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The Sanctity and Purpose of Human Life: from Conception to Natural Death <i>Abortion, Euthanasia & Alternatives Human Engineering Population Control</i>	
No Official Statement in Platform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberta Party • Green Party of Alberta • The Independence Party 	<p>Alberta Liberal: No official statement regarding the sanctity, meaning or purpose of life. Related policies include focusing on ensuring full access to abortion and socially assisted death, funding one cycle of IVF for families experiencing infertility, and funding medical procedures and hormone treatments for transgender individuals.</p> <p>Alberta NDP: No official statement regarding the sanctity, meaning or purpose of life. No official statement regarding human engineering, including cloning and cell manipulation, or gender election surgery. Related policies include preventing harassment at abortion clinics and expanding access to abortion.</p> <p>Prolife Alberta: statement regarding <i>Sanctity of Life</i>: commitment to promoting pro-life public policy in Alberta. All human life deserves protection, especially innocent human life. No official statement on human engineering. Related policies include boosting support, including counselling, for women experiencing unwanted pregnancies; easing the challenges of adoption; requiring that women contemplating abortion be provided with all the information to provide informed consent; ensuring that parents of minors are informed of minors’ decision to undergo abortion procedures, and eliminating taxpayer funding.</p> <p>United Conservatives <i>Sanctity and Purpose of Life: A full life includes work that provides not only a living, but dignity. The first priority is to boost the economy and bring quality jobs back to Alberta. While the government can’t guarantee a good life, it has a central role in establishing many of its conditions, such as health, safety, education, and support for the vulnerable.</i> No official statement on abortion or alternatives, or human engineering. Related policies include education about and access to palliative care.</p>
Stewardship of Creation <i>Climate Change Species, Diversity & Wildlife Energy & Resources Sustainable Development</i>	
No official statement or policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolife Alberta 	<p>Alberta Party Sustainability must be a core value of the government. Rethinking sustainable practices, making strategic investments in research and technology and implementing smart policy choices will protect and enhance our environment. Related policies include encouraging the shift towards a decarbonized energy system, employing a carbon-levy, working with other governments for access to oil and gas via pipelines, supporting the development of micro-generation, renewing the Water for Life strategy, and supporting the implementation of the Land Use Framework. .</p> <p>Green Party of Alberta <i>The six principles of the Global Green movement include commitment to ecological wisdom and sustainability. Human beings are part of the natural world. Respect the specific value of all forms of life. Recognizes the limited</i></p>

	<p><i>scope for the material expansion of society within the biosphere, need to maintain biodiversity through sustainable use of renewable resources. Wisdom and sustainability are two key principles. Environmental protection lies at the heart of Green party thinking. The party offers many detailed proposals in their platform. This summary is not exhaustive. Related policies include beefing up environmental protection, maintaining and expanding Alberta Parks, adoption of the Environmental Bill of Rights, creation of a climate change strategy, imposition of a carbon tax, protecting wildlife, transitioning from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources, reinstatement of the pre-2009 Navigable Waters Protection Act, and policies relating to sustainable development, agriculture, and forestry.</i></p>
	<p>The Independence Party <i>The environment should be kept safe and productive to support an acceptable quality of life. Natural resources must be protected while enabling Albertans to enjoy their economic and recreational benefits. Each stage of manufacturing, resource development and consumption must assume their own share of responsibility for environmental impacts. Those using our natural resources have the duty to fund pertinent reclamation projects and safeguard those resources. Environmental protection must be a synergistic process with consumer and industry buy-in.</i> Related policies include removal and prevention of soil and water contaminants, improving water management, reviewing and improving project requirements, wildlife conservation, development of new gas and coal technologies, review of mineralogical data and mining resources, holistic “Alberta First” agricultural techniques, sustainable logging practices, development of a new fur industry.</p>
	<p>Alberta Liberal <i>Core values include commitments to deliver prosperity, protect the environment, safeguard air, water and land; commitment to battle climate change, and making polluters pay.</i> Related policies include environmental protection, market-based approaches such as carbon taxes to address GHG emissions, implementing a clean fuel standard, planting trees in urban areas, creating wildlife corridors, creating ethical and enviro-friendly oil, completing the Trans Mountain Pipeline expansion, modernizing the National Energy Board, reigniting the Energy East pipeline project, conservation for provincial water supplies, planning for disaster recovery, protecting wildlife.</p>
	<p>Alberta NDP <i>Ecological sustainability must permeate all economic and social policy. Human material needs must not use more of Earth’s resources that can be renewed within each generation. Waste produced to meet needs must not endanger future generations. Ensuring biodiversity – other species are not resources for human wants but respected members of Earth’s living family.</i> The platform covers achievements during their prior term in office. Related policies include working to reduce GHG emissions, building flood protection, addressing insect infestations, developing guidelines for oil cleanup, preventing liability dumping, adopting a Clean Lakes strategy, improving recreation infrastructure outdoors, stable funding for watershed councils and land trust organizations.</p>

	<p>United Conservatives <i>Protecting the environment through a common-sense conservation plan, providing protection for property rights.</i> Related policies include repealing the carbon tax, standing up against the federal government and special foreign interests as they relate to pipelines, bringing in a new Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction regime, pursuing every possible pipeline project, constitutional challenge to strike down federal Bill C-69, turning off the taps should provinces continue to obstruct pipeline construction, comprehensive independent assessment of the Climate Leadership Plan, protection/promotion/partnering with the forest industry, implementation of a Common-Sense Conservation plan</p>
<p>Family, Community, & The Common Good <i>Role of the Family Health Care Elder Care Education & Young Workers Culture, Arts, & Tourism</i></p>	
	<p>Alberta Party Related policies include investing in and improving access to childcare, improving quality and affordability of healthcare and access to home care, ensuring sufficient public care for seniors (including a dementia strategy), making schools including post-secondary education, more accessible to Albertans, increasing support for students with special needs, and supporting recreation, sports, arts & culture to build strong communities.</p>
	<p>Green Party Related policies include increasing support for affordable childcare, rethinking and restructuring child welfare and child justice services, focusing on wellness and prevention of illness through the elimination of poverty and homelessness, adoption of policies that would keep the environment clean and thus reduce the rest of disease, ensuring the sustainability of the health care system and extending coverages, favouring a preventative approach to healthcare, covering the cost of pharmacare, increasing access to mental health resources, creating a support system for seniors and ensuring they have the caregivers and, as needed, the facilities to care for them, reducing costs for students, equitable and stable funding of education, capping class sizes, funding for extracurriculars and special education, requiring the instruction of “tolerance, good citizenship and healthy living that includes human sexuality”, provincial referendum on the abolishment of the separate school system, periodic review of existing and new private schools to ensure they confirm to provincial standards, extending formal learning opportunities past high school, supporting culture and the arts, supporting free universal public library access and restoring funding to public libraries.</p>
	<p>Independence Party Related policies fixing the broken health care system, allowing competition to encourage efficient and effective choices and challenges to current paradigms, modifying labeling pertaining to Percent Daily value, allowing health coaches and nutritionists to partner with health care facilities to alleviate pressures, education of children on nutritional and lifestyle topics, studying preventative health care measures, improving access to technology for health care facilities, implementation of low user fees for ERs and clinical care, allowing private sector healthcare, informed consent, prohibiting payments from pharmaceutical companies to physicians, ensuring wages and salaries for health care professionals</p>

	<p>are fair, ensuring therapy is available to every Albertan struggling with mental health, proving funding for MH research, capping class sizes, transparency re: student outcomes, reorganizing the Alberta Teacher’s association to hold teachers accountable for their performance and be able to remove poor performers, removing identity politics from all curricula, institution of an Albertan national anthem, creation of a voucher system for alternative education, personalized education tailored to individuals, development of public curricula, and reforms for post-secondary education.</p>
	<p>Alberta Liberal Related policies include implementing universal subsidized childcare for all Albertans, making the health care system more sustainable, increasing spending to treat addictions, transforming the province’s approach to mental health, improving AHS facilities, investing in healthcare to make it more sustainable, implementing best practices including a “15-minute patient transfer time” from ambulance to emergency room by increasing staffing, decriminalization of small quantities of drugs, working towards universal dental care, working towards pharmacare, incentivizing health, additional spaces for long-term living, home care, and assisted living, creation of a ministry for Seniors Services, discontinuing the Seniors Property Tax and reinstating the Seniors School Property Tax Assistance Program, implementing flexible classroom size caps and hiring more teachers, reviewing the curriculum to talk about emotional and mental wellness, financial literacy, age-respectful LGBTQ2S+ education on issues, phasing out fees for public schools, adding a tax credit system to the grant based-system for attracting film & TV productions, Status of the Arts legislation, proclamation of Month of the Arts in Alberta.</p>
	<p>Alberta NDP Related policies include developing a comprehensive affordable child care program, helping families buy their first home, ensuring that hospitals, schools, colleges and universities have the funding they need, addressing wait times in ERs and overcrowded classrooms in schools, completing and funding the Calgary Cancer Centre, the Edmonton South Hospital and the Red Deer expansion, removing co-payments for seniors who earn less than \$75k/year, removing pharmacy c-pays for seniors who earn less than \$75k/year, new longterm and dementia care beds, funding for future enrollment and growth in schools, building and modernizing schools, providing stable, consistent funding to post-secondary institutions, eliminating tuition fees for high school upgrading and English learning programs, working with artists to address the precarious nature of their work.</p>
	<p>Prolife Alberta Related policies include easing challenges surrounding adoption, ensuring informed choice and consent pertaining to abortions, requiring a parent’s right to give consent/be informed if a minor child opts for an abortion procedure, increasing the emergency allowance for pregnant women escaping domestic abuse.</p>
	<p>United Conservatives Related policies include a patient-centered health care system, strengthening education by maintaining or increasing funding, continuing to build new schools, replacing Ministerial order #001/2013, pausing the curriculum</p>

	<p>review, ensuring that social studies is taught without political bias, teaching consent as a part of the sexual education curriculum, reforming student assessment methods, providing choice in education, supporting post-secondary education, promoting workplace skills, maintaining or increasing health care funding, reducing surgical wait times, appointing an Associate Minister for Mental Health and Addictions, funding for palliative care and hospice care, finding efficiencies in the health care system, developing the tourism industry, and promoting arts and culture.</p>
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An Economy to Serve People

The Dignity and Importance of Work | Poverty Reduction | Jobs, Unions & Unemployment | Industries, Corporations and Consumers

<p>No official statement or policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolife Alberta 	<p>Alberta Party Related policies include reviewing existing poverty reduction programs to develop a plan to support Alberta’s working poor, introducing wage-top up program, enacting a poverty and homelessness elimination strategy, adding financial literacy as part of the core curriculum, promoting economic development policies based on efficient markets, diversifying the economy, implementation of value-added products and processing in key industries, securing market access for oil and gas resources through pipelines.</p> <p>Green Party Related policies include automatic annual increases to financial social supports, implementation of a Guaranteed Annual Income, new small house philosophy, adoption of a building code for straw and earth structures, reviewing and updating social housing regulations, encouraging cooperative housing, “Housing First”, ensuring adequate supply of affordable and supported housing, requiring municipalities to facilitate alternative approaches to sustainable housing, requiring municipalities to review their bylaws, establishing a commission to review foreign trained professionals are certified to practice in Alberta, reasonable access to flexible work practices, robust legal protection for the human rights of all Albertans to ensure non-discriminatory hiring, ensuring a resilient food supply, sustainable forest management practices, sustainability principles for new infrastructure, transformation of transportation to reduce dependency on fossil fuels, creating a Public Transportation Agency, prioritizing the development of low emission mass transportation systems.</p> <p>Independence Party Related policies include providing assistance through ASAP, coverage for childcare, dietary needs, lodging, education, health care and other necessities, providing a life coach to those collecting this assistance, providing assistance to beneficiaries, providing occasional and temporary income support to unemployed workers or workers taking time off for life events, assistance for workers caring for seniors, requiring recipients to work at an assigned job, participate in community projects or be enrolled in training programs targeted towards full-time employment, creation of an Alberta Pension Plan, encouraging the education of more skilled tradespeople, banning the use of union dues for political and social advocacy, banning the use of intimidation tactics in labour organizations, adopting “one member one vote” to increase accountability in agriculture producer groups, limiting the collection of royalties by seed companies, ensuring priorities are</p>
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	<p>agricultural operations on arable land, phasing out foreign ownership, reducing red tape for farmers, promoting an Alberta First agricultural philosophy, striving to make Alberta completely self-sufficient in its manufacturing, leveraging technology to increase productivity and compete with other nations, promoting sustainable logging practices, drafting Alberta First banking regulations, promoting ATB as the bank of choice for Albertans, providing educational foundation on entrepreneurialism, providing at-cost loans to small business start-ups.</p>
	<p>Alberta Liberal Related policies include creation of a basic income, doubling funding for new affordable housing, maintaining current funding levels for Family and Community Support services, providing grants to out-of-work Albertans to pursue job training, expanding post-secondary spaces, assisting small businesses via the Judgement Interest Act, streamlining the corporate registry process, supporting women entrepreneurs through the GBA+ analysis, promoting and making financial supports available for continuing adult education, banning double breasting (allowing unionized employees to escape the obligations of their collective bargaining agreements), transforming the Summer Temporary Employment Program, ensuring the Trans Mountain Pipeline Extension is responsibly built, reviving the Energy East Pipeline, focusing on small businesses and exempting them from corporate taxes during their first three years after incorporation, focusing on water quality and supply for education uses, working on soil health and regeneration, adopting measures to eliminate the potential for chronic wasting disease, expanding market access for agriculture, addressing shortage in the agriculture industry, affordable and efficient transportation, requiring insurance companies to provide a winter tire discount, making bus seat belts mandatory, instituting more stringent regulations for truck drivers and trucking companies.</p>
	<p>Alberta NDP Related policies include helping families buy their first home through Attainable Homes Alberta, enshrining additional rights for mobile home owners, enforcing consumer protections on door-to-door sales, payday loans, auto sales and repair, requiring improved warranties for auto repair shops, modernizing employment and labour laws, getting additional pipeline capacity including Trans Mountain expansion, implementing \$25/day daycare, spurring growth in agriculture, food processing, interactive media, film and television production, implementation of a Small Business Investment office, increase in post-secondary spaces dedicated to technology education, attracting and retaining high-tech investment, building a reputation for excellence in artificial intelligence and health technology, support for the oil industry and new pipelines, streamlining of processes and reduction of wait times for farmers, helping farmers reduce waste, extending financing for non-traditional crops/livestock, maintaining funding for local 4_H societies and agricultural societies, ensuring small contractors get paid in a timely way, incorporating Benefit Agreement plans into larger government infrastructure projects.</p>
	<p>United Conservatives. Related policies include supporting post-secondary education, promoting workplace skills, building more affordable housing, enacting a Job Creation Tax Cut, passing the Open for Business Act, repealing the carbon tax, retaining the minimum wage, introducing a Youth Job creation Wage, reducing red</p>

tape burdens on homebuilders, repurposing capital funding for new and refurbished affordable housing projects, terminating the Building Communities of Care program, ensuring flexibility for local and municipal bylaws, streamlining the planning approval processes for affordable housing projects, seeking an exemption from CMAC stress tests, repealing the carbon tax, lowering taxes on employers, secret ballot for workers, reversing the replacement worker ban, requiring the Labour Relations Board to provide legal support to union workers, cutting red tape, repealing and replacing Bill 6, building public infrastructure to support health care and education, ensuring that the electricity market is affordable, promoting job creation in the tourism sector, standing up for forestry jobs, passing a Red Tape Reduction Act, consultation with farmers on how to best balance the economic pressures of funding with a farm safety regime, maintaining the existing Capital Plan, providing transparency for prioritization criteria, using alternative financing, limiting cost-plus-contracts in procurement, releasing an Infrastructure Report and Capital Plan, guaranteeing a royalty regime for a well, reclassifying oil rigs to allow more in the field, ensuring Alberta Intervention at all National Energy Board hearings that impact Albertan interests, respecting all agreements made under the Petrochemical Diversification Program, preserving Alberta’s reputation as a world leader in responsible development of resources, protecting provincial gas production, establishing an Energy War Room to respond in real time to “lies and myths told about Alberta’s energy”, creating a litigation fund to support pro-development First Nations, boycotting and challenging organizations who are anti-Alberta, banning foreign money in politics, removing Ed Whittingham as Alberta Energy regulator, protecting, promoting and partnering with Alberta’s forestry workers to expand economic opportunities, driving innovation by creating “the best business environment in Canada”, simplifying start-ups and growth companies, applying technology improvement to the government, make Alberta a destination for global entrepreneurs.

The Individual & Society: Civil Rights & Obligations
Civil Liberties | Human Rights | Responsibilities: Participation & Subsidiarity

<p>No official statement or policies:</p>	<p>Alberta Party has expressed a commitment to defending the rights of all Albertans, but has not outlined any policies supporting that commitment.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolife Alberta 	<p>Green Party of Alberta Related policies include enforcement of the legal right to food, increasing food security by supporting small and medium-sized agroecological mixed farms, amending the school curriculum to ensure that every child can grow food to feed themselves and understand the global food system, advocating for the robust legal protection for the human rights of all Albertans through ensuring the Human Rights Commission functions effectively, amending the Alberta Human Rights Act to eliminate names, gender, and age from hiring and application processes, to make it illegal to discriminate in employment on the basis of a conviction unrelated to the employment or intended employment of the applicant, and to make it illegal to ask for a record check until a job offer has been made/make it illegal to withdraw the job offer should a criminal record exist (unless it is related to the intended employment of the candidate), mandating that all government departments and</p>

	<p>agencies include the “other” option wherever gender is to be specified in forms or procedures.</p> <p>The Independence Party. Related policies pertain mostly to responsible gun ownership, including reform of existing firearms legislation, harsher penalties for the possession of illegal firearms, penalties for violent and organized criminal activities, free and mandatory mental health screening for license renewals, educating licenses on mental illness complications, ensuring that Albertans suffering from mental illnesses receive the care they need, striving to reduce license processing times for new licenses and renewals (one month cap), ensuring that Albertans who use firearms defensively are not punished unfairly.</p> <p>Alberta Liberal. Related policies include implementation of Pay Equity Legislation, boosting funding for women’s shelters in Alberta, enacting budgets that focus on examining/assessing impacts on women and minorities, introduction of free birth control for women, ensuring support for female politicians and their childcare responsibilities, mandating appropriate training for police officers and judges pertaining to sexual assault, harassment and consent, exploring portable housing for women fleeing domestic violence, providing universal subsidized child care, making sure women have full access to abortion including in rural communities, funding one cycle of in-vitro fertilization, funding of medical procedures for transgender Albertans, elimination of gate-keeping and fully funding hormone treatments for trans women, modernization of the Alberta Human Rights Act and expanding grounds of discrimination (pregnancy, social condition, Indigenous heritage, political belief, language, addiction, HIV-positive status, physical size or weight), requiring all health facilities to provide MAID services on site, fighting against racism and hate groups, updating the Alberta Curriculum with age-appropriate content about the history of LGBTQ2S+ populations in Canada and the world, supporting mandatory GSAs in all schools where they are requested, opposing the requirement to inform parents when their kids join a GSA without their consent, banning conversion therapy in Alberta,</p> <p>Alberta NDP. Related policies include reforming government hiring practices to eliminate bias, creation of a Ministry of Multiculturalism to educate and promote diversity, inclusion, and mutual respect, working with communities that have experienced hate crimes at their places of worship to increase security and restore a sense of safety, reviewing and modernizing grants to community groups and non-profit organizations to allow more organizations to be eligible.</p> <p>United Conservatives. Related policies include partnering with non-profits, charities, and volunteers, promoting municipal autonomy while ensuring transparency for voters, providing protections for property rights, requiring all universities and colleges to develop, post, and comply with free speech policies that conform to the University of Chicago Statement, ensuring just compensation when necessary public projects require access to or use of private property, enshrining property rights in Alberta through a constitutional amendment, amending the Land Titles Act to bar adverse possession claims, creating a Property and Farmers’ Rights Advocate Office to reduce duplication of roles, adopting a Freedom to Care Act that allows for a “common sense exemption” from regulations designed for commercial application,</p>
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	<p>creating a Premier’s Charities »Council, weekly Points of Light Award to recognize outstanding groups, \$20M Civil Society Fund – supported by Alberta Lotteries Fund – to support innovative cost shared programs, partnering with civil society organizations to deliver government programming and services, ensuring that faith-based charities and non-profits have equal access to grants and contributions, reducing bureaucratic burdens by moving to five-year funding agreements if and where possible, maintaining the charitable tax credit to incentivize charitable giving.</p>
<p>Solidarity Supporting the Marginalized Indigenous Peoples Rural Communities Immigration</p>	
<p>No official statement or policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolife Alberta 	<p>Alberta Party Related policies include increasing supports (appropriately trained staff and funding) for students with special needs, targeted funding for EAs to increase human supports, implementing recommendations from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report that fall within provincial scope, encouraging the federal government to consider Alberta’s particular needs when implementing federal TRC recommendations, supporting municipal governments in implementing TRC recommendations, implementation of social programs to support healing and success for intergenerational residential school survivors, providing education to public servants on the history of indigenous peoples, seeking the guidance and participation of indigenous Albertans in educating the public service, working with the Métis community to develop legislation protecting the harvesting rights for Métis.</p> <p>The Green Party of Alberta. Related policies include acknowledging the genocide and recognizing the sovereignty of Indigenous Peoples of Canada, ensuring that the commitment to sovereignty will permeate all policy development, lawmaking and day to day operations (including the provincial government abiding by the letters and spirit of the constitutional duty to consult and accommodate Indigenous peoples), negotiation of revenue sharing agreements with indigenous communities affected by resource developments, enforcing compliance pertaining to licenses and permits issued by governments, making loans and advances against shared revenue available to indigenous communities, mandating that all government properties where provincial or national flags are flown also fly the applicable Treaty flag or flag of the local first nation(s) on equal footing, ensuring that local First Nations elders are properly engaged prior to the first raising of such flags, acknowledge a provincial obligation to the <i>United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)</i>, reviewing existing Alberta laws to identify those non-compliant with the Declaration and amending or revoking those laws, endorsing the report of the TRC and the 94 calls to action, taking proactive steps to determine whether systemic abuses against indigenous peoples are also occurring in Alberta, recognition of traditional indigenous hunting rights, establishing a commission to review the qualifications of foreign trained and out of province professionals to certify applicants to practice in Alberta.</p> <p>The Independence Party. Related policies include recognizing no new Albertan residences during a transition period to provincial independence, specifying citizenship rules after separation, recognition of referenda pertaining to the provincial or state status of regions, refusing Alberta citizenship, residents being able</p>

	<p>to amalgamate with Alberta after completing a qualifying examination, granting of work permits to immigration applicants who have skills/expertise unavailable or limited in Alberta, deportation of residents and non-citizens once work permits expired or if they are convicted of a crime or misdemeanor, holding consecutive work permits for 5 years before eligible to apply for citizenship, requirement to reside in Alberta for the first 4 years of their citizenship or it will be revoked, mandating the renunciation of foreign citizenships, deportation of illegal aliens, securing Albertan borders and neither honouring nor respecting “sanctuary city” motions, preventing tourists and visitors from obtaining work permits, taking measures to prevent birth tourism.</p> <p>Alberta Liberal. Related policies include creating an Associate Minister of disability to make Alberta more inclusive and accessible, assisting persons with disabilities in finding gainful employment, hiring more persons with disabilities, expanding Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder public awareness education and supports, creating post secondary scholarships for persons with disabilities, indexing Alberta Income for the Severely Handicapped to inflation and increasing base AISH funding, ending claw backs on ASH, directing revisions to the curriculum to accurately explain the history of Indigenous peoples in Canada, funding Indigenous language school immersion programs, funding new regional indigenous child protection offices, ensuring that the Gladue Principle applies to provincial offences, studying and implement ways to make the justice system fairer, adding six new seats to the Alberta Legislation for Indigenous Peoples representation, committing to respect First Nations’ Treaty rights, negotiating resource-sharing agreements with First Nations, increasing supports for urban indigenous youth, implementing mandatory training for all civil/public servants, ending the practice of carding, making it easier for new Canadians to update their foreign credentials to Alberta Standards, increasing settlement funding, increasing funding for ESL education, and establishing a telephone service that allows new Canadians to speak to government agents with the help of a translator.</p> <p>Alberta NDP. Related policies include the implementation new employment programs for newer Albertans, creation of a Ministry of Multiculturalism, working with communities that have experienced hate crimes at places of worship to increase security and sense of safety, pushing the federal government to allow more family reunification entries in Alberta, modernization of charitable gaming rules, increasing the number of language programs in Alberta’s schools, continuing to build relationships with Indigenous peoples, negotiations with First Nation and Métis peoples to explore a renewed fiscal relationship, linking Indigenous groups with pipeline projects to enable to them to purchase equity partnerships, accelerating the schedule to extend drinking water infrastructure to reserves, increasing financial support to Native Friendship Centres, continuing to prioritize building of indigenous affordable housing, negotiating a long-term stable funding agreement with Alberta’s small and medium-sized municipalities on par with those negotiate with big cities, implementing a 10-year strategy to get high speed internet to every Albertan, creating Hometown Alberta, a program to help communities renovate aging arenas, pools, and rec centres, providing financial support for rural crime watch</p>
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	<p>organizations, enhancing coordination between the RCMP and provincial enforcement officers,</p> <p>United Conservatives. Related policies include protecting vulnerable Albertans, such as victims of human trafficking, women and children, victims of hate crimes, supports for the disabled, launching consultations to seek input from immigrants, employers, settlement organizations, municipalities, policy experts to end backlogs, increase processing times and attract talented newcomers, setting a Rural Entrepreneur Immigration Program, creating a Renewal Immigration Program, creating an International Student Entrepreneur Program, create a Foreign Graduate Startup Visa Program, to remove unfair barriers to the full economic inclusion of new Albertans by introducing a Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act, creating a Fairness for Newcomers Office to streamline, simplify and accelerate foreign credential recognition, supporting legal action for pro-resource groups in Indigenous communities, including Alberta’s indigenous communities in developing a strategy to help energy projects and indigenous communities, advocating for a federal Aboriginal consultation process, adding economic development rights to the preamble of the Alberta Aboriginal Consultation policy, working with the federal government to streamline Indigenous access to key services such as education and health care, replication of the successful education partnership between Whitecap Dakota FN and Saskatoon Public Schools, facilitating First Nations financial participation in major resource projects, and partnering with Alberta’s indigenous peoples in pursuit of reconciliation, inclusion, and opportunity.</p>
<p>Good Government: Democracy, Justice & Peace Role & Purpose of Government Stewardship & Reform Intergovernmental Relations Public Safety</p>	
<p>No official statement or policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolife Alberta 	<p>The Alberta Party. Related values include transparency, and stewardship and reform. Related policies include providing stable financial management by reviewing government expenditures, implementing a balanced and sustainable taxation model for a consistent and reliable revenue stream, renewed savings framework for revenue stabilization and long-term savings, making public information accessible through “open data”, making surveys, reports or research paid by the Government of Alberta public, regulating the use of robocalls, ensuring that MLAs engage constituents regularly throughout their term, both in person or through technology, allowing them to vote of their own free will after considering the views of constituents, the Alberta Caucus, the Alberta Party policies, merits of the issues (exceptions to this: a proposed money bill and a vote to support a pre-communicated policy platform issue), recommending that MLAs publish the rationale for their manner of voting, implementing a progressive personal income tax, investigating models for alternate sources of government revenue, phasing out the small business tax, supporting regional collaboration between urban municipalities and rural areas, consulting with municipalities to improve the Municipal Government Act of Alberta and affiliated regulation, providing Legal Aid Alberta with a stable and predictable base of funding while maintaining its independence, working with the federal government to create and fill more judicial positions at the Court of Queen’s Bench, assessing courtroom infrastructure and</p>

	<p>staffing levels to identify specific areas of need and actions required to remedy them.</p> <p>Green Party of Alberta. Related values include non-violence and cooperation between states, inside societies and between individuals, and participatory democracy. Related policies include avoiding incurring debt that would limit the ability of future Albertans to meet their needs, making personal income tax rates more progressive, reinstatement of 2001 corporate tax rates, introduction of a sales tax for Alberta, replacing fixed fines with fines proportional to the individual’s daily income, imposition of carbon taxes on hydrocarbons and include a plan for defined annual escalations over five year horizons, using the Carbon tax to offset its impact on lower income individuals, revising, improving the Carbon Competitive Incentive Regulation legislation, monitoring royalties payable to the government, contribution of 35% of royalties to the Heritage Fund, automatic annual increases to all financial social supports, index to changes in the provincial low-income cut off measure, annual payment of \$2 to each registered party for each vote cast for that party in the most recent election, replacing the winner-take-all First Past the Post voting system, ensuring that proportional system adopted by the legislature is used for at least two general elections after such time there will be a referendum whether to keep or return to the old system, lowering the voting age to 16, limiting individual political contributions to a maximum amount to be determined based on further research (current proposal lower than \$4000) requiring that third-party spending regulations be applied to all elections, making all charges, findings and penalties imposed under the Election Act and their legal proceedings available immediately on the Chief Electoral Officer’s website, implementation of citizens’ initiative and recall legislation, amending the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to maximize availability of government information to Albertans, amending the Conflicts of Interest Act, establishing an independent ad-hoc process for setting MLA and Cabinet salaries, benefits and compensable expenses, adopting an “open by default” approach for new data OR requiring that data systems and practices make data available automatically, tightening campaign finance and expenditure rules for school board elections, support of law and public finance reform to recognize the role that city governments play in meeting Albertans’ needs, amending the Municipal Government Act, providing discussions with the municipalities to develop a definition of grey water, legislation of third party spending regulations, adopting a framework – enforceable by municipal law - that sets and supports sustainability targets for the province, maintaining the legal system and improving where there are developing or evident weaknesses, providing adequate legal aid, banning the use of non-disclosure agreements in situations where victimization of persons or communities has been raised as a formal complaint against a corporation, government body, or institution as a means of contributing to a broader culture of democratic transparency.</p> <p>The Independence Party. Related values include: five principles of governance – meritocracy, technocracy, efficiency, social strength, individual strength. Related policies include, embracing a unitary system of governance, ensuring that all members of the government and public sector a subjected to regularly scheduled</p>
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	<p>performance reviews, discharging underperforming public servants and elected officials, reforming the structure of government and establishing three branches of government: executive, operational, and participatory, establishing an Accountability Office, advocating for a 25% flat individual income tax rate (with no tax on the first \$30000 of personal income), standard corporate tax rate of 8% for “fully Albertan-owned businesses”, combatting tax evasion, making Alberta debt free, application of a surtax to repay past federalist policies, tax reduction (fuel tax, education property tax, carbon taxation), application of a Health Cost Recovery Tax to addictive recreational substances and paraphernalia to offset related health and social costs, tax deductions including for childcare, disability (to cover home care costs and modifications), tax deductions for postsecondary students taking programs where there exists a shortage of labour, creating a retirement saving tax plan similar to the RRSP system, reducing tax deductions and exemptions to simplify the tax code, maintenance and continuity/predictability in resource royalty rates, creation of a new government agency to collect Alberta’s taxes and a secure online option for completing tax forms, financial assistance and social programs should be focused on strengthening the ability of Albertans to produce value and contribute to society and compassionately mitigate the effects of extraordinary circumstances, ensuring that resources entrusted to authorities should not be squandered, securing Albertan borders and not honouring “sanctuary city” motions, disallowing tourists and visitors to hold work permits, preventing “birth tourism”, passing an Alberta Independence Act, seeking to make Alberta as self-reliant as possible while participating in international trade but also avoiding trade agreements that have the potential to harm Albertans, reducing or eliminating foreign intervention in Alberta’s affairs, preventing diplomatic discussions or international organizations from encroaching on Alberta’s sovereignty, not requesting membership in the United Nation, prohibiting charities, non-profit organizations and corporations from subsidizing any nation or groups actively engaged in or supporting an armed conflict or terrorism, participating in and initiating international research projects, non-financial international organizations and other transnational cooperation groups that align with Albertan interests, establishing embassies as Alberta sees fit irrespective of diplomatic norms, establishing 8 ambassador positions, freezing municipal tax increases until the separation process is complete, auditing municipal governments to ensure efficient operation and accountability, creation of a national mint, an Alberta Reserve Bank, a new currency (the Alberta Prosperity Certificate), transitioning the legal system from a Common Law system to a Civil Law system, enabling the Department of Justice to amend or create pertinent legislation to address shortcomings, and overturn the ruling of the court and request a retrial, prohibiting justices and judges from being members of political parties or organizations, subjecting all courts to revue by the Department of Justice, using automated system where applicable to increase efficiency, reorganizing the current court system, giving the Executive the ability to suspend justices should they act unprofessionally engage in political campaigning, donate to political parties, participate in judicial activism or commit miscarriage of justices, discharging public servants guilty of cronyism or patronage appointments, reforming criminal law to</p>
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	<p>eliminate the root causes of criminal behaviour and ensuring offenders fairly compensate those they harm, requiring offenders pay back the social cost of their crime through labour, replacing current prisons with secure Justice and Employment facilities, victims to be compensated before society as a whole, funds would be used for the purpose of rehabilitative social programs, ending labour sentence when the monetary cost has been repaid, refusing payment in lieu of labour for those convicted of crimes, access to training for offenders serving sentences, increasing healthcare and treatments to increase success of reintegration, no tolerance for “prison gangs”, more severe sentences when rehabilitation efforts and contrition will not adequately protect society from an individual, formation of community crime monitoring and prevention programs, assuring privacy for victims of crime, assuring Albertans the ability to use their own means to protect themselves and others from bodily harm, mediation-focused approach to civil and commercial law (including mandatory mediation processes), allowing upper and lower courts to award damages, creation of a separate Youth and Family court system with separate justices and staff, reviewing the practice of Family Law in the Youth and Family court system to support and enhance the wellbeing of all family members, requiring young offenders to serve work terms in different Justice and Employment facilities than adults, support children in early grades and providing alternative education for troubled youth, robust child protection legislation, more efficient administrative and tax law systems, ensuring that the public and government are represented on an equal footing in administrative hearings, using existing provincial legislation to give Alberta Sheriffs Branch policing authority, providing additional training to ASB personnel, creation of a militarized division of ASB to defend against external threats, assigning Sheriff and officers to each administrative region, assigned officers must reside in their assigned community, intelligence, cyber security, policing and investigations are carried out by APSA, formation for an Alberta Border and Immigration Management, enforcing borders between Alberta and the rest of Canada in the same way was the international US border, providing traffic between Canada and Alberta with access to a “fast pass” program upon meeting eligibility, no participation in international military conflicts unless an ally or Alberta’s safety is threatened, the Alberta military should serve as a strong deterrent, nuclear weapons should only be used as retaliation for an attempted nuclear strike on Alberta (no first use), it is the duty of all Albertans to guarantee the safety of the nation and valiantly defend it, acceptable use of military to protect Albertans abroad, creation of an Alberta National Defense Service (military), which will have four units: air force, army, space force and cyber force.</p> <p>Alberta Liberal. Related values include bringing capital and companies to Alberta, improving public services, protecting human rights, boosting equality of opportunity. Related policies include implementing a proportional representation voting system – specifically a Mixed Member Proportional system, regulation of Political Action committees, flat-fee FOPI requests and more resources for FOIP offices and creating transparency legislation for all private-public partnerships, adding six new seats to the Alberta Legislature for Indigenous Peoples’ representation, legislating a fixed election date, boosting funding for Independent Advocates and establishing a</p>
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	<p>Legislature Budget Officer, strict regulation of government spending announcements and advertising in the months leading up to the election, eliminating most Albertans' income tax while instituting 8% HST to provide funding for Health Education, entering into a corporate tax collection agreement with CRA, changing the rules for the Heritage Fund's investment income is retained in the fund and not diverted to government revenues, establishing an independent panel to assess the value of all business subsidy programs and making reform recommendations, diverting \$500 in corporate subsidies to reinvestment in public services, creation of a public database of all tax expenditures so that Albertans know their full cost, conducting audits of government spending and seeking efficiencies and redundancies, balanced budgets, passage of anti-SLAPP lawsuits, renewed emphasis on interprovincial trade, breaking down those barriers, and repairing damaged relationships, amending the equalization formula or establishing an Alberta Crown corporation to collect energy royalties, giving local municipalities more autonomy and power through amending the Municipal Government Act, pressing for the formal recognition of municipalities and their councils, granting Calgary and Edmonton new revenue generating powers, granting Alberta cities control over oil and gas drilling within their boundaries, introducing a crisis response line and expanded mental health resources to address the unique challenges of farm and rural life, working with the federal government to provide rural data utility internet services, hiring more police officers, increased support for community watch groups, creation of \$100 tax credit for home security systems, investing \$5M into the regional victims of crime fund, establishing a task force to consider strategies for reducing court wait times, increasing funding to court interpreters, expanding mental health and drug courts, separation of the offices of the Attorney General and the Justice Minister, establishing an Access Program coordinator position within the Justice and Solicitor General ministry to enforce child custody and access orders, repeal of section 74 of the Land Titles Act, fixing the Medical Examiner's office, pressuring the federal government to pursue immediate and automatic expungement of convictions for the possession of small amounts of cannabis, setting date of separation for date of division of property or a hybrid model, creating an informal family case management system, ending the practice of "carding", prohibiting businesses from charging monthly fees for paper bills and statements, fast-tracking the creation of an online tribunal modeled on BC's Civil Resolution Tribunal (for condo disputes and small claims matters), amending the Residential tenancies Act to provide relocation benefits to tenants, strong legislation for day homes, creation of a dispute resolutions board, ending the AGLC monopoly for the distribution of cannabis and liquor, and the issuing of Cannabis licenses, allowing liquor at festivals, making it easier to acquire a liquor license for special events and allowing it to be enjoyed in moderation in public parks, reducing restrictions on activities where liquor is served, lifting restrictions on breweries to make the more competitive.</p> <p>Alberta NDP. Related policies include balancing the budget by 2023-2024 while making life more affordable, investing in schools and hospitals and strengthening the economy, strengthening the Conflict of Interest Act, reviewing and modernizing the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, taking dark money out of</p>
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	<p>campaigns to stop special interests from influencing elections, closing the loophole of party leadership races not having spending limits, giving the Elections Commissioner greater latitude to report on status/results of investigations into contraventions of the, Election Finances Act, reviewing the Elections Act to make voting easier and combatting low turnout, working to lower crime rates by working with RCMP and municipal police services to direct resources to allow officers to spend more time on the street, providing new support for rural Crime Watch organizations, continuing to invest in front line police services, including RCMP officers and Alert, continuing to place resources in the court system to shorten timelines.</p>
	<p>United Conservatives. Related policies include balancing the budget without cutting front-line services, introducing a Recall Act, imposing a \$30k limit on donor contributions to political action committees, establishing fixed election dates, allowing free votes for MLAs on everything not deemed a confidence vote or key platform commitment, requiring that MLAs resign and seek a by-election before joining another party’s caucus, renewing the Senatorial Selection Act, amending the Alberta Taxpayer Protection Act to require a referendum prior to the introduction of a Carbon Tax, introducing the End Partisan Government Advertising Act, amending the standing orders to raise the bar of civility and decorum (banning desk thumping in the legislature), maintaining spending at current levels without compromising services, moving Alberta closer to the provincial average in program spending per capita over four years, formalizing an annual spending review process within the budget and fiscal planning process, reducing the Premier’s and MLAs’ salaries, reversing spending on leasing rail cars, cancelling the government superlab and nationalization of a private company with lab services plans, letting the private sector deliver laundry services to AHS, appointment of a Blue-Ribbon panel to deep-drive into the fiscal situation and recommend a plan to balance the budget and start paying down dept, repealing the carbon tax and suing the federal government if they try to impose a carbon tax on Alberta, standing up against the federal government and special foreign interests trying to block pipeline developments, a referendum on equalization payments, using said referendum as leverage for federal action on a coastal pipeline, exclusion of non-renewable resources revenues from the calculation, hard cap on equalization transfers, increase the limit of the Fiscal Stabilization Fund and converting the Canada Health Transfer and Canada Social Transfer to tax points for the provinces, ending Alberta's agreement to increase CP payroll tax, demanding reforms to EI, challenging the “one size fits all” approach to mortgages and removing CMHC stress tests from Alberta homeowners, seeking agreement on resource corridors, adopting a charter of Economic Rights, ending the agreement with the Parole Board of Canada to create an Alberta Parole Board, maintaining dollars promised to municipalities for 2019-2020, ensuring predictable infrastructure funding for municipalities, maintaining key infrastructure commitments, amending the MG to allow municipalities to leverage their property taxes to attract investment and development, facilitating the pre-approved industrial zones to streamline regulatory approvals, consulting on the funding formula for police services, cutting provincial regulation for Alberta’s cities, improving local</p>

	<p>government financial reporting by preparing an Alberta Municipalities Measurement Index., amending the Gaming Liquor and Cannabis Act to give municipalities more flexibility o permit responsible adults to drink alcohol in parks, street festivals or other areas, immediate relaxation of Alberta Gaming Liquor Commission regulations that require enclose events within narrow zones, hiring 50 new prosecutors and support staff, enacting the Public’s Right to Know Act (annual reporting on number of crimes committed by persons on bail, on probation, on parole... etc), implementing the UC Alberta Rural Crime Strategy, investing to increase access to Drug Treatment Centres, conducting a review of the current model of victim service delivery and of the sufficiency of medical and forensic evidence fathering services in rural communities, developing and implementing a specific Repeat Offender Policy, negotiating additional Queen’s Bench Justice appointments, working with other provinces to ensure that criminals arrested on outstanding warrants are returned to the province from which they fled, updating the Crown Prosecutor’s policy manual to provide the court with an offender’s past record and outstanding charges during bail hearings And ensure proper consideration is given to Sections 34 and 35 and if use of force precludes prosecution against victims of crimes, reviewing the Criminal Code sentencing principles to ensure and recommend that specific facts be considered by a sentencing court as aggravating factors, replacing the Parole Board of Canada with an Alberta Parole Board, creating a \$1.M Heroes fund for first responders (to provide a top-up for eligible Alberta families), working with the federal government to improve services to first responders diagnosed with PTSD as a result of their services, creating a \$1M Alex Decoteau Veteran’s Scholarship of Honour, which would provide \$5k post-secondary scholarships to members of the Royal Canadian Forces from Alberta who have served in designated military operations, as well as immediate families of fallen or disabled members.</p>
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