

ALBERTA ELECTION 2023

SPEAK UP FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

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Expanding inclusive housing and ending institutionalization

There is a pressing need for persons with developmental disabilities, including those with complex needs, to have access to housing, a home, and the supports to live and participate in community life. The evidence is clear that housing persons with developmental disabilities with complex needs is best done in settings that are intimate and personal as larger congregate settings exacerbate the challenges exponentially. This need for a place with access to necessary supports must never be met by building segregated settings that congregate large numbers of people with developmental disabilities.

Every province but two, of which Alberta is one, have either closed their institutions for persons with developmental disabilities or are actively closing them. Institutions cause incalculable harm to persons with disabilities, and violate their rights as enshrined in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Candidates and their parties can commit to:

- **Developing and increasing inclusive housing with appropriate supports for persons with disabilities, including those with complex needs, so that they can have a home in community that provides for safety, development, and well-being.**
- **Not building any new facilities that are institutional in nature, which by definition segregates and congregates persons with developmental disabilities, particularly those with complex needs, in a household size that is much larger than the average household in Alberta.**
- **Joining the rest of Canada and the world by developing a personalized and individualized approach to close Alberta's few remaining institutions for persons with developmental disabilities.**

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