

## Our Open Platform process

Elections are a time for parties to lay out their plan for the future of the province. But plans are created by people sharing their ideas and being clear about their priorities for their province. Last fall, we launched Open Platform to give all British Columbians a new forum to share their views on the issues facing our province, their input on the progress we are making together and the path they would choose to the future.



Open Platform is your chance to help shape our policies during and beyond this election; and it's just one part of our ongoing dialogue with British Columbians and our evolving action plan to address your priorities and help keep BC strong.

## Share your ideas. Make your voice heard. Help us build upon BC's strengths

Since launching Open Platform, we've had over 1,500 submissions from the public. We've heard from thousands of British Columbians in communities across the province. Our "digital bus" has visited cities, universities and colleges across BC. We are engaging young adults who are more informed and connected than any generation in history because this is their future we are talking about.



We've received lots of positive suggestions. Many are reflected in this booklet and in the policies initiated by government. British Columbians are confident about their future and they are ready to lead in tackling the issues of our times. They are concerned about their jobs and financial security in the face of the global recession, but they know there is no place on Earth that offers more promise for them than British Columbia.

Most citizens understand there is a limit to what we can afford to fund with their tax dollars. They don't want to see their money wasted and they don't want any party to try to buy their votes with expensive, unaffordable election promises. This Platform is a responsible program for steady progress and prudent management of your tax dollars.