smart investments pay off in real ways.

Think of a local bakery that buys a larger, more efficient oven. It doesn't just bake more bread – it creates the capacity to expand into catering, serve more customers, and hire more staff. That's an investment that drives growth.

Governments should do the same. Instead of spending more on itself, we need a government that takes focused action to catalyze private investment and boost productivity. A government that spends less and invests more, so that we can build the strongest economy in the G7.

Tax Fairness

Having a fair tax system is how we make sure we have resources needed to support Canadians, protect institutions like public health care, and ensure we can make the critical investments needed to make Canada strong.

A Mark Carney-led government will:

- **Conduct an expert review of the corporate tax system** based on the principles of fairness, transparency, simplicity, sustainability, and competitiveness.
- **Lead an international effort with partners in Europe and across the G7 to get a fair and consistent set of international tax rules completed**, as proposed by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). We will not surrender on rules that ensure large multinational companies pay a fair and consistent share of the profits they earn in a country.
- **Leverage technology at the Canada Revenue Agency to better identify and prosecute instances of tax evasion, fix loopholes, and strengthen enforcement.**

ANNEX 1

Fiscal and Costing Plan

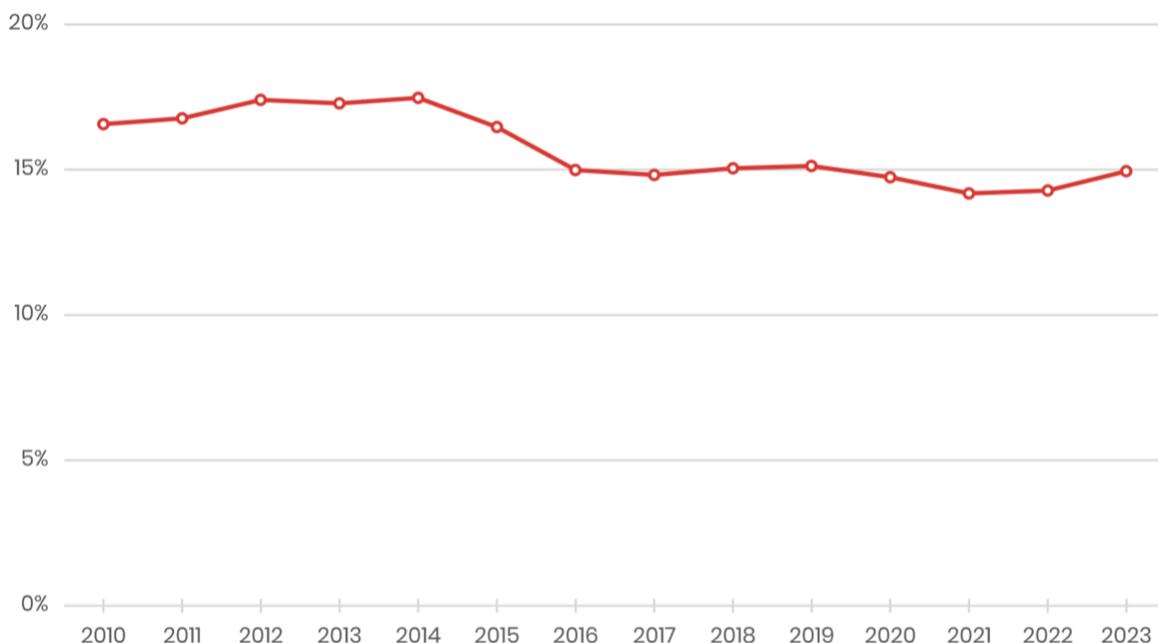
Canada is a prosperous country, but we are not as prosperous as we could be. This is not a new problem, but it is one we can no longer ignore. Our productivity is not growing as fast as other countries', meaning our paycheques are smaller than they could be, and the revenues we rely on to invest in key services like health care are not as strong.

Now is the time to build Canada into the strongest economy in the G7. Doing so will require a very different approach to spending and investment than the government has now. It will mean spending less on operations so we can invest more in the things that build Canada, like homes, naval ships, roads, and the capacity of businesses to invest in technology, production, and ideas.

Focusing on Capital Formation

While other countries are investing record amounts in intellectual property, technology, manufacturing production, and other things which grow economic potential, Canada has been falling behind. The rate at which we invest in these things dropped significantly as of 2014 at the onset of a major global commodities recession and collapse of oil prices and has not fully recovered.

Non-residential investment as a share of GDP



Pierre Poilievre's cuts will not build things. Focused investment in things that grow capital formation will.

To do that we will separate capital and operating spending within the government, and back this with a change in legislation that will be supported by new powers and resources for the Parliamentary Budget Office. This new approach will not change how Canada's public accounts are built and will maintain generally accepted accounting principles. It will create a more transparent categorization of the expenditure that contributes to capital formation in Canada. This is also consistent with the public finance practices of other advanced economies such as the United Kingdom.

Capital spending constitutes anything that builds an asset, held directly on the government's own balance sheet, a company's, or other order of government's. This will include direct investments the government makes in machinery, equipment, land, and buildings, as well as new incentives that support the formation of private sector capital (e.g. patents, plants, and technology) or which meaningfully raise private sector productivity. This will mean getting government expenditure focused on creating more jobs, that are higher paying, and generate sustainable long-term economic prosperity.

It has been estimated that the federal government currently spends about 1% of GDP on these things. This needs to be increased and Mark Carney's plan will do that.

More than half of incremental expenditure over the next four years will be capital related, driving significant growth in our housing stock, defence equipment, and the private sector capital base.

At the same time, we will bring revenues in line with total operating spending and eliminate this gap – currently estimated at about \$15 billion a year – by Budget 2028. During this time, our total deficit as a share of GDP will decline and all net government spending by the fourth year will be capital related. We will do this all while:

- Cutting taxes for all hard-working Canadians.
- Protecting public services like child care, dental care, pharmacare and school food programs.
- Protecting transfers to people (e.g. pension and elderly benefits, employment insurance, child benefits, GST/HST credits, and disability savings grants) and governments (e.g., Equalization, Canada Health Transfer, Canada Social Transfer, and Territorial Formula Financing).

Transforming the Government of Canada

The federal government has been spending too much. There are federal programs and processes that aren't working as well as they should, and projects that need to be reviewed as we adjust to the priorities of this challenging moment. We need to be efficient and effective in all that we spend, while empowering a world-class, tech-enabled public service.

A Mark Carney-led government will launch a comprehensive review of government spending in order to increase the federal government's productivity. This review will focus on clear targets by

departments and Crown Corporations with an iterative process that deploys best approaches across the public sector. A portion of these savings will be redeployed to invest in technology and people in order to improve the quality of what the federal government does, such as reducing the time it takes to process an EI payment. Some examples of what the review could focus on:

- Amalgamating service delivery so there is one point of access for Canadians in how they interact with government programs, that meets the customer service standards we have come to expect in a digital enabled economy.
- Consolidating grants and contributions that serve similar purposes and are delivered to the same organizations across multiple departments, increasing impact.
- Better leveraging technology to improve the automation of routine tasks and inquiries from the public and reducing the need for additional hiring.
- Significantly reducing reliance on external consultants, while improving the capacity of the public service to hire expertise in-house.
- Better managing litigation and contingent liabilities and improving asset management practices.

Following the initial results of this review, we will institute a permanent process to link spending and outcomes across departments and continuous improvement in spending control. We will focus performance on a smaller and clearer set of things that matter to real people, such as the number of homes built and how long it takes to get an EI cheque.

As part of this review, the government will consider where AI can be leveraged to enhance productivity in government. We will look at every new dollar being spent through the lens of how AI and technology can improve service and reduce costs.

We are also committed to capping, not cutting, public service employment. Federal workers deliver essential services to Canadians and are critical to helping Canada meet this moment of crisis. As part of our review of spending we will ensure that the size of the federal public service meets the needs of Canadians.

Additionally, recognizing that it's time to change the way Canada does procurement, we will modernize our defence procurement to ensure our Forces can buy the tools and equipment they need, in a timely way, working with trusted partners.

As a result of the main investments and savings proposed in this plan, direct program expenses are projected to grow at an average rate of less than 2% per cent per year through 2028-29. This compares to a compound annual growth of nearly 9 percent over the previous decade. This is what spending less, and investing more is all about.

Fiscal Plan

Our fiscal plan was prepared using the March 24, 2025, baseline forecast as published by the Office of Parliamentary Budget Officer (PBO) at the outset of this election campaign. For full transparency and consistency, it includes several items not incorporated by PBO in that baseline but announced by Prime Minister Mark Carney and the Government of Canada in March, including:

- Canada's tariff response plan and supports for workers and businesses.
- Cancellation of the increase in capital gains inclusion rate.
- Investments in Canada's sovereignty in the North.
- Response to the Jasper wildfires.
- Expansion of funding for the Indigenous Loan Guarantee Program.

In the development of our fiscal plan, we have consulted with the PBO on large new tax measures, and a select set of complex new initiatives, such as incentives to drive business investment and growth. These costing notes will be published online at: <https://www.pbo-dpb.ca/en/about-epc--a-propos-cpe>.

Defence Spending

The single largest individual investment in this plan relates to rebuilding, rearming, and reinvesting in the Canadian Armed Forces. More than \$30.9 billion will be added to defence-related spending through this plan over the next four years, on a cash basis. As part of our plan, we intend to rapidly ramp up the portion of spending dedicated to new equipment and infrastructure such that by Year 4 half of this new investment is used to buy new kit for our men and women in uniform. This will position Canada alongside Finland, Sweden, and other countries in NATO that have quickly rearmed.

The savings anticipated in this plan are almost dollar for dollar what will be required over that time in order to help rebuild, rearm, and reinvest in the women and men of the Canadian Armed Forces. This is what spending less and investing more is all about – changing how government spends in order to maximize what is delivered for Canadians.

Because the federal fiscal framework is reported on an accrual basis we are including the following table to demonstrate how the plan aligns between capital and operating expenses.

NEW DEFENCE INVESTMENTS (\$M)	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
ACCRUAL				
Operating	\$1,050	\$3,300	\$6,100	\$6,750
Capital	-	\$100	\$250	\$500
Total	\$1,050	\$3,400	\$6,350	\$7,250

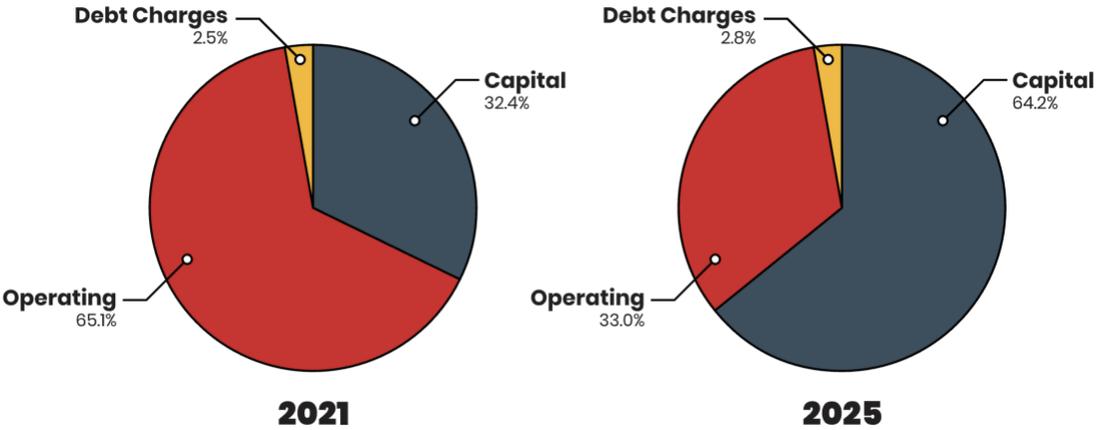
CASH				
Operating	\$1,050	\$3,300	\$6,100	\$6,750
Capital	\$550	\$2,300	\$4,050	\$6,750
Total	\$1,600	\$5,600	\$10,150	\$13,500

This does not include the additional funding that will count toward Canada’s NATO commitments as part of our plan to integrate the Canadian Coast Guard into our NATO defence capabilities. With these investments we will exceed our commitment to spend at least 2% of GDP on defence.

A New Approach

America’s unjustified and reckless trade war has thrown the global economy into turmoil and Canada faces the greatest crisis in our lifetimes. This calls for a new approach focused on growth in the face of economic threats to weaken our economy. Whereas the past required rebuilding public services after years of cuts and preparing the country for the recovery from COVID, now we must build our economic capacity by growing our capital stock. This plan reflects that.

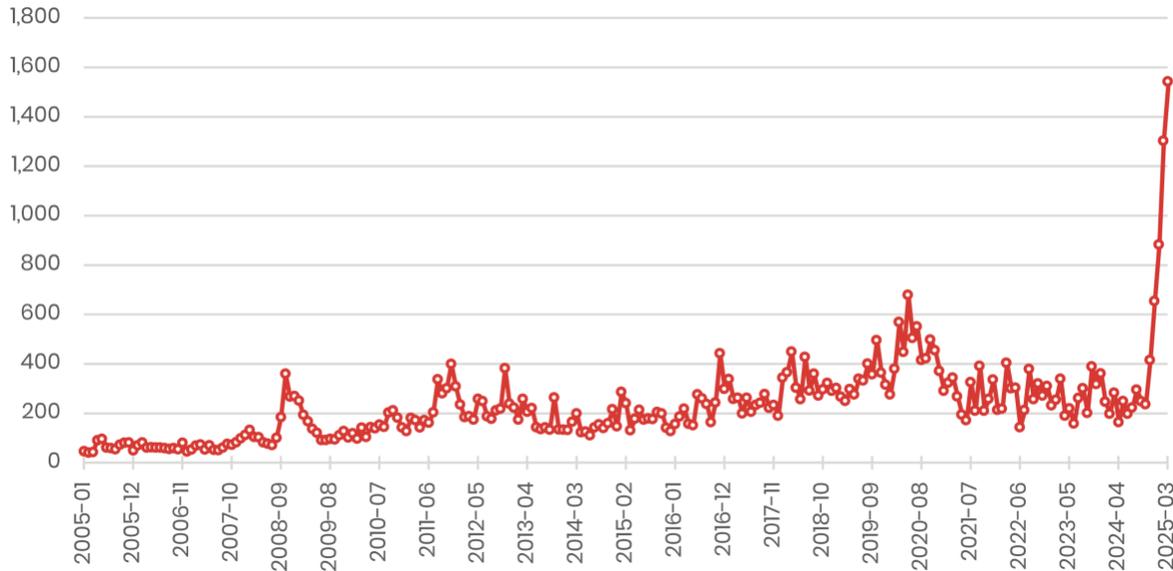
Comparing Liberal Platform Spending



Catalyzing Investment and Growth

The biggest threat to the Canadian and global economy today is the uncertainty caused by Donald Trump’s tariffs. They are rupturing global markets and threatening to rip apart decades of established supply chains and trade relationships that deliver prosperity, good jobs and affordable goods and services. In this moment, uncertainty is the enemy of investment.

Economic Policy Uncertainty Index – Canada



Source: Baker, S; Bloom, N; and David, S (2025).

In the face of the trade threats, the single biggest thing we can do today to grow the economy is deliver confidence and stability that will catalyze investment. This plan focuses on delivering a significant boost in investment that will stabilize the economy in the short-term, create the conditions which will unlock new investments that increase our capital formation, and ultimately increase potential GDP over the long run.

Change in investment intentions by exposure to trade tensions (2025 Q1)



Source: Bank of Canada, Business Outlook Survey

Our plan is expected to catalyze \$500 billion in new investment over the next 5 years. This plan puts forward almost \$150 billion on a cash basis in measures to support that goal and kickstart private sector activity. A Mark Carney-led government will be laser focused on working with businesses, unions, and investors to bring new investment in housing, defence production, trade and transportation infrastructure, digital innovation and patents, critical minerals and energy, and other sectors that will drive good jobs and a higher standard of living.

The direct economic impact of these investments depends on a number of factors. For example, fiscal multipliers are often higher at times of recession when demand is weak and employment is lower than it could be. Given the possibility of a recession and the high degree of uncertainty facing the global economy today, it is likely that our investment will have even bigger impact than would be the case if the economy were operating at or near full capacity.

This is illustrated in the following table, which shows the difference between multipliers in the 2009 recession and as recently estimated in 2024 by the PBO, prior to recent trade threats. Investments in housing, infrastructure, and business investment have the highest yield over time – and this plan focuses on materially increasing these.

CATEGORY OF MEASURE AND MULTIPLIER	2025-26	2026-27	2028-29
Infrastructure investment			
PBO	0.7	0.7	0.7
Budget 2009	1.0	1.5	1.6
Average	0.85	1.1	1.15
Housing investment			
PBO	0.9	0.9	0.9
Budget 2009	1.0	1.4	1.5
Average	0.95	1.15	1.2
Business investment measures			
PBO	0.6	0.6	0.7
Budget 2009	0.8	1.3	1.4
Average	0.7	0.95	1.05
Measures for modest and low-income households			
PBO	0.7	0.7	0.7
Budget 2009	0.8	1.5	1.7
Average	0.75	1.1	1.2

CATEGORY OF MEASURE AND MULTIPLIER	2025-26	2026-27	2028-29
Personal income tax measures			
PBO	0.3	0.5	0.6
Budget 2009	0.4	0.9	1
Average	0.35	0.7	0.8
Corporate income tax measures			
PBO	0.2	0.4	0.5
Budget 2009	0.1	0.2	0.3
Average	0.15	0.3	0.4

For reasons of prudence, this plan does not incorporate any dynamic effects from how these investments impact economic output. Our plan is that it will generate significant growth that in return generates additional revenue and increases the size of the economy, lowering the size of the deficit on both a relative and nominal basis, though we have not factored in those benefits.

Overall, this is an ambitious and economically sound approach that will build Canada into the strongest economy in the G7.

ANNEX 2

Gender Based Analysis +

Canada is strongest when we are united – when we work together to build a future that benefits every person, every family, and every community. Safeguarding equal opportunities ensures every Canadian can be their best and contribute to their fullest.

We see this in the impacts of programs and investments like \$10-a-day child care, which has had a significant impact on women’s labour force participation; the Black Entrepreneurship Program, which helps Black Canadians build and scale businesses; and in the Canadian Dental Care Plan, which is helping seniors access dental care, often for the first time in decades.

Commitment to Equality

We have made significant progress to advance equal opportunities in Canada, but we cannot take that progress for granted. As we are seeing around the world, diversity is being threatened at a time when it should be protected and celebrated, and the very foundation of our rights – the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* – is being treated as if our rights are negotiable. We are stronger because of our diversity, not in spite of it, and we will always stand up to make sure every Canadian can participate fully and freely in our country’s great institutions.

A Mark Carney-led government will support and champion all Canadians, including by reviewing policies and programs using an intersectional lens. We will continue to update the GBA+ tool to ensure it reflects the identities and values of all Canadians, including diversity as a core value. As we build a more sustainable Canada, progress on diversity will be at the forefront of our goals, because our ability to recognize the value of all Canadians is what makes Canada strong.

Applying a GBA+ Lens

People need to see themselves reflected in the government they are being asked to elect. Every measure in this platform has been reviewed through an equity lens using a GBA+ analysis. This includes identifying direct and indirect benefits of programs – such as increased job opportunities, access to programs and services, and other benefits – and considering how these benefits will be distributed across diverse groups. Some measures include efforts to target specific underrepresented communities within that policy or program. These included, but are not limited to:

- Standing up for the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, protecting the values it was founded on – which are under threat – and ensuring the protection of women, people with disabilities, racialized and Indigenous communities, and 2SLGBTQI+ people.

- Temporarily increasing the Guaranteed Income Supplement, giving seniors an additional \$652 per year, tax-free. Women have historically had higher uptake rates of the GIS.
- Establishing a permanent Youth Mental Health Fund, to help young Canadians.
- Making permanent \$10/day child care and the National School Food Program, which will help children and families, including raising women's participation rates in paid work.
- Investing in clean growth and climate initiatives, such as working with provinces and territories to support the adoption of clean technology and retrofits, because climate change has an even greater impact on women, seniors, individuals with disabilities, Indigenous communities, and other underrepresented communities.
- Cutting the GST for First Time Homebuyers, which will help young Canadians. 73% of first-time homebuyers are between the ages 25-34.
- Building high-speed rail to connect the Quebec-Windsor corridor, and investing in the Rural Transit Solutions Fund. Studies show that rates of public transit ridership are higher amongst women.
- Investing in women's sexual and reproductive health care and health research, including for those within the 2SLGBTQI+ community.
- Providing Personal Support Workers (PSWs) with up to \$1,100 a year through the Health Care Workers Hero Tax Credit.
- Prioritizing access to post-secondary education and skills training for Indigenous youth, including through targeted outreach for the Apprenticeship Grant.
- Making funding permanent for the 2SLGBTQI+ Community Capacity Fund.
- Enabling Canadians to take more action to affirm their rights by expanding the Court Challenges Program.
- Adding additional funding for the LGBTQI+ International Assistance Program.
- Guaranteeing equal access to justice for people with disabilities by developing a Disability Justice Framework.
- Reviewing and reforming the process to apply for the Disability Tax Credit.

A Mark Carney-led government will ensure that every measure in this platform will be implemented with a full GBA+ analysis – so that we can continue to build Canada strong, for all Canadians.