

Libertarians defend and protect individual persons (mind, body, efforts) and their property (anything of value) against intended and unwanted harm of aggression imposed by others including persons employed by the state.

In practical terms, this means that we do not believe in using the government to impose and enforce rules on behalf of one subset of citizens at the cost of the social and financial freedoms of all 14 million Ontario citizens. Libertarians do not engage in “Special Interest Group” (SIG) politics which often serves to divide and antagonize people rather than to build understanding, acceptance and mutual cooperation.

We believe that people who share a common cause should act collectively using their own efforts and resources to address the issues that concern them, and to do so without expecting the government to act as central planner, ambassador, broker, wealth distributor, or any other role as third party to the group and its issues.

As a Libertarian, I believe that we all share a common goal ... to survive.

Each of us is unique in every conceivable way, and to ask the government to intervene on behalf of your community is to insult every individual member of your community because the inevitable ‘collective’ government prescriptions may satisfy some of you, but not all individuals in your group.

In terms of survival, every citizen should all be concerned about the single biggest issue of our time - our governments are too big. This is why our #1 goal is to reduce Excessive Government size, scope, power and cost. The questions that you are asking seem to be seeking answers that are guaranteed to require more government, not less.

Yes, we understand that some people like their governments big and getting bigger, but not everyone!

Some metrics:

- The number of regulations that the Ontario government currently enforces has doubled in the past 25 years to 380,000+ (these are rules that they use to micro-manage our lives from cradle to grave).
- The current \$58.5 Billion provincial budget is paying primarily for the fixed operating costs of enforcing these 380,000+ rules.
- The average Canadian remits 45% of annual earnings to taxes and government “revenue tools” (the biggest item on the typical family budget). The \$311 Billion Ontario

Government debt is shared by all 14 million citizens at \$22,000 per man, woman and child. (Did you know that even a newborn infant takes its first breath owing \$22,000 in provincial debt plus \$18,000 in federal government debt? If you have children, did you sign off on this debt for each of them?)

If this Big Government scenario is agreeable to you and your loved ones, then you are free to vote for any of the BORG (blue, orange, red and Green) Bigger Government parties. But, if your primary motivation is survival, then please do not ask for more government assistance which will only make your future more challenging.

Instead, respect and join those citizens of Ontario who want Less Government and who prefer to keep more of their hard-earned income to spend on THEIR priorities instead of the priorities of BORG politicians. While many citizens may not share your preferences, needs and priorities, theirs are just as valid to them as yours are to you.

The Ontario Libertarian Party is advocating Non-Government Options to address many needs in various special interest groups in society. I personally believe that this is your best avenue to address the needs and concerns of your community rather than relying on politicians to “get it right” for you.

On a note of interest, the Ontario Libertarian Party was founded in Toronto’s gay community in the 1970s. We have also run the first openly trans candidate in Ontario’s history (the 2014 election) but Christin has since left for a more activist group because the Ontario Libertarian Party did not emphasize LBGTQ causes sufficiently to satisfy Christin’s expectations. Any political party that hopes to survive must address the expectations of 14 million citizens who are each as unique as any of your members in their expectations.

The only thing that you can reasonably expect from the Ontario Libertarian Party is to defend and protect individual persons (mind, body, efforts) and their property (anything of value) against intended and unwanted harm of aggression imposed by others including persons employed by the state.

Best regards and good luck in your search for the party that best serves your interests.

Regards,

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