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Immigration (IRCC)		
Levels	Modest and responsible' increases	Ensure the effective implementation of Canada's increased annual Immigration Levels Plan for 2020-2022, attracting more than a million new permanent residents to Canada over that time. This continues our modest and responsible increases to immigration, with a focus on welcoming highly skilled people who can help build a stronger Canada.
	Municipal Nominee Program - 5,000 new spaces	Introduce a Municipal Nominee Program that will allow local communities, chambers of commerce and local labour councils to directly sponsor permanent immigrants. At least 5,000 new spaces will be dedicated for this program.
	Make Atlantic Immigration Pilot permanent - 5,000 new spaces	You will also take the steps required to make the Atlantic Immigration Pilot permanent. At least 5,000 new spaces will be dedicated for this program.
		With the support of the Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development and the Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth, work to implement pilot programming to encourage more newcomers to settle in rural Canada.
		Support the Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship on pilot programming to encourage more newcomers to settle in rural Canada. (PCH)
Consultants		Advance the full implementation of the new professional governance regime for immigration and citizenship consultants under the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants Act, bringing strengthened government oversight and new compliance and enforcement tools into effect.
Mix	Focus on highly skilled	
Temporary Foreign Workers (TFWP)		
Refugees		Introduce a dedicated refugee stream to provide safe haven for human rights advocates, journalists and humanitarian workers at risk, with a target of helping resettle as many as 250 people a year.

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Asylum Seekers (Safe Third Country Agreement))	Work with USA to modernize STCA	Support the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness on irregular migration, including the new Border Enforcement Strategy and continued work with the United States to modernize the Safe Third Country Agreement.
		Work with the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness to continue to advance reforms and investments in the capacity of the asylum system to ensure it is efficient while meeting Canada's international legal obligations.
Processing, Admin & Service Delivery		Work on reducing application processing times, improving the department's service delivery and client services to make them timelier and less complicated, and enhancing system efficiency, including in the asylum system.
Integration (IRCC)		Work with the provinces and territories to ensure a renewed focus on the delivery of high-quality settlement services to ensure the successful settlement and integration of new Canadians. This will require a rigorous approach to data in order to accurately measure outcomes.
Citizenship (IRCC)	Abolish citizenship application fees	Bring forward a plan to eliminate fees for citizenship for those who have fulfilled the requirements needed to obtain it.
		Complete the legislative work on changes to the Canadian Oath of Citizenship to reflect the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.
Diversity, Inclusion and Youth (DIY)		
Multiculturalism	Improve diversity of GiC appointments, promote more diversity at senior levels of public service	You will do your part to continue our Government's commitment to transparent, merit-based appointments, to help ensure that people of all gender identities, Indigenous Peoples, racialized people, persons with disabilities and minority groups are reflected in positions of leadership. (ALL)
		Support me in the development of monitoring and reporting processes to ensure that the Government's senior appointments are merit-based and demonstrate gender parity and diversity.

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	Strengthen Anti-Racism Strategy and double its funding	Expand and advance Canada's Anti-Racism Strategy and ensure community-based projects are prioritized and meet the goals and outcomes of the Strategy.
	Boost G&C funding to promote inclusion and combat racism	Establish an Anti-Racism Secretariat.
	To make sure that the criminal justice system works for all Canadians, we will move forward with mandatory training on unconscious bias and cultural competency for all judges in Canada.	
	And we will provide funding to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research so that they can create academic research grants for studies on race, diversity and gender in Canada.	
	Ensure that rigorous GBA+ continue to be performed on all policy proposals.	Work with the Minister of Finance and the Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development to improve the quality and scope of Gender-based Analysis Plus (GBA+) in future budgets, particularly with a focus on diversity analysis.
		Support the work of the Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development to ensure rigorous GBA+ is performed on all Cabinet proposals from every department, with a particular focus on diversity analysis.
		Support the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development in his continued investments in projects that celebrate, share knowledge of, and build capacity in our vibrant Black Canadian communities.
		Work with Ministers across government to build on the spirit of the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent.

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		Lead multiculturalism policy, programs and activities to ensure that Canadian diversity is celebrated and respected in all of its forms.
		Work to ensure that multicultural programs are delivered in an effective way.
	To help more visible minority newcomer women find and keep a good job, we will build on the research, support and employment projects announced earlier this year, and move forward with an additional \$9 million investment over three years.	Make new investments in research, support and employment projects for visible minority newcomer women, with support from the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion.
	We will also work with economic development, agricultural and trade organizations to ensure that underrepresented communities are better served and more informed about the programs and services that can help them find and keep good, middle class jobs.	Work with other Ministers, and economic development, agricultural and trade organizations as well as directly with industry, to ensure that under-represented people and communities, such as racialized communities, are better served and more informed about the programs and services that can help them find economic opportunities.
		Work with your colleagues to develop policies that tackle systemic discrimination and unconscious bias in our country, including anti-Black racism.
	Improve quality and amount of data collection regarding hate crimes	Support the Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth by improving the quality and amount of data collection done by Statistics Canada regarding hate crimes to help create effective and evidence-based policies to counteract these crimes (ISED)
	Hold social media accountable for hate speech	Work with the Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth and the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness to combat online hate and harassment. (JUS)
	Additional \$6 million over three years to Centre for Community Engagement and Prevention of Violence	Continue to support the work of the Canada Centre for Community Engagement and Prevention of Violence and invest in front line programs that work to counter radicalization to violent extremism. (PSEP)

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	Resources to counter the rise of international far-right networks and terrorist organizations	Support the work of the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness and the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada to ensure that all Canadian communities feel safe by combatting online hate and harassment and combatting ideologically-motivated violent extremism and terrorist organizations.
		Continue to work with partners, including provinces and territories, to foster an environment that is safe, welcoming and inclusive in the sport and cultural industries. (PCH)
LGBTQ2	We will make sure that LGBTQ2 people get the mental health support they need.	Continue the work of the LGBTQ2 Secretariat in promoting LGBTQ2 equality, protecting LGBTQ2 rights and addressing discrimination against LGBTQ2 communities.
	We will provide more funding to LGBTQ2 organizations doing work in the community.	Provide additional investments to LGBTQ2 organizations to hire staff, expand services and reach more people. This includes hotlines and other support services for LGBTQ2 communities, including those that provide sexual health information.
	We will end the discriminatory blood donation ban.	Work with the Minister of Health, and in partnership with Canadian Blood Services and Héma-Québec, to build on existing progress to implement a behaviour-based model of donation that eliminates the blood ban for men who have sex with other men.
		Consult civil society representatives of LGBTQ2 communities to lay the groundwork for an LGBTQ2 action plan that would guide the work of the federal government on issues important to LGBTQ2 Canadians.
	We will amend the Criminal Code to ban the practice of conversion therapy.	Support the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada to amend the Criminal Code to ban the practice of conversion therapy and to take other steps required with the provinces and territories to end conversion therapy in Canada.
YOUTH		Continue the work of the Youth Secretariat to implement Canada's first-ever Youth Policy and ensure that the upcoming State of Youth report adopts an intersectional approach that includes race.

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	To ensure that racialized and Indigenous young people face fewer barriers at the beginning of their working lives, we will both enhance the Youth Employment Strategy and ensure that the upcoming State of Youth reports take an intersectional approach that includes race.	Support the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion to enhance the Youth Employment Strategy and the Canada Summer Jobs program.
		Serve as Vice Chair of the Prime Minister's Youth Council and provide it with departmental support so that I have an opportunity to draw advice from an engaged group of young Canadians.
		Lead, with the support of the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, the development of a signature national youth service program within the Canada Service Corps to allow youth to gain skills and leadership experience while making a meaningful difference in their communities.