

VOTING DAY FOR THE FEDERAL ELECTION, OCTOBER 21, 2019

Do you know the names of the Candidates Seeking Election in your District?

Here are a few questions concerning Poverty to ask Candidates Seeking Election

Poverty Reduction Strategy.

Canada now has a federal Poverty Reduction Strategy. How will you and your party ensure that the National Poverty Reduction Strategy (Opportunity For All) and its legislation reflect Canada's commitment to reduce poverty by 20 percent in 2020?

A Minimum Wage that is a Living Wage:

Would you raise the Minimum Wage (and index it) that that full-time workers can live and support their families above the poverty line?

Will you index pensions to keep up with rises in the cost of living?

Would you pass a Living Wage Law that would require all federal, provincial and municipal contracts and subcontracts to pay every worker sufficient income to live on?

Fairness Impact Studies:

Would you create a Fairness Test or Fairness Impact Study (similar to environmental and gender impact studies) as one way to ensure "fairness for all" and as one method of closing the gap between rich and poor in Canada?

Would you include an independent Fairness Commissioner, as part of this Fairness Impact Study, to report annually on progress in closing the gap between rich and poor in Canada?

Other Topics Related to Poverty: Safe, Affordable Housing (Read about End Homelessness St. John's); Indigenous Peoples; People with Disabilities; Refugees; Universal, affordable and high-quality childcare; Sustainable Jobs; Improved Health-Care Outcomes; Seniors.

Questions selected by Marion Parady, Religious Social Action Coalition of NL, September 2019.