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FOREWORD

Thank you for considering the Barbados Labour Party Manifesto 2026, **“Greater Will Our Nation Grow.”** Thank you for considering to again make the BLP your choice as the Government of Barbados.

We are in a general election campaign. Some call this season ‘silly,’ but we call it ‘sacred.’

We call it sacred because “the voice of the people is the voice of God.” This Party and the country await the voice of the people as to which Party will form the next Government of Barbados. We hope, that on the basis of our performance to date, our vision for making life continually better for all Barbadians, keeping you safe against external threats, and taking the country forward, you will renew the mandate of the Barbados Labour Party Government. With your support and cooperation and the policies of the BLP, with our combined love of country and people - **greater will our nation grow.**

The BLP is seeking to continue the work you have reposed confidence in us to carry out, beginning in 2018. We need your permission so to do. This Party took over the reins of Government after a difficult decade, repeated downgrades of the economy, the threat of devaluation, high unemployment and high social dissatisfaction.

You have already seen our **Red Record - A2Z** which shows that 70% of the 1726 promises we made to you in our Manifestos, Throne Speeches and Budgets, were fulfilled despite the circumstances in which we found the country and the multiple crises we faced.

We achieved this despite facing international crises, global uncertainty and volatility which resulted in complex and unprecedented national challenges: **the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant global shut down in 2020; ash fall and damage from the eruption of La Soufrière volcano in St Vincent 2021; a freak storm with unprecedented lighting strikes in 2021; the Russia-Ukraine War, the shortages of staple food and supply chain disruptions which followed. This was compounded by an ever-growing climate crisis; the water shortages affecting the Panama Canal, delaying shipping and increasing the cost of ocean-transport; the hit from the devastating Hurricane Beryl 2024, and severe, climate-caused flooding almost every year, including 2025. More recently, our region has seen military intervention disrupt our Zone of Peace.**

And we faced all of this while lowering the cost living; bringing unemployment down to a historic low and reducing debt from an all-time high. The BLP Government has proven that we do not shy away from dealing with any problem.

Under our leadership, Barbados has experienced social stability, inclusive economic growth, marked development, high job creation and lowering of debt. We gave people more disposable income by providing three (3) salary increases for civil servants in seven (7) years, higher pensions for seniors while reforming our National Insurance system, introducing and increasing a national minimum wage and reducing the tax burden on individuals and companies.

We lowered the cost of living, ensured a social safety net in a period of crisis. The BLP has considerably improved the services that Barbadians use daily, such as getting Police Certificates of Character, garbage collection, improving the bus service and repairing neglected roads but acknowledges that there is still much more to do to compensate for the combined effect of the lost decade and the COVID lock-down of almost three (3) years.

The geopolitical landscape is becoming more volatile and uncertain. These turbulent times in which we live, call for strong leadership and an experienced team capable of facing the challenges ahead. The global circumstances which we will have to confront as a small nation, demand a leader and team who can keep Barbados and Barbadians safe from external and domestic threats and shocks of all types. The Difficulties of the Day call for the leadership of the Barbados Labour Party.

This Manifesto represents the BLP's continuing agenda, as well as our plans for the future.

The BLP seeks to present here a new governance, not built on an old plantation economy, but one that is constructed on inclusion, equity, meritocracy, productivity, civility; one in which we are the keepers of our brothers and sisters; one where our sense of community and connection drive our commitment to each other. Barbados must be a beacon of what a small society can accomplish when love, goodwill, determination and a united people work together.

As we move forward, one sure protection against the challenging, international high winds, must be our respect for, and love of our nation and each other; our willingness to hold fast to each other, to our faith, and face and fight those challenges TOGETHER.

Our historical struggle has rooted the desire for equity and social justice in our hearts, in our bellies, in our bones. We must now root it in institutions that we can trust to serve us fairly, that liberate us from soul-destructive plantation models, that manifest the first fruits of our new Republic – protected dignity, practised fairness, manifested love and goodness, and shared purpose and destiny. Institutions in our new Republic that must SEE people, HEAR people and FEEL people.



Strong together as a nation and people.

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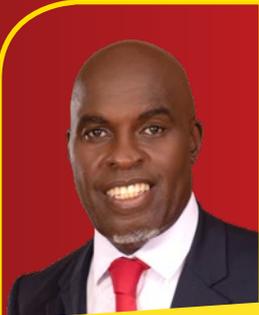
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“This is Who We Are”

Bajan Strong is not a slogan.

It is a declaration of identity and intent, coming from the bosom of who we are; a people whose values, strength and natural resilience have allowed us to survive, to succeed, and to establish Barbados as a global brand and international leader.

All Barbadians were thrilled when former United Nations Secretary General, Kofi Annan, described Barbados as small, but “punching above its weight.” In that phrase, the UN SG captured our struggles and our triumphs, as well as the fact that we have never allowed our size to constrain our achievements.

I truly believe that when Bajans work together we are at our best and strongest and we cannot be defeated.

The Government I lead is part of this Barbadian tradition. We have and will continue to work with all Bajans, to use our long-respected values to grow our nation into the best version of itself, and burst through to even greater success abroad, irrespective of the obstacles. Above all else, we want a Barbados of which all Barbadians can be proud, contribute to and in which they have a fair stake.

That my friends, is the Barbados, Bajan and BLP mission.

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PART 1
**THIS IS WHO
WE ARE**

A SENSE OF BELONGING

ANCHORING PRINCIPLES & VALUES

The structure, content and approach we use in this Manifesto are quite different to those in previous years. We have not followed the traditional sectoral layout but have, more or less, followed the kind of alphabetical lay out of the Red Record.

The words, “Greater will our nation grow” immediately announce, pride, respect and challenge. They set the context within which we must live and work as Bajans. They are a call to excellence as a people in community with each other. They are our Party’s watchwords.

In a third term, the BLP’s major policy initiatives and programmes will continue. There are, however, broad themes that will help to focus how we view and navigate our current circumstances, and where our country needs to go if it is to succeed in a time of global uncertainty and precarity.

The BLP is optimistic about the future, not only because our work to date has yielded much fruit, but because we believe that when our country’s core values are combined with national vision and effort, we can lay claim to a destiny even brighter than our history.

In pursuit of this objective, the BLP will anchor our policy approaches on what we all want as Bajans:

- A sense of belonging to something that gives life meaning - where we value being Bajan and identify with people with common interests.
- An affordable cost of living which makes life manageable, and the basic necessities attainable. There should be a standard below which no Bajan should be allowed to fall.
- The ability to access health care, education and housing, as well as official State support in times of crisis.
- To feel safe and secure personally, to be financially stable and have a national economy that is not under threat.
- To enjoy some measure of beauty and peace and the kind of recreation or entertainment that lets us relax and relieve stress.
- As individuals, or with our partners - families, youth and seniors, to be happy, afford our needs, enjoy our wants, and pursue our dreams with a sense of optimism and satisfaction.
- To feel that our national institutions and the people who work in them are respectful, effective, efficient, transparent, fair and act in the interest of every single Bajan.
- To develop the nimbleness and resilience that give us the capacity to face global challenges, and to succeed at home and abroad.

THE CORE BELIEFS OF THE BARBADOS LABOUR PARTY

The BLP's core values and foundational beliefs are important to our work and what we deliver to you. They give clarity on who we are, what we stand for, direct and influence how we engage with Barbadians and the world, and what we deliver to the country.

The Barbados Labour Party believes in:

- A Social Democratic consensus that is rooted in tripartism in organising and managing our nation.
- Free Education from the primary to the tertiary level at the point of delivery, in a system which instils values, shapes



attitudes, and develops skills including critical and solution-oriented thinking.

- Free Public Health Care from the primary to the tertiary level at the point of delivery, working in coordination with high-quality private health care. The public health system includes a high-quality general hospital, system of polyclinics, a National Drug Service, advanced diagnostic and treatment capabilities, and mental health care for all Barbadians.
- Economic management based on deploying the talents and labour power of our people, addressing their fundamental needs, valuing everyone, and treating all with equity and dignity.
- Creating opportunities for our children, and the need to give them a secure, bright, and boundless future.
- Partnering with the Trade Union movement to empower and enfranchise Bajan workers.
- Delivering critical social protection to the most vulnerable in our society.
- Maintaining the rights and freedoms of our Church and faith-based organisations, recognising that faith is deeply rooted in our nation's life and psyche.
- Protecting our electoral democracy and the importance of free and fair elections and freedom of speech and association.
- Protecting our natural and built environment, public infrastructure and the creation of beautiful public spaces and inspirational public monuments for our people.

- Prioritising and protecting Barbados' currency stability.
- A Non-Partisan Public Service characterised by high professional standards, integrity, and ethical conduct.



- A National Arts, Culture and Heritage programme that reinforces our national identity.
- Investing in the digital infrastructure and digital skills of our people

- A deeply rooted Cricket Culture that inculcates a communal artistic aesthetic, sense of pride and reminds us of what we are capable of, at our best.
- An ethic of Gender Equality that fosters full participation of all citizens in our society.
- Caribbean integration and the reinforcement of an independent Caribbean Civilisation.
- A non-aligned Foreign Policy based on the doctrine of, "Friends of All: Satellites of None."
- A Sense of History that equips our people with a knowledge of their pre-colonial origins and of the heroic struggles and achievements of their forebears and builds awareness of their ingenuity, resilience, strength and potential.
- Barbadian resilience which allows us to live with a sense of confidence, security, and acute sense of responsibility – personal safety, food and nutrition security; social stability and economic sustainability.

The Barbados Labour Party believes in Barbados and in Bajans.



“Friends of All, Satellites of None”

This quotation comes from the Rt. Excellent Errol Barrow, Barbados’ first Prime Minister. It has shaped our foreign policy since Independence.

Why do I put this quotation from a leader of another political Party here? I do so, because Barbados’ national interests always remain a driver of our international engagement. Given that small States are vulnerable in the multilateral space, our protection comes from an international rules-based order and by our defining ourselves by an ethical principle which tells the world who we are, and lets people know what they can expect from us. While small size might suggest fragility or vulnerability, in our case it comes with strength of character.

I remind us of this principle because in our first two terms some of our greatest threats came from external shocks of one type or another: from COVID-19 which shut down the island and its lifeline tourism-sector; to water deficiency; to a war far away; to the freak Storm and Hurricane Elsa that affected our housing stock and agricultural sector and Hurricane Beryl which affected our fisheries sector – Barbados’ circumstances were and are highly impacted by external factors.

There is no doubt that a new level of preparedness and resilience is needed to keep things stable at home as we remain ready for the new challenges that may come our way.





PART 2

THEMES & ISSUES

A NEW POLITICS & GOVERNANCE FOR ALL

The Barbados Labour Party understands that as Barbadians, we must believe in something, stand for something, and work with all who are willing and committed to building the best Barbados possible.

For this reason, it is essential that we design and agree together a new brand of politics capable of renewing our nation. A new model of governance that enhances our ability to lead Barbados' national transformation, ensure effective delivery of public services and successfully tackle the rising tide of lawlessness and criminality currently gripping the nation.

The BLP will work to fashion an inclusive Barbados that builds on the core of who we are, the shared values of our historic successes and the anchoring mores that have always made Bajans stand out. This will be combined with new, strategic and flexible approaches - using these as a model for navigating current and future challenges.

Let us agree on the shared ideals that define the Barbadian people and develop the means to transfer these ideals to current and future generations. We can then position ourselves for sustained and sustainable growth with equity, justice and fairness for all.

OUR RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

The Barbados Labour Party believes in law, policies and initiatives that give Bajans their due and protect their rights. We firmly believe that rights do not exist in a vacuum.

As we Stated in the 2021 Charter of Barbados, on the eve of our becoming a Republic - rights come with responsibilities. The State has a responsibility to the citizen; the citizen has a responsibility to the State; and all citizens have a responsibility to each other. That responsibility demands that we are not just takers of all that our country and fellow Bajans offer, but that we give back productivity, respect, kindness and the best we can. We must have good attitudes and be accountable to each other – being our brothers and sisters' keeper and our nation's protector. Each of us has a role to play.

A MORE MODERN BARBADOS

The Barbados Labour Party remains committed to modernity, and to making Government work better, faster, fairer, and more transparently.

Modernity is not about fancy words. It is about being efficient, fair and inclusive. It is about whether our people can get answers and services without begging. It is about whether businesses can move without bureaucracy and unnecessary red tape. It is about having reasonable requests for goods or services, to which Bajans are entitled,

fulfilled efficiently, without being made to feel that they have to be a “somebody,” or a “big up,” or to talk to “somebody” to get attention for what is due to them.

It is about whether Government and our private sector can deliver with competence and hold itself accountable for the results. It is about making this the norm rather than the exception.

The BLP will drive an aggressive operational plan to meet Mission 2030 - where world class services are delivered.



OUR ECONOMIC SECURITY

The Barbados Labour Party will create a stronger, more diversified economy—one that values skills, imagination, discipline, effort and enterprise, and gives all Bajans an opportunity to earn and be rewarded.

Having stabilised the economy and brought back growth with the first and

second Barbados Economic Recovery and Transformation Programmes - we must focus on economic transformation through competitiveness and productivity. This is at the core of the Barbados Economic Recovery and Transformation 3.0 Programme. That means re-industrialisation, export orientation, and a deliberate push into the digital economy, new services, new manufacturing, and new global opportunities.

We know that people have choices as to where to spend their money and where to go – this must therefore guide our behaviour in the public and private sector at the level of employers and employees.

The Barbados Labour Party also remains determined to build resilient infrastructure that improves the experience of every Bajan in their daily life. It is against this backdrop that we converted the Catastrophe Fund to a Resilience and Regeneration Fund into which every working Bajan and employer and the state contributes annually. This along with the novel use of Natural Disaster clauses that will allow us to pause the payment of both principal and interest in our debt obligations for two years will help stabilise our nation should it become a victim of a major climate disaster.

OUR PERSONAL SAFETY & OUR NATIONAL SECURITY

The BLP understands that it is critical for Barbadians to work together to reduce lawlessness and criminality and rebuild civility.

Safety is not a privilege. It is a right.

We will further modernise and strengthen our policing and justice capabilities—training, technology, intelligence, responsiveness, and community trust—because a modern society requires modern public safety.

But crime is not only fought with enforcement. It is prevented with a sense of belonging.

That is why we will invest in nourishing families and strengthening parental and life skills, partnering with faith-based organisations, supporting mentorship at the community level, encouraging participation in sports, arts, after-school programmes, conflict resolution and conflict mediation, skills training, and fostering a pride in our families and neighbourhoods.

We will build national resilience by strengthening the systems that deliver to our households and businesses.

Resilience is the foundation beneath everything else. We will focus on Barbados' resilience in:

- citizens' security
- food security and local production
- electricity and energy stability
- water security and distribution
- climate mitigation and adaptation
- digital security and resilience

When the shocks come, as they will, Barbados must not break or fall. We must stand strong, **BAJAN STRONG**.



BAJAN OPPORTUNITY & HUMAN DIGNITY

The Barbados Labour Party will continue to work all out to end poverty and unfairness as its national mission.

We must agree that poverty and unfairness will not be accepted as “normal.” Every Bajan must receive fair treatment and fair opportunity.

This goal must be pursued and implemented with the right funding, policy, leadership, skills, and measured outcomes. It must lead to building an inclusive country with a population that feels happy and fulfilled. We will protect and save vulnerable persons or support them as best we can. This is not charity. This is justice. It is also good economics, strong social policy and the platform for nation security - because every

person we save becomes a Bajan who lives with personal dignity and contributes to Barbados.

Unemployment at 6.1% stands at its lowest but our goal remains the pursuit of more, better and secure jobs. We will not only keep unemployment low, but we will seek to expand opportunities for decent, secure and well-paid work for every Bajan who wants to and is able to work.

We must work to move our people who are unfortunately still living in poverty into the middle class with jobs, innovation, education, skills, training, fair and available opportunities in an expanding economy. This will go hand in hand with making Barbados the best place in the world to be middle class.

A stable middle class is a nation's heartbeat.

We will give middle-income families more room to breathe—more disposable income, more confidence, more ability to plan, save, travel a little, and enjoy life.

That means relieving pressure where it bites - while increasing supports that help families raise their children. This will allow Bajan families to soar as high as their can from a stable middle class foundation.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE & THEIR FUTURE

The BLP is committed to building a Barbados where our young people feel there is an abundance of opportunity, peace and prosperity in their own land.

We will accelerate educational transformation so that every child can access

world-class learning, modern skills and pathways to meaningful work.

The BLP's next term in office will prioritise building Barbados' future; a future created for and where possible by young Barbados in which there are exciting opportunities. We commit to a transformative "Bridging the Gap" Programme for young Barbadians. We will always take proper care of our seniors, but we must build a Barbados for our young people.

Over the next five years, the BLP will place deep focus and investment into Young Barbados and commence the transition for the next generation of Barbadian leaders.

WORLD CLASS HEALTH CARE & OUR PERSONAL WELLBEING

The BLP understands why it is so often said that "the health of a nation is the wealth of a nation." We agree. Barbados in many respects, even in our COVID-19 response, has always been regarded as a leader in global health with world renowned public health experts, excellent health outcomes, high quality facilities and professionals, a world class indigenous Drug Service and free health care to citizens from primary to tertiary levels. The BLP will wrestle with the national burden of NCDs and address persisting challenges in our health care system.



Our Young People Will Define and Decide Our Future

We must build a Barbados for our young people.

Our society must have the space to include the energy, skills and creativity of our young people. Young Bajans must be able to enjoy a high quality of life in their home country and help our society and economy to grow. They can and must be allowed to fully contribute to nation building while becoming global citizens. There is no growing our nation without our young people.

The future is theirs and they are the future of our country.



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IN PROGRESS:
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LIFE AND GOVERNANCE ARE A CONTINUUM

Barbados is in a much better place than when we came to office eight years ago in 2018.

The BLP upon coming to office in 2018 addressed the implementation of the policies we described as Mission Critical to bring Barbados back from the lost decade. When we thought we could embark thereafter on our programme to transform our nation, we were forced into Mission Survival mode during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

The Barbados Labour Party was finally able to embark upon the process of Mission Transformation, as promised to the people of this country, as we emerged in 2023. We are now moving full steam ahead as we execute with many policies and programmes and undertake the responsibility of renewing our infrastructure to be successful in this transformation.

It is against this backdrop that we would wish to report to you on many of the programmes, policies and projects that while not yet completed, are in the middle of being implemented.

JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Creating jobs and high-quality work has and will continue to be a major thrust of the BLP Government.

When people have work, they have dignity; when they earn a decent living, families stabilise; and when work is meaningful, communities grow stronger. That is why the BLP's core mission is to ensure that every Barbadian who wants to work can find work — not just any job, but a job that is decent work and pays a liveable wage, builds skills, and creates a real pathway to a better life.

Under the BLP, unemployment has fallen to a record-low 6.1% — and we are determined to drive it even lower, while also tackling underemployment and improving the quality of employment across the economy. Our agenda is clear: more jobs, better jobs, and future-ready jobs. That means building an economy that is competitive, productive, and resilient — where businesses can expand, investment can flow, and workers can advance.

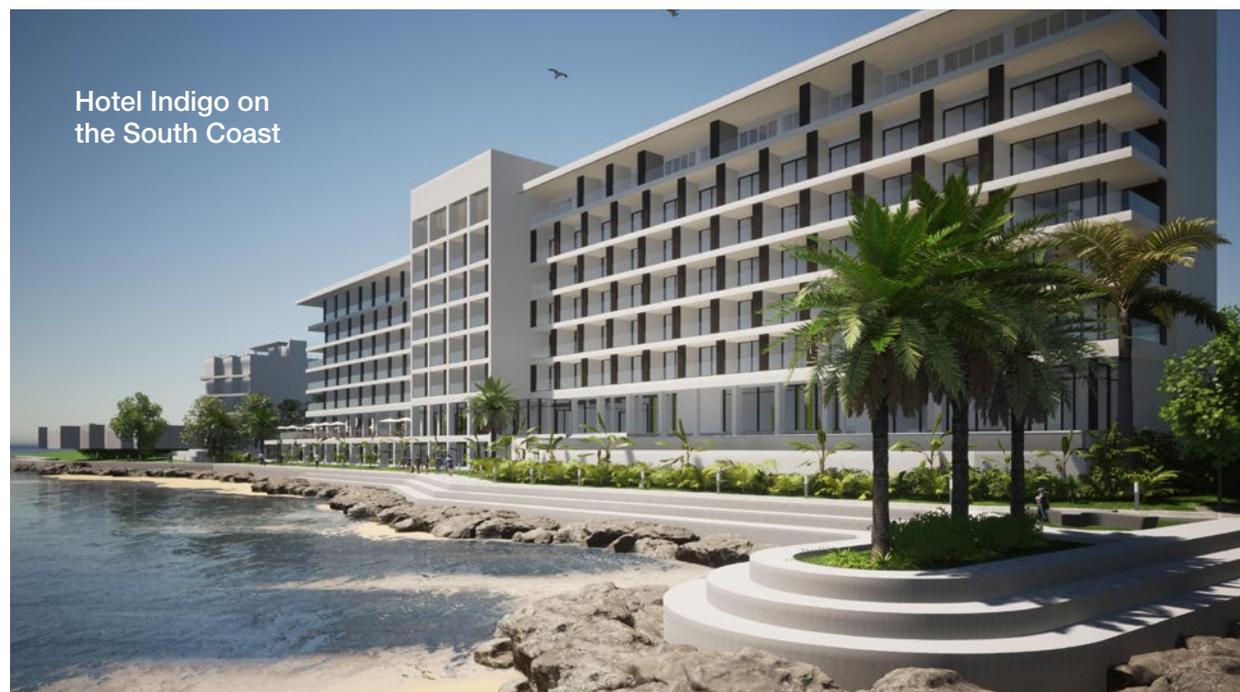
This is why we are aligning job creation with national competitiveness and productivity through BERT 3.0 — because a modern economy must do more than create employment; it must raise output, raise incomes, and raise opportunity. From tourism and small business growth to new industries like biosciences, to sports, wellness, culture, and emerging sectors, the BLP will keep Barbados moving forward — ensuring that work is not just available, but rewarding and secure.

We will continue to, and complete:

- **The BERT 3.0: a competitiveness and productivity programme** – this will transform and modernise our economy by driving competitiveness and productivity — the two engines that make job growth sustainable. It supports an environment where firms can expand and invest, and where workers can earn more through higher-value, more efficient work.
- **Job Loss to Job Gain Programme** - We will implement a structured programme to break the cycle where workers facing layoffs—especially those with low or

no formal skills—fall into long-term unemployment. This initiative will rapidly upskill and retool affected workers, matching them to real job opportunities in growing sectors so income loss and family hardship are reduced.

- **Tourism expansion** -With major hotel projects under way, we will continue to convert tourism growth into new employment opportunities across construction, hospitality, operations, and services. This will create direct jobs and a wider ripple effect for suppliers, transport, food producers, and entrepreneurs.



- **New Digital Economy, biosciences, pharmaceutical, and life sciences job pathways** -The BLP will advance the development of the digital, pharmaceutical and life sciences industries as new pillars of a diversified economy. These sectors can generate high-quality jobs – especially for recent university graduates - across technical roles, lab services, regulation, logistics, and supporting professional services.
- **Wellness and fitness jobs to reduce NCDs** - As Barbados intensifies its national effort to reduce non-communicable diseases, we will create stronger demand and clearer pathways for fitness professionals, wellness coaches, and health-adjacent services. This is job creation that also improves national health and reduces long-term healthcare costs.
- **More cultural activity to grow jobs for entertainers and creatives** -We will continue expanding social and cultural activity to support filmmakers, performers, artists, event professionals, and creative entrepreneurs. A thriving culture sector strengthens national identity while creating income and enterprise opportunities, especially for young people.
- **Small business stimulus packages and economy-wide initiatives** - We will expand our targeted stimulus and support initiatives that help small businesses start, survive, and scale—across every sector, from farmers and food businesses to personal care, trades, and digital services.

This is how we grow jobs at the grassroots: by backing the entrepreneurs and micro-enterprises that employ people in every community.

PROTECTION & OPPORTUNITY FOR THE VULNERABLE

Social Justice is embedded in the DNA of the Barbados Labour Party. We deeply believe that a society is judged by how it treats its vulnerable citizens — Persons with Disabilities (PWDs); the sick; the elderly; children in harm’s way; the poor; people battling mental illness; addiction, loneliness, and shame. This is why the BLP has worked tirelessly and has already developed a framework of national policies and programmes to ensure that Persons with Disabilities live with dignity, our children are protected by legislation, fatherhood is respected and encouraged through Paternity Leave. We are fully committed to continue the work of steadfastly protecting all vulnerable groups and create high opportunities for them to ensure that they are fully included in national life and benefits.

We will continue, and complete:

- The operationalisation of a Persons with Disabilities Unit to ensure the full delivery of services to PWDs and their families to ensure that they feel fully included in national life. Such services include access to education, jobs, public services, transport and public spaces.

- The expansion of the One Family Initiative to assist in breaking intergenerational poverty through early intervention and long-term support as required, to make a real difference in the lives of vulnerable Bajans.
- The national pit toilet eradication programme, having already assisted approximately 1000 families with the installation of modern restrooms across Barbados.
- The expansion of the role of social workers as first responders. We will strengthen the professional capacity and tools for social workers; establishing additional Social Empowerment Agency offices across Barbados and improving systems for general coordination across agencies to ensure that Bajans in need of support are not frustrated by being sent from office to office.
- The strengthening of our national apprenticeship system – ensuring there is a strong programme that equips young people for the world after they leave school
- We will partner with the private sector to place young Barbadians in real work environments where they gain practical workplace experience. The program aims to build confidence, adaptability and purposeful career direction.
- Island-wide community clinics with the National Financial Literacy Program - Business Barbados has started and will continue hosting community clinics with the NFLP to help Bajans remove confusion,

build confidence, and ensure they can manage money better.

A BLP Government will also:

- Partner with civil society to build and operate a Hospice to provide support and respite for care givers so that the persons who they take care of can receive safe care while they seek to recharge.
- Expand the available transport services for Persons with Disabilities so as to ensure they can attend school and access social services without disruption.

BAJANS IN THEIR SILVER YEARS

Barbados has a large ageing population for whom we must care in such a way that our appreciation for their contribution to Bajan society is evident. The BLP pays tribute to our seniors who are our country's nation builders and honours them with new proposals for their satisfaction and wellbeing.

The BLP will continue to and complete for our silver citizens:

- An Elder Persons Care and Protection Bill to protect seniors from all kinds of harm.
- The completion of the new Geriatric Hospital at Waterford, and the construction of phase two with a focus on expanding geriatric beds and enhancing clinical and rehabilitative services.
- Providing support such as the expansion of Home Help and related services to allow seniors to remain in their homes without

Geriatric Hospital at Waterford



going into nursing homes or other care facilities.

- Every parish will have dedicated residential senior citizens' facilities for older persons, providing assessment, care coordination, social engagement, and support services. These facilities will be built in a phased way. The first has already started at Sterling, St. Philip with plans completed for Edghill, St. Thomas and Odles Glen, St. George.

A BLP Government will also:

- Establish active ageing communities in partnership with the private sector. We will offer land and incentives for investments in any development designed

for our senior citizens. The idea is to create a community in which daycare and residential facilities and services for seniors will be easily accessible and their needs met.

- Protect our seniors in their silver years. The BLP proposes to add to the elderly care programme by expanding support for persons within communities to provide home based and community care so more seniors can age safely while remaining in their homes.
- Introduce a new cost of living cash credit of \$1,200 per year to all of our pensioners to ensure they live with increased dignity. We have already increased old

age pensions, reduced taxes on the basket of goods and will continue the work to improve the financial resilience of our seniors.

- Improve the administration and operations of our social care services through the establishment of the Social Empowerment Agency, replacing the National Assistance Board, the National Disabilities Unit, the Child Care Board and the Welfare Department – ensuring that we become more efficient in getting Bajans the assistance they need in a timely and humane manner.

INVESTING IN BAJANS HEALTH AND CARE

For the Barbados Labour Party, investing in Barbadian health and care is a statement of who we are and what we value. We believe healthcare is the national foundation for dignity, opportunity, and resilience.

A strong healthcare system protects families from hardship, keeps communities productive, and ensures that no Barbadian is left to suffer because care is too far away, too slow, or too costly. When we invest in health, we invest in the strength of our people — and the strength of Barbados itself.

The BLP's record speaks for itself - we will invest in modern infrastructure, stronger primary care close to where people live, and a workforce that is respected, supported, and retained.

We will expand access to quality services across the island while upgrading the systems and facilities that underpin tertiary

care. At the centre of this agenda is a simple belief — patients deserve a better experience, better outcomes, and communication and compassionate care delivered with excellence.

We also recognise that 21st-century health is broader than hospitals. It includes rehabilitation, wellness, mental health, and community-based support that helps people live well, recover well, and thrive. From modernising legislation and services for mental health, to scaling mobile clinics, to rebuilding core facilities, the BLP will continue to put people first — and deliver a health system worthy of Barbadians.

We will continue to, and complete:

- The expansion of education and training opportunities as well as improved terms and conditions for our nurses to ensure we retain as many of them as possible in the local health system. Nurses will enjoy benefit from better working conditions, eligibility to six weeks' leave to reduce burnout, enhanced wellness measures and greater access to vehicle loans, to support their mobility.
- The mobile health clinic initiative will be scaled up, so that more communities across this island will benefit from easily accessible, nurse-led primary Healthcare services.
- The \$400 Million expansion of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH). We will increase the size of the hospital by 40% on the Enmore site as phase one of the comprehensive redevelopment of the QEH. This initiative represents a major



component of the Government's long-term strategy to modernise tertiary healthcare infrastructure and expand hospital capacity. The project will comprise of

- » a State-of-the-art Oncology facility,
- » expanded clinical and administrative spaces,
- » a connecting bridge to the existing QEH building, and
- » supporting infrastructure, including an outpatient department, burns/ICU unit, laboratory, general wards, and a crèche.

This Phase 1 will allow us to embark on a significant rebuild of the existing structure, which will pave the way for Phase 2 when we

tackle a further new Build to complete the modernisation of the QEH infrastructure. All of this is intended to improve the experience of the patient as well as the quality of care delivered.

- The prioritisation of Mental Health Reform that will see the introduction of new Mental Health Legislation. The revised legislation will promote the integration of people with mental illnesses into the community, focusing on managing their illness well, strengthening mental health services within primary care, ensuring the provision of quality care, and improving access to services at the community level. We will expand the already existing mental health hotline and public services based on public demand.

- The passage of the Human Transplant Bill to facilitate an efficient and orderly regime for Organ donors in Barbados.

A BLP Government will:

- Seek a Public Private Partnership for the construction and operation of a National Rehabilitation Centre to provide comprehensive rehabilitation care across the country.
- Seek a Public Private Partnership for the construction and operation of a National Dialysis Centre.
- The construction of a new Eunice Gibson Polyclinic and Randall Philips Polyclinic. We will also refurbish the remaining seven others under the Polyclinic Upgrade and Refurbishment Project. We will build on the 24-hour service already being provided at the Winston Scott Polyclinic and expand opening hours of other select polyclinics.

MAKING IT EASY TO DO BUSINESS IN BARBADOS

For the Barbados Labour Party, “ease of doing business” is not a technical reform — it is a competitiveness strategy and a fairness promise. When it is simple to register, comply, file, and grow, entrepreneurs spend less time battling bureaucracy and more time creating value, hiring people, and serving customers. A modern Barbados must feel fast, clear, and reliable for everyone who is trying to build something — from the micro-enterprise in St. Philip to the corporate investor choosing a jurisdiction.

We believe that Government must be designed around the citizen and the business, not the other way around. That means public agencies that work like high-performing service organisations: customer-focused, digitally enabled, and accountable for outcomes. When interactions are smooth and predictable, small businesses can formalise and scale, compliance improves, and confidence rises — strengthening the revenue base and creating a healthier, more competitive economy.

That is why the BLP is modernising business-facing services as a national priority: simplifying processes, upgrading platforms, and bringing service closer to people. Our goal is to make Barbados one of the easiest places in the region to start, operate, and expand a business — because every unnecessary delay is a cost, and every improved process is a boost to jobs, growth, and national momentum.

We will continue, and complete:

- **Business Barbados** – The BLP began a comprehensive, customer-first reform process to make doing business simpler and faster. More than 700 processes have already been reviewed, with reforms continuing to reduce friction, improve clarity, and strengthen service standards. Business Barbados is well advanced in transitioning to an upgraded digital platform that modernises how businesses interact with Government. This will reduce paperwork, shorten turnaround times, and give businesses clearer, more predictable pathways for key transactions.

- **Customer Service Centre at Baobab Towers, Warrens** - A new Customer Service Centre has been established to provide a more efficient and supportive experience for business operators. It is designed to make interactions smoother and faster, with service built around helping people get things done correctly the first time. Small and large businesses are now met by experienced, customer-focused Branch Ambassadors who provide personalised guidance through key processes.
- **Digital ID-enabled service delivery** – We will complete the development and integration of a world-class Digital ID as a core enabler of faster, safer business transactions—supporting secure logins, identity verification, and streamlined digital submissions. This makes it easier for entrepreneurs and corporate clients to complete processes online, with fewer in-person visits and fewer points of failure.

WORKERS & THE FUTURE OF WORK

Labour is not just a word in our name — it is the moral centre of the Barbados Labour Party.

Barbados was built by working people: by the hands that harvest, build, teach, care, create, serve, and keep our economy moving every single day. When workers are respected, protected, and fairly rewarded, families are stronger, communities are safer, and opportunity becomes real — not just promised. That is why the BLP’s mission is to ensure that every person who works hard in

Barbados can live with dignity, stability, and hope.

In a fast-changing world, standing up for workers also means modernising the rules that govern work itself. New technologies, new business models, and new forms of employment must not become loopholes for insecurity or exploitation. The BLP will keep building a labour market that is fair and competitive — one that guarantees clear rights, access to justice, and predictable standards for workers and employers alike while rewarding innovation and productivity. A modern economy cannot rest on outdated protections; it must be anchored in fairness, clarity, and shared prosperity.

We will continue to work through consultation and consensus, because the strongest reforms are the ones the country understands and supports. Through the Social Partnership, we will keep advancing practical, people-first solutions that strengthen worker protections while helping businesses grow and compete. Our goal is simple: a Barbados where work provides not just a pay cheque, but a pathway — to security, to mobility, and to a better life.

A BLP Government will:

- A modern, unified Labour Code - We will consolidate existing labour laws into a single, coherent Labour Code that is clear, modern, and fit for purpose. This will update outdated provisions, streamline processes, and define rights and responsibilities for workers, employers, and regulators — bringing greater clarity, fairness, and predictability to the world of work.

- A new deal for non-traditional and gig economy workers -We will introduce a modern framework that formally recognises gig and non-standard workers, ensuring they are not left outside basic protections. This will set clear rules for worker classification, prevent the mislabelling of employees as “self-employed,” and extend access to core labour rights, social protections, and NIS coverage.
- Flexible work arrangements that match modern life - We will enable workers to request flexible arrangements such as remote work, flexible hours, compressed work weeks, and part-time schedules. Developed in consultation with the Social Partnership, these measures will help workers balance employment with care-giving responsibilities, reduce burnout, and strengthen both productivity and family stability.

ENERGY

For the Barbados Labour Party, the transition to clean, reliable, affordable energy is not only an environmental obligation — it is an economic transformation agenda that lowers the cost of living, strengthens competitiveness, and protects Barbados from global price shocks. Our shared patrimony — sun, wind, wave — is wealth that belongs to every Barbadian, and we are determined to turn it into jobs, investment opportunity, and long-term resilience.

Barbados already stands among global leaders, with one of the highest penetrations of solar PV in the world, and we have

empowered households through the Homeowners Right to Renewable Energy. But we are honest about the next challenge: the pace of solar has outgrown the grid’s capacity to absorb more. That is why the BLP is building the missing backbone of the renewable future — modern storage, stronger grid capability, and large-scale projects that make renewables reliable at all hours, not only when the sun shines.

Most importantly, our energy transition must be predominantly owned by Barbadians. This is not just about megawatts — it is about who benefits. From refinancing support for small businesses, to enabling smaller storage solutions, to creating ways for ordinary citizens to invest alongside major players, the BLP will continue to ensure that every Barbadian can have a stake in the clean energy economy we are building.

We will continue to, and complete:

- Homeowners Right to Renewable Energy - We introduced the Homeowners Right to RE to empower Barbadians to generate their own clean power and directly reduce household energy costs. This expanded energy independence at the home level and accelerated solar adoption across the country.
- Utility-scale Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). We launched Barbados’ first utility-scale Battery Energy Storage System project, making Barbados the first country in the region to initiate a utility-scale battery project. Storage is essential to unlock the next wave of renewables by stabilising the grid and allowing more solar power to be safely integrated.



- Competitive procurement to secure best value and technology - By using competitive procurement for major energy projects, we ensure Barbadians benefit from the most competitive pricing and the most advanced available technology. This approach protects consumers and strengthens national value-for-money outcomes.
- Energy Storage Tariff (EST) for smaller projects - We launched an Energy Storage Tariff to make it easier for smaller renewable projects to add batteries and become more reliable. This supports households and businesses that want to pair storage with solar, reducing their dependence on the grid and improving energy resilience.
- Refinancing facility for small businesses - For small businesses needing financial assistance, we launched a \$16 million facility to refinance eligible renewable energy projects. Beneficiaries receive a moratorium on principal payments until battery storage projects are completed, easing cashflow while enabling the transition.
- Barbados' first utility-scale wind farm at Lamberts/Castle, St. Lucy - We have launched Barbados' first utility-scale wind farm project at Lamberts/Castle, expanding the renewable mix beyond solar. This diversification strengthens energy security and supports more consistent renewable generation across different conditions.
- Unit trust participation so Barbadians can invest alongside major investors - We have built in a unit trust mechanism so that ordinary Barbadians can participate financially in large renewable projects, not just institutional investors. This ensures

the returns from our renewable future are shared more broadly across society.

- Energy Infrastructure Investment Fund - We will establish an Energy Infrastructure Investment Fund to finance major energy infrastructure, particularly base load and backbone projects that support the renewable agenda. This creates a new national investment opportunity so all Barbadians — youth, small savers, and large investors alike — can own a stake in the transition built on our shared patrimony.

BAJAN EARTH - THE BLUE & GREEN

Protecting and enhancing our environment on our lands and in our ocean for future generations is Mission No.1 in Mission 2030 Agenda.

The BLP will work with all Bajans to achieve this mission. We will work to expand investment in the Blue and Green economies, to increase environmental protection and job creation.

The BLP will continue to, or complete:

- The establishment of the Barbados Ocean and Coastal Authority (BOCA) - a focused, technically capable authority responsible for protecting and improving Barbados' coastline, especially beach stability and resilience as well as protecting public access and coastal fairness.
- The Beach Access Rehabilitation Programme will provide safe access to beaches across Barbados, beautiful pathways and recreational areas. Fifty (53) beaches have been identified. Work has so far started on 5 beaches - Folkestone, Browne's Beach, Brandon's, Dover, One Sandy Lane. One of the key components is the access and upgrades of beach facilities to make them accessible to persons with disabilities which has already started at Folkestone.
- The construction of the breakwater barrier to protect fishing vessels while in harbour - given our experience with Hurricane Beryl. A new Bridgetown Fishing Harbour will still have to be built to address the congestion of the existing facility.
- The establishment of the Blue-Green Investment Bank to spur investment in the Blue and Green Economies. This will be initially capitalised with \$150 million to partner with other local and regional financial institutions and support investments that reinforce economic sustainability and resilience, such as hurricane-safe hurricane roofs, small renewable energy projects, Green Bonds and regional transport for cargo and people to support regional self-sufficiency.
- Expanded use of technology by SSA to improve household garbage collection. Barbadians will be able to track their collections with the click of a button. This interactive medium would bring greater efficiency and optimisation of routes, increased convenience for residents and clear information on the volume of municipal waste being generated.

- The introduction of a “rapid response clean-up unit” for hotspots - a dedicated team to address illegal dumping and urgent eyesores.
- We will expand the use of smart technologies for enforcement against illegal dumping and for community reporting of blocked drains, broken street lights, potholes and neglected public spaces—so action is traceable and visible. We have already developed an App “Pearlie” that is now ready for launching.
- The launch of a major inter-community beautification and gardening competition across villages and districts and for our schools, with attractive prizes and public recognition for best clean community, best green spaces, best youth-led initiative, best school landscaping, and best coastal care.
- The work with the Barbados Wetlands Trust where we have enhanced the protection and balanced development of Graeme Hall Sanctuary for Bajans and visitors to enjoy. We will undertake further cooperation to protect and make accessible to the public the remaining 3 primary Wetlands in Barbados, namely Long Pond and Green Pond in St. Andrew and Chancery Lane in Christ Church for wholesome recreation.
- The establishment of the Barbados Nature Conservancy Trust. We will vest Farley Hill National Park, the National Botanical Gardens, and all other remaining environmental treasures deserving of national protection.

A BLP Government will also:

- Develop small “Community Beauty Grants” as part of the Clean and Green programme for practical upgrades, paint, planters, benches, murals, clean-up tools, community gardens, signage—delivered fast and transparently.
- Partner with schools, churches, NGOs, and youth groups to make beautification a civic pathway. Our young people will earn certificates, internships, and recognition for leading projects in their communities.
- Introduce clear minimum property maintenance standards, cleanliness, façade upkeep, securing of windows/doors. Our town centres should not be defined by shuttered, deteriorating or derelict buildings.
- Create incentives for reactivation of empty Government-owned commercial spaces. We will encourage “pop-ups” and other creative usage of underutilised space.
- Introduce Digi-Fish, a data driven solution which will be employed to help guide fishermen using digitally generated information to optimise fishing trips, reduce their fuel costs and improve their safety at sea. Data will also be made available for easy access to financial and insurance services. This sustainable approach using new technologies can improve the livelihoods of fishermen and ensure that Barbadians obtain a continuous supply of fresh fish.

URBAN & RURAL SPACES RENEWAL

The renewal of our urban and rural spaces to enhance our island's beauty, create economic opportunity and provide Bajans with places that bring a sense of creative expression, community, commercial opportunity and peace.

We will continue, and complete:

- The revitalisation and regeneration of our capital city. We will ensure affordable urban housing as a way of making Bridgetown live and bustle with activity beyond traditional business hours. We view the protection and promotion of housing in the city as critical to the future of Bridgetown, marking it not just as a commercial capital which people leave after business hours, but as the capital of our lives, culture and a symbol of our aspirations.
- The River Terminal Enhancement/ Renovation Project - to provide safe, cleaner facilities for vendors. Construction of new vending facilities, improved facilities for patrons and general beautification of area.
- The rebuild and transformation of Temple Yard into Arts and Craft village complete with commercial spaces, improved facilities and workspaces – especially designed for our Rastafarian community.

We will additionally:

- Launch a “Leh We Paint Barbados” programme for our 60th Anniversary of Independence and our 5th Anniversary as a Republic through the provision of

\$5 million in funding for those most in need to paint their houses and the negotiation of significant discounts from Paint Companies to encourage other householders and business owners to participate.

- Construct high quality, well maintained public restroom facilities for use by the general public – particularly those working in public transportation and outdoors where there is no access to such facilities.
- Construct a new civic centre for Hometown complete with police station, law courts, the Post Office and other Government offices to service citizens and the surrounding community.
- Construct a recreation centre in St. Philip to provide for theatre arts, dance and swimming with the capacity to accommodate a few local businesses and Community Groups.
- Install larger car park facilities for King George V Memorial Park; a car park and lighting for Three Houses Park, as well as an outdoor gym.
- Create new, sustainable community tourism facilities in rural and urban communities that are similar to Bay Gardens at Oistins and offer incentives for community-based tourism start-ups. This initiative will spur small business.

RESILIENT PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

The climate crisis demands that we build structures which can withstand the changes in climate and extreme weather events;

modern infrastructure, roads, bridges and drainage must be resilient.

We have already passed the Storm Management Act which restricts the misuse of watercourses, gullies, roadway drainage systems and may be applied to control the impact of rain runoff and flooding due to actions of property owners and housing developers.

We will continue, and complete:

- The aggressive national road maintenance and rehabilitation programme. We will extend our 'mill-and-pave' works, highway maintenance, and the rehabilitation of residential and tenantry roads. We will make a significant investment in modern road-building equipment and introduce new technologies, such as roller-compacted concrete to improve durability, efficiency, and value for money.
- The national flood reduction programme with improved drainage systems (inclusive of box drain, culverts, wells), the cleaning of watercourses and the construction of sidewalks across the island. We will implement better planning and stronger drainage systems with new flood engineering designs ongoing in flood prone areas such as Trents, St. James, Charles Rowe Bridge, St. George, Ashdeane Village, Martindales Road, Goodland Gardens, Pillersdorf in St Michael, in addition to Wilcox and Dover, in Christ Church.
- The Sewer Bellevue, Belle Tenantry and Bayley Alley - This project will give these residents access to potable water and services which will transform their lives.

- The Construction of a new Bridgetown Fishing Harbour. This work is essential for the protection of our fishing fleet from extreme sea and weather events, which given the climate crisis are growing both more severe and more frequent.

FAITH BASED ORGANISATIONS

The BLP believes that Churches and faith-based organisations have a pivotal role the development of the values and sense of purpose in our young people and the peace and decency of our communities. To scale their capacity to do good, the BLP will create a special fund, with \$5 million per year for Churches and Faith Based Organisations with highly impactful proposals to carry out social programmes that keep our young people off the streets, impart skills, offer training or otherwise build up the lives of our young people.



The Barbados National Stadium



SPORTS

Sport is not a side issue for the Barbados Labour Party — it is nation-building in motion. When our communities have safe, well-lit, modern places to train and compete, we are investing in health, discipline, confidence, and the kind of social cohesion that makes Barbados stronger from the inside out.

Sport is where young people learn leadership, teamwork, resilience, and ambition — the same qualities our economy and society need to win in a fast-changing world.

We also understand sport as a platform for opportunity and pride: a pathway for youth development, community engagement, and national identity. Upgraded facilities mean more participation, more structured

recreation, fewer barriers to entry, and more reasons for families to gather in positive spaces. This is why we back practical, community-first infrastructure that turns “playing fields” into hubs of health, youth empowerment, and community enterprise.

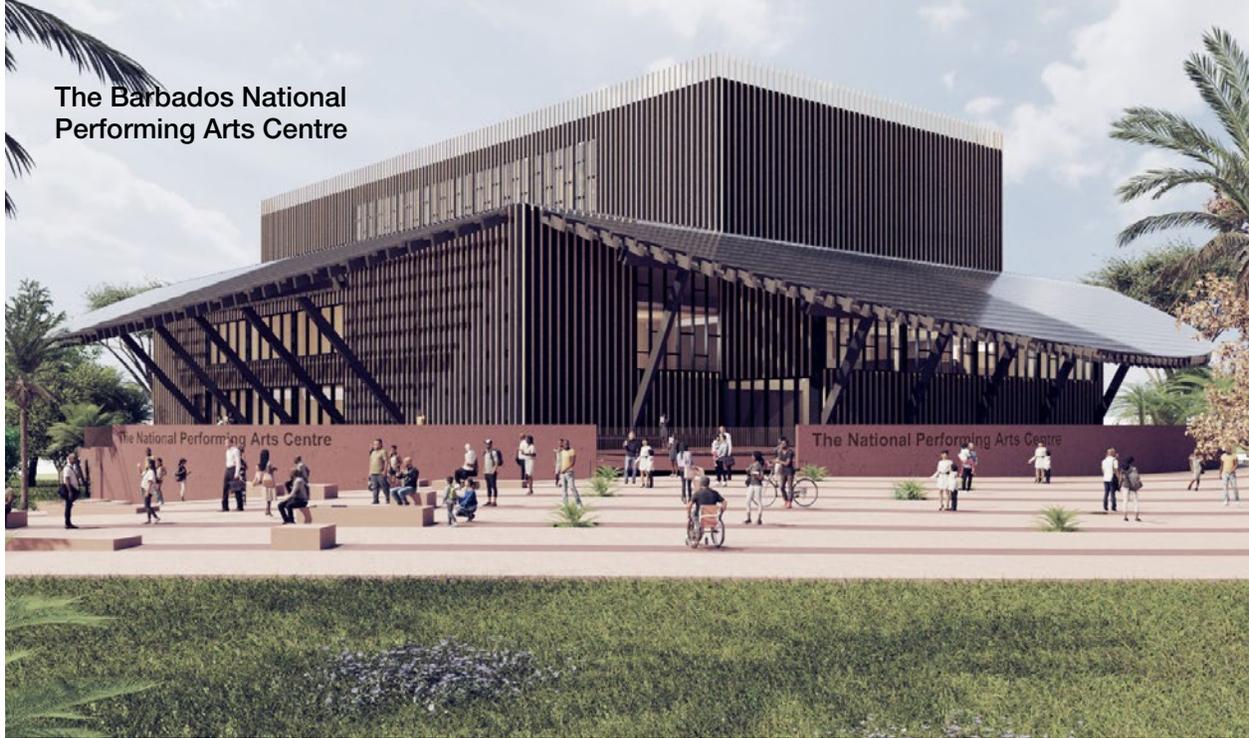
And sport is economic strategy. From cricket to beach sports to squash, badminton, and track & field. Barbados can host training camps, regional tournaments, and international competitions that grow sports tourism, strengthen our brand, and create jobs, new revenue streams for venues and communities.

We will continue to, and complete:

- The construction of a new Barbados National Stadium
- The Kensington Oval High Performance Cricket Centre

- The discussions with the staff and workers' representatives for the transformation of the National Sports Council into Sports Barbados.
 - Community development of Cricket nets/pitches at Blenheim — five cricket pitches delivered (with cages, lighting, and bowling machines)
 - Expanded relationship with the private sector locally and internationally to significantly boost Barbados' cricket economy.
 - The development of 13 mini stadia across Barbados with fencing, berms/mounds, landscaping, and portable/permanent bleachers.
 - The expansion beyond the 300+ road tennis courts repainted across schools/communities to drive participation and development.
 - Netball Stadium redevelopment as a covered multi-sport facility accommodating also basketball and volleyball.
 - Beach Volleyball Court at Gymnasium
 - 400m Track at the Gymnasium (Wildey)
 - Installation of a digital glass floor at the Gymnasium to better accommodate multi-sports usage.
 - The Expanded Facilities Lighting Programme (36 fields) — ongoing expansion of lighting towers to extend evening sport; 28 of the 36 fields completed.
 - Badminton / Squash Centre (Gymnasium) — a dedicated home for two high-performing sports (six badminton courts + six squash courts).
 - St. Matthias Resource Centre and Hard courts — community facility serving surrounding districts and schools
 - The upgrade of Fairy Valley and the installation of Lighting
 - The upgrade of 12 stand-alone Football fields across the island.
 - The Establishment of Road Tennis Coach Certification (TVET collaboration) — certification pathway to professionalise coaching and enable exportable skills.
 - Archery Facility at Lears.
 - The construction of the Community Centre at London Bourne in the City and designate it as a National Centre for Dominoes.
- A BLP Government will:**
- Construct the Plumgrove Pavilion Redevelopment (Christ Church).
 - Construct the Meadow Road Pavilion Redevelopment (Wildey/Pine).
 - Construct the Lammings Pavilion Redevelopment (St. Joseph).
 - Construct the College Savannah Resource Centre/Pavilion (St. John).
 - Upgrade Bagatelle Pavilion.
 - Upgrade Boscobelle Pavilion.
 - Construct 2 new 400m Tracks and Olympic size swimming pools at Trents and Bushy Park.

The Barbados National
Performing Arts Centre



CULTURE

A country that honours its culture, honours its people. For the Barbados Labour Party, investing in culture means investing in nationhood: preserving what makes us uniquely Barbadian, strengthening social cohesion, and giving our people—especially our youth—powerful ways to express, earn, and belong. because culture carries our history, our values, our joy, and our resilience.

We also know culture is an economic engine. The creative industries, heritage tourism, performance, and cultural innovation can generate jobs, attract visitors, and expand Barbados' brand in the world—while keeping ownership and opportunity in Barbadian hands. Done well, culture turns talent into enterprise, heritage into experience, and

creativity into sustainable livelihoods across communities.

That is why the BLP will continue to build cultural institutions and experiences that are world-class, authentic and globally magnetic. We will tell our story with excellence and truth, create new stages for our artists, and deepen the link between culture, tourism, education, and global relations—so that Barbados grows more prosperous while remaining unmistakably Bajan!

The BLP will continue to, or complete:

- Complete the building out of the Heritage Economy leveraging Barbados' unique, tragic historical experience and assets as the first modern slave society. Cultural heritage must be redefined as a pillar of national development. Over the next

Newton Enslaved Burial
Ground Monument



five years Barbados will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the settlement of this nation, the 400th anniversary of the establishment of Bridgetown as the capital city and the 400th anniversary of the establishment of Speightstown as a major commercial trading post. Through sustained public investment and strategic policy alignment, Barbados has laid the foundations for a heritage economy that strengthens identity while expanding opportunity, particularly for young people.

- The execution of the Reclaiming Our Atlantic Destiny (ROAD) Programme, which integrates large-scale archival digitisation, conservation science, research, and the development of the Barbados Heritage District anchored by the Newton Enslaved Burial Ground Monument. We have created pathways for over 150 Bajans to develop globally relevant technical careers in imaging science, data management,



digital preservation, applied artificial intelligence, research, design, and cultural production. Skills that position Barbadians to participate competitively in the global knowledge economy while remaining rooted in our own history.

A BLP Government will also:

- The development of a Barbados Underwater Aquatic Museum that will promote and leverage the blue economy and our cultural heritage. Barbados is currently leveraging a few shipwrecks

but is not maximising the potential or opportunity for dive tourism. We could do this through curating an underwater heritage museum which will also tie in the story of the transatlantic slave journey, establishing tombstones and other memorials to those who lost their lives at sea. This will provide a full experience for tourists, researchers and locals.

- The development of the National Performing Arts School of Excellence will be established by the BLP, incorporating the National Performing Arts Institute and Company. In the first instance, the company will recruit and contract a corps of performing artists towards developing a year of national performances in the areas of dance, theatre and music. The institute will undertake a strategic function through the provision of higher level advanced certified training, providing opportunities for international scholarships and internships. It is proposed that the Institute and Company be run by a Board of Management and that the Institute will partly be funded through a Creative Arts Endowment Fund.
- Host an Annual Caribbean Craft and Food Marketplace at CARIFESTA House.
- Establish with international partners the Barbados Film Festival and build out the infrastructure network to match the fiscal regime for the development of a thriving Film industry.



ENGAGING OUR REGION & THE WORLD

The Barbados Labour Party remains determined to keep Barbados resilient from external shocks and to maintain our position as “Friends of all, satellites of none.”

We also believe that there must be an international rules-based order that protects small States and within which all States, can act on their rights and responsibilities.

In a volatile world, a small country needs a Government that is principled, wise and sure-footed. We will keep building partnerships that strengthen our economy, our security, and our resilience.

Barbados will continue to expand its global relations, advocacy, and diplomacy—standing firm on our sovereignty, our dignity, and our commercial and economic interest as a nation.

The BLP will continue to, or complete:

- The expansion of our growing network of overseas Missions to enhance Barbados’ capacity to build partnerships and leverage economic opportunities as well as technological expertise in the Asia Pacific region, Northern and Southern Africa, the Gulf States and Latin America.
- Prioritise Diaspora relations to promote economic, social and politically inclusive interaction.
- The creative engagement with the global NGO community to advance partnerships that promote and project Barbados as a global thought leader on matters of national and international significance, like the Bridgetown Initiative.

- The work with the CARICOM community to negotiate new trade agreements with key States that offer opportunities for diversification of our food and commodities imports to access high quality but less costly goods.
- Renegotiate with all existing trade agreements to secure best possible outcomes and deliverables impacting our competitiveness and our economic, environmental and social security.

As part of our long term vision to strengthen the global Barbados Brand as a leader in issues affecting small island developing States (SIDS), the BLP will establish a Caribbean (SIDS) Diplomatic Academy and Centre of Excellence to be headquartered in Barbados, with the following objectives:

- I. Strengthen Institutions: Enhance capacity of Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- II. Innovate Training: Establish A Caribbean Diplomatic Academy for Preparing Leaders for Tomorrow
- III. Thought Leadership: Establish A Centre of Excellence on Small State Diplomacy

We recognise that solidarity is at the core of our ability to survive in today’s world as a sovereign nation. Therefore the BLP Government will also undertake a re-energised initiative to maintain and strengthen CARICOM unity and to continue to advocate for the principle of the Caribbean being a Zone of Peace.



Winning Our Future

Barbados and Bajans must be ready and equipped to face and win the future. The world today is highly competitive. There is no empathy for small States.

We must find ways of achieving success in the face of great challenges. Nothing will be handed to us. We must fight for what we want and earn our place in the world. The future will be won by our being prepared, by facing it with readiness, not fear, by combining the best Bajan values with great attitudes, nimbleness and ingenuity.

Can we do this?

I say a resounding “yes.”

The Barbados Labour Party looks forward to journeying with you, as together we work to build a greater nation - one built on respect for the Creator, on love of country and love and respect for each other.

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LEADERSHIP
FOR CHANGING TIMES

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PART 4
WINNING
OUR
FUTURE

THESE
ARE OUR
COMMITMENTS
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**OUR TOP
FOURTEEN
INITIATIVES**

In this section of the Manifesto, we introduce to you our 14 transformational initiatives. They are intended to make a difference in people's lives, communities and in our country. They are designed to transform the way we live and do business, benefiting all sectors of society and economy. They will propel us toward a brighter future, one that is happy and secure. A future that gives our country and people resilience, productivity, peace and prosperity at home as well as competitiveness and opportunity in the global market.



 PROPOSED BARBADOS CONFERENCE CENTRE, BECKLES ROAD, ST. MICHAEL
THE CONFERENCE CENTRE - GRAND PORTE COCHÈRE WEST



TRANSFORMING TOURISM PRODUCT, EXPERIENCE AND VISITOR

WHAT + WHY

Our tourism sector is a mature economic sector.

If we are to remain competitive in this area we must continue efforts to modernise our hotel plant, expand airlift and source markets, grow our cruise business, enhance the visitor experience, improve the profitability of all businesses and entrepreneurs who have invested in this sector, create a new deal for our tourism workers who are at the front line of engagement with all of our visitors and strengthen linkages between tourism and all other productive sectors in the Barbados economy.

Barbados must fully embrace that our tourism sector must be a world-class hospitality sector. After all, hospitality must be the business of each and every Bajan.

HOW

The BLP will:

1. Make Barbados more attractive to a new, younger, more global traveller by evolving our sources markets and our product. We will encourage investment into new product development that significantly enhances our cultural, wellness, night life, sporting, arts and festival attractions.
2. Accelerate on the work already started on the development of offshore islands on our South Eastern coast by commencing an investment and environmental feasibility study.
3. Complete the upgrade and expansion of the infrastructure of the Grantley Adams International Airport having already completed both the designs and the financing .
4. Modernise the Bridgetown cruise passenger experience and building dedicated cruise facilities
5. Construct a new world-class Convention Centre at Beckles Roads (on the site of the old Geriatric Hospital) to attract major conferences and meetings
6. Increase the competitiveness of the tourism sector by breaking it into its core value chains and profit drivers—so that we may raise returns on investment while delivering a new and better deal for our tourism workers through improved pay, protections, and working conditions.



ELEVATING THE PUBLIC SERVICE

WHAT + WHY

The next phase of Barbados' development will succeed once we can master delivery and implementation of Public Service policies, projects and services. This will require a public service with the right skills, the right tools and the right systems.

The Public Service is not simply an employer—it is the country's delivery engine.

It runs our nation's institutions, implements the policies and ensures Barbados' social stability and economic competitiveness.

Barbados needs a world-class public service.

Our Public Service must be:

- Respected and properly rewarded—where public servants feel valued and Barbadians feel served.
- Modern, capable, and citizen-centred, with strong service delivery standards.
- Digitally fluent, using technology and AI responsibly to improve quality, speed, and fairness.
- A place where talent can grow, with clear pathways for specialists as well as administrators.

HOW

1. Complete and operationalise the regrading of public service jobs to better align compensation with modern job demands—especially for critical roles where retention is difficult (including protective services, nurses, teachers, and related professions).
2. Reserve a minimum of 30% of all houses or residential lots in government housing developments for public servants.
3. Deliver continuous training across the Public Service in core service delivery, foreign language development (where appropriate), and essential digital and AI skills.
4. Recognise modern learning platforms as relevant for promotion and increments. This includes recognising courses completed through Coursera (via NTI) and edX, once successfully passed, alongside traditional qualifications.
5. Increase the Training Loan Fund from \$10,000 to \$15,000 per individual to reflect the real cost of high-quality training and education.

6. Expand eligibility for the Public Officers Loan and Travel Allowance to include all travelling officers so that officers are not penalised for doing essential work in the field.
7. Create a technical expert promotion stream so that highly skilled specialists can be promoted and properly paid for expertise without being forced into administrative management roles to advance.
8. Increase the vehicle loan limit for public officers from \$100,000 to \$125,000 toward the purchase hybrid or electric vehicles and from \$50,000 to \$75,000 for fuel or diesel vehicles.





WINNING THE WAR AGAINST NCDs

WHAT + WHY

NCDs can affect lives and family in the most disruptive of ways. They reduce quality of life, disrupt livelihoods, strain families, and impose a heavy burden on health services and public expenditure.

Barbados' Ministry of Health has stated that NCDs accounted for about 80% of deaths (as of 2021) and cited an estimated annual economic impact of losses equivalent to nearly 10% of GDP.

Winning the battle against NCD will:

- Reduce the prevalence of premature death
- Strengthen families and communities
- Lower long-run cost pressures in the health system
- Raise national productivity (fewer sick days, longer healthy working lives)
- Protect the sustainability of NIS and public health financing
- Improve educational outcomes (healthier children learn better)
- The BLP Government will continue our all-out, whole-of-society assault on NCDs. Heart disease, stroke, hypertension, diabetes, cancers, and related chronic conditions are now the largest drivers of preventable disability, premature death, and health-system strain in Barbados.
- We will treat prevention and control as a national development priority. This is not merely a health-sector concern as healthier Bajans build a stronger economy, stronger families, and a stronger Barbados.

Our vision is a Barbados where:

- Healthy living is the easiest choice, not the hardest one.
- Our public and private health systems shift from “treating sickness” to preventing disease and rewarding wellness.
- Every community has high-quality, accessible, modern primary care anchored by transformed polyclinics.

- Barbados becomes a world-leading Living Lab for community wellness, using data science, precision prevention, and safe AI tools to personalise care and reduce risk early—before disease becomes disability.

HOW:

The BLP will treat wellness as a growth strategy, not only a health strategy.

We will:

1. Accelerate the work of transforming of our nine polyclinics and two satellites clinics into modern Community Wellness Centres—the frontline for screening, prevention, coaching, and chronic disease control.
2. Effective surveillance and monitoring is central to reducing NCD burden nationally and individually.
 - a. Fully leverage advanced technologies that enable Barbados to introduce personalised wellbeing for as many Bajans as possible. Through the use of safe, yet innovative technologies and digital tools to help triage risk, recommend evidence-based lifestyle pathways, and support adherence (with clinicians always responsible for decisions).
 - b. Build a national NCD data and outcomes platform that links primary care, pharmacy, and screening (with strong protections) to identify risk hotspots and better measure what interventions work.
 - c. Critically, we will strengthen privacy and data governance for health. There will be clear consent rules, role-based access, audit trails, and patient control—so innovation increases trust rather than fear.
3. Position Barbados as a global “Living Lab” for community wellness research, partnering with leading regional and international universities, innovators, and life sciences actors to test practical prevention models in real communities and rapidly scale what works.
4. Launch a whole of nation weight loss programme. We will:
 - a. Make safe, evidence-based weight-management medicines available and affordable on the Government formulary, where clinically appropriate.
 - b. Remove all duties on personable wearable medical devices.
 - c. Make more healthy foods affordable and abundant: a targeted plan to increase affordability of fruits, vegetables, and protein through coordinated policy, supply, and distribution levers.

- d. Build outdoor gyms and designated wellness spaces in every community, with lighting, safety, and simple equipment—making movement and exercise the norm for Bajans.
 - e. Deploy government-subsidised Community Trainers: trained fitness and wellness coaches assigned to communities to run free or low-cost classes, walking clubs, and workplace programmes.
 - f. Incentivise Bajan food businesses to expand healthy options especially based on local fruits, vegetables and ground provisions —through recognition, procurement opportunities, and targeted support for menus that meet nutrition standards (without killing cultural food identity).
5. Incentivise the launch of “Health is Wealth” competitions with meaningful prizes—for households, schools, offices, sports clubs, and communities that demonstrate measurable health improvement over set periods (weight, blood pressure, glucose control, physical activity, nutrition adherence), using fair verification and positive messaging.





BUILD BAJAN BUSINESS ACCELERATOR

WHAT + WHY

Micro and small businesses are the heartbeat of Barbados' economy and commercial activity. They are where ambition becomes income, where creativity becomes products, and where community becomes jobs. From pudding and souse vendors to nail technicians, tradespeople, artisans, freelancers, home-based producers, and emerging product companies—micro and small businesses are not “small” to Barbados. They are critical to our national infrastructure.

The Bajan Business Accelerator is a national programme to transform the micro and small business sector and unlock more customers, more capital, less friction, higher standards, and global pathways for our entrepreneurs.

The BLP will:

- Make it easy to start and grow a business.
- Work with micro and small businesses to make it easier for them to access more customers, capital, tools, and training at every stage.
- Enable high-performing indigenous brands to be able to sell regionally and globally.
- Ensure firms, where relevant, are given the opportunity to operate at global quality standards, raising profitability and enabling exports.
- Ensure large businesses and Government buy more from micro and small businesses— creating a virtuous cycle of commerce that keeps money circulating in Barbados.

We will make Barbados one of the best small States in the world to start, run, and grow a small business—so Bajan enterprise becomes a national engine of prosperity and pride by 2030.

The BLP is steadfast in its mission of building the enabling systems that empower small businesses to be more productive, more bankable, more competitive, and more profitable.

HOW

The BLP will:

1. Build BajanBiz (www.BajanBiz.bb), a national marketplace for customers, demand, and visibility. This will be a trusted platform that lists micro and small businesses across Barbados—products, services, pricing, deals, events—making it easy for Barbadians and visitors to “buy Bajan” and discover what is available, where, and at what price.

2. Additionally, the BajanBiz platform will be developed to:
 - a. Help small firms find suppliers, collaborators, and shared-service opportunities (packaging, transport, shared kitchens, shared marketing).
 - b. Support small firms with shipping, packaging, compliance and greater options for distribution given that many micro and small businesses fail to scale not due to lack of demand, but due to weak logistics and supply-chain support.
3. Make payments easier and faster—reduce friction for every transaction. Fully integrating BimPay and modern mobile payments into the small business ecosystem and thereby making payments faster and simpler for vendors, service providers, and small shops—reducing reliance on cash, improving record-keeping, and enabling easier sales for locals and visitors.
4. Deliver a “single window” small business experience - One place—digital and physical—for registration, tax onboarding guidance, permits, and support services, aligned with the wider Digital Barbados transformation, so that starting and operating a business becomes simpler and faster.
5. Significantly expand access to capital and business development facilitation at every stage of Bajan businesses’ life cycle.
 - a. We will increase the limit for Trust Loans to BDS \$20,000
 - b. Create a seamless pathway for growing businesses to transition from Trust Loans programme to Fund Access
6. Introduce factoring as a national small business growth tool. Factoring means a business can sell its unpaid invoices to a finance provider at a small discount and get cash immediately, instead of waiting 30–90 days or longer to be paid. This is essential for small contractors, suppliers, and service providers—because growth is often blocked not by lack of sales, but by slow cash flow.
7. Fully operationalise and grow the Junior Stock Market, providing an innovative pathway for scaling firms. This is a structured route for promising Bajan businesses to raise growth capital while creating more opportunities for investment for Bajans.
8. Use government procurement to grow small Bajan firms fairly and transparently—by breaking contracts into manageable lots, simplifying processes where appropriate, publishing forward pipelines, and providing a Procurement Readiness Programme so SMEs can meet requirements and win bids.
9. Expand the National Quality & Certification Pathway for small Bajan businesses. We will develop a practical support system to help firms adopt global standards (product quality,

safety, labelling, packaging, service delivery standards). This is how businesses become more competitive, earn higher margins, and qualify for exports and premium buyers.

10. High prioritisation on developing winning global Barbadian brands. Expansion of Barbados' exports is a national imperative, we will therefore create an "Bajan Brands to Global Markets" Programme as a well-funded, highly strategic multi-year initiative that takes the best Barbadian products and services into strategic external markets through structured promotion, distribution facilitation, and buyer matchmaking.
11. Create a national recognition programme for large businesses that support and help grow small Bajan Businesses.

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TRANSFORMING INTO DIGITAL BARBADOS

WHAT + WHY

Since 2018, Barbados has stabilised the economy, restored confidence, and started modernising the state. However, because Barbados has underinvested in digital public infrastructure, Bajans still lose hours to disconnected systems, businesses face costly delays, government capacity is trapped in paper, and reliance on external platforms weakens our digital sovereignty. Under Pillar 6 of Mission 2030, the BLP will ensure that this changes.

The BLP has embarked on a national mission to make Barbados one of the easiest places in the world to live, work, start a business, and access public services—powered by secure digital infrastructure, trusted data systems, and a fast, citizen-first government.

HOW

We will:

1. Strengthen Barbados' national digital security capacity - establish modern cybersecurity standards and skills across government and critical infrastructure, develop real-time fraud detection and incident response, and stronger online child protection measures—so Barbadians can use digital services with confidence, safety and trust.
2. Build a National Data Centre - A highly reliable, secure facility to host critical government systems and national digital services
3. Develop a Clear National AI Vision, Policy, and Safety Framework. We will establish guidelines that enable Barbados to strategically and safely use AI as part of its national infrastructure.
4. Expand Digital Payments and the Digital Economy Stack
 - a. Fully leverage BimPay to establish mobile wallets, faster payments, e-signatures, e-transactions and digital collections.
 - b. Leverage Digital Tokens technology - which turns real-world assets like property ownership, into secure digital tokens that can be tracked and transferred efficiently under regulation

- c. Adopt Stablecoins technology which allows money to be fully digital, thereby enabling faster and cheaper payments—especially across borders.
5. Establish Barbados’ “Open API” National Infrastructure - Open APIs are like secure digital connectors that allow approved systems (banks, government agencies, businesses) to “talk to each other” safely—so services become seamless instead of fragmented.
6. Develop a Sovereign Government Cloud - A secure hybrid model that enables Barbados to run its important systems locally while accessing scalable cloud compute when needed—improving speed, cost control, and national capability.
7. Strengthen Regulators
8. Empower the Data Commissioner to better protect citizens through stronger regulations, audit trails, data minimisation.
9. Strengthen the Telecommunications Regulator with a modernised telecommunications Act and modern tools to better ensure high quality of service standards are maintained in area and community in Barbados.
10. Implement Strong Data Governance and Privacy-by-Design Systems - Introduce modern data stewardship across government; Adopt a “Digital Service Standard” and a “Once-Only” Principle where, if the government already has your information, through your secured consent, you do not have to fill forms multiple times.
11. Upgrade Government Technology Skills at Scale - Invest in upskilling for existing public officers as well as recruitment of a new generation of high-skilled digital Talent into Government.
12. Prioritise End-to-End Digitisation of Government Services - Deliver complete digital journeys for the services including ID, certificates, licensing, customs, appointments, education services, welfare access, business registration, and tax/payment services
13. Explore frontier tech: Partner with leading experts to safely test three new tools—super-power computers that can solve some hard problems much faster, privacy tech that lets you prove something is true without sharing personal details, and smart sensors placed in roads, buildings, ports and farms to give real-time alerts and services like smoother traffic, flood warnings, smarter utilities, and better public safety.



THE REINDUSTRIALISATION OF BARBADOS

WHAT + WHY

The BLP in government will treat the rebuilding of Barbados' productive base as a national imperative. The BLP will transform our country into one that designs, invents, makes and exports more - enabling Barbados to compete globally by being smarter, faster, cleaner, and more specialised.

Nations are more resilient when they produce, process, and export real goods and high-value outputs—not only services. For centuries, Barbados' economy was shaped by production, processing industries and scientific research. However, over the last 30-40 years, Barbados shifted heavily towards being a services based economy. While this has had its many positive impacts, it also led to an over reliance on the tourism sector – as was experienced during the Covid-19 pandemic.

We will not be return to the past - but take a leap into the future. We will invest and focus on industries that leverage our high-quality human capital, strong rule-of-law reputation, and our ability to be nimble as a small State. In doing so, we will build an economy that earns more foreign exchange, creates new high valued jobs for young Bajans and reduces our national vulnerability to external and domestic shocks.

HOW

We will deliver reindustrialisation through a focused set of reforms and build-outs that make Barbados investable for modern industry—fast.

1. Launch the Green Industrialization Gate Advantage (GIGA) Reindustrialisation Programme – Barbados' national plan to build a green, knowledge-driven, export-focused industrial base. Under Pillar 5 of Mission 2030, GIGA will diversify the economy, create high-wage jobs, and position Barbados as a “gateway” for modern industry in the Western Hemisphere—shifting from scattered incentives to clear tools: co-investment, export acceleration, supplier development, and incentives tied to jobs, exports, and technology transfer.
2. Build five “GIGA Zones” —

- i. St. Lucy: a large-scale modern manufacturing hub.
 - ii. Greenland, St. Andrew: a green compute + clean electricity zone.
 - iii. Newton, Christ Church: a life science and deep science zone for R&D and science-led manufacturing.
 - iv. Pelican, Bridgetown: a digital skills zone with modern live-work-learn spaces to grow the digital economy.
 - v. Bushy Park, St. Philip: Pharmaceuticals and industrial machinery.
3. Win the Logistics Economy – Cut the cost of trade by modernising port operations, speeding up customs, expanding warehousing, digitising trade documents, and publishing clear “time-to-release” targets.
 4. Make Barbados a regional agro-processing hub
 - » National nutrition strategy: treat food security like a daily supply chain—measured in tons per day and managed with performance targets.
 - » Cold storage as national infrastructure: scale cold storage and blast freezing to cut waste and improve affordability, safety, quality, and export readiness.
 - » New supply chains and sourcing: build Latin American and EU-compliant cold-chain partnerships and bonded/wholesale warehousing to reduce landed costs and improve reliability for manufacturers.
 - » Adopt Industrial AI + sensors: help farms raise yields and help factories and warehouses cut waste, improve scheduling, and keep quality consistently high.
 - » Expand the International Food Science Centre: grow shared processing capacity (washing, cutting, freezing, puréeing, drying, packaging) so small producers can scale without huge capital costs.
 - » Encourage further private sector investment at Lears, St. Michael in agro-processing business to boost our exports.
 - » Affordable machinery access for farmers by expanding tractors and equipment through micro-leasing.
 5. Scale modern farming: dramatically expand vertical farming and controlled-environment agriculture, including converting suitable public buildings into high-output food facilities.
 6. Industrialise Affordable, Reliable, Abundant Electricity – Treat energy as a growth platform: scale renewables, strengthen the grid, expand storage, and modernise procurement so industry gets stable, competitive power.
 7. Launch a National Robotics and Advanced Manufacturing Capability Centre – Support SMEs

with prototyping, precision machining, testing, compliance, and workforce training—so local firms move up the value chain.

8. Develop a “Barbados R&D and Deep Tech Hub” – Link government with universities and private labs to turn research into patents, start-ups, trials, and exportable IP—positioning Barbados as a trusted life sciences jurisdiction (biologics, devices, nutraceuticals, digital health, gerontology and longevity), backed by strong ethics and regulation.
9. Upgrade National Skills for Reindustrialisation – Fully align education and training to the real needs of modern industry.
10. Better measure Barbados’ Industrial Business – Set clear targets and report quarterly: cargo clearance times, permit approvals, electricity reliability, licensing time lines, and export cycle times—because competitiveness must be managed like performance.
11. The BLP will pursue a bold external strategy to bring opportunity to Barbados: a Global Headquarters strategy, a sharper health and wellness tourism strategy, and an “affluent young global traveller” strategy that welcomes and develops new markets—from the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America—not as visitors only, but as partners, investors, creators, and advocates for Barbados.





COVENANT WITH YOUNG BAJANS

WHAT + WHY:

Barbados is entering a decisive period. Our 60th year of Independence and our 5th year of being a Republic is not only a moment of reflection—it is a moment of handover and reinvention.

The BLP will enter a Covenant with Young Barbadians —backed by real investment, real power-sharing, and real operating roles. It will be a full commitment to ensuring that young Barbadians are not spectators in Barbados' next chapter, but architects and builders of it. It is anchored in the “Bridging the Gap” Prime Ministerial approach: a working partnership with young leaders focused on future economy, wellbeing, governance, and delivery.

This is not just symbolic. It is a whole of nation approach to ensuring that each child and young person should benefit from the guiding hand and love from their family, their church, their community and their school.

The Covenant will be a generational bridge with the BLP fully committing to listen, share power, invest in young ideas, and fight for dignity and opportunity.

We will ask our young people to commit to purpose, care, and national building in return.

HOW:

The BLP will:

1. Strongly invest in the Future Economy of Barbados. We will focus on creating new sectors and youth work opportunities in science, technology, advanced manufacturing, creative industries, digital economy, logistics, blue economy, medical sciences, smart infrastructure, and energy.
2. Strongly invest in Youth Wellbeing and Quality of Life by addressing:
 - » Mental wellbeing - scaling youth-friendly mental health access, including safer spaces to talk and heal, as well as better training for teachers, coaches, and community leaders
 - » Creative expression - expanded investment in creativity as a real economic pathway, backing music, film, fashion, writing, dance, visual and digital arts—treating creative excellence as both identity and income
 - » Developing modern youth-centred hubs—safe, vibrant places where young people can work, create, test ideas, play, and build businesses and

- » Strengthen sport pathways with sport science and clear routes to excellence, using sport as a discipline and opportunity engine.
- 3. Expand the voice and representation of young people across all segments: Specifically, the BLP will commit to:
 - a. The expansion of youth representation in the Senate: every future Senate of a BLP Government will include at least three persons under 40
 - b. Having Cabinet review strategic resolutions from Youth Parliament for national consideration and implementation
 - c. Include young people across boards, commissions, advisory committees, and working groups where appropriate
 - d. Develop a Public Service youth management pathway by prioritising the hiring of skilled persons under 40 into management roles.
 - e. Establish a special Global Young Bajans Fund that ensures that every Barbadian before the age of 21 has the opportunity to travel and deeply experience another country. The world is a large and diverse place, young Barbadians must experience and always feel connected to it.
 - f. Convene an annual “Bridging the Gap” working summit—where young leaders along with Government, Private Sector, Labour and Third Sector leadership co-design the Covenant's priorities for the year across three circles: Future Economy, Wellbeing & Quality of Life, and Youth Power-Sharing, with live prioritisation and clear outputs.





THE BARBADOS REPUBLIC CHILD WEALTH FUND

WHAT + WHY

Too many families start from zero—generation after generation. A one-time shock—job loss, illness or a broken roof, for instance—can erase years of progress. A universal birth right creates a baseline asset that cannot be taken away by bad luck and lack of opportunities.

The BLP believes that we must reduce inequality without dividing the country. This is not a programme that labels or stigmatises. It is a national standard to which we must aspire as a Republic: every Bajan child deserves a chance to thrive.

The Barbados Republic Child Wealth Fund (BRCWF) Birth right Dividend is a nation-building commitment: every Barbadian child deserves a stake in our country's prosperity and platform from which they can build—forever.

The BLP will fund a one-time birth right investment of BDS \$5,000 for every child born on or after November 30, 2021 which will be held in trust for them.

This programme creates a simple, powerful platform. This investment will be compounded over time, so every child enters adulthood with an asset they can use to build a life – using it to facilitate their access to purchase or construct a home, pursue education not available at the instance of the Government of Barbados.

In the spirit of “a covenant between generations,” this is a practical expression of a national promise to give greater financial security to all Bajans born under our Republic. We will not only speak about opportunity; we will structure it into law and build it into the operating system of the Republic.

HOW

1. Guarantee the Birth right Dividend by law - the establishment of a Republic Birthright Dividend as a statutory entitlement that is protected from political cycles and treated as national infrastructure.
2. The share in the Fund will be held in the the name of each child born after November 30, 2021, locked to clear rules, and structured for long-term compounding—not short-term spending.

3. In order to grow the Fund, it will be invested in government securities and steady-growth investments. This will result in compounding the investment while protecting the principal, earning steady returns, and ensuring predictable growth over time.
4. The Fund will have set and clear access rules that support life-building—not early withdrawal. Persons will be allowed to withdraw between the ages of 18 and 25 years old. Each person's share can be used as collateral to support property purchases and education, and in exceptional circumstances, for critical healthcare.
5. The Fund will allow for voluntary top-ups by family, friends, diaspora, and employers. Every wallet can receive additional contributions—thereby enabling a child's community to strengthen and build on his or her share over time.
6. This Fund will be managed by an independent investment Trust. It will have a highly competent, dedicated team managing the investment, technology, compliance, and citizen support capabilities. It will operate with world-class governance and transparency - publishing an annual report.
7. We will embed financial literacy and life-planning support around the dividend they will draw from the Fund. As the children of our Republic grow to adulthood we must provide for them structured education on: savings, investing, responsible borrowing, home ownership, entrepreneurship, and being able to detect and avoid predatory financial schemes.





INCREASING CITIZEN SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SECURITY

WHAT AND WHY

Citizen safety is the first duty of the State.

No national mission—economic diversification, youth opportunity, tourism renewal, or public service modernization—can succeed if communities feel unsafe. Crime and lawlessness often strains and sometimes destroys family and community cohesion, damages quality of life, discourages investment and undermines confidence in our tourism sector.

The BLP fully understands that enforcement alone is not enough—but prevention without enforcement is not credible. As a result, we will employ a multi-faceted strategy that recognises that a safer Barbados must be built through strong law enforcement, faster justice, coupled with prevention that starts early and holds firm. Our strategy will encompass:

- High trust policing and real and quick consequences for violent offenders; and
- Early intervention and purposeful pathways that stop young people from being pulled into danger.

HOW

1. We will strengthen law enforcement by investing in more manpower, the development of critical skills, the continued modernisation of its capabilities and the acquisition of equipment necessary for greater efficiency:
 - » Continued zero tolerance philosophy towards serious violent and gun crimes.
 - » Heightened community policing- faster response, and stronger local trust—to ensure communities become safer and police intelligence improves.
 - » Expand the Barbados Police Service complement from 1,530 - 1,750 and fill all the positions.
 - » Deliver advanced training for modern policing—technology, cybercrime, forensic computing, and financial crimes—alongside sensitivity training for domestic violence reporting.

- » Deepen technology-enabled policing through expanded street camera usage to deter crime and strengthen investigations.
 - » Provide a better deal for Island Constables by transitioning Island Constables into a corps of Police Community Support Officers (Z-scale) and in so doing, strengthening community support capacity.
 - » Improve the terms and conditions of our Police Officers, including improving their amenities and services— supporting retention and professionalism.
 - » Continue the modernization of the Barbados Police Service with the recruitment of specialists in financial crime, data analytics, digital technology, forensics and criminal investigation.
2. A BLP Government will complete criminal justice reform: modern legislation, faster courts, fair process, swift consequences.
 - » Create a dedicated “Gun Court” to accelerate firearms cases that do not involve homicide—moving cases through the Supreme Court faster and strengthening deterrence. (weeks instead of years)
 3. We will invest and uplift policing infrastructure, including:
 - » A State-of-the-art station and two magistrates’ courts at Six Roads, St. Philip.
 - » A new Oistins police station and Magistrates’ Court.
 - » Modern high-rise facilities for Central Police Station and District A after removing obsolete non-historical buildings.
 - » A larger sub-station at The Glebe, St. George.
 - » Construction of a new Police Station at Belleplaine, St. Andrew.
 - » General refurbishment of all stations for comfort and effective service delivery.
 4. We will significantly increase our emphasis on Penal reform and offender rehabilitation and reintegration, including:
 - » Turn places of confinement into places of possibility through NTI–Coursera Learning Labs at Dodds Prison, Children’s Homes, and the Government Industrial School.
 - » Introduce structured community work programmes for low-risk inmates, supporting reintegration while contributing to communities (e.g., clearing overgrown property for the elderly and people with disabilities).
 - » Scale up the Prison Farm project to increase food self-sufficiency and supply surplus to key institutions, supporting national food security and lowering operational costs. Including hydroponics training.

- » Pilot green energy at the prison through rooftop photovoltaics and fleet modernization to reduce energy costs and improve sustainability.
5. The BLP will therefore significantly expand our work in Community based Crime Prevention because we understand that safety is built with and by communities, not just for them. We will:
- » Expand the early intervention for children and families at risk. We will work to identify vulnerability early, provide coordinated support, and interrupt pathways to violence before they harden.
 - » Establish targeted programmes for men, boys, and fathers - Build belonging, identity, emotional resilience, and responsibility. We will also work with Faith Based organisations and civil society to reduce trauma-driven violence, social alienation, and harmful cycles.
 - » Expand after-school, evening and weekend programmes; training; mentorship; sports, arts, and skills pathways—so time and energy are invested, not wasted.
 - » Work through Faith-Based organisations, NGOs, community leaders, and credible local agents to be paired with policing that strengthens trust and improves local intelligence.
 - » Strengthen systems for rehabilitation and reintegration to enhance public safety; providing for second chances through counselling, skills training, and reintegration supports.





REDUCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN BARBADOS

WHAT + WHY

The Barbados Labour Party will deliver a national programme to reduce traffic congestion by combining targeted road infrastructure upgrades, modern traffic management technology, public education and a significantly improved public transport experience.

Increased traffic is an unfortunate consequence of Barbados' economic growth. As our economy improved over the years, Bajans have gained more purchasing power and more people were able to buy cars. This has significantly increased the amount of congestion on our roads. This congestion results in lost productivity and economic leakage, risks to our mental wellbeing and general citizen frustration.

We need a smarter mobility infrastructure for a growing Barbados, so that Bajans have more time for life and less time in traffic.

HOW

1. Deliver priority road widening and corridor upgrades at key, high traffic areas including Highway 2A (Redman's Village to Lancaster), Six Roads, ABC Highway (Graeme Hall to Newton). This will result in safer road shoulders, improved junction design, drainage resilience, and smoother flow through bottleneck segments.
2. Construct flyovers on the ABC Highway at high-traffic intersections.
3. Implement modern pedestrian crossings and safe walking corridors near schools and key hubs to reduce conflict points and improve safety while traffic moves more smoothly.
4. Significantly increase the deployment of traffic sensors, cameras, and signal optimisation to better manage traffic flow dynamically. This includes adaptive traffic signals that respond to real-time traffic volume rather than fixed timing.
5. Create a national traffic operations "control room" (lightweight but disciplined) that monitors key junctions and corridors, adjusts signal timing during incidents, and publishes real time public alerts.
6. Improve the public transport offering so it becomes more pleasant and reliable - predictable schedules, cleaner and more comfortable buses, better bus stop amenities, and real time information.

7. Promote structured carpooling—especially for school drop-offs and pickups. We will support school-based carpool systems and consult as to what incentives are needed to reduce the number of vehicles making the same trips.
8. Promote structured park and ride systems across the island.
9. Introduce a dedicated school bus service.
10. Continue work already started with TAP programme - Giving Bajans the opportunity to be owners in Barbados transportation infrastructure and service through mass transit authority programming.
11. Introduce staggered start/finish times for schools in a planned, phased way - reducing school related bottlenecks.
12. Encourage remote work and staggered work times, especially in government and major employers—reducing peak-hour load
13. Introduce peak-hour one-way thoroughfares where appropriate, supported by signage, enforcement, and clear communication. The relevant traffic surveys are being conducted and the consultations are being completed with the relevant stakeholders.





EMPOWERING BAJANS THROUGH HOUSING

WHAT AND WHY

The Barbados Labour Party sees Housing is a cornerstone of our social policy and national stability. Housing is not only a roof; it is empowerment, dignity, stability, family security, and a foundation for wealth-building. The Barbados Labour Party's vision is a Barbados where every Bajan has a real pathway to home ownership, recognising that ownership is a path to generational stability.

We believe that a stable home supports everything else: school performance, mental wellbeing, community safety, and the ability to plan for the future. When housing becomes insecure or unaffordable, every other problem gets harder.

In this regard, two truths stand out:

- Barbados needs more supply, faster - The solution therefore is not one project; it is the creation of a pipeline—lots, houses, apartments, and the adoption of an industrial approach to housing, especially using modern methods that reduce build time.
- The system must be modern and fair. The homeownership process must be easier, allowing for cleaner title, faster conveyancing, and reduced transaction barriers. When the process is slow and expensive, ordinary citizens lose—especially lower income or first-time buyers.

HOW

The BLP will:

1. Complete the long awaited transfer of housing units to tenants once all surveys of housing units are completed. This will be done through the passage of the State (Vesting of Property) Bill - and many others like this- which was initially laid in Parliament in January, 2026 just before the dissolution of Parliament.

The BLP will deliver clean ownership title (conveyances) of 3,295 terrace units to tenants through the passage of these Vesting Bills. This will also remove the necessity for legal fees for beneficiaries of this legislation.

2. Expand Rent-to-Own under a strengthened Social Mortgage Programme for Bajans who would not previously have qualified for or be able to afford a traditional mortgage. This

will be especially for those on the NHC waiting list. Under a new BLP government, the core requirement to obtain a mortgage will be to simply show a history of paying your rent for a period of 12 straight months, thereby removing unnecessary barriers for working people.

3. Complete its work for the introduction of a robust framework for the de-risking of mortgages for low-income families with the financial institutions.
4. Modernise Barbados property ownership and transfer system by introducing e-conveyancing. This will make transactions faster, more transparent, and less stressful—reducing delay, confusion, and unnecessary costs for ordinary buyers.
5. Build and/or facilitate expanded housing development by the private sector across the island. Subdivisions and house developments already in motion include:
 - » Guinea Development, St. John - 12 acres under Planning Gains regime, 104 lots planned, Mix includes 5 duplexes and 85 single detached houses.
 - » Decorus Glade (Dodds South), St. Philip - 42 acres, 226 lots planned, Two phases; an earlier phase of 70 lots developed first under a HOPE project.
 - » Searles Development, Christ Church - 134 lots targeted for a joint venture project. Planning permission has already been granted.
 - » Bright Hall, St. Lucy. The application for Subdivision to create 263 lots is awaiting planning approval. 80% of lots will be developed by HOPE Inc. for single detached houses.
 - » Todds Development, St. George -planning consent secured for 45 lots; 4 townhouses, 6 duplexes, remainder single detached houses
 - » Mason Hall Street, St. Michael — multi-storey housing complex will be developed.
 - » Country Road, St. Michael — two Hex-Plex buildings with the construction of Six-unit apartment buildings. The designs have already been completed.
 - » Vineyard, St. Philip – a joint venture partnership for the construction of development of 140 acres for housing development. Phase 1, which is 40 acres, will provide 400 housing solutions.
 - » Additional designated sites include Oxnards–Haynesville, St. James and St. Bartholomews Development, Christ Church.

The BLP will work with Civil Society to established specialised housing for those transitioning out of children's homes, penal institutions and psychiatric hospital, to help them to put their pasts behind and become productive citizens.



MAKING BARBADOS WATER ABUNDANT

WHAT + WHY

Barbados has always been a water-scarce country. However, the climate crisis has made it worse. We now suffer less reliable rainfall, lower groundwater recharge, and greater pressure on wells, treatment systems, and distribution.

The BLP is committed to making Barbados a clean-water abundant country—where every household and business can turn on the tap and expect safe, affordable, clean water, with reliable flow and pressure, and with a system built to withstand droughts, storms, and climate stress. The BLP’s approach is to treat water like the national asset and public good that must be protected, managed scientifically, and used wisely by everyone.

No one should have to live with uncertainty about what’s coming out of their taps. This is why the BLP will expand on work already started and treat water as a national asset and a public good that we must protect, manage scientifically, and use wisely across society.

HOW

The BLP will:

1. Finish the North water solution—clean water, reliable flow, and restored roads. Residents in the north of the island in St. Lucy and parts of St. Peter have carried the burden of brown water and inconsistent service for too long. We are committed to making this a problem of the past by:
 - » Completing the remaining mains replacement in the Northern parishes so service quality is stabilised for the long term.
 - » Accelerating line swabbing and flushing, and implementing scheduled preventative maintenance.
 - » Commissioning modern filtration upgrades, including the planned ultra-filtration system to further improve water clarity and confidence.
 - » Upgrading pumping and storage assets to stabilise pressure and resilience through further upgrades to the pump stations, reservoirs, and tanks that support consistent service.

- » Ensure that roads are re-instated quicker than they have been historically and properly after works —so communities get the full benefit, without prolonged disruption.
- 2. Cut leaks and losses island-wide by launching national leak Reduction Programme to reduce non-revenue water: deploy active leak detection teams, modern equipment, and a visible repair schedule parish-by-parish.
- 3. Invite the Barbados Water Authority to build a desalination plant in St. Lucy in which Bajans will be given the opportunity to own shares in a fair and transparent investment process. This contrasts vastly from the approach taken by the Democratic Labour Party that committed to purchase water that the BWA had no capacity to distribute to customers.
- 4. Invite the Barbados Water Authority to build and operate a bottling plant to ensure that it can benefit from the significantly increased revenue that can be earned through the sale of water at commercial rates which are one thousand (1000) times the value of water distributed through pipeLines to residences.
- 5. Make water more abundant by diversifying sources—without gambling with public health
- 6. Rainwater harvesting incentives: make it easier and more affordable for homes, small businesses, and public buildings to store rainwater for non-drinking uses
- 7. Modernise water operations using data and technology - expand monitoring, improve decision-making, and adopt new tools that reduce waste and strengthen water resilience.
- 8. Boost national storage resilience by improving the network of distribution tanks and reservoirs in pressure-weak areas so supply is more stable through peak times and disruptions.
- 9. Strengthen groundwater protection measures using traditional and modern engineering techniques so we reduce contamination risks to aquifers and the marine environment. This will allow the development of lands in the restricted areas of Zone A in accordance with clear requirements as to the conditions under which development will be permitted.
- 10. Complete the project to install a potable water supply network and sewage disposal system in Bailey Alley in St. George and Bellevue and the Belle in St. Michael. Access to running water and indoor sanitary conveniences to residents in these areas is a project that will be completed in less than a year.
- 11. Establish the Barbados Water Academy focused on building water literacy especially among our young people, upgrading skills and technology in the sector, and engaging every community and stakeholder in practical water management.

- » Water education in schools (primary to tertiary): develop age-appropriate materials, train teachers, and integrate water topics into learning so water literacy becomes normal
- » Create a national “Water Hub” for innovation and jobs near key institutions—supporting research, testing, internships, and water-sector entrepreneurship (new products, services, and solutions).
- » Mobilise international partnerships and funding (development partners, research institutions, diaspora scientists) to accelerate implementation and bring world-class expertise to Barbados.





EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION

WHAT + WHY

The BLP understands that when people have strong skills, they earn more, make better decisions, live healthier lives, and can build stable families and businesses.

A stronger education system will reduce poverty, lowers crime risk, strengthens mental wellbeing, and lifts individual and national productivity. The simple reality is that if we do not modernise education, too many young people will be forced to “fit into” an old system, instead of being prepared to lead in a new economy.

The BLP’s vision is an education system that is not just about passing exams, but about producing problem-solvers, makers, creators, caregivers, technicians, scientists, entrepreneurs, and leaders—the people who will build a Barbados by 2030 that provides world-class services.

Education Transformation is about ensuring that every child in Barbados—no matter their parish, background, learning style, or family income—gets a fair and powerful start. It will ensure that our children will leave school with the necessary skills to compete anywhere in the world and be a valuable contributing member of society.

HOW

The BLP will:

1. Complete the work already started in transforming our education system, including:
 - » Strengthened curriculum relevance, school leadership, and school support services.
 - » New schools and upgraded learning environments.
 - » Expanded technical and vocational skills of our teachers.
 - » Embedded digital and AI readiness in learning so students are not just consumers of technology, but confident users and creators.
 - » Strengthened student wellbeing supports—guidance, counselling, and early intervention—so more children can stay engaged and succeed.
 - » Cleared school-to-work pathways via internships, industry partnerships, and credentialed short courses.

- » Improved accountability with simple public reporting on attendance, literacy/ numeracy progress, school safety, and learning outcomes—so progress is visible and trusted.
2. Identify one of our secondary-level schools focused on the creative industry sector, giving students from age 14 real-world experience and globally recognised certification. This school will deliver music/recording studios and training in production and engineering, fashion design programme, film and movie production and more.
 3. Create a national fund that allows students to solve real national and international challenges and earn revenue from their ideas. This is how we build a Barbados where young people do not just graduate—they launch.
 4. Introduce national recognition for our teachers through attractive awards linked to student achievement and innovative teaching.
 5. Launch a Universal Primary School Breakfast Programme. From September 2026, every child in primary school will have access to breakfast—building on the existing free school lunches. Expand the School Meals Department to meet demand and provide parents and students with online weekly menus and nutritional value
 6. Introduce the Secondary School Students’ International Exposure Initiative. Starting from age 15, students who cannot afford it will be able to access funding from the Global Young Bajans Fund to spend one month in another country, studying the economy, culture, education, business, and infrastructure standards.





MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE

WHAT + WHY

The Barbados Labour Party has consciously tried to shield Bajans as far as possible given the fiscal constraints from the lost decade. Rising prices caused by the COVID-19 pandemic unleashed supply chain disruptions which severely impacted the cost of living globally, Barbados being no exception. Between 2020-2025, cumulative inflation skyrocketed in Barbados as a result of these externally driven shocks.

Rising cost of living affects households differently. It is most heavily felt by working families, pensioners, the most vulnerable and those living on fixed modest incomes.

The BLP will continue to act decisively to ease Cost of living pressures in a way that is fair, targeted, and responsible. Rather than blunt measures that do not effectively address the needs of those who really need it and permanently weakens the public finances, the BLP has chosen a focused approach that puts money back into the pockets of those under the greatest pressure, supports working Barbadians, and protecting the most vulnerable.

We will deliver immediate relief that is transparent and balances compassion with fiscal discipline to ensure that support today does not create hardship tomorrow.

HOW

The BLP will:

- Roll out a straightforward cost-of-living support package focused on the people who feel prices the most: working households, pensioners, and those receiving Welfare benefits and Special Needs Grants.
- Raise the income limit for the Compensatory Income Credit (CIC) from \$35,000 to \$50,000. This measure is estimated to cost \$31.7 million per year.
- Increase the Reverse Tax Credit (RTC) from \$1,300 to \$1,700 for those persons earning up to \$25,000 per annum.
- Expand the Reverse Tax Credit by raising the income limit for eligibility, from \$25,000 to \$35,000 per annum. These persons will receive a Reverse Tax Credit of \$750.

- Introduce a direct Cost of Living Cash Credit for pensioners, welfare recipients and persons receiving special needs grants: \$100 per month, paid for 12 months, which is \$1,200 per year. This is estimated to cost \$78.4 million per year.
- Increase the taxable allowance for pensioners from \$50,000 to \$75,000. This will cost \$11.7 million per year.

The total annual cost of this package is estimated at about \$142.2 million.

This approach works because it is targeted and easy to explain. No one loses what they currently receive. Thousands more persons will now benefit from these expanded measures.

The message is simple: support for workers, support for pensioners, and support for those most in need—without blowing a hole in the public finances.

Overall, this is a focused cost-of-living package of roughly \$142.2 million per year—less blunt than cutting VAT, and more effective because it puts relief directly into the hands of the people who need it most.



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