

ON YOUR SIDE

Our 2025 election platform to fight rising costs and restore Ontario's promise



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An Ontario NDP government: **ON YOUR SIDE FROM DAY ONE**



Results you can count on in the first 100 days.

As Premier, Marit Stiles will:



1. Fight rising costs.

We'll provide a monthly grocery rebate to put more money in your pocket, and we'll crack down on big grocery store price fixing with a new consumer watchdog.



2. Hire more doctors.

We'll start connecting everyone to a family doctor by fast-tracking approval of more family health teams and community health centres, and clearing the paperwork for doctors so they can see more patients, faster.



3. Fast-track building homes you can afford.

We'll launch the largest homebuilding program in generations, and we'll implement real rent control to protect tenants.



4. Defend Ontario jobs.

We'll take a leading role on Team Canada to protect the jobs and pensions of Ontario workers in auto, steel and agriculture – and direct government agencies to Buy Ontario.



5. Clean up corruption at Queen's Park.

We'll bring integrity back to government and put an end to the wasteful schemes and bad deals that have cost you.

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Ontario should be a province full of opportunity.

A place where you can find a home, easily access the health care you need, and where kids are supported from day one to have the best shot in life.

Where you can find a good job and the cost of the basics doesn't take up your whole pay cheque.

A place where you're excited, not worried, for the future.

That's the Ontario that first brought me here some 30 years ago after growing up in Newfoundland, and it's why I stayed – to raise my daughters and build a good life for my family.

But today, life in Ontario feels harder than ever. Housing costs are out of control, it's harder to find a doctor, and things keep getting more expensive.

7 years of Doug Ford has cost you.

In every region, we see the impact of a government that has lost track of the things that matter most.

This election, we can change that with new leadership, and new ideas for our province.

As Premier, I'll be on your side in the fight against rising costs.

I'll lead a government with integrity that will get to work straight away, hiring more doctors, fixing schools, building homes and defending Ontario jobs.

Instead of pouring money down the drain on bad deals and costly scandals, we will invest in your community, build up Ontario, and get to work on restoring the promise of a good life for people here.

Here are my commitments to you:



Marit Stiles, Leader
Ontario NDP



Fighting against **RISING COSTS**

After seven years of Doug Ford's Conservatives, life is more expensive than ever – from the basics like groceries to the cost of housing. His bad deals and wasteful schemes have cost us all. We will take immediate action to fight rising costs.

We will provide a Monthly Grocery Rebate that is based on how much the cost of essential groceries like milk, bread and vegetables have increased under Ford and is tied to income and the number of people in your household. We will bring transparency to grocery prices by forcing big retailers to display signage when they raise prices on basic grocery items more than two per cent in a week (by weight, to protect against shrinkflation), and we'll crack down on price fixing and other unfair practices by establishing a new consumer watchdog to keep food prices fair.

We will bring in real rent control, also known as vacancy control, to protect tenants and maintain our existing supply of affordable homes.

We will create a universal School Food Program so that every child, from Kenora to Windsor is set up to succeed, saving families money every day. We will support local farms by using fresh food prepared and grown right here in Ontario.

We will deliver \$10/day child care after years of delays by Ford's government. We will create 53,000 new, public or not-for-profit affordable childcare spaces by working with providers and service managers, and by removing the rules that limit municipalities in creating their own child care spaces. We will end the stress and uncertainty of applying at dozens of child care centres and following up endlessly to secure a spot and establish one single Daycare Application Portal for each region to make it easier to find quality childcare close to home.



We will make commuting more affordable, reliable and convenient by expanding intercity bus and rail transit.

- ▶ Hazel McCallion Line + Mississauga Loop
- ▶ Extend LRT into downtown Brampton
- ▶ Two-way All Day GO to Kitchener
- ▶ Two-way All Day GO to Guelph
- ▶ Two-way All Day GO to Brampton
- ▶ Two-way All Day GO to Niagara
- ▶ Two-way All Day GO to London
- ▶ Two-way-All Day GO to Bowmanville Complete Mimico GO Station
- ▶ New GO stations in Oshawa, Clarington, and Bowmanville
- ▶ Grimsby GO Station
- ▶ Expedite Parklawn GO
- ▶ Fast track delivery of Northlander Passenger Service
- ▶ Support Huron Central and Algoma Central Rail Lines

We will make municipal transit service more reliable, frequent, affordable and accessible for riders by restoring 50% provincial funding for municipal transit and paratransit net operational costs. Improving transit service will boost transit ridership and ease congestion for everyone.

We will introduce a monthly Caregiver Benefit for those caring for loved ones at home and we will **make it easier for seniors to age at home safely** with reliable access to home care and a Seniors Home Safety Grant to help with renovations.

We will eliminate parking fees at hospitals for staff, visitors and patients. No one should be worried about paying for parking at a hospital during an affordability crisis, whether you are a patient, a loved one, a front-line worker or a doctor.

We'll make it easier to form a union and collect the bigger pay cheques that come with it, by returning to a simple card certification system. We'll remove any barriers to a newly unionized workplace's first contract being implemented and ban the use of replacement workers during job disputes.

We will double social assistance rates for ODSP and OW to get people out of deep poverty and boost the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit program to help more people move out of shelters into homes, freeing up shelter beds in the process.

We will ensure an abundant supply of reliable and affordable energy, towards a legislated target of achieving a net-zero economy no later than 2050. We will make evidence-based and cost-effective investments in clean energy and efficiency from a mix of non-emitting sources, storage and conservation. We will complete long-planned priority transmission investments to deliver abundant clean energy to expanding industries, such as auto manufacturers and greenhouse growers.

We will provide free or discounted electric heat pumps to Ontario households, with access to easy interest-free financing. Heat pump rebates of up to \$19,500 will be available depending on household income, with an additional \$5,000 available for households that heat with propane, heating oil, or coal.

We will also enhance Ontario's SaveONEnergy Energy Affordability program to provide retrofit support to renters and low-income households, ensuring fair access to Ontario's energy savings programs.

We will help Ontario drivers make the switch to EVs to save money and support Ontario's auto sector, with income-tested rebates towards the purchase of an eligible new or used battery-electric vehicle or plug-in hybrid. Electric Vehicles produced overseas will be exempt from incentives where corporate leadership are hell-bent on destroying the Canadian economy.

We will reduce energy costs for struggling households, especially those in rural and Northern Ontario, with on-bill rate relief for lower-income households that heat with gas, oil or other fuels – to bridge them to conversion to more affordable electric heating. This program will operate similarly to the existing Ontario Electricity Support Program. We will provide monthly financial support to help cover your heating costs, as well as access to emergency financial assistance if you are at risk of being cut off by your fuel distributor.

Repair, revitalize, reopen the Ontario Science Centre and cancel the deal to hand over Ontario Place to a luxury spa company, saving the equivalent of \$400 a household.



PUBLIC HEALTH CARE

that's there when you need it

Ontario's public health care system has been broken by consecutive Liberal and Conservative governments who have opened the door for corporations to make a profit off of vulnerable people. New Democrats brought publicly funded, publicly delivered health care to Canada and Marit Stiles and the Ontario NDP will strengthen and protect it.

We will ensure every Ontarian has a family doctor, with our Family Health Guarantee. We will add 3500 more doctors to the primary care system, hire more nurse practitioners, health care workers and support staff and invest in publicly funded, publicly delivered health care. We will invest \$4.1 billion over four years to connect people to team-based primary care, close to home.

We will tackle the Northern health crisis by establishing a Northern Command Centre to hire 350 doctors, including 200 family doctors in Northern Ontario and we will double residency positions at NOSM University.

We will train and hire more nurses to ensure safe nurse-patient ratios, better care and an end to the reliance on for-profit private nursing agencies that are costing hospitals hundreds of millions of dollars.



We'll make sure health care workers are paid fairly by introducing wage parity across the health care system so that workers in home care are paid the same rate as their counterparts in hospitals.

We'll get back to building out Ontario's public hospital network and stop the privatization of health care services.

We will fund hospitals to keep operating rooms running on evenings and weekends instead of redirecting funds to private, for-profit surgical centres.

Priority Hospital Projects

- ▶ Expedite Windsor-Essex Regional Hospital and the new hospital for Durham Region
- ▶ Restore 24/7 emergency services to Welland Hospital
- ▶ Deliver a new hospital for Brantford
- ▶ New hospital for Brampton, with a Cancer Care Centre
- ▶ Restore service to Fort Erie and Port Colborne Urgent Care
- ▶ Responsibly plan for a new Regional Hospital in Kitchener-Waterloo
- ▶ Re-open Minden Hospital and preserve Rural Emergency Departments

We will reduce wait times for patients and improve access to care by establishing a centralized and standardized referral system to streamline the process of referring patients to specialists and reduce the administrative burden on doctors and their staff.

We will establish universal basic mental health care and increase funding to community mental health service providers, like CMHA and AMHO, that provide crucial services to help people with addictions. We will follow the advice of experts and use evidence-based strategies to address the opioid

epidemic. We will fund the addition of detox beds and residential treatment beds and establish wage parity for health care workers in community settings so they can also offer mental health support.

We will clear the waitlist of 28,000 children and youth waiting for mental health care.

We will ensure children and families have access to Autism services, particularly in Northern and Rural communities where services are even scarcer.

We will work with experts, health care providers, patients and communities to ensure access to gender affirming care and **break down barriers to accessing health care for all 2SLGBTQ+ Ontarians.**

We will expand OHIP to include coverage for prescription contraception, the HPV vaccine at any age when recommended by a doctor, PrEP and PEP, and take-home cervical cancer test kits.

We will stop the privatization of home care and long-term care. For-profit care providers compromise quality and reliability of care. We will ensure people can live at home longer as they age, with reliable and expanded services to support their need. We'll attract and match long-term care and home care workers to communities where they have shared culture and language skills.

We will reverse the unconstitutional Bill 7 that allows hospitals to discharge patients into long-term care homes without their consent. We'll fix Ontario Health at Home, after Ford's disastrous roll out, so no one is left waiting without urgent homecare supplies.

We will take immediate action to clean up the mercury in the English-Wabigoon River system, remediating the mercury buried upstream from Grassy Narrows, and connecting people who are impacted by mercury poisoning with the care they need.

BUILDING HOMES

you can afford

Housing is a human right. Everybody deserves a decent home they can afford, in the community they want to live in. But Doug Ford's failure to get homes built and keep rents down has made it nearly impossible for Ontarians to buy or rent a decent home they can afford. Housing starts are down, and homelessness up. Something has to change and fast.

We will get Ontario back to building with Homes Ontario, the largest homebuilding program in generations. Homes Ontario will use grants, low-cost public financing, public land, fast-tracked approvals and other supports to enable the construction, acquisition and repair of at least 300,000 permanently affordable homes.

We will enable the purchase of existing privately-owned rental units, to be converted to permanently affordable public, non-profit or co-op housing, like Toronto's Multi-Unit Residential Acquisition (MURA) Program and UK's Council Homes Acquisition Programme (CHAP). We will protect the existing supply of affordable rentals, including completing renovations and repairs. Homes Ontario will help create thousands of new jobs in residential construction, while keeping skilled labour employed in periods of market slowdown.

We will create 60,000 new supportive housing units province-wide, allowing people living in encampments or the shelter system to move into a safe, permanent home, while connecting them to mental health care, addiction treatment and other ongoing supports.

We will protect renters by immediately introducing real rent control, also known as vacancy control, so rent control applies to the rental, and not just the tenancy. This will remove the incentive of unethical landlords to use bad faith evictions and renovations to squeeze out existing tenants so they can charge a higher rent to the next tenant. We will also close the loophole that exempts units built since 2018 from rent control. We will bring in a fairer system of low interest repair loans so the cost of maintaining buildings isn't borne by tenants, and small landlords are supported with unexpected repair costs.

We will update zoning and planning rules to make it easier and cheaper to build all types of new homes, including legalizing more affordable options like semis, townhomes and fourplex apartments in all neighbourhoods, and midrises near transit as-of-right.

We will help municipalities address their housing needs. We will upload the cost of housing, emergency shelters, and homelessness prevention programs back to the province, while maintaining locally focused delivery through municipal service managers. We'll work with municipalities to create incentives for affordable housing in the marketplace, including development charge easements.

We'll ensure that new homes are future-proofed for the energy transition with low-cost EV-ready infrastructure, so that homeowners with garages can install electric vehicle chargers cheaply when they choose to make the switch, instead of paying thousands of dollars in retrofitting costs.

We will accelerate the expansion of broadband internet infrastructure into Northern Ontario and end the years of delays that set Ontario up to miss the target of connecting all Ontarians to broadband internet by the end of 2025. We will cancel the Ford government's \$100 million contract with Elon Musk's Starlink and replace it with a Canadian alternative that offers better value and security for Ontario consumers.

We will upload back costs that were unfairly downloaded onto municipal taxpayers, including the costs of maintaining provincially owned "connecting link" highways. We will provide adequate, predictable and consistent formula-based provincial funding to ensure that municipalities are able to maintain, snow-clear and repair their roads, bridges and other infrastructure, with additional support for small and Northern municipalities that must look after large areas with small tax bases.

We will protect the Greenbelt, and Ontario's prime farmland, by focusing growth sustainably and cost-effectively within the pre-2022 urban boundaries, keeping infrastructure costs down in the process.



FIXING SCHOOLS

and setting kids up for success

Schools are at the heart of our communities, but decades of cuts and freezes have left our schools overcrowded, understaffed, and crumbling. Every child, regardless of their income status, deserves a high-quality public education in safe schools that support their needs.

We will invest in our next generation with a new, needs-based funding formula. The Ford government has cut education funding by \$1,500 per student since 2018, leaving schools with fewer teachers and larger class sizes. In consultation with school boards and education workers, we'll review and fix school funding, so it meets the needs of kids.

We will fix schools with an additional \$830 million per year to clear the repair backlog within 10 years while keeping up with school maintenance needs and give students a high quality, nurturing learning environment.

We will hire more staff in schools. We will support additional dedicated teachers, educational assistants, child and youth workers, ECEs, custodial and skilled trades workers to make sure students get the one-on-one attention they need in well-maintained schools. We will consult on the restoration of one year teacher's college programs to help get more qualified teachers in the system, faster.

We'll create a universal School Food Program so that every child in Ontario is set up to succeed. We will use fresh food prepared and grown right here in Ontario to do it. We will also increase funding to the First Nations school food program.

We will fix student transportation funding. Students, particularly those in Northern and Rural communities, missed more days in school when the Ford government changed eligibility for school bus services. We will make sure you can count on a school bus to come on time for your child to get to and from school safely, by fixing the student transportation funding formula.

We will protect the right to Francophone education. Francophones in Ontario have the right to access to government services, health care, retirement living, and kindergarten-to-post-secondary education in French, in French-language institutions. We'll invest in Francophone education in French school boards and French immersion programs in the English system and redouble efforts to ensure there are enough Francophone teachers in the system.



We will reduce fees for before and after school child care, and negotiate with the federal government to expand \$10-a-day to school age children.

We will support every learner. We'll make sure our public education system gives students with disabilities the support they deserve. We'll work with educators and school boards to continue de-streaming with adequate funding and support, and ensure we have the data to support more equitable schools.

We'll invest in public post-secondary education, increase per student funding by 20%, and tie future increases to inflation. Universities and colleges are at a breaking point, many posting deficits and cutting programming. Decades of Liberal and Conservative cuts have left Ontario with the lowest per-student funding in Canada for post-secondary education. We would work with the sector to review the funding formula to sustain Ontario's world class post-secondary education and keep up with growing demand and student needs.

We will reverse Ford's cuts to OSAP and convert all OSAP loans to grants so that all students graduate debt-free. We will cancel outstanding student loan interest owed.

We will establish a standalone Francophone institution at Sudbury University. We will return the midwifery program to Sudbury University and increase enrollment in the nursing program to increase access to labour and delivery services while growing our francophone health care workforce.

DEFENDING ONTARIO JOBS

In the face of American tariffs, people are worried about what the future holds, if they'll lose their job or if things will become even more expensive than they already are. As we face this serious economic challenge to our country and province, Doug Ford quit his job and plunged us into an election.

Marit Stiles will be a premier who's on our side in this fight. She will defend Ontario jobs, fight back as part of a strong Team Canada, and get to work building a more tariff-proof Ontario that can withstand future threats to our economy.

We will defend Ontario families, jobs, businesses and our economy. We will partner with Ontario industries and unions to protect the jobs and pensions of Ontario workers, especially in our auto sector, steel, forestry and agricultural sectors. Ontarians need a government that won't leave them behind and will defend family incomes against hard economic times.

We will accelerate housing and infrastructure that can start immediately. We will fast track building housing of all types and sizes and reprioritize critical transit projects like Line 2 in Toronto and GO transit expansion. We will support the industries that need help today with relief measures, to protect Ontario against the economic shock of Trump's tariffs.

We will buy Canadian and build Canadian. Canada is rich in resources that fuel Ontario's economy, and this economic crisis is felt across the country. We will work to improve interprovincial cooperation and remove barriers to interprovincial trade; strengthening our economic resilience, creating jobs, building homes, and stimulating more investment in our economy. We will immediately direct provincial agencies to prioritize Canadian goods in their procurement processes. We will make sure procurement for public infrastructure projects prioritizes Ontario industries and goods like steel, aluminum, lumber, and manufactured goods from impacted sectors.

We will secure family incomes with a federal-provincial income assistance plan to protect any worker who loses their job as a result of any tariffs. We will negotiate with the federal government to expand employment insurance and prevent any delays getting EI out to impacted workers. We will remove provincial income tax on any income supports for workers who experience tariff-related job loss so that they can keep more money in their pocket through a difficult time.

We will play on Team Canada. The Government of Ontario must take the lead with other provinces and the Government of Canada, speaking with one voice and acting as one Team Canada to protect jobs and our economy. We will find new markets for Ontario products and investment opportunities across Canada and around the world.

We will strengthen and diversify Ontario's trade relationships. We will seek out new trade relationships to find new markets for made-in-Ontario products, and encourage investment in Ontario with our democratic allies, instead of betting it all on Donald Trump.

We will fight tariff inflation, to fight rising costs. Under Doug Ford, Ontarians have felt the cost-of-living crisis, while Ford has not acted to help people through economic price inflation. From groceries, to hydro, to heating, everyday costs on essentials that add up. Life under Doug Ford was already unaffordable before Trump. We know it wasn't always this way. We have a plan for real rent control, affordable childcare, and fixing traffic for Ontario to fight the inflation Doug Ford refused to face and Donald Trump will make worse.

We will launch the Premier's Council on the Economy, bringing together business, labour, civil society and municipal leaders to coordinate a strong response that protects our economy.

We will expand the Ontario Made Manufacturing Tax Credit, doubling the maximum amount and broadening the eligibility to include advanced manufacturing applications, and we'd extend the life of the tax credit to 10 years to enable long term investment.

We will launch the Ontario Tariff Fund, an emergency measure providing direct payments to businesses impacted by U.S. tariffs, requiring job retention and fair practices, and filling the gaps of any federal programs to support critical Ontario industries.



We would restart the Ontario Business Costs Rebate Program for tariff-impacted industries to provide immediate relief on property taxes and energy costs for companies that keep jobs here in Ontario.

Ontario NDP government would completely remove the cap from the Risk Management Program, ensuring the government has the tools it needs to protect Ontario farmers and the jobs they support. We will address the threat of Trump tariffs on agricultural products like pork, beef, grain products and fresh vegetables by strengthening local supply chains. We will also direct the provincial government and provincially-funded entities to adopt **Buy Ontario** public procurement policies to offset the impact of tariffs on Ontario food exporters.

We will support Ontario small businesses, creating the conditions for local enterprises to thrive. We will work with the federal government to **support succession planning**, allowing owners to form employee ownership trusts and put in place incentives for the creation of trusts and employee-owned co-operatives. We will ensure that our Buy Ontario plan engages in **strategic government procurement from small and medium sized enterprises**, leveraging Ontario purchasing power to support Ontario talent. We will not increase taxes on Ontario small businesses. We will work with the small business community to develop and deliver the supports they need to create good jobs, including looking at changes to commercial rental protections.





RESPECTING WORKERS

and growing the workforce

We will continue to propose real reforms that benefit workers that have been rejected by the Ford government including: 10-days paid leave; a living wage; equal pay; anti-scab legislation, and enforcement against workplace law violations, including severe penalties for unsafe work conditions. We will put an end to the practice of deeming where injured workers are 'deemed' to be able to work phantom jobs they don't have. We will overhaul the WSIB system to better protect the health and safety of all Ontario workers, protect them and their families in case of injury or disease at work, and provide stability for Ontario businesses. We will properly classify app-based gig workers as employees and bring in equal pay legislation. We will legally recognize democratically-ratified union agreements covering gig workers and modernize the Employment Standards Act to ensure **all workers** are protected through strong, modern and enforced labour standards legislation.

We will support a strong Ontario mining sector, and the tens of thousands of good jobs it provides. The piecemeal and bulldozer-first approach of Liberals and Conservatives has failed to develop the Ring of Fire. We will begin a **formal consultation process with the Matawa Tribal Council First Nations members, and other impacted First Nations on decisions related to the Ring of Fire** to create generational infrastructure, jobs, and revenue sharing opportunities in the North, and help get critical minerals to power Ontario's future.

We will double Ontario's Career Ready Program so Ontario colleges and universities can create additional work-integrated learning opportunities. We'd create thousands of new, paid co-op and internship opportunities for young people.

We will support pathways into the skilled trades, from shop classes to those seeking a career change later in life, with continued investment in the Skills Development Fund and workers' training centres across the province.

We will establish a Childcare Workforce Strategy to make jobs in child care good careers, including developing and implementing a wage grid and decent work standards. This includes a salary scale starting at \$25 per hour for all child care workers, and \$30 per hour for RECES; paid sick days; paid professional development time; paid programming time.

We will establish Ontario's first Youth Climate Corps, giving opportunities to young Ontarians to learn skills and earn a fair wage while helping Ontario communities reduce their emissions, restore their natural environments, and become more resilient in a changing climate.

We will work with artists and creators to promote and market Ontario's book publishing, film and television, live performance, digital and arts industries. We will ensure both the stability and competitiveness of Ontario's film, television and digital tax credits. And we will strongly support Ontario Creates and Ontario Arts Council programs to ensure people throughout the arts and culture sector have the support and respect they need. We will also partner with Ontario's francophone community to grow and promote book publishing, film and television, live performance, and cultural festivals in French — a key thread in the tapestry of our province.



A government **ON YOUR SIDE**

Marit Stiles and the Ontario NDP will restore transparency, accountability, and integrity in government after decades of self-serving governments that put private interests ahead of the public good. The Liberals sold off Hydro One, leaving Ontarians with skyrocketing energy costs. From Doug Ford's corrupt Greenbelt land grab to the Ontario Place giveaway, his government has repeatedly put well-connected insiders ahead of everyday people. Ontarians deserve better.

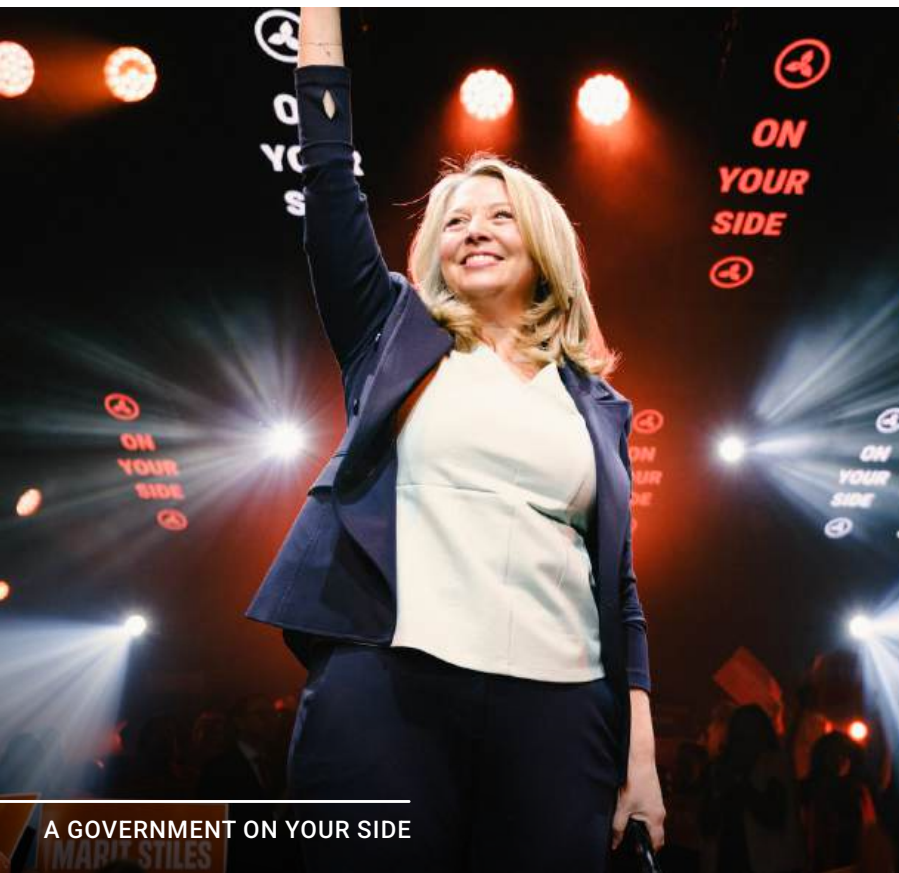
The Ontario NDP will strengthen lobbying rules and the Members Integrity Act, ensuring decisions are made in the public's best interest—not for profit-driven political friends.

Respect for First Nations

A Stiles-led NDP government will establish government-to-government relationships with First Nations. Any policies impacting First Nations will be guided by the principles of Free, Prior, and Informed Consent (FPIC), as a matter of law, across government.

And we'll formalize our commitment to a tripartite consultation process between First Nations rights holders, the provincial government, and resource industries on any proposed plan impacting First Nations territories. An NDP government will ensure, through resource revenue agreements that revenues are equitably shared and flow to First Nations, including 100% of mining tax revenues.

Marit Stiles and an NDP government will support First Nations knowledge keepers, Indigenous language programs and land-based educational initiatives to thrive. We'll work to fulfill Ontario's obligations to the outstanding Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations, and we'll make Truth and Reconciliation Day a statutory provincial holiday.



Electoral Reform

We will reform our voting system to make it fair and more inclusive, replacing first-past-the-post with a mixed-member proportional voting system where every vote counts. We will consult with the public, civil society and other political parties to design a made-in-Ontario voting system that reflects the needs of our communities.

Stronger, Safer Communities

We will fight racism and hate in Ontario.

We will re-establish the Anti-Racism Secretariat to support communities to stamp out hate. The Secretariat will coordinate collection across government to ensure programs and services meet our equity goals. We will create Anti-Racism Councils to advocate on behalf of racialized communities and provide information, advice and recommendations to the government, through the minister, on all ethnocultural matters, including anti-racism, Islamophobia, antisemitism, and education, human rights, immigration, settlement and cultural and linguistic diversity and heritage.

We will fund our court system to end the delays and keep communities safe:

- ▶ **Hiring and increasing pay to court staff** to maximize the number of hours courtrooms are open.
- ▶ **Completing courtroom repairs**, considering reopening shuttered courthouses, and building new courthouses in regions where there is not enough existing infrastructure.
- ▶ **Funding Legal Aid Ontario** so more Ontarians can access procedural assistance, legal information and legal advice.
- ▶ **Recognize Intimate Partner Violence as an epidemic**, and direct Ministries to coordinate improved access to services for survivors and restore the full Victims Compensation Fund.

We will act to make Northern highways safer. We will put an end to private highway maintenance contracts that have been a disaster for Ontario drivers and bring snow clearance and highway maintenance back under public control. We'll also bring driver licensing back under the Ministry of Transportation to ensure there is accountability for truck drivers who need increased training to be prepared for Ontario's snowy winters, especially in Northern Ontario.



Regional Priorities

Our plan will fight rising costs, hire doctors, build homes and fix schools across Ontario, and we'll defend Ontario jobs in every region. Geographic regions of the province have unique needs and opportunities, and we have made specific commitments in the North, Southwest and Niagara already in this campaign, with more on the way. You can review these regional plans at ontariondp.ca/commitments

BUILDING AN ECONOMY

that's on your side

We believe that public funds should be put to use for the public good, and that government spending should reflect the real priorities of Ontarians. That means scrapping wasteful projects like fantasy tunnels and luxury megaspas and ending the sweetheart deals for corporate insiders and wealthy donors. Instead, we'll invest that money in health care, schools, better roads and more homes.

Budgeting is about priorities. Investing in strong public services is not just the best thing to do—it's also the fiscally responsible choice.

We will build a tariff-proof economy that works for everyone. We will prioritize domestic procurement, strengthen our supply chains, and protect good-paying jobs in key industries. By supporting Ontario businesses and workers, we can ensure long-term stability and growth.

We will conduct a tax fairness review to assess whether the current tax structure is equitable and meets the needs of our growing province.

To help pay for services we all rely on, we will implement a provincial Luxury Residences Tax on purchasing homes over \$3 million, bringing in an expected 33 million dollars a year in new revenue.

We will freeze income taxes for the 98.2% of Ontarians making under \$220,000 a year.

