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Young Calgarians have deep concerns about the world they will inherit. Whether it is the financial burden of increased tuition, environmental degradation, or believing that the Canada Pension Plan will not be there for them, young people are concerned that they face a bleak future. They often talk about this only among themselves.

“We need to provide a future with hope” said Harvey Locke, Liberal Candidate in Calgary Centre. “These issues should concern all of us. It is a matter of fairness across generations.”

Harvey Locke has some clear ideas on how to address these concerns of young Calgarians. at \_\_\_\_\_, at his campaign headquarters at 601 – 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Harvey will call for specific measures to provide fairness across generations.

1. A rock solid promise from my generation to those that follow that a robust Canada Pension Plan will be there for them to help secure their retirement.
2. Students should not graduate with crippling debt loads. We didn't have to. Tuition fees should return to the same level, adjusted for inflation, as they were when baby boomers were educated, not twice the level in 2012 that they were in 1975.
3. The natural world should be left in an improved state for future generations; young people should not be left to inherit a legacy of degradation.
4. We should invest in arts and culture \_\_\_\_\_, which will provide a vibrant community and interesting work opportunities that will appeal to both newcomers and born and bred Calgarians.

5. We should foster an atmosphere of innovation that creates exciting jobs in a variety of fields for those entering the workforce. We have an under-employment problem where the skills of young people are not matched by the quality of the jobs available.

“These five points will go a long way toward restoring fairness across generations. We owe it to young people to provide them the same opportunities we had as baby boomers”, said Locke. “It is time to right the balance. It is simply a matter of commitment and fairness.”

“A lot of talented people come from Calgary. They excel in our various universities and colleges, then all too often choose to leave town for places they perceive as more interesting even though there are economic opportunities here. We need to promote innovation and economic diversification to keep them in Calgary. We also need to invest in arts and culture to make Calgary a place where kids who grew up here want to stay, and to continue to attract talented people from other places to come, work and make their lives ” he concluded.

“We should commit to building a city for people who want to stay and to providing hope to future generations”.

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