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# CMPAC Launches Election Campaign Platform:

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## VOTE ON PRINCIPLE. Vote for gaza. Vote for justice.

When we vote together, we can shape election outcomes and demand accountability. This election, let's vote with purpose, ensuring our concerns are heard.

Over 100 Muslim organizations demand a principled vote.





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We are excited to announce the launch of our election campaign platform -MuslimsVote.ca is LIVE!

MuslimsVote.ca is a national campaign to mobilize Canadian Muslims in a principled, impact-driven vote this election. For too long, we've been told to vote strategically – choosing the "lesser evil" rather than voting with conviction. **That ends now.** 

We are voting on principle. We are demanding accountability. We are mobilizing for change.

75% of Canadian Muslims say Gaza and foreign policy is the top issue influencing their vote. This election, we will not forget. **We will vote for justice**.

Visit www.MuslimsVote.ca to find endorsed candidates, election resources, and ways to get involved!

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# CMPAC and Over 100 Muslim Organizations Unite for a Principled Vote



CMPAC, alongside over 100 leading Muslim organizations in a**joint statement**, reaffirm our collective responsibility: to vote with justice, human dignity, and accountability at the forefront. While our community represents diverse political views, we stand united in upholding principles that transcend partisanship:

- Standing for Justice and Human Rights: Canada must uphold Palestinians' right to self-determination and oppose ethnic cleansing and genocide.
- Rejecting Complicity in Oppression: We demand leadership that challenges policies - both foreign and domestic - that enable oppression and violate human rights.
- Addressing Local Issues Affecting All Canadians: From the affordability crisis to rising Islamophobia and threats to civil liberties, we must advocate for policies that protect all Canadians.

This joint statement is the result of months of collaboration between major Muslim organizations, including CMPAC, NCCM, NMAF, TCMV and several national Muslim organizations. We strongly believe that every Muslim voter must be informed, engage with candidates on Gaza and key community issues, and support principled leaders—regardless of party affiliation. **To read the full statement click here**.

Many signatories will collaborate to support the community through campaigns aligned with these principles. In line with this joint statement, CMPAC has launched **MuslimsVote.ca** to inform and empower Muslim voters to cast a principled vote.

With a growing team of over 300 volunteers nationwide, CMPAC is mobilizing in key ridings and will release endorsements and riding recommendations based on a core list of ridings determined by consensus among signatories. For additional ridings CMPAC will provide further recommendations to guide Muslim voters.

We also recognize the important work of VotePalestine, J4All, CJPME, and Independent Jewish Voices in this election. CMPAC's endorsements and campaigning are independent efforts based on the joint statement's principles and objectives specified on muslimsvote.ca.

This election, let's vote with principle, not fear. Let's shape a future where our voices truly matter.

## Read Joint Statement Here

### Assalamu Alaikum and Peace Be Upon You,

As Canada approaches another pivotal election, we, the undersigned members of the Muslim community, come together in unity to reaffirm our collective responsibility: to vote with a conscience grounded in justice, human dignity, and a commitment to the betterment of society for all. Our community has a rich history of collaborating despite our diverse backgrounds, regional differences, and varying perspectives. We are determined to build on this legacy by working hand in hand, from coast to coast, for the greater good of our community and country.

The past year has been deeply painful. We have witnessed unspeakable atrocities against our brothers and sisters in Palestine, where the International Court of Justice has determined there is a plausible case of genocide. We've seen a Trump administration further articulate a desire to not only annex Canada, but to annex and ethnically cleanse Gaza-and to put a target on the Muslim community in general.

At home, we have seen political representatives across party lines dehumanize Muslims, question our loyalties, and cast baseless aspersions on our community. Islamophobia continues to rise, exemplified by legislation like Bill-21 in Quebec and exacerbated by political rhetoric and inaction. Economic uncertainty has left many struggling with affordability, and policies affecting civil liberties remain unaddressed. All of this is happening at a time when the very sovereignty of our nation is coming under attack.

#### **A Principled Approach**

We recognize that our community is diverse in political thought, representing a wide spectrum of views on governance and policy. However, we must remain steadfast in upholding key principles that transcend partisanship:

- 1. Standing for Justice and Human Rights We have a moral responsibility to uphold justice, especially in times of great challenge and adversity. This means we have a duty to advocate for the dignity and rights of all people—whether in Palestine or across Canada. Palestinian self-determination is part of a broader commitment to universal human rights. In light of rising threats to international law and the escalating risk of ethnic cleansing in Palestine and other regions, we need to ensure that politicians neither undermine nor remain silent on these issues. We need candidates to speak clearly about their principles, priorities, and actions to ensure these align with our values.
- Rejecting Complicity in Oppression Injustice anywhere fuels oppression everywhere. When our government enables human rights violations abroad, it emboldens discrimination, fuels Islamophobia, and erodes civil liberties at home. We must challenge policies—both foreign and domestic—that legitimize oppression and demand leadership that upholds justice and accountability for all.
- 3. Addressing Local Issues that Affect All Canadians We have a duty to stand up for the most vulnerable in our society. Issues such as the affordability crisis, rising Islamophobia, threats to civil liberties, and economic policies that disproportionately impact Canadians of all backgrounds must be central to our advocacy.

### A Call to Action: A Strategy Is Coming

In the coming weeks, organizations will release further strategic recommendations on the election for our Muslim community. Until then, we urge every Muslim voter to:

- Stay informed about party platforms and policies that align with our principles.
- Engage with local candidates and ask where they stand on Gaza, human rights, Islamophobia, and economic justice.
- Recognize that principled leaders exist across the political spectrum and support candidates, regardless of party affiliation, who demonstrate a commitment to justice.

### The Time for Unity is Now.

As we move into the election, the Muslim community must mobilize to ensure our country lives up to its aspirations of being the global leader in prosperity, human dignity, and justice.

Let us move forward with purpose and conviction, knowing that when we work together, there's nothing we can't accomplish.



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