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With Budget 2019, our federal Liberal government continues to invest in the middle class, and in Calgary's infrastructure and economy.

Helping you buy your first home or find an affordable rental.

Supporting clean energy and public transit.

Investing so you can build skills for good jobs, retire with dignity, and get the prescriptions you need.

And funding local organizations like the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary, Kerby Centre, Horizon Housing Society, and Calgary Immigrant Women's Association.



Building more affordable housing for Calgarians.

PHARMACARE: LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

No one should have to choose between paying for medicine or buying groceries. To make prescriptions more affordable, we plan to:



Create a new Canadian Drug Agency that will **lower prescription drug prices** for Canadians.



Negotiate with drug manufacturers to help Canadians struggling with rare diseases get critical medication at more affordable prices.

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MAKING IT EASIER TO BUY YOUR FIRST HOME

We're making home ownership more achievable for Calgarians by introducing the new First-Time Home Buyer Incentive.

Eligible buyers can finance a portion of their home through a shared equity mortgage with the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC).

The shared portion is **10%** for a newly-built home (to help encourage construction and increase housing supply), and **5%** for existing homes.

No ongoing payments are required for the shared portion, which **lowers your mortgage payments every month.**

HOW IT WORKS



YOUR NEW
CONDO COSTS
\$400,000



THE INCENTIVE
FINANCES 10%
(\$40,000)



YOU PAY
\$225 LESS
EVERY MONTH
ON YOUR
MORTGAGE



The Incentive will **directly benefit 100,000 first-time home buyers** over the next 3 years.



ADDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS

Every Canadian deserves a safe and affordable place to call home. Yet, every day, vulnerable Calgarians are at risk of being homeless. Our Liberal government is taking action to help those in need and reduce homelessness across Canada.

In Calgary, 4 major projects have already received federal support.

And there's more to come.

The YW Hub in Inglewood is a supportive, transitional shelter for 100 women and kids fleeing domestic violence.

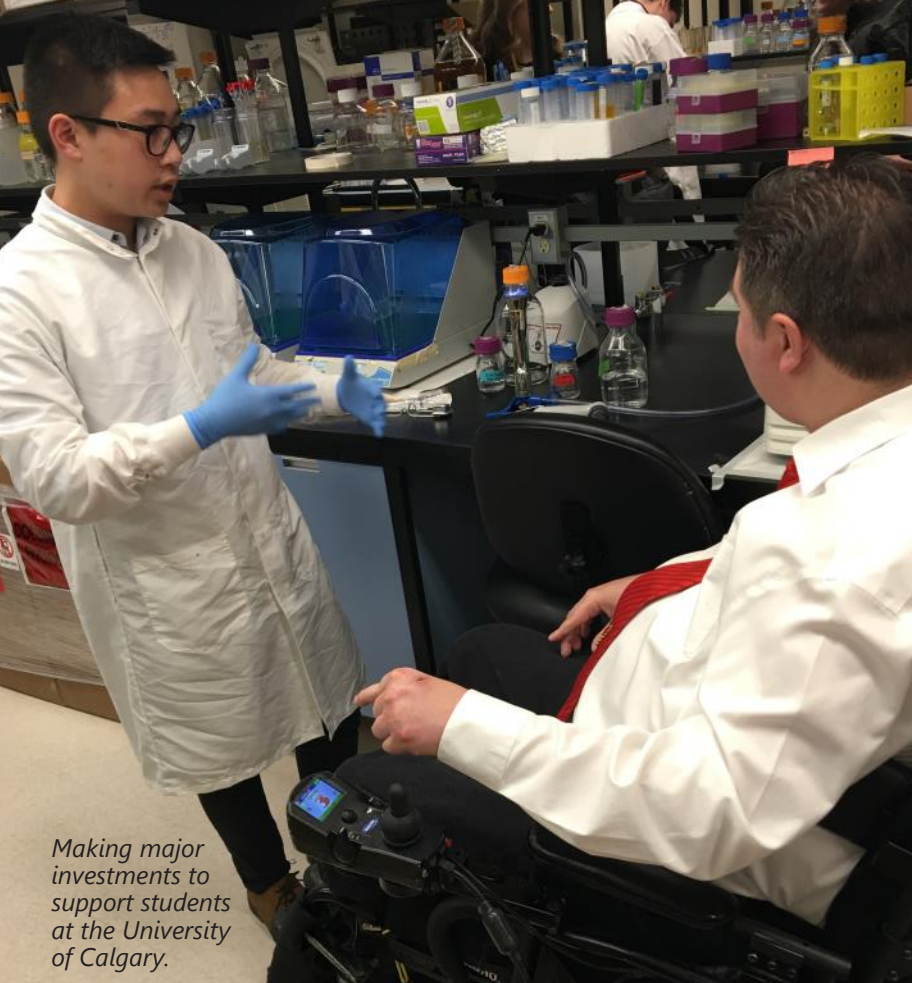
The Glamorgan Project has 161 affordable units for individuals, families and seniors. It includes a dedicated space for **kids who would otherwise need to live in hospitals**. Here, they receive health support while living with their families.

The Kanas building by Glenmore Park has 120 units for individuals, families and people with disabilities.

The Maple (*pictured here*) in Renfrew has 26 private suites for women escaping violence and homelessness.



*The Maple building in Calgary.
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Making major investments to support students at the University of Calgary.

MAKING EDUCATION MORE AFFORDABLE

We increased Canada Student Grants by 50%, giving up to \$3,000 per year for low-income students, and \$1,200 for middle-income students.

Now, Budget 2019 proposes to:

- Create 84,000 new **paid work placements**.
- **Save you \$2,000**, on average, by lowering the interest rates on student and apprentice loans, and eliminating the interest for the first 6 months after graduation.
- Provide **mental health, medical and parental leave**, without having to make loan payments.
- Fund more and bigger **grants and scholarships** for students with disabilities, Indigenous students, and students performing research.

SAVING FOR YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

To help pay for your child's post-secondary studies, our government matches part of your Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) contributions.

For low-income families, our government adds an **extra \$2,000** to your child's RESP through the Canada Learning Bond. You do not need to put in any of your own money. It's best to apply when your child is young, so they receive every annual deposit.

GIVING CANADIANS THE TOOLS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED

To help you continue building the skills needed for the jobs of tomorrow, we're introducing a new Canada Training Benefit.

Working Calgarians will get:



Four weeks off work to attend training every 4 years.



Up to \$1,000 to help pay for the training, every 4 years.



Employment Insurance (EI) support to help cover your lost income.



The security of knowing you'll have a job to return to when your training is done.



SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Everyone should have access to safe drinking water. In 2015, we promised to end long-term water advisories on public systems on reserve.

Through new and repaired infrastructure, we've lifted 82 advisories so far, and we're on track to remove the remaining 58 by 2021.

We're continuing to help First Nations and Inuit children access health and social services, such as speech therapy and educational support, as well as critical medical care.





PROVIDING THE SECURITY SENIORS DESERVE

Budget 2019 goes even further to help you keep more money in your pocket, and stay active and involved in your community.

- Enhancing the GIS (Guaranteed Income Supplement) earnings exemption, so if you work, you **keep more of your income**.
- Introducing a **National Dementia Strategy**.

- Increasing funding for the New Horizons for Seniors Program. In Calgary, it supports seniors' fitness, art classes (*pictured above*), meals and gatherings that help **reduce isolation and connect you with your community**
- **Protecting employee pensions** by requiring more transparency and fairness. This includes empowering courts to review corporate executive compensation.
- Proactively enrolling Canada Pension Plan (CPP) contributors who are 70 years or older but have not applied to receive their retirement benefits. **This will help 40,000 seniors.**