

1. Housing is a fundamental human right, and yet an increasing number of residents across the Greater Toronto Area are struggling to pay rent or find an affordable place to live. What policies and actions do you believe need to be implemented to address this crisis?

People need to feel integrated and part of the community where they live. Landlords, Property management companies, and Condominium boards if not already in their respective communities, should be legislated or have explicit policies to allocate a percentage of their units to lower-income earners struggling to make ends meet. There is so much potential in how the algorithm could be developed or enhanced to determine costs passed on to the tenant, such as proximity to their place of work, current debt ratio, transit user vs automobile, etc. We must also be open to incorporating new technology and concepts in our communities, such as tiny homes projects which are being shared more and more.

2. *The design, construction and operation of our built environment accounts for nearly 40% of energy related carbon emissions, contributing to the ongoing climate crisis affecting us today. What do you believe needs to be prioritised to reduce carbon emissions within the built environment?*

Nuclear technology needs to be more broadly adopted to curb carbon emissions. Nuclear energy is one of the most regulated industries, and we have one of the safest and most respected nuclear technologies made right here in Canada. CANDU® technology, a Canadian pressurized heavy-water reactor design, has generated electric power for over 60 years. Promote nuclear research and development (R&D) in reactor technologies, including more affordable small modular reactors (SMRs), advanced fusion reactors, boiling water reactors (BWRs), advanced gas-cooled reactors (AGRs), and pressurised water reactors (PWRs). Clean, low-carbon nuclear power has the endless potential to break the world's reliance on less-sustainable alternatives.

In towns and cities, so much of life happens in the shared public spaces—in our parks, libraries and streets. How can we ensure these civic spaces achieve design excellence in their initial conception and construction and that they are adequately maintained so they may continue to serve future generations?

I purposely live and chose a home to build across from a park – you're right. These are so important to our sense of community and well-being. The town needs to continue prioritizing our civic spaces as they were intended. I think we can also benefit from a system of community stewards that live near these shared public spaces to care for them. This would be extremely helpful, especially in communities undergoing accelerated growth. Developers create these beautiful parks and public spaces and care for them until the town or city assumes them. Water sprinklers on a timer come on every night, timed with the weather leading to lush gardens and grass. Arborists visit and take care of newly planted trees regularly, for example. Essentially, the developer's, architect's or landscaper's vision should be maintained. Once the city assumes them, sometimes this extra attention to detail goes away; the focus is (and rightly so) on maintenance items like (cutting grass, garbage removal, and structural maintenance) I know I

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would personally volunteer as a steward to keep the park in front of my home looking amazing with flowers, creating and watering of gardens, etc.