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Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Risks	
Housing Affordability	- Ontario's Fair Housing Plan announced (Apr. 20) - Tax measures, including non-resident speculation, in effect - Approvals Roundtable underway - Measures to expand rent control included in amended Residential Tenancies Act	- Development Charge Rebate Program under development (Fall 2017) - Housing Supply Team Minister-chaired Housing Forum rolling out - Affordable Housing Lands Program (summer, beginning with Toronto) - Protecting tenants from sharp increases in rental costs	- High stakeholder sensitivity - Balancing measures to protect tenants and increase supply will be very challenging - Actual long-term impact unknown - Potential for unintended consequences	04.51
Autism	- Ontario Autism Program (OAP) launched in June 2017 - Continuing engagement with stakeholders and families	- Reduced wait times for autism services - Tailoring the intensity of services to need - Direct funding approach available. - Put in place supports across lifespan - Better integration of autism services in schools	- Long wait times for service continue - Possibility of reductions in service under new clinical assessment process - New direct funding approach likely will result in less funding for parents than \$10k transitional payments	04.63
Early Years & Child Care	- Release of <i>Renewed Early Years and Child Care Policy Framework 2017</i> - Bilateral agreement with federal government - Operating investment of \$1.37 billion in 2017-18	- Move toward universally accessible child care - Double current capacity of for children aged 0-4 - Measures to ensure affordability - Improvements to quality and responsiveness - Implementation of after-school programs and Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres	- System capacity to expand while also ensuring quality. - Retention and recruitment of child care workers - Use of funding and space creation will need to be closely monitored	04.67

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Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan/Long-Term Energy Plan	• <i>The Fair Hydro Plan Act, 2017</i> received Royal Assent (June 1) • OESP benefits were expanded by 50% (May 1) • Consultations on 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP)	• Implementation of global adjustment refinancing mechanism • Changes to Rural and Remote Rate Protection (RRRP) • Establishment of additional Distribution Rate Protection and the on-reserve First Nations Delivery Credit • Finalizing LTEP as 20-year road map (Fall 2017)	• Local distribution companies' (LDC) capacity • Rate reductions are on average, not universal • Challenging implementation • Alignment with priorities	15.21
Seniors Strategy	• Released Ontario's Action Plan for Seniors in 2015 • Passed the <i>Seniors Active Living Centres Act</i> that gives centres more flexibility to use their resources in ways that makes sense for local seniors • Launched the Age-Friendly Community Planning Grant Program • Invested in over 900 projects through the Seniors Community Grant Program • Provided free access to the shingles vaccine for seniors age 65-70	• Developing and launching a new, whole-of-government provincial Seniors Strategy in Fall 2017 to better support seniors to remain active, healthy and engaged in their communities • The Strategy will include new, high-profile initiatives while also highlighting existing initiatives into a coherent, integrated strategy	• Will require an integrated, whole-of-government approach to policy development, communications, and delivery/implementation. • Compressed timelines for policy development decision-making • Financial implications not yet known	04.27

Creating Opportunities and Security/ Investing in People and Jobs

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NAFTA/ Trade Issues	- Initial negotiating mandate - John Gero appointed special trade advisor - Initial meeting of FPT officials - Premiers' mission to Washington DC, and ongoing US engagement	- NAFTA negotiations expected to begin in late summer/early fall - Ongoing FPT engagement on strategy, tactics, offensive and defensive interests	- Provinces/territories may have diverging interests - ON must engage proactively since Federal government can conclude negotiations over objections - Financial exposure and implications not yet known	01.11
				01.12
Cap and Trade	- First Cap and Trade auction raised \$472M on March 22; Second auction results June 13 - Investment plan approved for use of proceeds	- Upcoming auctions Sept. 6 and Dec. 5 - Linking agreements - Post 2020 cap	Potential issues linking to California and Quebec markets in 2018	03.03
GreenON	GreenON established and program design approved	- GreenON – home energy concierge & website launch (July 2017) - New GreenON programs (Summer/Fall 2017)	Ability to implement programs quickly and yield results	03.04
Changing Workplaces Review & Increasing Minimum	- Introduced the <i>Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017</i> - Undertaking consultations over summer	- New minimum wage increases begin January 2018 (\$14/hr) - Regulations to implement many measures for 2018 and 2019	- Stakeholder concerns - Unintended consequences	04.45

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Cannabis	- Vision to promote public health/safety, and protect vulnerable population approved - Ongoing FPT engagement	- Public/stakeholder consultations beginning end of June - Legislation Fall 2017, including a retail model - Implementation July 2018	- Federal implementation timeline (July 1, 2018) - Stakeholders concerns e.g. public health - Need to balance policy aims, protect youth and reduce illegal market	04.56
Federal-Provincial Infrastructure	- FPT discussions on Federal "Investing in Canada" \$81B including program design - Potential allocation scenarios considered	- FPT engagement on implementation of Federal Plan - PortLands Flood protection commitment	- Federal program design not yet known. Could limit funding by requiring "outcomes-based" funding, prevent incrementality, or require cost sharing - Federal variances from estimates will impact fiscal plan	13.10
Small Business Strategy	- Burden Reduction Bill 2016 proclaimed, policy approved for 2017 Bill - Scale-Up Venture Fund and Scale-Up Voucher program; - Small Business Innovation Challenge	Small Business Strategy (FES) - 5 point plan to consider tax credit/deferral, procurement opportunities, expand peer to peer lending, including government fund, and clemency fee reductions	- Need to balance small business supports with scale-up supports - No consistent definition of small business - CIT changes, if pursued, not funded in fiscal plan	

Strengthening Health Care

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LHIN Transformation (Appendix 1)	- Passed the Patients First Act, 2016 to will help patients and their families obtain better access to a more local and integrated health care system - As of June 9, 2017, 11 of 14 LHINs have seamlessly transitioned into their new role overseeing home and community care with no major issues or negative patient/stakeholder impacts	- As of June 21, 2017, all 14 LHINs will have completed transition - As LHIN 'transition' is complete, ministry will leverage new health system structure to deliver real 'transformation,' which will include more integrated local planning, and improved access to primary care and specialists	- Strong stakeholder expectations for health system 'transformation' once transition is complete - Patient expectations for faster access to high-quality health care in the immediate future	07.02
OHIP+ and Other Public Drug Programs	- Raised the low-income income thresholds for the Ontario Drug Benefit Program, allowing more than 170,000 seniors to become newly eligible for lower drug costs - Added more than 1,000 drugs to the Ontario Drug Program Formulary since 2009	- Starting January 1, 2018, provide free prescription medication coverage for all children and youth under age 25 through OHIP+, as announced in the 2017 Budget - Continue to work with FPT partners to expand access to prescription drugs and advance Ontario's vision of universal pharmacare	- Strong public and stakeholder expectations for seamless implementation of OHIP+ as of January 1, 2018 - Ongoing stakeholder expectations to expand access to prescription drugs for other populations (e.g. low-income adults) - Need to mitigate the risk of families receiving more limited prescription drug coverage under OHIP+ compared to private benefit plans	07.16

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Mental Health and Addictions (including Opioids)	- Released "Open Minds, Healthy Minds: Ontario's Comprehensive Mental Health and Addictions Strategy" in 2011 - Announced an additional investment of \$140 million in February 2017 to advance the expansion of important evidence-based mental health and addictions initiatives - Taken action to address opioid misuse, abuse, and overdose, through launching Ontario's opioid strategy in 2016, expanding access to life-saving naloxone kits, and announced support for supervised injection services in Toronto and Ottawa	- Launching a new Ministers' Table on Mental Wellness to advance an integrated, cross-government approach to mental health and addictions system transformation - Reporting back to Cabinet in Fall 2017 for approval of broader, long-term system transformation (e.g. governance, funding reform, improved access to services) - Subject to necessary approvals in Summer 2017, proceeding with new initiatives under Ontario's opioid strategy to prevent and treat opioid misuse, abuse, addictions, and overdose	- Growing public and stakeholder concerns about rising rates of opioid-related deaths, but stronger actions may require additional financial resources - Strong stakeholder and public stakeholder expectations for improved access to mental health and addictions services, particularly as government approaches the final years of the 10-year Comprehensive Mental Health and Addictions Strategy - Additional financial investments may be required to meet stakeholder expectations

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Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

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Improving Student Well-Being	Ongoing engagement to develop indicators for well-being	- Shared, uniform measures of well-being - Enhanced mental and physical health - A positive sense of self and belonging - Enhanced support for students with mental health needs	- Potential to leverage existing data sets within the government and externally, - Potential to connect to other ministries' initiatives - Indicators not yet been determined	08.05
Improving Equity (Close the Achievement Gap for Underrepresented Groups & Supporting Special Needs Students)	- Beginning to explore the collection identity-based data collection - More funding for special education in funding formula	- All students inspired to reach full potential, regardless of circumstances, race, gender, etc. - Using information, data and research to address systemic barriers	- Focus on sub-populations may be perceived as stereotyping - Currently a lack of quality data - Need to integrate initiatives and resources across ministries	08.03
				08.04
High-quality, accessible postsecondary education (PSE)	- Beginning this Fall, rolling out a re-designed Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) - Worked with colleges and universities to reform their funding models	- Continuing to implement OSAP changes - Developing a strategy to address non-financial barriers to PSE access. - Developing new Strategic Mandate Agreements with colleges and universities - Supporting Aboriginal Institutes as distinct and complementary pillar of PSE system	Continue to balance the goal of building a high-quality, accessible PSE system that supports institutions' differentiated areas of strengths and equips students for the changing economy, while addressing system challenges (e.g. financial sustainability of institutions)	08.10
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Experiential Learning including Career Kick-Start Strategy	- Launched Experience Ontario pilot program - Continued investment in apprenticeship and Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSM) programs	- Investing in new Career Kick-Start Strategy to close the experience gap for students - Working with partners to identify opportunities to modernize the apprenticeship system	Collaboration and partnership required among different partners (e.g. colleges, universities, employers)	08.18
				08.23
Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan	- Ongoing transformation and modernization of employment and training programs - Supporting mature students as part of the redesigned OSAP program	Investment and enhancements to the adult education and essential skills system, including an expansion and improvement of the Literacy and Basic Skills program	System includes a range of partners and service providers. Implementation will need to be carefully managed and require coordinated efforts to support diverse needs and pathways of adult learners	08.17
Inclusive Skills Development	- Developed and released a provincial employment strategy for people with disabilities - Helping newcomers integrate into the labour market through settlement and integration programs (e.g. Ontario Bridge Training program)	- Implementing the provincial employment strategy for people with disabilities. - Engaging with stakeholders on approaches to improve women's economic empowerment	- Significant cross-sectoral engagement required, along with commitment in sectors where the government does not have levers (e.g. employers) - Stakeholders likely to be supportive but will want to see delivery on commitments and actions	04.22
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Building Transit and Transportation

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Transit – Inside the GTHA	- Completed Brampton Zum BRT and Mississauga Transitway - Launch Finch LRT procurement - Increased service levels across network, including 2 way, all day, 30 minute - Initiated procurement of Hurontario & Hamilton LRT - Vehicle procurement agreement	- Complete negotiations with CN - Hurontario and Finch LRT construction to begin - Complete Union Station revitalization - Fare integration to ease cross boundary travel - Complete Durham Hwy 2 BRT	- Community engagement, project management and cost control - Expectations of stakeholders/partners (e.g., City of Toronto and other mayors) - Viability of new technology - Costs generally in fiscal plan, though some costs are unknown and not in plan (e.g. CN negotiations, fare integration)
Transit & Transportation – Outside the GTHA	- Re-launched connecting link program - Initiated procurement of enabling works RER - Expanded GO service to communities such as Kitchener-Waterloo, Bowmanville and Niagara Falls	- Complete Waterloo Rapid Transit and Ottawa LRT Stage 1 - Expansion of Highway 417 - Continued engagement with London on rapid transit	- Delivery timelines - Costs generally in fiscal plan, though some costs are unknown and not in plan (e.g. London rapid transit)
Other Transit & Transportation	- Released High Speed Rail (HSR) Report - UP Express operational - Launched HOT Pilot on QEW - Completed 407East - Road safety measures (increased penalties for distracted driving, measures to protect cyclists and	- Committed \$15M to EA for HSR - Introduce HOT lanes on Hwy 427 - Additional road safety measures - Intercommunity bus strategy - Report from GTA West panel	- Balance investments within GTHA and the rest of the province - Costs generally in fiscal plan, though some costs are unknown and not in plan (e.g. intercommunity bus)

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Building Inclusive Communities and Improving the Justice System

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Justice Reforms (Corrections & Policing)	- Howard Sapers appointed to review corrections; interim report on segregation released May 2017 - Justice Tulloch review of police oversight bodies released April 2017	- Sapers' final report expected late summer 2017, informing new legislation for corrections sector - Strategy for a Safer Ontario (SSO) and reform for police oversight bodies released, with legislation for Fall 2017	- High stakeholder and public expectations to deliver corrections reform, SSO, and Police Oversight Reform - Significant investments required - Challenging culture to shift	04.43
Basic Income Pilot	Publicly announced the launch of a Basic Income Pilot on April 24, 2017 – pilot design was informed by expert advice and extensive consultation with stakeholders	- Pilot will start in late spring in Hamilton and Thunder Bay. The pilot will expand to include Lindsay as well as a parallel First Nations Basic Income Pilot and will last three years (to March 2020) - The pilot will be fully evaluated to assess whether a basic income can better support vulnerable workers, improve health and education outcomes for people on low incomes, and help ensure that everyone shares in Ontario's economic growth	Government will need to consider how to ensure alignment between the Basic Income Pilot, and the public commitment to develop a multi-year plan for social assistance reform (income security reform)	05.04