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Responses

1. Economic Recovery and Growth

Given the current climate of federal and global fiscal restraint, what specific federal measures do you feel are needed for a sustained economic recovery and enhanced economic growth in Canada?

investment into research and development of sustainable energy instead of the opposite. support for entrepreneurs to develop new businesses. Investment in to communities to learn how to be sustainable. Investment into preventable and sustainable health care. ie less reliance on pharmaceuticals and education on how diet and exercise can create health. Pharmaceuticals kill to many people every single year and make many others sick. Lobbying and sponsorship of politicians and political parties should not be allowed. The above mentioned points could stimulate community growth on all levels and decrease in the long run the amount of Federal funds required

2. Job Creation

As Canadian companies face pressures resulting from such factors as uncertainty about the U.S. economic recovery, a sovereign debt crisis in Europe, and competition from a number of developed and developing countries, what specific federal actions do you believe should be taken to promote job creation in Canada, including that which occurs as a result of enhanced internal and international trade?

I believe this is an illusion. A distraction away from many other more pressing problems. We need to take care of our own business. We need to deal with the huge problem of poverty in our own country. To focus on other clean renewable sources of energy. I believe free trade is just another step towards a one world government and that it in no way benefits Canada.

3. Demographic Change

What specific federal measures do you think should be implemented to help the country address the consequences of, and challenges associated with, the aging of the Canadian population and of skills shortages?

I believe that many things from now on are dependent on healthy communities. If communities can become more sustainable with everyone being involved with the governance, health, producing food and goods for that community then we will have a chance to continue to survive on this planet. The way we are existing now can never be sustained and great change is necessary now. Community development is the only way I can see to move forward.

4. Productivity

With labour market challenges arising in part as a result of the aging of Canada's population and an ongoing focus on the actions needed for competitiveness, what specific federal initiatives are needed in order to increase productivity in Canada?

The gov't has to take a look at the whole picture from a new perspective. For example we have to stop thinking in terms of competitiveness. It creates divisions in the country and in the world. We must seek working in a harmonious way with the rest of the world. Instead of what can we get from you to be bigger and better what can we do to support and enable each other. If we develop strong communities we will have a stonger country and a stronger and more unified world

5. Other Challenges

With some Canadian individuals, businesses and communities facing particular challenges at this time, in your view, who is facing the most challenges, what are the challenges that are being faced and what specific federal actions are needed to address these challenges?

As usual of course its the middle class and poor taking the fall. Again one has to look at this from a totally new perspective in order to find the solution. The answers to the previous question also answers this one.