

Questions for MLA candidates

- Election 2019

On behalf of the NWT Association of Communities, please accept these Questions for Member of Legislative Assembly Candidates about issues important to communities in the Northwest Territories. We would greatly appreciate your response to these questions by September 13th, 2019.

We intend to post all candidate responses to the following questions on our webpage and will follow up with the elected members throughout the term of the 19th Assembly. Please email responses back to communications@nwtac.com.

1. A \$40 million shortfall still exists for community governments. What is your position on the funding formula for community governments and the significant shortfall not being addressed over the past five years?
2. What steps will you take to ensure that communities funding shortfall as identified by MACA is addressed and do you commit to prioritizing funding?
3. Homelessness, mental health and addictions are serious issues in the North. Are you willing to work to ensure these issues get addressed and potential solutions put in place in a timely manner?
4. How do you think communities can prepare for the climate change crisis that is presently occurring in many communities and what is your position on the Territorial Government finding solutions and taking a leadership role with funding?
5. What are your views on the issue of the early childhood education deficiency in the NWT and how it relates to post-secondary success of students and do you support an Auditor General Review of the education system?
6. The 2018 Federal Budget affirmed that its expectation is that a 25% portion of the revenues from cannabis excise taxes provided to the Territory and Provinces be transferred to municipalities and local communities. What is your view of the GNWT deciding that there will be no revenues passed on to the municipalities from the Territorial Government?