WHAT LEADERSHIP IS.
KATHLEEN WYNNE’S PLAN FOR ONTARIO

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Our 10-Year Goals:
By 2025, Ontario will have stronger infrastructure, with improved and expanded highways, a public transit network that gets people around rapidly in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), strong transit networks in other major centres, an improved GO service offering electrified service every 15 minutes across the GTHA, more paved shoulders for cycling and better bridges.
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STRONG LEADERSHIP IS NEEDED TO ENSURE ONTARIO HAS EFFICIENT, MODERN INFRASTRUCTURE. Besides playing a big part in our quality of life, investing in infrastructure is one of the most important things we can do to jump-start our economy in the short term, and improve our productivity and competitiveness in the longer term.

For too many years, successive governments have not made the investments we need to get this province moving. Despite a doubling of our population between 1971 and 2011, virtually no new transit lines were built in the 1980s and 1990s. That is why, when the Liberals took office in 2003, we acted. We have invested $100 billion in infrastructure, including transportation. Now, it is time to take the next step; we know that gridlock and commute times are ruining our quality of life, and the congestion on our roads and highways is an impediment to attracting business and jobs. We need an aggressive and serious investment in transit in the GTHA, in roads and bridges across the province, and in social infrastructure that supports the fabric of our society.

We choose to lead. A Kathleen Wynne Government will implement a 10-year plan that invests more than $130 billion in the next generation of transit and transportation infrastructure, and the next generation of hospitals and schools. We will also invest in the next generation of energy infrastructure. Throughout, we will ensure transparency, accountability, timeliness and value for money.

The time to lead is now. By making the right choices, we can build and renew our infrastructure today, opening our future to greater prosperity and a better quality of life. We are already losing at least $6 billion in productivity every year in the GTHA alone. Fifty years from now, does Ontario want to look back and wish someone had shown the courage and leadership to take action in 2014? This is our chance. This is the choice.

Building on our record

› 23 new hospitals and 650 schools have been built or are underway

› 200 new GO rail cars are in service

› 7,900 kilometers of new and repaired highways — that’s the distance from Toronto to Calgary and back

› Building the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway, which will improve trade and traffic flow from Ontario to Michigan

› Expanding Highway 69 to four lanes to Sudbury

› Delivering two-way, all-day GO Train service to more communities

› Bringing full-day, regional express rail GO service to Waterloo Region, starting by introducing two additional morning and two additional afternoon peak period trips by the end of 2016

› Building the new Union-Pearson Express Link – on time and on budget – reducing travel time between Union and Pearson Airport to just 25 minutes

INVESTING IN TRANSIT AND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE: MOVING ONTARIO FORWARD

STRONG LEADERSHIP MEANS TACKLING OUR TRANSIT AND TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES IN EVERY CORNER OF THE PROVINCE.

People want their highways widened and their bridges secured. And whether we are on the roads in Sudbury, the highways in Halton or public transit in Etobicoke, we all need to reach our destinations faster and safely. Gridlock means less time at home with our loved ones and more air pollution. Gridlock costs businesses money in lost productivity, and hurts our competitiveness and quality of life. We face serious consequences if we choose not to act.

A Kathleen Wynne Government will invest in a $130-billion 10-year infrastructure plan. As part of this, our Moving Ontario Forward plan will make nearly $29 billion available over the next decade for investments in transit and transportation infrastructure projects across the province. We will create two dedicated funds: one for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), with up to $15 billion available for investment in transit; and one for the rest of the province with nearly $14 billion available for investment in roads, bridges, transit and other critical infrastructure. This investment will introduce train service every 15 minutes on all GO lines. It will mean less congestion on the roads and less time spent on the train platform. It will help parents get home faster to their kids at the end of the workday, and it will lead to more efficient delivery of goods and services for our businesses.
Our Moving Ontario Forward plan includes a balanced and responsible approach to paying for these investments.

- The funds will be from dedicated sources of revenue:
  - Dedicated gas tax, and HST on gas tax: $14.54 billion or 50.3%
  - New revenues: $1.49 billion or 5.2%
  - Asset optimization: $3.15 billion or 10.9%
  - Federal Building Canada Plan: $2.55 billion or 8.8%
  - Provincial borrowing: $7.17 billion or 24.8%

- The funds will be allocated between the GTHA and the rest of Ontario in a fair way, based on population
- The funds will be applied to specific projects
- The funds will be transparent and managed with accountability, through an online portal to track funds and projects
- Kathleen Wynne has committed to protecting middle- and low-income earners by not increasing the gas tax, the HST or personal income taxes, other than on the most affluent of Ontarians.

Kathleen Wynne’s commitment is clear. But the federal government must also come to the table, with a national transit strategy that invests in projects to move people and goods and grow our economy.
INVESTING $15 BILLION IN GTHA PROJECTS. We will work with Metrolinx and municipalities on how to best prioritize transit investments through the use of rigorous business-case analysis. Priority projects within the GTHA could include:

- Expansion of GO all-day, two-way service, including regional express service every 15 minutes, and electrification on all lines starting with the Union-Pearson Express
- Expansion of GO service to Kitchener-Waterloo and Guelph
- Brampton Queen Street Rapid Transit
- Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit
- Durham-Scarborough Bus Rapid Transit
- Hamilton Rapid Transit
- Hurontario-Main LRT
- East Bayfront LRT
- Relief line
- Yonge North Subway expansion to York Region

SUPPORTING THE BIG MOVE. We will continue to support vital transit projects we have already funded and that are underway, including:

- Eglinton Crosstown LRT
- Union Station revitalization
- Scarborough subway
- Union-Pearson Express
- Rapid bus transit in York Region and Mississauga
- Transit solutions for Sheppard East and Finch West in Toronto

INVESTING APPROXIMATELY $14 BILLION IN PROJECTS OUTSIDE THE GTHA. We will work with municipalities on how to best prioritize transportation and transit investments through the use of rigorous business-case analysis. We will have a fair, evidence-based, inclusive process for deciding which projects will receive funding, and when and how they are built, based on the benefits to communities and to Ontario as a whole. Projects could include:

- A Permanent Roads and Bridges Fund: We have created – and through Moving Ontario Forward will make permanent – a roads and bridges fund for smaller, northern and rural municipalities. We will invest $100 million in 2014-15 to support critical municipal priorities, and we expect this fund to grow over time.
Investing in ONTC infrastructure: We will invest in bus and rail refurbishment infrastructure so that the Ontario Northland Transportation Commission (ONTC) can remain strong in public hands.

Investing in the Ring of Fire: We will invest $1 billion in infrastructure to support smart, sustainable and collaborative development in the Ring of Fire area.

Investing in transit: Stage 2 of the Ottawa LRT and further expansion of the Kitchener-Waterloo LRT to Cambridge will be eligible for investment under Moving Ontario Forward.

GO service expansion: We will look at providing more GO options to connect Brantford, the Niagara region, Dufferin County, and other regions outside the GTHA to the GTHA.

Investing in High-Speed Rail: We will invest in high-speed rail service between southwestern Ontario and Toronto, through London and Kitchener-Waterloo. We will move forward by finalizing the business cases and proceeding with environmental assessments on the line from Toronto to London and between London and Windsor. We will invite the private sector and Ontario-based pension plans to invest in this project.

Creating four-lane highways in the north: We will work towards expanding major highways to four lanes from border to border to border. With a willing federal partner, we can make the Trans-Canada highway four-lanes from border to border in Northern Ontario.

Other highways investments as outlined below.

INVESTING IN HIGHWAYS. We will invest $2.5 billion on highway rehabilitation and expansion in 2014-15, $400 million more than last year. Major projects planned during our mandate include:

- Extending Highway 407 East to Highway 35/115 in Clarington.
- Introducing High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes on Highway 410 in Mississauga and Brampton, and Highway 427 in Mississauga and Vaughan.
- Widening Highway 401 near Cobourg.
- Widening Highway 69 between Parry Sound and Sudbury.
- Expanding Highway 11/17 to four lanes between Thunder Bay and Nipigon.
- Expanding Highway 7 to four lanes between Kitchener and Guelph.
- Expanding Highway 427.
INVESTING IN EDUCATION, HEALTH AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

STRONG LEADERSHIP MEANS MAKING INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS. We need to invest in our schools, postsecondary institutions, hospitals and communities to improve access to, and the quality of, the public services Ontario families rely on and the public spaces they enjoy. These investments are part of our $130-billion 10-year infrastructure plan.

A KATHLEEN WYNNE GOVERNMENT WILL BUILD THE NEXT GENERATION OF SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE BY:

INVESTING IN HOSPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE. We will invest in new hospitals and the renewal of existing hospitals to ensure Ontarians have better access to modern health care facilities. Major projects include:

› New or expanded hospitals: We will invest more than $11.4 billion over the next 10 years on 40-plus major hospital expansion or redevelopment projects.
› Hospital renewal: We will invest $700 million over the next 10 years on deferred maintenance for hospitals.

INVESTING IN COMMUNITY HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE. We will invest $300 million in new money over the next 10 years in community health infrastructure. Projects include:

› New and expanded facilities for Community Health Centres, Family Health Teams, Nurse Practitioner-led Clinics, and other facilities.

INVESTING IN SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE. We will invest more than $11 billion in new schools and school repairs over the next 10 years to ensure our students have high-quality and accessible spaces that support student achievement and wellbeing.

INVESTING IN UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE INFRASTRUCTURE. We will invest in new spaces to make higher education more accessible and renew campuses to support high-quality learning spaces. Projects include:

› New campuses: We will provide funding to build new campuses and create spaces for 15,000 more students to study for undergraduate degrees closer to home, and to provide an economic boost to communities.
› Campus renewal: We will provide almost $500 million over 10 years to support deferred maintenance projects at colleges and universities.
**SUPPORTING RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE.** We will commit $250 million over three years to support world-leading discoveries that will create the jobs and technologies of the future. We expect this funding will leverage funding from the federal government and the private sector.

Ensuring transparency, accountability, timeliness and value

Every project outlined in our 10-year infrastructure plan will be delivered in a **timely manner that guarantees value for money and supports local communities.** A Kathleen Wynne Government will:

- **Drive smart planning and execution of projects** by employing the Alternative Financing and Procurement model to deliver infrastructure projects on time and on budget.

- **Ensure public ownership** for public infrastructure by re-committing to keeping all infrastructure projects built using the Alternative Financing and Procurement model in public hands, both while they are being built and once they are built.

- **Connect infrastructure to jobs in the community** by creating standards for use of local apprentices and engagement of the community.

**INVESTING IN ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**

**STRONG LEADERSHIP MEANS INVESTING IN ENERGY AND ELECTRICITY INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT ONTARIO RESIDENTS AND INDUSTRIES.**

In 2003, our energy and electricity system was a mess. Years of underinvestment and a failed effort at mass privatization was shaking investor confidence and leading to brownouts and blackouts. A reliance on coal-fired generation meant that thousands of children were developing asthma by breathing dirty air. Thanks to our investments, we’ve stabilized the system and replaced coal-fired power with cleaner fuels. And we’ve upgraded more than 10,000 km of power lines since 2003 – more than twice the distance from Montreal to Vancouver.
Our investments will give consumers in underserved communities more choice, make commercial transportation more affordable, attract new industry to Ontario, and benefit our agricultural producers.

A KATHLEEN WYNNE GOVERNMENT WILL SUPPORT THE NEXT GENERATION OF ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE BY:

INVESTING IN MAJOR NORTHERN TRANSMISSION PROJECTS. We will expand the East-West Tie expansion from Wawa to Thunder Bay, build a new Northwest Bulk transmission line from Thunder Bay to Dryden, and build new lines and upgrades to Pickle Lake and Red Lake. We will seek the federal government’s contribution to provide grid connection to remote First Nations communities.

INVESTING IN CLEAN GENERATION. We will continue to invest in clean green energy, with 20,000 MW of renewable energy online by 2025, including hydro-electric, wind, solar, and bioenergy sources.

INVESTING IN NUCLEAR REFURBISHMENT IN DURHAM REGION AND BRUCE COUNTY. We will invest in the refurbishment of 10 nuclear units at Darlington and Bruce over 16 years, creating and sustaining 25,000 high-wage jobs.

EXPANDING ACCESS TO NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES. To ensure that Ontario residents and industries share in affordable supplies of natural gas, we will provide up to $200 million over two years for a new Natural Gas Access Loan. The interest-free loan will help communities partner with utilities to extend access to natural gas supplies. We will also establish a $30 million Natural Gas Economic Development Grant to accelerate those projects with a clear economic development potential. These two programs, which will be funded under our $130-billion infrastructure plan, will give consumers in underserved communities more energy choices, make commercial transportation more affordable, attract new industry to Ontario, and benefit our agricultural producers.

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