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Question	Answer
Q6 — Biggest Challenges Facing the Sector & Actions Candidates Would Support	Non profits are being asked to do more with less. There is an increasing need for housing, food assistance, and other services. It is very difficult for the funding and volunteer based to keep up with the growing demand (the demand that is becoming an unfortunate socioeconomic trend due to government policies). I would work on collaborating between organizations on a multi-year platform that includes targeting measurable results while also guaranteeing funding for the duration of the plan. Prioritize organizations that have shown success and have the foundation for future success. Improve collaboration between the city and nonprofits on the municipal level with also working together to pressure Provincial and Federal governments for assistance. It has to be a collaborative effort on all levels, otherwise long-term viability of these programs becomes questionable.
Q7 — Support a Formal, Ongoing Dialogue Mechanism With the Sector (Yes/No + Why)	Yes
Q8 — Support Multi-Year Funding & Longer-Term Partnerships (Yes/No + Why)	Yes — I support a multi-year funding platform/partnership with organizations that have shown results and have measurable success. It is one of the most important ways to maintain stability and ensure long-term viability is possible. Uncertainty does not create strong foundations.
Q9 — Ensuring Nonprofits Are Included in Decision-Making	Create a long-term advisory group that includes municipal representatives and representatives from nonprofit organizations. Give nonprofit representatives a stronger voice when discussing issues like food insecurity, homelessness, etc. Work with nonprofit representatives on transparent data and information sharing in order to measure the viability of various programs. Support the ones that are working while making necessary adjustments to programs that are not delivering.
Q10 — The City's Role in Supporting Nonprofit Infrastructure	I think the city should create an environment to allow nonprofits to succeed in their mission. Aside from the collaboration and advisory boards, the city can also provide shared spaces, help lower overhead cost, help lobby for funding from other levels of government, utilize various nonprofit groups and city organizations to create a shared vision for success, and help smaller groups access to the resources that are needed. The City must be an active partner with various local organizations while simultaneously creating an environment for these organizations to succeed.
Q11 — The Nonprofit Sector's Role & What Success Looks Like	I see the nonprofit sector playing a vital role in London's economic and community development. I hope we can use nonprofit organizations as the main focal point to address homelessness, food insecurity, mental health, youth opportunities and more. Over the next 4 years, the City needs to become an active partner and collaborator in order to create an environment for nonprofits to be viable and succeed. Moreover, in the next 4 years, I hope the nonprofit sector is actively involved in decision making and advising, rather than simply the city sharing decisions after they have been made. It is important to collaborate with experts in various fields.

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Q12 — Other Priorities Candidates Wanted the Sector to Know	I would like to take a common sense approach and my door will always remain open. I understand that there won't be general consensus and agreements on every issue. However, open collaboration and discussion must be the main priority. Moreover, I think it is very important that we are honest with ourselves. What is working? What is not working? What needs additional funding and which programs are flawed? I think if we work together on these issues, while also ensuring transparency, we can have significantly greater success.
Q14 — Commit to Engaging With & Supporting the Nonprofit Sector (Yes/No + Why)	Yes