

Key Messages - NDP Plan

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- We are pleased to see that the NDP platform has embraced a number of key policies and priorities brought forward by our party to make life more affordable for Ontario families.
- However, we are disappointed the plan they released also puts at risk many of the progressive Liberal policies that her party has been voting against since she has been leader.
- For example, they promised:
 - o to cancel Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan which has reduced rates by 25% on average for families, and up to 40 to 50% for low income families and rural and remote areas;
 - o to cut our \$1 billion investment in the Seniors' Healthy Home Program, which helps seniors 75 and over live more independently;
 - o to cut federal / provincial infrastructure programs stopping many transit projects in their tracks;
 - o no commitment to high speed rail;
 - o to cut new budget investments in developmental services;
 - o to reduce the number of new apprentices that can be trained.
- While the NDP say they too want to make life more affordable for families, the strongest disagreement we have with their plan is their proposal to use over \$6.5 billion in money earmarked for healthcare, education, and transit investments, to buy back shares of Hydro One
 - o This won't do anything to lower electricity rates.
- Equally disappointing is the NDP plan to cut our \$1 billion investment in the Seniors' Healthy Home Program, which helps seniors 75 and over live more independently; stopping many transit projects in their tracks; and cuts in developmental services.
- Ontario Liberals had hoped the NDP would join us in campaigning against Doug Ford and on the side of care, instead of cuts.