Local Economy & Energy

1. What is your plan to support and grow the oil and gas sector in Lloydminster, especially in the face of federal emission reduction targets and changing global markets?

To expand global opportunities, the CFP will introduce tax and policy incentives to help Canadian businesses diversify their exports beyond the increasingly protectionist U.S. market. CFP supports a West-East pipeline to get Canadian oil to our democratic allies, and for the approval process for resource development projects to be made simpler while, at the same time, we create an Energy Fund to direct revenue from fossil fuel extraction to support new carbon neutral technology. Just as revenues from the horse-driven economy of the 19th century powered the transition to fossil fuels in the 20th, so must the carbon economy power the change to renewables.

Canada must embrace nuclear energy: if you believe climate change is real, and a threat, then we can go nuclear within a generation. The challenge of safely storing and disposing of nuclear waste is minor when compared to the risks of rising sea levels, a melting Arctic, and global social disruptions caused by rising temperatures. Existing nuclear technology can be complemented by research into small modular reactors; both offer significant opportunities for Canada to protect our planet and grow wealthier by sharing our technology with reliable overseas partners.

2. How will you ensure federal policies support the economic recovery of small businesses in Lloydminster that were impacted by inflation and supply chain disruptions?

The CFP will tackle Canada's long-standing overreliance on the U.S. market by implementing a bold trade strategy rooted in economic sovereignty and national unity. Our plan begins by breaking down internal trade barriers between provinces and territories, ensuring that Canadian businesses, workers, and consumers can freely trade and move across the country. The CFP will incentivize the removal of these barriers and, over time, introduce consequences for those who continue to restrict interprovincial trade. This approach will help small & medium sized businesses thrive in the face of tariffs by giving them new markets across Canada to sell or buy their goods from. It will also empower all provinces and territories to fully contribute to building a stronger, more connected Canada.

The CFP also believes that a modern, fair, and efficient tax system is essential to individual prosperity, business investment, and national unity. Canada's tax code has grown overly complex, placing an unnecessary burden on citizens, families, and businesses alike. Despite calls for reform going back over 60 years—including the recommendations of the Carter Commission—governments have failed to act. The CFP calls for real tax reform that works for the 21st century. The CFP recommends establishing a Royal Commission to reform and simplify the Canadian tax system; the Commission should deliver its recommendations within 18 months, with legislation to be introduced and implemented by the third year.

Agriculture & Rural Development

3. What steps will you take to support local farmers dealing with high input costs, unpredictable weather patterns, and international trade barriers?

The world has become more unstable over the last ten years but, since January 20, 2025, Canada faces threats of annexation, economic imperialism, and intentional instability. And in an unstable world, food security becomes even more critical; we need to know that Canada can continue to feed itself.

To expand global opportunities, the CFP will introduce tax and policy incentives to help Canadian businesses diversify their exports beyond the increasingly protectionist U.S. market. In addition to breaking down interprovincial trade barriers, we also need to promote further trade with European allies and encourage the expansion of NATO, CANZUK, and the EU to include democratic states on all continents.

The CFP is also committed to strengthening democracy by ensuring that every Canadian vote has real and fair impact. This is particularly critical in ridings like ours with a dominant agricultural base; we need to know that our MP is going to represent the unique needs of our riding. We propose replacing Canada's rigid party discipline system with the more accountable model used in the UK, where backbench MPs are free to vote according to their constituents—not their party leader. This would empower citizens, strengthen local representation, and force party leaders to earn—not command—support. The application of free votes varies based on the subject matter at hand: at the lowest level it is an entirely free vote, while at the highest level, such as those items within the platform MPs ran on, it becomes a whipped vote following party lines. We've seen it work in practice, and we know it can help restore connection between Parliament and the people. It costs nothing, requires no legal change, and it would transform the way our government operates, and make our MPs real politicians, not just voting machines there to serve party leaders.

4. How do you plan to invest in rural infrastructure—like roads, broadband internet, and grain transportation routes—that are critical to this region's agricultural and economic vitality?

Canada's first transcontinental railroad, linking eastern and western Canada, was completed in 1885. In 1962, the Trans-Canada Highway opened, providing continuous vehicle traffic to the East and West coasts. Canada launched the world's first commercial communications satellite, Anik A1, in 1972, bringing communications to Canada's north. Canadians can envision and build what is needed for our vast country.

The CFP advocates for a coast-to-coast Pan-Canadian utility corridor that is government-owned and operated, with extensions into the Arctic. The Utility Corridor, under sole federal jurisdiction, will allow industry to build infrastructure such as pipelines, power lines, fibre optics, etc. Roads or railways can be built in the corridor to facilitate mineral and resource extraction; pipelines will only be built based on expressed demand from domestic and allied markets.

Ignoring human mobility while envisioning the movement of goods and services is shortsighted. While demand has increased, commercial transport offerings have declined, stifled by companies favoured by past governments and oppressive regulations. The CFP supports the modernization of Canada's national transit systems to ensure accessibility, productivity, and connectivity across the country but recognizes these massive investments can only take place in a country where our independence is assured. Until then, major programs must be paused. We need to focus.

5. How will your party address the rural healthcare shortage, especially the recruitment and retention of doctors and nurses in Lloydminster and surrounding areas?

A healthy population is the foundation for a strong and prosperous country. While healthcare is a shared jurisdiction between federal, provincial, and territorial governments, the federal government has a responsibility to lead where it can—through direct delivery for specific groups, national standards, and smart funding that upholds the principles of peace, order, and good government.

Canada's primary care system—our first and most essential line of defence—is under growing pressure. Strained by the impacts of COVID-19, an aging population, and rapid growth, primary care needs modernization, stronger support, and expanded access.

To address this national challenge, the CFP will:

Create a National Healthcare Professional Licensing Framework

- Work with national medical bodies to establish a voluntary national license for healthcare professionals, which provinces and territories may choose to adopt.
- Provide targeted federal funding to support the implementation of this national license, simplifying mobility and reducing bureaucracy for healthcare professionals.

Expand the Canadian Healthcare Workforce

- Increase the number of residency positions for internationally trained doctors, addressing regional shortages and bringing more practitioners into the system.
- Fund national bodies to negotiate Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs) with countries that uphold equivalent medical education and licensing standards.
- Implement a special visa class for healthcare professionals who already meet Canadian standards to come to Canada

Reform Access to Operating Theatres

Canadians need access to timely, quality healthcare. The CFP strongly supports Canadians being able to receive the care they need via publicly run or privately operated facilities without having to pay out of pocket. We also recognize that many Canadians are currently seeking care outside of Canada to meet their health needs. As such, Canada needs to:

• Reform the Canada Health Act to allow surgeons operating within provincial health structures to rent surgical facilities from public hospitals at times when those surgical suites are otherwise unused. Surgeons will pay a fee to the hospital covering all costs plus a surcharge that returns money to the provincial healthcare system, and then offer surgeries for a cost born by patients, with priority given to those within the province or territory.

This will reduce waiting lists, increase revenues for hospitals, increase salaries for surgeons and support staff, and redirect health dollars often spent in the United States or other countries back to Canada and the public healthcare system.

Interprovincial Coordination

6. Given Lloydminster's unique position on the Alberta-Saskatchewan border, how would you ensure consistent and fair access to healthcare, education, and licensing regulations across provincial lines?

Breaking down our internal trade barriers is critical, particularly for those of us here in Lloydminster who live right on the border between two provinces. Removing these interprovincial barriers opens up the 2% of GDP that we are currently leaving on the table by ensuring that Canadian businesses, workers, and consumers can freely trade and move across the country. The CFP will incentivize the removal of these barriers and, over time, introduce consequences for those who continue to restrict interprovincial trade. This approach will help small & medium sized businesses thrive in the face of tariffs by giving them new markets across Canada to sell or buy their goods from. It will also empower all provinces and territories to fully contribute to building a stronger, more connected Canada.

While healthcare and childcare are shared jurisdiction between federal, provincial, and territorial governments, the federal government has a responsibility to lead where it can—through direct delivery for specific groups, national standards, and smart funding that upholds the principles of peace, order, and good government. The CFP is committed to respecting constitutionally and legally mandated divisions of power, and to removing the federal government from areas where it has no authority to interfere. Equally, we will protect the authority of the federal government to act within its jurisdiction.

Cost of Living & Affordability

7. What is your plan to tackle rising costs of housing, groceries, fuel, and utilities in mid-sized rural cities like Lloydminster?

Breaking down interprovincial trade barriers and increasing our trading partners internationally both will help provide Canadian businesses new markets across Canada to sell or buy goods from, which will help address rising costs. With regards to housing affordability, the CFP is committed to restoring federal leadership in housing, investing in non-market and climate-resilient homes, and protecting the dignity of all Canadians. Our housing plan addresses today's crisis with practical tools, innovative thinking, and long-term vision—putting people, not speculation, at the centre of Canada's housing future.

The CFP will reinstate the federal government's role in directly funding non-profit, co-operative, and low-income housing through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and will also launch a federally funded land acquisition program for affordable housing. Removing land costs will significantly reduce mortgage burdens and allow for truly affordable rents, especially for low-income Canadians often left out of "affordable housing" schemes.

Additionally, we will address housing with the federal jurisdiction by converting underused federal office buildings into family-friendly, rental housing using innovative construction methods. We will also fund large-scale pilot projects with post-secondary institutions, the private sector, and provinces or territories to test and scale up technologies that lower construction costs and speed up delivery.

Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation

8. How will you work with local Indigenous communities around Lloydminster to ensure fair opportunities in employment, education, and land management?

I feel deep pride and appreciation of being uniquely Canadian and also have great respect for our First Nations peoples, both the Indigenous, Métis, and Inuit. All of us, no matter where we fall in the great palette called life, and just as our national anthem states, come together to command a bigger and better Canada.

The CFP recognizes that Indigenous peoples have endured generations of discrimination, systemic exclusion, and the ongoing impacts of colonialism. Successive federal governments have failed to deliver meaningful progress toward reconciliation—undermining the well-being of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples and holding back Canada's social, economic, and democratic potential. The CFP will break this cycle of failure with a time-bound, accountable, and collaborative approach to reconciliation.

A 10-Year Framework to Resolve All Outstanding Claims

- Launch a comprehensive national reconciliation framework developed in full partnership with Indigenous peoples and their representative organizations at the national, provincial, and territorial levels.
- Resolve all outstanding land, treaty, and governance claims within 10 years, clearing the path for renewed nation-to-nation relationships.
- Repeal the Indian Act following the resolution of all claims, replacing it with new agreements rooted in equality, consent, and mutual respect.

Replace the Federal Action Plan with a More Ambitious Vision

- End the current 2023–2028 Federal Reconciliation Action Plan and replace it with nation-tonation frameworks, focused on outcomes, co-developed with Indigenous partners across the country
- Ensure the framework includes concrete timelines, transparent reporting, and mechanisms for oversight by both sides.

Crime & Community Safety

9. What concrete actions will you take to reduce rural crime and support local RCMP and policing efforts in Lloydminster and the surrounding region?

Canadians need to be safe, and part achieving that is bail reform. All too often crimes are being committed by repeat offenders. Our leniency on bail is jeopardizing Canadian lives and this needs to stop. The Canadian Future Party commits to working with relevant stakeholders to address these critical gaps in Canada's bail system to keep Canadian's safe.

Youth & Workforce Development

10. How will you invest in youth training programs, trades, and apprenticeships to keep young people in Lloydminster and strengthen the local workforce?

Canada must move from a reactive to a proactive approach in the face of national and global challenges. To achieve this, we will establish two complementary institutions: a professional Civil Security Corps and a mission-driven Canada Corps—each playing a vital role in strengthening our resilience at home and abroad.

The Civil Security Corps, governed by Public Safety Canada, will ensure the country is prepared for emergencies and disasters. With its own legally protected budget, it will be insulated from political funding cycles and will include a permanent core of skilled professionals with specialized equipment. This corps will:

- Respond rapidly and effectively to crises
- Supervise disaster prevention and mitigation
- Train and hire people to be ready if we need combat or crisis medics
- Maintain strong relationships with partner organizations in Canada and abroad
- Oversee trained volunteer teams
- Coordinate with any outside operational group willing to work under its umbrella

Meanwhile, the Canada Corps will focus on national development and international solidarity. It will train young Canadians in skilled trades through paid programs and deploy them to build and maintain critical infrastructure—especially in remote and underserved regions. These hands-on efforts will not only support national projects but also equip young Canadians with the tools to contribute meaningfully to the economy.

Internationally, Canada Corps will play a key role in the long-term rebuilding of Ukraine, working closely with the Ukrainian government to ensure reconstruction is sustainable, coordinated, and driven by local needs.

Together, these two corps will form the backbone of a more resilient, proactive, and engaged Canada.