

***Sick of living without enough income?
Tired of being in need of affordable housing?***

In this federal election, Poverty and Housing Matter!

Vote for the candidate in the Party that speaks to your concerns!

<h1>Ottawa Vanier Riding</h1>	<p>Conservative Party www.conservative.ca Leader: Stephen Harper Candidate: David Piccini</p> 	<p>Green Party www.greenparty.ca Leader: Elizabeth May Candidate: Nira Dookeran</p> 	<p>Liberal Party www.liberal.ca Leader: Justin Trudeau Candidate: Mauril Bélanger</p> 	<p>New Democratic Party (NDP) www.ndp.ca Leader: Tom Mulcair Candidate: Emilie Taman</p> 
<p>Where do Parties stand on Affordable Housing?</p> 	<p>*Increase the allowable tax free withdrawals from RRSP accounts by \$10,000 (Home Buyers' Plan) *Take concrete action in coordination with provinces to curb foreign speculation in Canada's residential real estate market</p>	<p>*Create a National Housing Strategy that would provide permanent housing and supports. *Make private developers include a percentage of affordable housing in their housing projects.</p>	<p>*Help build more housing units, refurbish existing ones, renew existing co-operative agreements, and provide operational funding support for municipalities. *Renew federal leadership in affordable housing.</p>	<p>*Prioritize affordable housing and homelessness across Canada. *Commit to federal government being a "long term stable partner in building affordable housing".</p>
<p>Where do Parties stand on Poverty Reduction?</p> 	<p>*In 2007, Conservatives introduced Workers Income Tax Benefit: federal refundable tax credit that boosts the earned incomes of eligible low-income working individuals and families.</p>	<p>*Establish a Guaranteed Livable Income, to ensure no Canadian falls below an income level needed to live with dignity.</p>	<p>*Create new National Child Benefit that would combine family tax and transfers, with higher annual allowances for low-income families.</p>	<p>*Introduce National Poverty Elimination Act, a federal plan to eliminate poverty with affordable housing, affordable childcare, and reforming <i>Employment Insurance</i>. - Boost Guaranteed Income Supplement by \$400 million.</p>

Why should I vote?

“We are trying to survive, and politicians do not care about our concerns!”

- **People living with poverty sometimes do not vote because we are too busy trying to survive.**
- **We also feel let down by politicians and feel apathy – we believe that there is no point in voting.**
- **However, politicians will care about our concerns *if* they know we vote, as they want to get into office.**
- **So, the more that people living in poverty vote, the more politicians will pay attention to our needs, and address issues like reducing poverty and increasing affordable housing.**



Politicians pay attention to voters' concerns, so people living in poverty need to vote to get policies in place to reduce poverty!
Voting can mean REAL change!