

GROWING MANITOBA'S ECONOMY

Pillars in Support of 'Growing Manitoba's Economy'

In today's globally competitive business environment it is imperative that government create a climate that attracts new business and allows existing businesses to grow and thrive. For Manitoba to reach its full potential there are seven key public policy pillars that political parties must address to demonstrate their political commitment to "Growing Manitoba's Economy," in their 2016 Provincial Election platforms.

I. FISCAL COMPETITIVENESS

Manitoba must have an effective and fiscally prudent government committed to creating a competitive tax jurisdiction to attract and retain new investment.

II. VENTURE CAPITAL

Commitment to the creation of an accessible venture capital fund and supportive tax credit policies to leverage investment in the growth of new and existing businesses.

III. GLOBAL TRADE

Commitment to pursuing an expanded global trade profile for Manitoba which derives substantial economic benefit.

IV. INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

Commitment to a strategic, sustained, disciplined approach to investment in Manitoba's core infrastructure.

V. ABORIGINAL ENGAGEMENT

Commitment to the creation of an Aboriginal Engagement Strategy to ensure inclusion and partnership in economic growth policies.

VI. SKILLED WORKFORCE

Commitment to attracting, educating, training and retaining a skilled, responsive workforce is fundamental to ongoing economic growth.

VII. 'NEW FISCAL DEAL' FOR MUNICIPALITIES

Commitment to address the existing fiscal framework between the province and municipalities to meet the challenges of the future.

CONCLUSION

The above principles are supported and respectfully submitted by the following supporting organizations each of which are committed to pursuing 'Growing Manitoba's Economy,' in the 2016 Provincial Election.

Business Council of Manitoba (BCM)
Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME)
Manitoba Chambers of Commerce (MCC)
Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (MHCA)
Manitoba Home Builders Association (MHBA)
The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce (WCC)

