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### Our Philosophy:

A political party is a fellowship of individuals who possess similar political principles and values. Individuals within a party also share common views on the role and purpose of Government in society and our daily lives.

As Manitoba PCs, we believe in:

- Encouraging and enabling individual initiative, growth and achievement, while caring for the wellbeing of Manitobans and the environment in which we live;
- Protecting individual rights and freedoms;
- Being fiscally responsible

### Our Principles:

- The paramount value of the individual, and individualism
- The work ethic
- Responsible individual liberty within a free and humane society
- The incentive economy, as an essential tool for social justice
- Equality of opportunity and treatment
- Continuity in development and progress
- Maintenance of the rule of law

### Our Aims & Objectives :

- Preserve the liberties of the individual
- Maintain our system of parliamentary democracy based on loyalty to the Crown and to the Constitution, on the responsibility of the Executive (Provincial Cabinet) to the Legislative Assembly, and on the rule of law
- Respect the rights and initiative of the individual so that from the starting point of equal opportunity and equal treatment, he/she may be able to improve his/her own position as a free individual in a free society

- Progress toward modifying, amending and improving those existing institutions whose value has been demonstrated, in order not to destroy, but to adapt to changing circumstances
- Provide for the benefit of members of the community those services and functions which individuals cannot reasonably provide for themselves, while assuring personal freedom and personal initiative and alleviating personal misfortune
- Promote the development of Manitoba's resources, human and material, so that the highest standard may be achieved and the quality of life be sustained and strengthened
- Ensure that human betterment and economic progress rest upon unity among all the people of Manitoba, with no distinction of race, colour, creed or sex



### ■ Our Beliefs

The Progressive Conservative Party emphasizes the importance of the individual and his or her basic right to be free of unwarranted Government interference, to be creative, and to express himself in his own way. In other words, a Conservative believes in the ethic of "Live and Let Live". It was a Progressive Conservative Government that enacted the Canadian Bill of Rights, which guarantees the equal rights of every Canadian to life, liberty, freedom of expression and the protection of law, without discrimination by race, religion or national origin.

Unlike other political parties in Canada, the Progressive Conservative Party believes that it is ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL that Government at all levels be limited in size and maintained as close to the people as possible, so that Canadians can truly be involved in their own public affairs.

Progressive Conservatives believe strongly in the concept of fiscal responsibility. Other political parties believe that creating huge debts and deficits can solve the problems of the day. Progressive Conservatives believe that it is wrong to place a burden of debt upon its citizens. By implementing policies such as Balanced Budget legislation, Progressive Conservatives want to eliminate the deficit and eventually the debt in order to create a more prosperous future for our children.

Progressive Conservatives believe in the value of an economic system based as fully as possible on individual enterprise, private ownership and competition.

Promoting the growth and productivity of our economy through tax reform, so that greater benefits will be available to all Canadians is important to the Progressive Conservative Party of Manitoba. Unlike other political parties, the Progressive Conservative Party opposes a tax system that discourages initiative and penalizes growth and productivity.

Government must create a climate where human enterprise can thrive, where there is the widest possible economic opportunity, and where employment is at a maximum. A person with a job is a person with dignity and self-respect.

Progressive Conservatives knows there are many things in human affairs that Government simply cannot do, and many other things that Government will never do very well. Therefore, Government should remain focused on what it can and should do to ensure Manitobans receive the best and most efficient services possible without mortgaging our children's future.



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