

Minister of Justice and Attorney General

Which locals are directly impacted:

CUPE 500 - City of Winnipeg

All Locals in Manitoba and their 40,000 members and their families.

CUPE Manitoba Priorities:

1. Support the expansion of the Community Safety Officer program in Winnipeg, and potentially use of the model in other communities, as an alternative to traditional policing.
2. Support the establishment of the Winnipeg Community Crisis Response Service (WCCRS) - a fourth emergency response service in Winnipeg to focus on mental-health crises.
3. Expand *The Human Rights Code* beyond advancements made in other Canadian jurisdictions.

Why it matters:

The Mayor of Winnipeg wants to take big swings to make our city safer, and he needs partners at every level of government to get the job done. Whether that is reducing our reliance on policing through a fourth branch of 911, or expanding the Community Safety Officer program, getting more safety personnel without a firearm into the streets is key to a de-escalated and safer city.

This NDP government has expanded the Human Rights Code to include gender identity and gender expression. The Manitoba human rights code is the best in Canada, but that does not mean it is time to rest.

We should lead the nation in protected grounds for things like Indigenous heritage, language, linguistic background, class, union membership, and other protected classes that have been recognized in other provinces.