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## **Vote Prosperity Puts Business Issues at the Forefront for 2019 Election, says Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton**

Today, the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton (CCGM), in collaboration with the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, launched the [Vote Prosperity](#) platform to urge federal party leaders to put the needs of Canadian business front and centre in the upcoming federal election.

“Core issues, such as the introduction of the federal carbon pricing backstop in New Brunswick, are suffocating Canadian competitiveness. If our businesses don’t thrive, Canada can’t thrive. Today, we challenge Moncton — Riverview — Dieppe candidates to support our small businesses by embracing all seven priorities of the Canadian Chamber’s election platform, [Vote Prosperity](#),” said John Wishart, CEO of the CCGM. “These recommendations will help our businesses create jobs, grow and strengthen our community.”

[Vote Prosperity](#) calls on all of the federal parties to support Canada’s job creators by including these priorities in their election platforms:

- A tax system that is fair, efficient and modern.
- A regulatory system that works for everyone, including business.
- Access to new markets around the world and the elimination of trade barriers at home.
- Resources to help small- and medium-sized businesses grow and succeed at home and abroad.
- Innovation and infrastructure to make Canada the most connected country in the world.
- A workforce with the skills, education and training required to prosper.
- A healthier pharmacare system for healthier Canadians.

“Canada’s political parties will spend the next seven months focused only on improving their electoral outcomes. Today, we are asking them to look beyond their electoral horizons and do what businesses do every single day: focus on long-term growth and prosperity. That’s why we are challenging all politicians to support the priorities outlined in the Canadian Chamber’s platform, [Vote Prosperity](#). Canadian businesses aren’t asking for a handout. They just want a fighting chance to compete and grow,” said Hon. Perrin Beatty, P.C. O.C., President and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

Heading into the 2019 federal election, the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton and the Canadian Chamber network will continue to engage with federal representatives to focus on reducing the overall taxation, regulatory burden and workforce attraction and immigration as critical priorities for Canadian businesses owners to maintain their competitiveness and the prosperity of all Canadians.

The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton and the Canadian Chamber network are strictly apolitical and our policy analyses should never be taken as partisan. All analyses are based solely upon whether a policy helps Canadian businesses be more competitive and aligns with the Canadian Chamber network's existing policy platform.

Visit [www.voteprosperityCA.ca](http://www.voteprosperityCA.ca) to learn more about this initiative.

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