

HOW THE LIBERALS HAVE HURT **CITIES AND TOWNS**

While piling up huge budget surpluses, Paul Martin's government has:

- let our roads and water systems crumble
- cut transfers to provinces and municipalities
- pushed public private partnerships (P3s) for water and wastewater systems
- backed away from a federal role in social housing leaving 250,000 homeless
- ignored the need for a national program to support urban transit

The Conservatives are no better

- Stephen Harper wants further cuts in the size of government
- Just like the Liberals, the Conservatives want to let big business turn public services into profit-making opportunities

What the NDP says

The New Democrats are committed to:

- public investments in water and wastewater treatment facilities
- national standards for drinking water
- more non-profit, affordable housing
- green transportation research and development

What do we want?

- public funding for public infrastructure
- a portion of the federal gas tax for transit and road improvements
- a portion of income tax earmarked for municipalities
- GST rebate allocated to infrastructure
- publicly owned and operated electricity
- energy conservation and environmental stewardship



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