Do you support creating a housing safety net to protect Canadians from the impacts of economic shock?

YES

Do you support developing a housing skills agenda for Canada that equips our workforce and empowers them to recruit skilled trade workers?

YES

Do you support initiatives to support first-time home buyers, like the Home Buyer's Plan (HBP) and the First-Time Home Buyer Incentive (FTHBI)? YES

UNDECIDED

Do you support reviewing tax reforms to facilitate home building, for example, eliminating GST on all housing?

Do you support streamlining permissions to facilitate home building?

YES

Do you support creating resiliant housing material supply chains that can withstand tariffs and trade barriers?

YES

Do you support the stimulation of housing supply by embracing innovation through offsite construction technologies, some of which include mass timber, panelization, and modular home construction?

YES

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OPTIONAL

Would you like to provide additional comments on the answers you have provided above?

For context, I think there is a big difference between eliminating the GST on all new homes, versus just for new home owners. Eliminating GST on all new homes has the potential to stimulate and encourage buying multiple dwellings as investments. Housing has been treated more as a financial asset than a right for too long in my view, and too often renters are paying off someone else's second or third mortgage when they are struggling to pay their rents. We need way more housing of all kinds, but we need non-market solutions and long term, sustainable, affordable rentals as a large part of that mix to shift the ratio.

OPTIONA

This last question gives you an opportunity to tell us more about your thoughts on housing. You decide what you would like us to share with our members.

My priorities for housing investments from the federal government level are rooted in non-market solutions. Co-operative housing, transitional units, supportive rentals and student housing. Governments at all levels have not kept up to the growing demand across Canada but particular in urban and suburban settings, and our non-market stock is at a long time low. Charity can't solve this challenge, and the market isn't suited to do it alone. Ensuring that there is ample affordable housing supply allows everyone to engage in the economy in a sustainable way. Everyone wants more affordable housing, but homeowners also want to ensure that their biggest investment continues to mature - the only sustainable solution to the concerns that young people have around eventual home ownership is the ability to save while renting. For-profit and secondary housing investment models can't continue to be the only options for Canadians.