

Questions for Federal Candidates in the 2025 General Election

FCM has prepared questions which can be used when engaging with your local candidates in the federal election, such as at town hall gatherings or all-candidate meetings. These are meant to support your conversations, but you are encouraged to modify these to fit your local community.

Support Local Economic Growth and Resilience

- Our local economies are under pressure. If your party is elected, how will you work together with municipalities to drive local economic growth and attract investment?
- What is your plan to help communities like this one transition to a clean economy while protecting jobs and competitiveness?
- How will your party reduce interprovincial trade barriers and establish a National Utility Corridor for energy infrastructure?

Invest in Infrastructure Renewal

- How will your party ensure long-term, predictable infrastructure funding for municipalities so we can support growth and sustainability?
- What steps will you take to cut red tape and speed up infrastructure project approvals while ensuring accountability?

Achieve Housing Affordability

- How will you partner with municipalities to accelerate the construction of non-profit and market-rate housing?
- What is your plan to ensure that infrastructure and housing investments align with local needs and capacity – especially for small, rural and northern communities?

End Homelessness

- How will your party work with municipalities to deliver long-term solutions that address the root causes of homelessness?
- What specific investments will you make to expand supportive housing and wraparound services for vulnerable populations?

Keep Communities Safe

- How will you support municipalities in tackling rising public safety concerns, including bail reform and the significant risks of repeat offenders?
- What is your vision for mental health care, and how the different orders of government can work together to ensure that Canadians are getting the health care and addictions treatment they need, while addressing the increasing pressure on municipal first responders?

Invest in Climate-Resilient Infrastructure

- How will your party support municipalities in adapting to climate-related disasters such as floods, wildfires and extreme weather?
- What financial tools will you introduce to help local governments invest in climate-resilient infrastructure and emissions reduction?

Support Thriving Rural, Northern and Remote Communities

- How will your party accelerate progress on universal internet access and cellular connectivity?
- What is your party's plan to invest in trade and business-enabling infrastructure in rural, remote and northern communities?