



Métis Nation of Ontario 2022 Provincial Election Questions

Section One: Collaboration and Work with Métis Citizens

- 1. Will your party commit to working directly with the MNO and its governing institutions on a government-to-government basis on issues that directly impact Ontario's Métis?**
- 2. If your party forms government, will you commit to establishing a process at the Cabinet level to deal directly with the Métis of Ontario on Métis priority areas across Ministries? Will you take a whole-of-government approach to your relationship with our government?**
- 3. Will your party commit to supporting a biennial leadership summit between MNO and Ontario?**
- 4. Can we work with a government under your leadership to raise Métis cultural awareness to your cabinet and members of your Party?**

An Ontario Liberal government will be committed to strengthening the relationship between Ontario and the MNO on a government-to-government basis, recognizing and supporting MNO's structure, institutions and administration and jointly improving the well-being of the Métis people in Ontario. We'll bring back a stand-alone minister focused on Indigenous reconciliation, but will take a whole-of-government approach to our relationship with the MNO through a Cabinet-level structure and a biennial leadership summit. We will be committed to promoting and raising awareness of the distinct culture, identity and heritage of Ontario's Métis.

Section Two: Funding for Programming Delivered by MNO to Citizens

- 5. Will your party work directly with the MNO to establish reliable and flexible funding mechanisms and identify new areas of funding support to enable our Métis self-governing institutions to enhance the existing programs and services delivered by MNO to Métis Ontarians?**
- 6. Will your party commit to working in collaboration with the MNO to co-develop and co-design policy and programs that will benefit Ontario's Métis (specifically, in the areas of children and family services, housing, health care, and justice)?**

An Ontario Liberal government will work to establish reliable and flexible funding mechanisms to support the MNO and its programs and services to Métis Ontarians. We are also committed to continuing to advance reconciliation and co-develop and co-design policy and programs for Ontario's Métis. As just some examples, our platform commits to invest significantly in Indigenous-led culturally competent mental health supports for Indigenous peoples. We will support the development of more Indigenous-led long-term care homes. As part of our plan to provide \$10/day child care across the province, we also intend to ensure parents have flexible and inclusive care options, including Indigenous-led child care options. We have also dedicated \$25 million to increase access to credit and training for Indigenous entrepreneurs and small business owners. Finally, we'll work collaboratively with communities, as well as the federal government, to develop a distinct housing strategy for urban and rural Indigenous peoples.



This will include direct funding toward the creation of at least 22,000 new homes over ten years.

Section Three: Policy and Program-Specific Requests

- 7. Will your party commit to continue working with MNO to ensure our Métis communities will benefit from resource revenue sharing?**
- 8. Will your party commit to having the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry work meaningfully with the MNO to implement the MNO-Ontario Framework Agreement on Métis Harvesting and on matters related to trapping, fishing, forestry, and wildlife management in a manner that respects Métis rights?**
- 9. Will your party commit to move forward to advance reconciliation through the MNO-Canada-Ontario Framework Agreement? This includes supporting the work of MNO and Canada under the Agreement on Advancing Reconciliation with the Northwestern Ontario Métis Community.**

An Ontario Liberal government is committed to continue work with the MNO to ensure Métis communities benefit from resource revenue sharing agreements. We will work closely with the MNO on matters related to harvesting, trapping, fishing, forestry and wildlife management. We will advance the MNO-Canada-Ontario Framework Agreement that a past Liberal government signed, including supporting the work under the Agreement on Advancing Reconciliation with the Northwestern Ontario Métis Community.