

Candidate name: John Turmel
Political Party: Pauper Party of Ontario

1. Do you agree with the following statements?

	Yes	No	Not Sure
a) The growing income gap is creating instability for many middle income earners and increasing hardship for people on low incomes.			X

No responses to the following:

- b) Job loss and income insecurity make the affordability of daily living harder for middle and lower income earners and, unless they borrow money and increase their debt load, they will be limited in what they are able to do in many areas of life e.g. education, home ownership.
- c) The lowest income earners and especially those who receive social assistance, disability supports or must rely on low fixed incomes are increasingly unable to make ends meet as their means decrease and the cost of living rises.
- d) Those with no, low or fixed incomes need social policy and programs supported by a progressive and fair tax system.

2. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions related to employment?
No Response

3. Will you support the following policy recommendations and directions to improve income security for Ontarians?
No Response

4. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions related to housing?
Yes No Not
Sure

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| a) Implementing a full housing benefit for low income individuals and families to ensure that their housing costs consume no more than 30% of their household budgets. | | | X |
| b) Increasing incentives for building or refurbishing affordable housing. | | | X |
| b) Ensuring there is adequate, appropriate and supported housing for those with mental health needs, disabilities, chronic health conditions or who are aging with or into disabilities can live independently and with dignity | | | X |
| c) Increasing readiness to meet the needs of an aging population - establish 'visit-able housing' standards for a significant portion of new housing to ensure people are able to age in place if they experience mobility limitations. | | | X |

5. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions related to education?
Yes No Not
Sure

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| a) Supporting the reallocation of funding for the Ontario Tuition Grant to an across-the-board tuition fee reduction for all college and university students. | | | X |
| b) Supporting the elimination of interest on the Ontario portion of Ontario Student Assistance Program loans. | | | X |
| c) Recognizing spouses as independent adults when they are applying for post-secondary admission and financial assistance - assess qualification for assistance based on their income and not family income. | | | X |

6. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions related to childcare as part of a healthy social infrastructure?

Yes No Not Sure

- a) Strengthening the provision of childcare for children and families in Ontario up to age 13. X
- b) Strengthening the provision of early learning programs for children and families in Ontario. X

7. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions for direct and preventative services as part of a healthy social infrastructure?

Yes No Not Sure

- a) Ensuring adequate supports for newcomers for at least 5 years. X
- b) Faster recognition of credentials for foreign trained professionals. X
- c) Increasing supports for prevention and alternative justice programs NOT higher cost policing and prisons. X
- d) Continuing support for women in abusive situations, increase crisis beds and support options for women to rebuild their lives. X
- e) Ensuring there is adequate investment in health promotion and prevention through lower cost, community sector organizations rather than through higher cost traditional health care services. X

8. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions to ensure a diverse and accountable community sector?

Yes No Not Sure

- a) Strengthening a diverse and healthy non-profit sector, including small and medium sized organizations, through a combination of core operational and project funding programs. X
- b) Ensuring provincial level information systems and web based portals such as '211' are part of an integrated information and support infrastructure working with and not aiming to replace local information service providers and data providers. X
- c) Re-thinking allocation of \$4m annual 'poverty reduction' funding to support the central body (O211SC) that has been recognized by the Government of Ontario as the body to develop and deliver the '211' service. O211SC has no accountability to local communities or for reducing poverty. Either fund from a different envelope or allocate resources to be used by local poverty reduction collaborations to evaluate effectiveness of the '211' service for reducing poverty in real and substantial ways. X

9. Will you support investment in the following policy recommendations and directions to ensure there is healthy physical infrastructure and environment in Ontario?

Yes No Not Sure

- a) Ensuring air and water quality is monitored and measures taken to ensure there are safe and adequate supplies, especially in areas with poor quality and/or with potentially insufficient water supply. X
- b) Ensuring there are adequate transfer payments to municipalities (from provincial and federal governments) to enable maintenance of safe and accessible public services and facilities, including public transportation, parks and green spaces, sidewalks and to be sure there is no erosion in existing facilities such as libraries. X
- c) Developing and maintaining sufficient public transportation systems in and between communities across Ontario to ensure there is affordable, accessible and adequate transportation for all. X
- d) Supporting local municipalities in building and maintaining community facilities to enable more options for use of these spaces and less reliance on user fees which are a disincentive to community initiatives. X

e) Continuing grants to support the community use of schools, making it a priority for community use of decommissioned schools and ensuring this program is widely promoted. X

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10. Will you support investment to address the unique needs and human rights of the following groups?

Yes No Not Sure

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| a) Women | X |
| b) Persons with disabilities | X |
| c) Immigrants and refugees | X |
| d) Visible minorities/persons of colour | X |
| e) First Nations/aboriginal peoples | X |
| f) Older adults | X |
| g) Youth | X |

11. I will respond to these additional questions. Yes

12. Do you agree it is important that the public and separate school boards begin discussions about how they could work together more, share resources (e.g. school facilities) and reduce costs?

No

Jct: Financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, there would be no need to reducing costs or share resources once we can afford both.

13. Will you support restoring funding to support the program that provides accessible materials through Ontario libraries?

Yes

Jct: Financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, full-funding is possible.

14. Will you advocate for increasing social assistance rates?

Yes

Jct: Financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, full-funding is possible.

15. Will you advocate for reinstating the special diet, community start-up and discretionary fund allowances at previous funding levels and eligibility requirements?

Yes

Jct: Financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, full-funding is possible.

16. Would you advocate for a guaranteed annual income in Ontario?

Yes

Jct: Financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, full-funding is possible.

17. Will you champion poverty eradication in Ontario?

No

Jct: Championing poverty eradication is lip service. Google "anti poverty engineer" and John Turmel comes up. Google "anti-poverty software" and Turmel's LETS interest-free currency comes up. I'm not championing the end to poverty, I'm engineering it.

18. The National Health Report Card of Canada's health care system was recently released by the Canadian Medical Association and shows a widening disparity between rich and poor in terms of health measures. It appears that 'wealth equals health' is still the case for Canadians. How would your party address this issue for Ontarians?

Jct: By providing Ontarians with enough paychecks to create jobs for all who want to put in TIME doing useful

work so they can afford the health care.

19. There is concern that legislated contracts will damage relations between teachers, boards and government. How will you as an MPP assist schools, politicians and educational leaders to collaborate?

Jct: Once education is financed with small-denomination Ontario Provincial bonds, full-funding is possible and there's no more fighting over not enough money and collaboration comes naturally, not forced by politicians.

20. How will your party eliminate the stated deficit faced by the Government of Ontario?

Jct: By funding as much as possible with interest-free Ontario Provincial Bonds, we can save the whole 10 billion in interest, like the Argentine provinces who set up their own provincial bond currencies saved. No deficit.

21. With regard to the proposed development of Highway 7 between Kitchener and Guelph, what will your party do to protect the wetlands adjoining the proposed development?

Jct: Pay as many Ontario Provincial Bonds as it takes to do the job right.

22. How will you change the current focus that seems predominate in corporations to reduce costs and increase profits while having no accountability or responsibility to the communities in which the companies are located?

Jct: By offering corporations interest-free credit lines as well as citizens, (imagine a PayPal Ontario where you can buy in with VISA or 100 Hours of labor and pay off with VISA or 100 Hours of labor) they can afford accountability and responsibility to their communities. But burdened with paying interest on their debts, they can't.

23. There are a range of stakeholders coping with poverty now, including local and provincial orders of government, community groups, agencies, churches and more. How will you promote a cohesive, collaborative approach to programs that includes and supports non government stakeholders?

Jct: There won't be any more poverty shareholder groups once there's enough provincial currency to run the province fully-funded.

24. How will you work to reduce the stigma of poverty and ensure people who are homeless or in economic need can live a life with dignity and respect?

Jct: There won't be any stigma of poverty when the eradication of poverty has been engineered, not merely championed.

25. What will you do to promote non-profit housing?

Jct: Nothing. I want builders of good houses to make a profit. I just don't want the lbankster oansharks creating the money making 10 times with interest as the builder did with hammer and nails.

26. What will you do to reverse cuts to the Workman Safety Insurance levels?

Jct: I'll reverse cuts with Ontario Provincial bonds. Bet the other candidates don't have any alternative but to "champion" more.

27. What would you do to end the marginalization of injured workers?

Jct: Injured workers with interest-free credit lines aren't marginalized any more.

28. What policy would reduce the requirements for credentials in those situations where this may be an artificial or arbitrary barrier to employment?

Jct: We won't need such policy when there are jobs for all paid with Ontario Bond Bucks.

29. How would you improve and monitor the Employment Standards Act and/or the Ontario Labour Relations Act to protect Ontarians in regards to precarious employment?

Jct: Who would not want to improve and monitor the Employment Standards Act... Only those candidates with

not enough money to improve it but only enough hot air to champion it. I'll create enough new credits so improvement and monitoring can be maximized.

30. What will you do about the mental health crisis in this and other communities in Ontario?

Jct: Most people are being driven crazy by their usury-bearing debts. Once their interest-free credit line offers them economic security, the reduction in stress caused by insufficient chips will be eliminated and there shouldn't be many left in sad mental health once we're all rich. Back in the 1950s when almost every family had a job, there was no such mental health crisis. Sit in poverty and hopeless unemployment long enough, it'll get to you. Join a LETS and start trading time with your neighbors and your mood changes. "I now love the town I'm living in," said one LETS lady in Australia back in 1993! Check it out. LETS is saving Greece. Google Greece LETS currency

31. In 2011 one-time funding was provided to fight the spread of bedbugs. What will your party do to ensure the growing problem of bedbugs is addressed?

Jct: I can provide full-time funding to eliminate, not fight the spread, of bedbugs. So if you don't vote for the only candidate able to engineer a new way of funding things, enjoy the bites you deserve and think of me when you itch and scratch. Har har har.

32. Is there anything you want to add?

Jct: In 2001, Argentine went broke, banks closed. By 2006, all their foreign debt was all paid off. How'd they do that? The UNIONS demand the provincial governments pay them in provincial bonds anyone could use for HTML, Hydro, Taxes, Medical Licenses. Everyone took the new chips, no lay-offs, more jobs, federal cash freed up to pay off foreign debt by using local cash instead. We can do it too? Are Argentines smarter than Canadians? So far but probably not. Youtube Occupy Wall Street Silver Bullet video winner: Argentine Solution. The silver bullet to fix our planet's finances that can be demanded by unions and voters everywhere!