

## 2008 Election Spending Promises Alberta NDP

February 4 - March 3, 2008

Date	Spending Promise	Party calculation of cost	CTF calculation of cost	Notes
6-Feb	Creation of an all party, special committee of the legislature to investigate royalty rates	???????		
7-Feb	\$25 per month pharmacare program for seniors	\$139,000,000		a
8-Feb	Create a government auto insurance system	???????		
11-Feb	Create a Green Energy Fund	\$2,000,000,000		b
11-Feb	The funding of energy efficient retro-fitting and alternative energy production systems for individual houses and buildings	n/a		c
11-Feb	Funding alternative power generation projects such as solar and wind farms	n/a		c
11-Feb	Creation of the Alberta Renewable Energy Corporation (AREC), a provincially-owned crown corporation to stimulate and promote research and development in alternative/green energy technologies and the promotion green and alternative energy industry growth	n/a		c
11-Feb	Financial support for Alberta's post-secondary educational institutions to train sufficient technicians to install, maintain and repair renewable energy systems	n/a		c
11-Feb	Fund basic research at public research and educational institutions into the development of green/alternative technologies and applications	n/a		c
11-Feb	Fund innovative designs and ideas coming in from private individuals and commercials institutions	n/a		c
11-Feb	Host competition style projects (similar to the one hosted by the X Prize Foundation) on difficult seemingly intractable technology problems	n/a		c
11-Feb	Create knowledge and business clusters to facilitate innovation in Alberta, a "Green Silicon Valley" for the generation of new ideas.	n/a		c
11-Feb	Provide seed money for new/innovative alternative technology companies	n/a		c
13-Feb	Establish a first time homebuyers' assistance program	n/a		d
18-Feb	Increase funding to create child care spaces and make existing spaces more affordable	\$312,000,000		
18-Feb	Provide additional sustainable grants to centres to provide higher wages for childcare workers	n/a		e
18-Feb	Provide support for after school care	n/a		e
18-Feb	Increase start up grants from \$1,500 per space to \$10,000 for daycare centres and \$2,500 for day homes	n/a		e
24-Feb	Health care initiatives	\$100,000,000		
24-Feb	Post-secondary initiatives	\$240,000,000		
24-Feb	Housing initiatives	\$166,000,000		
24-Feb	Arts initiatives	\$30,000,000		
24-Feb	Increase crime and community safety spending	\$88,000,000		
24-Feb	Increase to income support programs	\$61,000,000		

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24-Feb	K-12 education initiatives	\$443,000,000		
24-Feb	Other initiatives	\$75,000,000		
24-Feb	Roll-back post-secondary tuition levels to 1999-2000 levels	n/a		f
24-Feb	Invest in student housing immediately	\$100,000,000		g

**Total spending costed to date: \$3,654,000,000**

Total number of promises / Number of promises costed: 28/26  
Number of uncosted promises: 2

Denotes capital expenditure

### Notes:

- a NDP suggests \$139-million in savings can be found by bulk purchases of drugs by year 4
- b Fund would receive \$2-billion per year to a maximum of \$20-billion
- c Covered under the \$2-billion per year funding
- d Assumed to be covered under \$166-million housing initiatives funding
- e Covered under the \$312-million child care funding
- f Covered under the \$240-million post-secondary initiatives spending
- g Not explicitly stated by NDP, but \$100-million cost likely already counted under either post-secondary or housing initiatives funding, so not included in total