Candidate Update - Tuesday, April 12th, 2022

Zoom Call with Samuel Say on CRT - Monday, April 18th, at 7:00 PM
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84487335055?pwd=OGMrSUdkMlU2Y1VVdytMUzFySWJSdz09

All Candidates, CFOs, and Presidents Must be a Member of the Ontario Party
The deadline for your team to become a member is Wednesday, April 20th, 2022. Please direct your team to: https://www.ontarioparty.ca/membership_en

Ready-For-Print: Lawn Signs, Flyers & More!
As of Tuesday, April 12th, each candidate has been sent an email invite to access their personalized Google Drive folder. Please check your spam/promotions/junk folders for this link if you don't find it in your inbox. This folder includes the Ontario Party logo(s), volunteer tags, lawn signs, flyers/literature, banners, and your announcement graphic at no cost to you. We will also share a list of printers you can use at your own expense, however, you are not required to use our contacts. **Please return to this folder regularly, as new resources will be added within the next week.**

If you have not submitted your bio or professional headshot, likely you will be missing resources until the necessary information is received.

Each candidate will receive:
- Three sizes of lawn signs (small - no picture, medium - no picture, large - with picture)
- 4 versions of the generic Ontario Party platform flyers (double-sided) with an instruction sheet (intended to be printed on 12-14 point cardstock)
- *Still to come* - personalized riding flyers

Everything in your folder is authorized and ready to be printed. **Please note, under no circumstances will we be taking special orders to edit individual literature.**

How Much Do I Print?
As a general rule of thumb, you want to win the lawn sign war. Regarding printing flyers, it would be a good idea to print one flyer for every household in your riding or every household you will door-knock. Of course, the quantity you print will be dependent on your budget and funds in the bank. Utilize Solas VB to obtain further data on your riding.

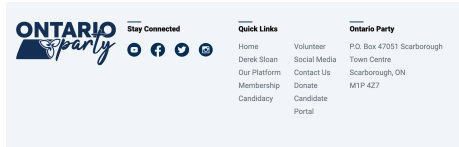**F0400 Candidate Nomination Package:**
If you have not submitted your F0400 form to Sarah, you will not receive full access to your campaign resources. **This package is due no later than Wednesday, April 20th, 2022.**

Candidate Portal Password → OntarioParty2022!
New resources have been added this week, including the internal candidate contact list. You can access it by clicking: https://www.ontarioparty.ca/candidate_portal_en
You can also click the 'Candidate Portal' button located at the bottom of each webpage.

Candidate-Made Resources:
Point of Contact → Sarah
All political advertising must bear the authorization text *(i.e. "Authorized by the CFO of the Hastings-Lennox and Addington Riding Association")* centered at the bottom of the advertisement. You will insert **YOUR** riding name. Any additional resources outside of the materials the Ontario Party is supplying will be at your cost and with your own resources (i.e. if you want to create business cards you will need to find your own graphic designer). Please send any additional materials (i.e. press releases, fundraising letters, etc.) to Sarah for approval before releasing them.

Events with Derek:
Point of Contact → Lorraine: Tour Coordinator (tour@ontarioparty.ca)
Lorraine will be sending you specific dates and times when Derek will be in your riding. We recommend you arrange events to coordinate with these dates. Please **do not** send requests to have Derek at an event. Lorraine will contact you to let you know when Derek will be in your riding.

People Asking when the Ontario Party will Announce More Candidates:
Point of Contact → Sarah
We have created an "Our Candidates" page for the website. This will go live this week. The public will be able to search for candidates by name and riding. Included on this page will be your headshot, short bio, and your campaign contact (i.e. email address, phone number, website - if applicable). If you have not already sent me the above information, your section on this webpage will have vacancies.
- Needed: Contact information for your campaign. Where/how do you want your supporters to contact you (i.e. phone number, email, website, and/or physical address)?
- Needed: If you have a candidate website and/or campaign social media accounts, send this information.

If you have further information to add, later on, it can be added. Update time will be slow.

Who do I Ask my Questions To?
Do not use the MichaelGMOntarioParty@protonmail.com or OPcandidatequestions@protonmail.com
email addresses. **All inquiries are to be sent to sarahkzwicker@gmail.com for now.**
Please note that answers to questions that can be found in either of the CFO Handbooks or on the
Candidate Portal, will not be prioritized.

Bank Accounts:
Every candidate whose riding is registered with Elections Ontario is eligible to open up their riding bank
account. This account enables you to start fundraising now and needs to be opened as soon as possible.
Elections Ontario will send an email confirmation to all signing officers listed on your A-1 Constituency
Association Registration form. Unless a candidate has listed him or herself as a signing officer, they will
not receive this email. In this email, Elections Ontario will attach a signed & stamped copy of your A-1
form, which needs to be taken to your bank to open the riding account. I recommend calling your branch
ahead of time to inquire about what is required at your specific branch.

You will eventually be opening a second account for your campaign, separate from your riding
association bank account. You **cannot** open this account until you receive confirmation back from
Elections Ontario regarding your F0400 Candidate Nomination form. You will likely receive this
confirmation next week.

Financial Questions:
Contact → Electfin@elections.on.ca
CFO Handbook for Constituency Associations:
https://www.elections.on.ca/content/dam/NGW/sitecontent/Compliance%20Documentation/English/Constituency%20Associations/CFO%20Handbook%20for%20Constituency%20Associations.pdf
CFO Handbook for Candidates:
https://www.elections.on.ca/content/dam/NGW/sitecontent/Compliance%20Documentation/English/Candidates/CFO%20Handbook%20for%20Candidates.pdf

If you or anyone on your campaign team are emailing Elections Ontario, you do not need to identify
yourself. You can simply ask your question anonymously.

Changes to Your Elections Ontario Paperwork:
Point of Contact → electfin@elections.on.ca
Once your documentation is submitted to Elections Ontario and is approved, your President, CFO, and/or
Signing Officer(s) need to make any further changes with Elections Ontario directly. Do not send changes
to Sarah. Examples of changes include - the name of your CFO or President, contact information,
addresses etc. To submit changes, you must refill a blank A-1 or F0400 form, and check the box"Change"
in Section A. From there, fill in the entire form as per usual, with the new changes.

Is Your Riding Registered with Elections Ontario?
Check here: https://finances.elections.on.ca/en/registered-parties

Access to Volunteers:
The volunteer database is actively growing. It is strongly recommended that you encourage your constituents to sign up to volunteer on the Ontario Party website. This way we can grow a physical volunteer database for you and easily share all their information. You will receive access to this in the coming days. Here is the link for volunteers to sign up: https://www.ontarioparty.ca/volunteer_en

FAQ Document from Raphael, the Ontario Party President:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rxbgBZID_NeEgzwKL79W1PULCGKYnR2GxV35G6GT7Ic/edit?usp=sharing