

Work-Life Balance

Working families deserve a provincial government that supports them with labour laws and policies that help balance work and family life.

In Manitoba, business lobbyists and even some politicians are pushing to weaken the Employment Standards Code and other labour laws. These changes that business lobbyists want would be a step backwards for working families, making it even harder to balance work and home life.

We need a provincial government that will stand up to the powerful interests who want to turn the clock backwards on labour law in Manitoba.

Fair Minimum Wage

A majority of Manitoba's 28,000 minimum wage earners are adults. 1,400 of them are single parents. Almost half work full time. Manitoba's minimum wage earners need and spend every dollar they earn. They spend almost all of it right here in Manitoba, helping to support the local economy.

Manitoba's political leaders and parties have very different positions on regular increases to the minimum wage, raising the minimum wage to a living wage, and saying "no" to a two-tier discriminatory minimum wage. Visit Working Families Manitoba to read the report.

Working Families Manitoba is a community campaign of the Manitoba Federation of Labour designed to raise awareness on issues that matter to working people like you. Before you vote on October 4th, ask the parties where they stand on these issues that affect working families.

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Investing in Front-Line Health Care

Health care is fundamentally about people taking care of people. Patients don't benefit from specialized equipment and new drugs if there are not enough nurses, doctors, health care aides and other caregivers to provide care. Front-line caregivers remain the heart of our health care system.

This means that continued progress on health care in Manitoba will require training, hiring and retaining more front-line caregivers. That's why the Working Families Manitoba campaign wants all political parties to commit to policies that will ensure more nurses, health care aides and other front-line caregivers for Manitoba patients.

Workplace Safety

The workplace injury rate has been falling for a decade, falling by more than 40% to 3.3 injuries per 100 workers in 2010. This positive trend coincides with a period of significant change in provincial policy on workplace health and safety.

Workplace tragedies don't have to happen. We can take action to make our workplaces safe and healthy. With the right policies and investments, we can ensure workers make it home from work healthy, every day. Visit Working Families Manitoba to find out where Manitoba's political leaders and parties stand on workplace safety.

