

Ontario Election 2025: ONN analysis of party platforms and commitments

(As of February 12)

	PC Party	NDP	Liberal Party	Green Party
Party Platform Theme(s)	New solutions to old problems	Strong. Ready. Working for you.	A Place to Grow	A real plan to build. Get it done.
Subsectors				
Arts & culture				
Child care				
Environment			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-introduce consumer rebates for electric-vehicle purchases. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement an annual \$2 billion Climate Adaptation Fund. Safeguard watersheds in rural Ontario. Work with Indigenous communities to conserve 30 per cent of natural areas by 2030.
Education		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invest an additional \$830 million a year to clear the school repair backlog within 10 years while keeping up with school maintenance needs. Hire more staff to avoid large classrooms where children have difficulty learning. Introduce a universal School Food Program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminate interest on OSAP loans and raise the income threshold for repayment to \$50,000. Cap international student enrollment at 10 per cent for each Ontario college and university, and expand campus resources and affordable student residence options. Fund colleges and universities 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide students with disabilities support. • End the practice of streaming. • Ensure data is being used to support more equitable schools. • Review the funding model to focus on student needs and not numbers of students to support vulnerable students. • Invest in Francophone education in French school boards and French immersion programs in the English system. • Fix student transportation funding. 	<p>fairly to help them avoid being heavily dependent on international student enrollment.</p>	
Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spend \$10 billion on a six-month deferral of provincially administered taxes on Ontario businesses. • Invest \$3 billion toward payroll tax and premium relief. • Invest \$600 million into a fund aimed at attracting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with Ontario employers and unions to protect jobs. • Work with trade-exposed industries, like steel, auto and agriculture, to provide direct support to keep plants and farms open, create new supply chains, and find new export markets for their goods in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backstop Ontario businesses with a new Fight Tariffs Fund that gives them access to lower-than-market interest rates (at government rates). • Cut the small business tax rate in half, 3.2 per cent to 1.6 per cent. • Increase the eligible income threshold, saving small business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand business risk management programs by \$150 million annually. • Develop local procurement guidelines for public sector food purchases. • Create an investment tax credit. • Develop a 'Buy Ontario' strategy. • Create a Protect Ontario Fund for businesses disproportionately impacted, diversify trade partners,

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	<p>investments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$300 million to expand an Ontario manufacturing tax credit. 	<p>Canada and abroad.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the auto sector to bridge any interruption in production and preserve Canadian auto jobs. • Promote interprovincial cooperation and break down trade barriers. • Establish a Corporate Crime and Competition Bureau. • Force large retailers to publicly post when they raise prices more than two per cent in a week. 	<p>owners up to \$18,000 a year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut the income tax rate for middle-class Ontario families; • Eliminate sales tax (HST) on home heating and hydro bills. 	<p>and work to remove interprovincial trade barriers.</p>
Employment, training, and skills development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest \$1 billion in a Skills Development Fund for autoworkers to transition to a different trade. • Invest \$100 million for an Employment Fund to help workers who are vulnerable to trade disputes transition to "in-demand" jobs. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the creation of 40,000 new paid co-op, internship, and apprenticeship positions through tax credits for employers who hire young people. 	
Health care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest \$1.8 billion to connect everyone in the province with a primary care practitioner based on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure every Ontarian has access to a family doctor by recruiting and supporting 3,500 new doctors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect everyone in the province with a family doctor within four years of the election. • Hire, retain, and train 3,100 	

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	<p>their postal code.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce more family health teams. • Ensure shorter specialist wait times. • Increase the number of internationally trained doctors, at a total cost of \$4 billion. • Legislate safe nurse-to-patient ratios. • End reliance on private nursing agencies. • Hire at least 15,000 nurses over three years at a cost of about \$1.5 billion. • Open a full-service hospital in Welland with a 24-7 emergency department and restore full services to the urgent care centres in Port Colborne and Fort Erie. 	<p>family doctors to ensure everyone in Ontario has a doctor integrated with accessible mental health services through family health teams.</p>	
Housing and homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add \$5 billion to the Building Ontario Fund. • Add \$2 billion to the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program and Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build or acquire at least 300,000 permanently affordable rental homes in nonprofit and co-op housing. • Bring forward protections for renters. • Bring back rent control by 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build more co-op and rental housing by eliminating discriminatory taxes. • Eliminate the Ontario Land Transfer Tax for first-time homebuyers, seniors downsizing, and nonprofit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build 310,000 affordable nonprofit and co-op homes, including 60,000 supportive homes. • Remove the land transfer tax for first-time buyers. • Allow fourplexes across Ontario and six units in larger cities.

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		<p>closing the loophole that exempts units built after 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attach rent control to the unit to stop landlords from increasing rent between tenants. • End above-guideline rent increases. • Crack down on renovictions, demovictions, and other illegal tactics. • Fix the Landlord and Tenant Board and stop proposed plans to evict people faster. • Legalize more housing like fourplexes and four-storey multiplex apartments in all neighbourhoods, and mid-rise apartments along transit corridors as-of-right. • Limit short-term rentals (eg: Airbnb) to one's primary residence, protecting the supply of long-term rental housing. • Create 60,000 new supportive housing units. • Upload shelter funding to the 	<p>homebuilders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce fair, phased-in rent control. • Resolve new disputes within two months. • Clear the existing backlog of 53,000 cases at the Landlord and Tenant Board. • Establish a Rental Emergency Support for Tenants (REST) Fund. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow six- to 11-storey buildings on transit corridors and main streets. • Remove development charges on new homes that are 2,000 square feet or smaller.

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		<p>province; reversing cuts and downloads on municipalities while maintaining locally focused service delivery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the federal government to boost supportive housing. 		
Long-term Care, Home Care, Hospice				
Social services (Includes Mental and Addictions, Family Services)				
Sports & Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add \$300 million to the Community Sport and Recreation Fund. 			
Platform promises on issues nonprofits and their communities care about				
Accessibility				
Anti-Black Racism				
Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest \$35 million to rebuild the Royal George, one of three Shaw Festival theatres in 			

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	Niagara-on-the-Lake.			
Climate change				
Gender Equity & 2SLGBTQIA+				
Immigration				
Indigenous Programs & Reconciliation				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Indigenous communities to conserve 30 per cent of natural areas by 2030.
Income & Affordability Supports		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double social assistance rates. • Create a monthly grocery rebate for lower- and middle-income Ontarians, linked to inflation, with a family of four eligible for up to \$122 per month. • Negotiate a joint federal-provincial income assistance program to support people whose livelihoods are impacted by tariffs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) benefits, indexing to inflation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) and Ontario Works (OW) rates and tie future increases to inflation. • Raise the rate of tax for those in the top bracket and drop it for people earning less than \$65,000 per year.
Francophone		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in Francophone 		

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communities		education in French school boards and French immersion programs in the English system.		
Racialized communities				
Rural & Northern Communities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand healthcare in Northern Ontario by hiring 350 doctors, including 200 family physicians and 150 specialists. Establish a Northern Command Centre to manage capacity across the North. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase provincial funding for rural hospitals, establishing a “food belt” to protect farmland. Prohibit highways in the Greenbelt. Create an AgTech Innovation Fund for the food and farming sector.
Seniors				
Youth			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the creation of 40,000 new paid co-op, internship, and apprenticeship positions through tax credits for employers who hire young people. 	