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We're getting results for people, and we're going to keep working hard for you

For too long, too many people in British Columbia struggled to get ahead.

Our government is making different choices. We're working for you: to make life more affordable, improve the services people count on, and create good jobs and a strong, sustainable economy throughout B.C.

Together with the BC Green Caucus, we are taking action to make sure people get ahead, and communities get the services they deserve.

We are making important investments in the future of our province. We are building new schools, hospitals, roads and homes, creating affordable child care spaces, and improving health care and community services.

At the heart of our government is a fundamental commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples and real action on climate change that grows our economy and creates opportunities for people.

There's more work to be done, but we're proud of what we've accomplished in our first year to make life better for people.

Strong, stable government that puts people first

Our government was established by a new and innovative agreement between two caucuses, rooted in shared priorities and shared values.

The Confidence and Supply Agreement (CASA) is a collaborative agreement that delivers strong, stable government for British Columbia.

At the heart of the agreement is the recognition that legislatures work best when all elected members have the opportunity to put forward good ideas, and come together to put those ideas into action.

This agreement has provided the basis for government to move forward on initiatives that are important to both caucuses.

From reforming campaign finance laws, to putting tighter restrictions on lobbying, and laying the groundwork for a referendum on proportional representation, government has put people back at the centre of our democracy. Working together, we passed legislation to implement these important initiatives right away.

We are working to make life more affordable by eliminating MSP fees, raising the minimum wage, and making Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning tuition-free. Together, we're working to deliver affordable housing for people, and safe, quality accessible child care for B.C. families.

We are working to fix the services people count on by promoting and protecting public health care, providing better care for seniors, improving mental health and addictions services, making new investments in education, lifting people out of poverty, and building the schools and hospitals communities need. These are shared priorities and we are working together to achieve them.

Core elements of our government's economic plan are rooted in the CASA agreement, including the establishment of the Emerging Economy Task Force and the appointment of B.C.'s first Innovation Commissioner – both initiatives of the BC Green Caucus. And we are working together towards a climate strategy to meet our targets and create opportunities for people.

Underpinning all of our work is a shared commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples and the adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation, and the Tsilhqot'in Supreme Court decision.

Our government has taken its first steps forward to make life better for people, supported by this innovative and collaborative agreement. This work will continue, informed by our values and priorities.

Making life more affordable

We're working to make life more affordable and increase opportunity for everyone in B.C.

Housing

Too many people in B.C. still can't find an affordable home to rent or to buy. That's why our government is taking strong steps to tackle the housing crisis by increasing supply, curbing demand, bringing in protections for renters and manufactured home owners, and tackling fraud in B.C.'s real estate market. These are our government's first steps to make housing more affordable for people, as we work toward our commitment to create 114,000 homes for people over the next 10 years.

Government is making the largest investment in affordable housing in B.C.'s history, including social housing, student housing, seniors housing, Indigenous housing, and affordable rentals for middle-income families. Affordable housing benefits families, businesses, and our economy. Our government will directly fund 37,000 new affordable rental units, create a new Housing Hub to leverage partnerships to build even more affordable homes, boost rental assistance for seniors and working families, build over 2,500 supportive housing units for people struggling with homelessness, retrofit and upgrade existing affordable housing, and more.

Stabilizing B.C.'s out-of-control real estate market is key to addressing the housing crisis. Our government will tackle demand by taxing speculation, closing loopholes, and cracking down on fraud. To improve security and fairness for renters and landlords throughout the province, we've created a Rental Housing Task Force and increased funding to the Residential Tenancy Branch. We also closed the fixed-term lease loophole and the geographic increase loophole, giving renters more protection from unfair evictions and rent increases.

Affordable housing is more than a home – it's a lifeline. To make sure women and children fleeing violence have somewhere to go, we're building and operating 1,500 units of transitional and second-stage housing. This is first time in 20 years that thousands of women and children fleeing domestic violence have been given substantial support in transition and supportive housing.

Child care

Every dollar invested in affordable and accessible child care is an investment in families and B.C.'s economy.

For too many parents in too many communities, child care is expensive and hard to find. The lack of affordable, quality child care forces many people to either pay more than they can afford or drop out of the workforce. Both are bad for our economy.

Reducing sky-high child care costs helps B.C. families get ahead. In Budget 2018, our government made the largest investment in child care in B.C.'s history – \$1 billion over three years – to create more affordable child care spaces to help more families. The new Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative is saving parents with children in licensed child care up to \$350 per month. More than 41,000 spaces for children have already been funded, and the number rises every day.

We are focused on helping deliver affordable, quality, licensed spaces across the province. But quality is about more than licensing. It's also about supporting children's healthy development and early learning. To provide quality care for kids in B.C., we're funding professional development for Early Childhood Educators and strengthening our rules on child care.

To better protect children and families, we are increasing transparency and accountability by recruiting more staff to help guarantee compliance with child care regulation. We are also providing grants to unlicensed child care providers to help them become licensed family or in-home multi-age child care providers.

To help inform child care changes and the expansion of child care over the next 10 years, we have created model sites to provide care for \$200 per month, per child.

Families can look forward to the 24,000 new, affordable child care spaces our government will create over the next three years. Our government signed a three-year Early Learning and Child Care Agreement with the Government of Canada to enhance and expand programs and services that benefit parents and young children.

Minimum wage

Fair wages are a key part of a strong economy.

People deserve to earn a fair wage for their hard work. Together with the BC Green Caucus, our government established the Fair Wages Commission. The Fair Wages Commission put B.C. on the path to a \$15-an-hour minimum wage by 2021, with measurable and predictable increases that will benefit the lowest-paid workers and give businesses certainty. On June 1, 2018, the minimum wage rose from \$11.35 to \$12.65 per hour. Following recommendations from the commission, the B.C. government will end the lower, discriminatory liquor server wage by 2021.

Rates and fees

Reducing rates and fees for everyday people.

For too long, British Columbians were burdened with rising costs and fees, from bridge tolls to ferry fares, and Medical Services Plan (MSP) fees.

Our government has taken steps to give them relief. We've introduced reforms at ICBC to ensure the corporation is viable and efficient, and that the cost of insurance to British Columbians is more fair and affordable. We've eliminated unfair bridge tolls on the Port Mann and Golden Ears bridges. We froze and rolled-back ferry fares and brought back the 100% seniors' weekday passenger fare discount. We cut MSP premiums by 50% as of January 2018, and will eliminate them completely by 2020, saving families up to \$1,800 per year and individuals \$900 per year.



Drivers in the Lower Mainland are paying less to get around as the B.C. Government eliminated tolls on the Port Mann and Golden Ears bridges.

Delivering services people count on

British Columbians deserve quality public services. We're improving the services people use every day.

Mental health and addictions

We are tackling B.C.'s overdose crisis and expanding mental health services for the people who need it most.

B.C. is continuing to escalate its response to the overdose crisis. One of our government's first actions was to create a stand-alone Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions to provide a single point of accountability, focus and action. We committed \$322 million to tackle the overdose crisis over the next three years and created a new provincial overdose emergency response centre

and 20 regional community action teams to support B.C.'s hardest-hit communities. We expanded availability of life-saving naloxone kits, created new overdose prevention sites, expanded access to drug checking, and provided vital supports for first responders and volunteers responding to multiple overdoses.

To end stigma around drug use, the province launched a public awareness campaign and engaged partners including Kirk McLean and the Vancouver Canucks. The campaign discredits false stereotypes by showing that

addiction can affect people from all walks of life and calls for all British Columbians to see addiction as a health issue that deserves compassion and support.

Our government is working with Indigenous partners to address the overdose crisis and provide better and more culturally appropriate supports. To help youth struggling with substance abuse access much-needed support, we're working to establish a new 20-bed residential treatment facility in Chilliwack, and are expanding the network of Foundry Centres, a provincewide network of integrated health and social services for young people. More Foundry Centres means B.C.'s youth have better access to mental health care, substance abuse services, primary care, social services and youth and family peer supports.

Health care

We're working to deliver better, faster, fair access to health care for everyone.

People count on doctors, nurses, nurse practitioners, and other health care professionals to help them get well and stay well. Yet far too many British Columbians can't find a family doctor, or are forced to wait long hours in emergency rooms in the evenings and on weekends to access care.

To help patients get better, faster, more efficient health care, our government has launched a new primary care strategy. At the heart of the strategy is a new focus on team-based care that will put patients back at the centre of health-care delivery.



We've committed to the following steps as part of the primary-care strategy:

- ▶ *Open 10 new urgent primary care centres throughout B.C. in the next year;*
- ▶ *Create primary-care networks that connect patients to a full range of health-care options from maternity to end-of-life;*
- ▶ *Support community health centres to bring together health and broader social services to improve access to health promotion, preventative care and ongoing services.*

We have provided funding for up to 200 family doctors, 200 nurse practitioners, and 50 clinical pharmacists to work in the new team-based care model.

Our government is working hard to get patients better and faster access to surgeries. A new hip and knee replacement program will increase the number of surgeries performed, reduce wait times, and improve continuity of care for patients. To reduce waitlists and backlogs, we've added 4,500 extra surgeries around the province in 2018. Our government has also dramatically boosted the number of MRI exams to be completed this year by 37,000.

Seniors deserve respect and quality care. That's why we're working to expand the scope of services seniors need to live in dignity – at home, in their communities, and in long-term care homes.

Our government is making the largest investment in hospital modernization in decades. We're building a new hospital in Surrey, a new patient-care tower at the Richmond Hospital, a new hospital for people in Terrace, and hospital redevelopments in the Cariboo, Comox Valley, Dawson Creek and Penticton.

More people will have quicker access to dental surgery, with British Columbia hospitals performing 900 more dental surgeries in the coming year.

Chronic hepatitis C medication is now available for everyone in B.C., regardless of the severity of their disease.

Our government has also expanded insulin pump coverage, so any British Columbian who needs one to manage diabetes will have access under PharmaCare.

To make sure people can afford the prescription medicines they need – regardless of income – we eliminated PharmaCare deductibles for people with incomes below \$30,000 and reduced deductibles for people with incomes below \$45,000.



Premier John Horgan and Minister of Health Adrian Dix announce a new patient-care tower for Richmond.

Poverty and inequality

Lifting people and families out of poverty benefits everyone and makes our province stronger.

British Columbia has the second-highest poverty rate in Canada, and inequality is increasing. Every person deserves the opportunity to get ahead. Our government is hard at work to create B.C.'s first Poverty Reduction Strategy. In fall 2017, we launched a provincewide consultation to help shape the strategy. We held forums in 28 communities, engaged in stakeholder sessions, accepted online

submissions, met with local governments, and consulted with Indigenous Peoples and First Nations, business and labour groups. Poverty reduction legislation will be brought forward in fall 2018.

To help with rising living costs, our government increased income assistance and disability assistance rates by \$100 per month. We also increased the earnings exemption threshold for people on income assistance. To help with the added cost of daily travel, we introduced a new transportation supplement for people on disability assistance.

Everyone in B.C. deserves to be treated with dignity and respect. That's why our government is re-establishing the British Columbia Human Rights Commission. In fall 2017, we launched a provincewide public engagement. Hundreds of people shared their ideas, stories, and concerns, which informed a public report and recommendations for the Attorney General. Legislation to create a Human Rights Commission will be introduced in 2018.

To help protect the rights of vulnerable people, especially Indigenous women and girls, our government is working on new provincial policing standards to promote unbiased policing. The engagement will make sure police services are delivered in a way that is fair, equitable and responsive.

Gender equality is a fundamental human right and a cross-government priority. To make sure every person enjoys the same rights, resources, opportunities and protections regardless of gender, we appointed a Parliamentary Secretary for Gender Equity. The Parliamentary Secretary will track progress on gender equality across government, coordinate government action on gender issues including gender violence, gender equality and women's economic empowerment, and make sure gender equity is reflected in government budgets, policies and programs.

Education, post-secondary and skills training

An investment in education is an investment in our future.

The world is quickly changing. We need to make sure British Columbians have the knowledge, skills and opportunities to help our province grow. We're making sure every person has access to the quality education and training they need to succeed.



Fewer than 3% of working women in the province are in building trades. On International Women's Day 2018, the B.C. government launched new programs to break down barriers for women in construction trades and take a stand against bullying and harassment on the worksite.

After years of underfunding, our government is making significant investments in education. We are adding more student spaces, fast-tracking seismic upgrades and purchasing land to build new schools. To make sure our children receive an education that will help them thrive in a changing economy, we are implementing a new curriculum. We are committed to implementing the new First Nations history curriculum, developing course offerings in Indigenous languages and implementing the educational Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

To reduce class size, and give kids the support and attention they deserve in the classroom, we have funded 3,700 new teacher positions in B.C. classrooms and we're training new

specialist teachers. For too long, parents have had to fundraise to build playgrounds for their children. We've created a new \$5-million annual school playground fund to keep kids playing.

To remove roadblocks to advanced education and skills development, we eliminated tuition fees for Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning programs. We made post-secondary tuition-free for former youth in care. Our government also cut interest on B.C. student loans by 2.5%, which will provide over 200,000 people with interest relief in 2018-19.

We are helping inspire innovation and making sure that students are trained for the economy of the future by building and funding new programs across B.C. We've created a new civil and environmental engineering degree program at the University of Northern B.C. and funded 2,900 tech-related seats around the province.

To increase women's participation in science, technology, and engineering and meet the needs of B.C.'s growing tech sector, our government is providing tech scholarships to students at public post-secondary schools in B.C.

Safe communities

All British Columbians deserve to feel safe in their communities.

Our government is taking action to keep people safe, and build strong, secure and resilient communities. British Columbians deserve a court system that is properly staffed and able to hear and resolve disputes in a timely manner. To address court delays, the government increased the number of court sheriffs, expanded the use of duty counsel, and increased staffing of the Court Services Branch.

To take action on gang violence and make communities safer, we're providing \$500,000 annual funding for youth anti-gang programming in Surrey. Additional funding from the Province helped reduce the program's waitlist by 65%.

Our government is targeting drug traffickers, cutting off illegal drug supplies including fentanyl and tackling organized crime.

We have committed \$18 million over three years to increase access to justice, support services, and programs for women and children who experience domestic violence, sexual assault, and other crimes.

With public health and safety top of mind, we passed legislation to legalize non-medical cannabis in time for the federal legalization of non-medical cannabis. The Cannabis Control and Licensing Act is guided by the Province's priorities to protect children and youth, promote health and safety, keep the criminal element out of cannabis, keep B.C. roads safe, and support economic development.

Electoral reform

British Columbians will decide how we vote.

In fall 2018, British Columbians will vote in a referendum to decide the future of British Columbia's electoral system. Voters will decide whether B.C. should keep its current voting system (first-past-the-post) or move to a system of proportional representation. More than 90,000 people participated in the three-month *How We Vote* public engagement, which sought to inform and gather input from British Columbians about voting systems and the upcoming referendum.

Building a strong, sustainable economy

We are developing a long-term economic plan that puts people first.

A strong economy should work for everyone, not just the few at the top. Our government is building a strong, sustainable economy that works for people, and creating good jobs and opportunity in every corner of the province.

Instead of looking to one sector to create jobs, we're working to strengthen resource industries like forestry, energy and mining, while supporting small business, tourism, agriculture, manufacturing, innovation, tech and the digital economy.

We're building infrastructure to deliver the services and goods people need and keep our province moving. We're addressing climate change while growing our economy and creating opportunity for people.

Supporting industry

Success in industry should benefit every British Columbian in every part of the province.

A strong economy needs thriving industry, innovative entrepreneurship, flourishing small businesses, a well-educated and diverse workforce, good jobs and sustainable growth. While B.C.'s economic outlook is strong, there is much more work to do to create better jobs for people in every sector and every corner of the province.

Provincial revenue generated through industries like tourism, forestry, mining, oil and gas, agriculture, tech, and manufacturing are key to providing essential public services like education, health care and infrastructure. Tourism is an economic driver for British Columbia, generating more than \$17 billion in revenues in 2016. It has the potential to grow even further. Our government is working with partners across the province to support and grow B.C.'s arts, sports, culture, and tourism activities to bring more people, investments, jobs, and economic growth to communities around the province.



Province relaunches BuyBC to boost B.C.'s agriculture industry and fuel public interest in shopping for made-in-B.C. products.

B.C.'s agriculture sector provides quality meat, fish, fruit and produce enjoyed by people in B.C. and around the world. Our government is taking steps to help grow our agricultural sector. We're helping young and new farmers access land and supporting fruit and nut growers to expand local food production, through our GrowBC initiative. We're expanding the use of B.C.-grown and processed foods in hospitals, schools, and other government facilities, through our FeedBC initiative. And we're helping local producers sell their products and expand their markets, by providing marketing support through our enhanced BuyBC marketing program.

Natural resources are critical to the livelihoods of British Columbians and local economies. Our government has a

new approach for natural gas development. This new approach welcomes investment that puts our province's people and future first, and rejects the old ways of development at any cost. Under the new approach, all projects will:

- ▶ *guarantee a fair return for B.C.'s natural resources,*
- ▶ *guarantee jobs and training opportunities for British Columbians,*
- ▶ *respect and make partners of First Nations, and*
- ▶ *protect B.C.'s air, land and water, including living up to B.C.'s climate commitments.*

Our government is creating a roadmap for B.C.'s energy future that will drive innovation, expand energy-efficiency and conservation programs, generate new energy responsibly and sustainably, and create good long-term jobs across the province.

Summer 2017 was the worst wildfire season in B.C. history and the longest declared provincial state of emergency – over 65,000 people were displaced, \$568 million spent in direct wildfire costs, and 1.2 million hectares burned. To help people in B.C. recover from the wildfires, our government, working closely with other agencies, implemented a wildfire recovery program of nearly \$280 million, focused on people and communities, economy, infrastructure and the environment.

The forest sector is a cornerstone of economic activity in B.C., especially in rural and remote communities, employing more than 57,000 British Columbians and supporting over 7,000 businesses. Our government is committed to growing B.C.'s forest sector, restoring forests damaged by wildfires, and supporting communities that rely on forestry for their livelihood. We will get the most value out of every log – including jobs for people in B.C. – and make our province a world leader in engineered wood products. Our government will continue to stand up for the workers, communities, and industry affected by the softwood lumber dispute.

Our government is providing small business with the supports and services they need to help build a sustainable and innovative economy. We've cut the small business corporate income tax from 2.5% to 2%. We cut the Provincial Sales Tax (PST) on non-residential electricity in half, and will eliminate it by April 2019. We launched a Small Business Task Force to seek ideas on how to maintain a healthy small business environment, create good jobs and grow a sustainable economy for everyone.

The B.C. tech sector now has more than 10,200 companies employing over 106,000 people. The average wages for technology jobs are around 85% higher than B.C.'s average wage. Those are good jobs we want in B.C., and that's why we're doing everything we can to encourage the growth of B.C. tech and the digital economy. That includes providing incentives for venture capital, and investments in B.C. start-ups throughout the province. We're also supporting tech education and talent development in B.C. schools and adding 2,900 tech-related spaces throughout B.C. post-secondary institutions to build up the next generation of tech workers. To support B.C.'s long-term economic success, we established the Emerging Economy Task Force, expanded the scope of the Innovation Commission, and named B.C.'s first Innovation Commissioner – initiatives of the BC Green Caucus.

In May 2018, our government hosted the third annual #BCTECH Summit, which attracted over 8,000 people and companies, more than 270 exhibitors, and over 200 speakers. The #BCTECH summit showcased made-in-B.C.



groundbreaking research, inventions, and innovative ideas and practices to improve quality of life for people and promote sustainable economic development.

We're also helping newcomers feel welcome and supported to be a part of our province and our economy. Our government is providing an additional \$6 million per year, over three years, to improve settlement and employment supports for newcomers. The majority of new funding will be used to improve credential assessments and enhance the Career Paths for Skilled Immigrants program, which helps newcomers find employment in their field.

Transportation and infrastructure

We're keeping people and goods moving.

Quality schools, good hospitals, recreation centres and transit are all necessities of communities large and small. We're investing in communities right across B.C., making them stronger, spurring economic growth and creating good jobs close to home.

We're investing a record \$26 billion over three years on infrastructure projects around B.C., including schools, roads, and transit improvements, which will create over 50,000 direct and indirect jobs.

To make sure people have safe and affordable travel in northern B.C., our government established BC Bus North, a long-haul northern bus service. People living in remote and rural communities can count on reliable, secure transport from community to community.

Connecting British Columbians

Connectivity opens doors to new possibilities.

Connectivity spurs innovation and can help communities attract tech companies or skilled remote workers, like designers, artists, accountants, lawyers, and small businesses. Every person and every community should have opportunities to share in the good jobs that come with the economic activity in our province.

Our government is helping people in rural or remote communities around the province get access to high-speed internet. People in 187 rural and remote communities, including 69 First Nations and Indigenous communities, will have increased bandwidth to better conduct business and access health care, education and public services, no matter where they live in the province.

Climate strategy and environment

Our government is taking steps to address climate change, and invest in an innovative economy.

Climate change presents enormous challenges for B.C. and the world. Our province is committed to becoming a leader in climate change solutions. We are taking action to grow B.C.'s low-carbon economy and create thousands of new jobs for British Columbians. We launched the Climate Solutions and Clean Growth Advisory Council to help B.C. meet climate goals and grow the economy with good, sustainable jobs. We set new emissions reduction targets: B.C. is committed to a 40% reduction in emissions from 2007 levels by 2030, and a 60% reduction by 2040. Starting

on April 1, we increased B.C.'s carbon tax by \$5 per tonne each year to encourage sustainable economic activity that cuts carbon pollution.

Our government will boost investments in groundbreaking new energy technologies and climate change solutions. Working collaboratively with the BC Green Caucus, we are developing a climate strategy to be released in the fall of 2018.

We are working hard to defend B.C.'s environment, economy and our coast. Public engagement is underway to inform the new Species at Risk legislation to protect B.C.'s irreplaceable biodiversity and bring stability to Indigenous communities, the public and industry. We launched a review of B.C.'s Environmental Assessment process to make sure the legal rights of First Nations are respected and the public's expectation of a strong, transparent process is met. To make sure the highest professional, technical and ethical standards are being applied to resource management in B.C., we launched a review of the B.C.'s professional reliance model.

Whether a community was built on forestry or mining, agriculture or small business, a diluted bitumen spill would hurt all British Columbians, affect tens of thousands of good-paying jobs and cost us billions in economic activity. We've taken action to defend B.C.'s environment, economy and coast from the consequences of a diluted bitumen spill. Our government is consulting with industry, local government, the public and First Nations on the path forward. In the weeks and months ahead, B.C. will continue to push for more certainty that sufficient protections will be provided for our coast.

Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples

We are working toward true, lasting reconciliation in partnership with Indigenous Peoples.

Underpinning all our government's work is a fundamental commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Our government has committed to implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and the Tsilhqot'in Supreme Court decision.

In partnership with Indigenous Peoples, our government is investing in Indigenous communities. We provided the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres with reliable, dedicated funding to make sure their critical services for urban Indigenous Peoples will be delivered – now and into the future. We introduced legislation to provide better supports to



On September 21, 2017, members of the legislative assembly and the Orange Shirt Society joined forces to say 'every child matters' to highlight the inter-generational impact of residential schools.

keep Indigenous children at home, out of government care, and implement recommendations from Grand Chief Ed John's report.

In partnership with First Nations communities, we are building and operating 1,750 new units of social housing both on and off reserve in Indigenous communities. This makes B.C. the first province in Canada to fund on-reserve housing. We took immediate action to preserve and revitalize Indigenous languages in B.C. by allocating a \$50-million grant to the First Peoples' Cultural Council. In partnership with Indigenous communities, we are developing a strategy to improve how Indigenous Peoples interact with and are treated in the justice system. We're also making sure joint decisions are made in emergency situations, like wildfires and floods.



2017 B.C. Cabinet and First Nations Leaders' Gathering: Rights, Respect and Reconciliation.

We are implementing the new First Nations history curriculum, developing course offerings in Indigenous languages and implementing the educational Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Our government's commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples will be embedded into the daily work of the B.C. Public Service. We have introduced

10 draft principles as a resource to help guide all public service employees' relationship with Indigenous Peoples based on respect and recognition of inherent rights.

Together with Indigenous Peoples, we're working hard to build healthy and prosperous communities, where everyone benefits.

A better future, together

Our government will continue to work to build a strong, sustainable economy, deliver the services people count on and make life better and more affordable for everyone in B.C.

These three priorities are at the heart of a government that is working for people, and make up the core of our government's *full strategic plan 2017/18-2021/22*.

The problems facing British Columbia's families didn't appear overnight, and they won't be fixed overnight. Our government is committed to delivering solutions to the problems that people face.

This is only the beginning. Together with the BC Green Caucus, we're going to keep working hard for you, putting people first, and making life better for people.

Collaboration, shared values, and getting results for people drive our government's ongoing work to create a better future for everyone in B.C.



