



DEFENDING OUR
SOVEREIGNTY, PROTECTING
OUR PATRIMONY



A MESSAGE FROM COMRADE RALPH

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DECENT WORK, AND PROTECT
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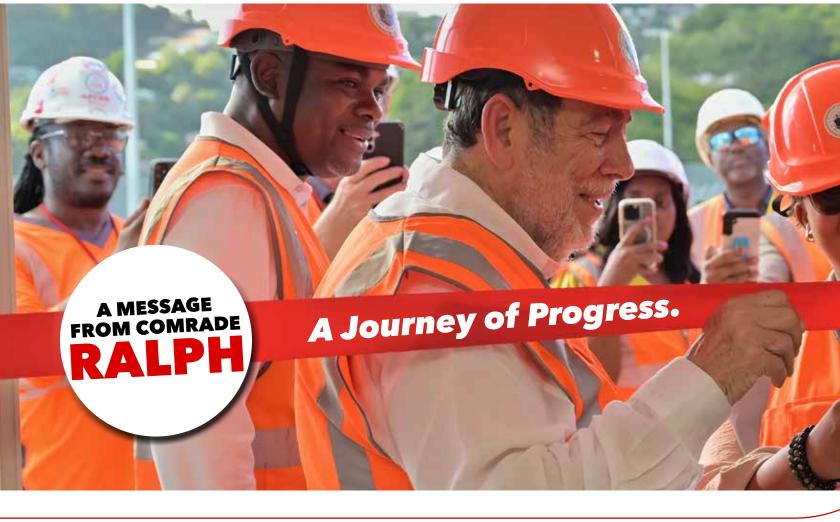
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- ★ Create 6,000 new jobs and reduce unemployment below 5%
- ★ Open the Youth GATES: Youth Guarantee of Apprenticeship, Training, Employment or Scholarships
- ★ Deliver full Digital Transformation

 online services, national ID,
 digital jobs

- ★ Invest in renewable energy, sea defences, and the Blue Economy
- ★ Strengthen community policing, and disaster readiness for greater safety and resilience
- Boost culture, sport, and the creative sector as drivers of opportunity
- ★ Complete the Sir Vincent Beache Athletic Stadium
- ★ Build an athletic track at Buccament and add lighting to 25 sports facilities nationwide
- Develop a National Centre for Performing Arts and Complete three Cultural and Artistic Hubs
- Attract \$2 billion in investment in the tourism sector, creating 2,500 jobs

- ★ Designate Balliceaux as a National Park and Site of Remembrance
- Re-acquire 600-plus acres of land in Canouan from ineffective developers
- Expand the Road Revolution with an addition \$150 million in road infrastructure
- ★ Improve our social safety net and increase public assistance payments
- ★ Defend our sovereignty citizenship and dignity are not for sale
- ★ Develop Saint Vincent and the Grenadines into a First World nation





he past five years have tested us like never before in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. We endured a global pandemic, the eruptions of La Soufrière, and the devastating forces of Hurricanes Elsa and Beryl. But through it all, the Vincentian spirit remained unbreakable and indomitable — and our God remained good.

With energy and will, vision, and skill, your Unity Labour Party (ULP) helped guide our country through these unprecedented challenges. And despite it all, we have made historic progress.

Over the past five years, we created more jobs than in any other fiveyear period in our nation's history. We increased wages, reduced taxes, and supported a record number of entrepreneurs. We continue to repair, rebuild and build houses for the disadvantaged in life and those ravaged by natural disasters like never before in our country's history and like no other government has ever done in the world.

We built a modern port in Kingstown. We brought the world-class Sandals Resort to Buccament. We launched construction of a state-of-the-art Acute Referral Hospital in Arnos Vale. We upgraded the Arnos Vale Stadium and proudly hosted World Cup cricket. We have built out our physical infrastructure in phenomenal ways.

Tourism arrivals have reached all-time highs. More students than ever before are heading to university. Agriculture, fisheries, and manufacturing, are on the uptick; so too is our modern services sector. Our economy is growing faster and stronger than ever.

We are on the right path. Our people-centred transformation is working.

But we are not done yet.

We must continue the journey — to put a university graduate in every household; to guarantee that quality healthcare, safe housing, and world-class education are rights, not privileges.

We must strengthen our defences against climate change and continue to lower the cost of living.

We must make our communities safer and fight crime wherever it appears. We must modernise our government, expand support for sports and culture, and defend our sovereignty and citizenship from unprincipled actors.



We must keep investing in our youth, children, protecting the vulnerable, empowering women — and most of all, we must deepen our struggle against inequality.

Because progress must belong to all hardworking Vincentians – no matter their background, circumstances, or challenges.

We began this journey together with a revolutionary promise: to put people first, and to build a modern, competitive, post-colonial society — rooted locally, connected regionally, and engaged globally.

We've made undeniable progress. We've laid strong foundations. And now, we're building even brighter futures for all Vincentians. We are on a further quest to build a "first world nation" in our Caribbean: More inclusive; more equal;

more modern with high quality science and technology; enhanced and shared prosperity; in peace and safety; with very high human development; with our uplifting, tried and tested values intact; with our treasured freedoms and democracy strengthened; and our country an exemplar for others.

Our vision for the next phase is clear: to transform our country, our people, and our future through growth, health, and opportunity. To deliver real progress – for every Vincentian. To be the very best we can.

And only the ULP can complete this journey: the party of proven leadership, real results, and deep love for our people.

Join us. Let's move forward — together.

Dr. Hon. Ralph Gonsalves

Prime Minister of St. Vincent & the Grenadines and the Political Leader of the Unity Labour Party







government's capital expenditure is the money it invests in building, buying, or improving the nation's fixed assets — such as schools, hospitals, ports, airports, clinics, homes, roads, bridges, and essential equipment. In short, capital spending is how a government builds a nation, grows an economy and drives development.

When the ULP first assumed office, the outgoing NDP government had spent a paltry \$35 million on capital projects in their last full year — an uninspired and stagnant approach to governance that ignored the need for national development and future progress.

The ULP, by contrast, is in the business of nation building. We don't just occupy the crease — we score

runs that reflect our vision, ambition, and commitment to transformative change. We understand that the more we invest in capital projects, the more lives we improve, the more jobs we create, and the faster we advance our people-centred development agenda.

Crucially, we know that the speed of implementation matters. The faster we execute projects, the faster we deliver real change to the people of SVG.

We have sharpened our focus on delivering high-impact, transformative capital projects. We established dedicated units — staffed by talented Vincentian professionals — to accelerate implementation and ensure that vital projects are completed on time and within budget.

Where the NDP once measured

capital spending in tens of millions, the ULP now does so in hundreds of millions. In fact, for six consecutive years, we have broken records for capital implementation. From the NDP's \$35 million in their final year, the ULP delivered an astounding \$578 million in capital expenditure in 2024 alone. That's \$578 million invested in roads, ports, housing, climate resilience, health infrastructure, and local development — directly improving lives across SVG.

In a small country with limited resources, such success doesn't happen by accident. It requires vision, determination, and competence — the kind that only the ULP has consistently shown.

To make our capital implementation even more efficient, timely, and impactful, we are implementing a plan that strengthens every link in the project delivery chain:

- ★ Institutional Reform in planning, procurement, and project management
- Capacity Building to train and empower more local professionals
- ★ Improved Project Preparation through stronger pipelines and tools like the Public Investment Management Assessment (PIMA)
- ★ Modern Procurement Systems, including e-procurement and transparent awarding of contracts
- ★ Better Budgeting and Monitoring, with clear targets and strong oversight
- ★ Strengthened Political Oversight, ensuring that elected leaders, public servants, and contractors work together to deliver results

Our vision for an infrastructural transformation is bold and far-reaching. We are the party of the Argyle International Airport, the Rabacca Bridge, the Modern Cargo Port, the Acute Referral Hospital, and the Canouan Jetport. We are the party that secured private-sector investment in the Canouan Marina and the Sandals Resort. We dream big. We build boldly.

But our dreams are grounded in delivery. Only the ULP has a credible, proven plan to build better, faster, and more affordably.

We are now setting an even higher bar: We will cut in half the time it takes to complete major capital projects. We will slash the red tape that delays smaller, community-level projects with powerful local impact.

Leadership Matters

We are at a pivotal moment in our development, with significant implications for the future. Natural disasters are more frequent and more intense, threatening the lives and livelihoods of Vincentians. The world is a more dangerous place, with transnational crime, global wars and geopolitical realignments impacting our development. SVG is transforming, with even more opportunities to attract investment, build resilience and secure our future. SVG needs visionary, courageous and decisive leadership. SVG needs leadership that loves and understands the Vincentian people. SVG needs leadership that keeps us safe through challenging times. SVG needs the leadership that only Comrade Ralph and the ULP can provide. It is this leadership that has, among other things:

- Created record number of jobs and improved living standards
- ★ Increased wages and salaries
- Reduced poverty significantly
- ★ Protected Vincentians in the aftermath of COVID, La Soufriere, Hurricanes Elsa and Beryl
- Created and expanded the Education Revolution
- ★ Built the Argyle International Airport
- ★ Revolutionised Housing
- Expanded the economy, even through multiple natural disasters

- Reduced taxes yet improved government's finances
- ★ Built the transformative bridge over the Rabacca Dry River
- ★ Amplified SVG's voice and respect in the global community
- ★ Strengthened social protections for all Vincentians
- Rescued the Bank of SVG and reformed the National Insurance Service
- ★ Diversified our agriculture boosted fisheries, manufacturing, tourism and other services
- Built more schools, clinics, roads and bridges than any Government in our history
- ★ Provided special concessions and supports to entrepreneurs, farmers, taxi drivers, etc.
- *Attracted record levels of investment to SVG
- ★ Provided political stability; enhanced democracy and our freedoms

With the ULP, capital investment is not just about infrastructure — it's about growth, opportunity, and development. We are building the future. And we are doing it now.

Good leadership protected us in the past and is transforming our present. Good leadership is essential for our future safety and shared prosperity.







THE VISION OF TRANSFORMATION

The Unity Labour Party: Transforming Today, Securing Tomorrow



he Unity Labour Party continues to lead the transformation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

In previous terms, we laid the foundation for lasting, sustainable growth and development — investing heavily in education, housing, healthcare, infrastructure, agriculture, fisheries, tourism, human development, and social advancement.

Now, we are ready to build upon that strong foundation and propel our nation into the upper ranks of



global human development. We are focused, ambitious, and unwavering in our mission: to make Saint Vincent and the Grenadines a First World Nation by 2040.

The Foundations of Our Vision

Unlike others who shift with the wind, chasing headlines without purpose or coherence, the ULP is anchored in clear principles and guided by a bold, consistent philosophy. These values shape how we see the world and drive how we lead and serve our people.



Our vision rests on ten foundational pillars:

- ► A People-Centred Vision
- The Philosophy of Social Democracy
- ► Our Caribbean Civilisation
- ► Good Governance
- ► A Sound Economic Approach
- ► The Quest to Build a Modern, Competitive, Many-Sided Post-Colonial Economy
- ► Central Economic Outcomes
- ► The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- ► A Mature Regionalism
- ► An Effective and Independent Foreign Policy

At the heart of these is our peoplecentred vision — putting Vincentians first in every decision. We assess every challenge through the lens of how it affects our people. We act not in the interest of elites, external forces, or personal ambition, but in steadfast service to the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines — always.

Our social democratic philosophy reflects our commitment to democracy, free institutions, social justice, and equality before the law. We believe that human dignity demands respect for privacy, family life, and property; fair economic rewards for honest labour; a strong safety net for the vulnerable; and a society rooted in peace and security.

These values are not temporary slogans. They are embedded in our political DNA. We know who we are in the **Unity Labour Party:**

- We are champions of social justice.
- We are determined to end poverty
- and expand opportunity.
- We are strong regionalists and avowed anti-imperialists.
- We believe the voice of the people is politically sacred.
- We are committed stewards of our environment.
- We know that the State, properly led, is a powerful force for good and national development.

Our opponents, by contrast, are adrift. They do not know who they are so the people cannot know what they stand for. They say, "Elect us, and you will see." We say, "You know who we are. Re-elect us to continue the work we've begun."

The Next Steps in Fulfilling Accelerating Transformation the Vision

Our people-centred approach has brought real results, lifting Saint Vincent and the Grenadines higher with each step — through better education, stronger housing, improved connectivity, increased tourism, bolstering fisheries, worker protections, disaster resilience, more manufacturing, strengthening agriculture, and social upliftment.

In our next term, we will deepen this work with renewed focus. The next phase of our journey is driven by a clear objective: To elevate Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to First World status by transforming our economy, our people, and our future through growth, health, education and training, advanced technology, resilience, equality, opportunity, and shared prosperity.

To achieve this, we will continue even more to:

- Grow the economy sustainably and inclusively
- Improve healthcare outcomes across the country
- Strengthen our resilience to climate change and global shocks
- Eliminate systemic inequality
- Remove the barriers that affect upward mobility and personal progress
- Lift human and social development

Our mission is to create opportunities for every Vincentian to shape and own the future they dream of.

Transformation is not a slow, meandering process. It is focused, strategic, and results-driven. The ULP is not content with business as usual. We are eager always for bold change and impatient for meaningful results that benefit the people. We are the party of ideas and action; we are the party always to lift SVG higher, together.

That is why, in our next term, we will accelerate the transformation already underway — building a modern, resilient, and equitable Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Labour is working to transform today and secure tomorrow — for all Vincentians.

What We Will Do In The Next Term

Over the past five years, your government spent more money on implementing transformative projects than ever before. In fact, the \$568 million spent on capital projects in 2024 alone is more than the total capital expenditure between 2015 and 2020! In the next term, we will continue to invest in projects that fulfil our vision of transformation in the People's interest. In the next term, we will, among other things:

Complete the \$220 million Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital, revolutionising tertiary healthcare

Build new secondary schools at Brighton and Sandy Bay, the next generation of secondary education in SVG

- Complete Artistic, Cultural and Educational hubs in Bell Vue, Troumaca, and Petit Bordel, to accelerate transformation of the creative industries
- ➤ Partner with the private sector to build the 300 room Marriott Resort and the 500-room Beaches Resort at Peter's Hope and Mt. Wynn, to welcome thousands of guests and create thousands more jobs in the hospitality sector
- Complete the \$80 million Digital Transformation Project, which will catapult government services into the future
- ★ Expand the Argyle International Airport and sign contracts with additional airlines to bring more tourists to SVG

- Build a state-of-the-art Grenadines Terminal alongside the modern Kingstown Cargo Port, to make Grenadines travel more seamless and comfortable
- Carry out huge investments by CWSA in respect of water delivery, including the US\$52 million project developed between the government and the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (5Cs), to be funded by the Green Climate Fund, for desalination plants in Bequia, Canouan, Union Island, and Mayreau, and for water upgrades on St. Vincent
- ★ Rolling out massive investments through VINLEC on electricity delivery, including by way of solar energy
- Conduct a massive urban renewal campaign to create attractive, safe and green residential, commercial and recreational spaces in Kingstown

- ★ Operationalise the Modern Kingstown Cargo Port and build a modern Grenadines Ferry Facility
- ★ Accelerate the roads revolution that built multiple climate-smart roads in SVG between 2020–2025
- ★ Upgrade police stations physically, and technologically, to make the police more comfortable and better equipped to fight crime
- ★ Attract over \$2.5 billion in foreign direct investment, to create jobs and grow the economy
- Reduce unemployment to below 5%, through the creation of thousands of additional jobs
- Complete sea defence works at Sandy Bay, and in other areas sensitive to erosion and sea-level rise



- * Add lighting to 15 additional sporting facilities nationwide
- ★ Complete the Sir Vincent Beache Athletic Stadium
- Expand the PRYME, ON-SITE, GYVE, SET and YES programmes to deliver more opportunities to young people
- Ensure that every single qualified student receives at least \$30,000 in tuition assistance to attend university
- ★ Provide laptops or tablet computers to every student in primary and secondary school
- * Expand and enhance the Canouan and Union Island Airports
- Complete the reconstruction of infrastructure in the Southern Grenadines
- Continue the revolutionary rollout of TVET facilities and classes to enable

- Construct bridges in Noel and Overland, to further enhance the bridge-building revolution that has taken place across North Windward since 2001
- ★ Install desalination plants in Bequia, Union Island and Mayreau to reduce water vulnerability in the Grenadines
- Expand fisheries facilities in Clare Valley, Chateaubelair, Calliaqua, Shipping Bay and Lowmans Bay
- Reduce corporate and income taxes by a further 5%
- ★ Improve the ease of doing business in SVG, to allow for quicker opening of bank accounts, easier clearance of goods through the port, faster registration of businesses, more efficient land titling, smoother utility connections, and a new Investment Act

- Reduce the cost of living through targeted supports to vulnerable households, stronger anti-gouging regulations, improved logistics for more affordable imported goods, and stronger consumer protection laws
- Roll out a revolutionary Math Improvement Programme to ensure that students in primary and secondary school get additional mathematics instructional time
- Expand the housing revolution with investments in townhouses for young professionals
- Enhance markedly all the indicators in human development
- ★ Pursue fully the Sustainable **Development Goals**





n our 2020 Manifesto, a major plank of our development strategy was our promise that, if reelected, we would build a modern cargo port at Kingstown.

That promise has been fulfilled, with a spectacular facility that will serve SVG and assist hugely in driving our economic transformation for decades to come.

Why do we Need This Port?

Our existing 60 year-old Port of Kingstown is too fragile, too limited and too inadequate to support growing trade and commercial demand. The current port is operating beyond its design capacity and is no longer fit for purpose. It was also not sufficiently resilient to withstand the challenges of climate change, sea level rise and wave action — a fact that was made painfully clear when Hurricane Beryl devastated the old facility.

Unfortunately, the Camden Park Port was poorly conceived and poorly built by the NDP while they were in office. Already, it has several structural challenges, and it cannot accomodate modern large ships. Truck and container traffic from Camden Park is also a challenge.

The ULP realised that a fresh, modern facility was needed to support economic transformation: Our modernisation of SVG's port infrastructure is part of our broader plan to transition to a modern, competitive, connected economy, with string participation by the private-sector.

Further, a climate-resilient port is necessary to support logistics, climate adaptation, and disaster-readiness in an increasingly volatile environment. We made enhancing our trade resilience a strategic priority.

Project Details

The Modern Kingstown Cargo Port cost \$700 million to build. It was financed primarily by the Caribbean Development Bank, the United Kingdom Caribbean Infrastructure Fund, the government of Taiwan, and the people of SVG.

We began construction in 2022 and completed the project in 2025.

Our Modern Kingstown Cargo Port will serve SVG for at least another 50 years, with expansive terminal buildings for administration/customs, warehouses, workshops, container freight station, container storage yards, break-bulk yards and maintenance areas.

Road upgrades in the port catchment area will ease congestion and facilitate easy transportation of containers to and from the Port, while the relocation and extension of a marine sewer line will protect our coastal environments.

During construction, the Port Project employed hundreds of Vincentians and purchased millions of dollars in goods and services from local providers. Our recent economic growth was driven, in part, by major infrastructure projects like the modern Kingstown Cargo Port.

The ULP, in its usual people-centred and compassionate way, also provided

generous compensation for the vendors and fishers impacted by the Port project, and built 47 beautiful homes for the informal settlers who were living in the vicinity of the Port.

The Transformative Benefits of our Modern Port

Our Modern Kingstown Port was SVG's second-largest infrastructural project, after the Argyle International Airport. It will be equally impactful. Just as the naysayers who doubted the feasilbility of the AIA project are now eating their words, so too will the political hacks who attack this Port project be silenced in the coming years.

The benefits of our modern Port are clear:

- ★ Improved trade flows and export potential: Our Modern Port will handle more cargo faster, reducing delays and costs. This scale reduces shipping costs per unit critical for national competitiveness
- ★ <u>Job creation</u>: Our Modern Port development stimulated constructionphase jobs, and now provides quality job opportunities in longer-term logistics, transport, warehousing, and associated services
- Economic diversification and resilience: Enables logistic services

expansion, supports productionlinked growth, and aids poverty reduction objectives

- Attracts investment: Our development of a reliable, modern logistics hub signals SVG's readiness for foreign direct investment and private sector expansion
- Enables economic integration: Our enhanced port will support regional and global trade, link production and consumption markets, and widen export opportunities
- Greater security: Our modern Port infrastructure brings with it improved equipment, better customs, border control, and monitoring systems, which will reducing smuggling, illegal trade and illicit firearm imports
- Urban renewal and revitalisation:
 Our modern Kingstown cargo Port will become an anchor around which warehouses and commercial zones develop. The upgraded port and improved traffic flow around Kingstown core area promotes broader urban development. And the "uptown' space vacated by the former port will spur massive urban renewal, with fresh touristic developments, green spaces, and a National Centre for Performing Arts

A Resilient, Future-Ready Port

As hurricanes, storms and natural disasters become more frequent, the resilience of coastal infrastructure becomes a critical strategic imperative. The ULP insisted on designs and construction methods that guarantee the resilience of the Port, enhances environmental protection, and ensures sustainability

Our modern Port:

- Is designed to withstand storms and sea-surges and other climaterelated stress
- Has a redesigned and extended sewer line to protect nearshore marine ecosystems

 Contains solar panels, modern water usage and adheres to green standards, to make operation of the modern port more sustain able over the longterm

The ULP in Action

The Modern Kingstown Cargo Port is another critical, transformative project that only the ULP could build. It required vision, creativity, determination and sound management.

No longer will our trade and economic development be impaired by inadequate port facilities. No longer will we experience heightened vulnerability and anxiety regarding our regional and global connectivity.

Our port will play a critical role in boosting trade, diversifying our economy, creating jobs, lowering prices, supporting communities, upgrading logistics, and building resilience. Our first world ambitions depend on having first world port infrastructure.



THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF THE ARROS VALE ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL

he Unity Labour Party promised a modern acute care hospital in our 2020 Manifesto, and we are delivering on that promise today.

But the hospital that we are building at Arnos Vale is not just a building. It is a catalyst for improved health and wellness. It is an anchor for our planned modern City at Arnos Vale. It is an agent of transformation. The Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital will be the hub of modern health services nationwide. It will revolutionise the process of referrals from primary to secondary to tertiary healthcare. And it will spur sweeping reforms in the management of our hospital services across SVG.

The ULP's First World vision demands a future-ready state-of-the-art hospital. And we are delivering it, as promised, to the people of SVG. over 100 years ago, and it has simply reached the end of its life as the nation's main hospital. The MCMH is outdated, not fully suited to meet demand for expanded services, structurally compromised, and too small to accommodate future development. While a reimagined MCMH has a more limited role to play in the future of our health sector, it just cannot be the centre of our health service delivery going forward.

Why do we need this hospital?



As our population ages, as new health threats emerge, as more visitors come to our shores, and as healthcare evolves and modernises, we need a hospital that can deliver services beyond those that we have traditionally expected in a Vincentian hospital. The Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital will deliver a quantum improvement in the scope and scale of services, and the quality of care available in SVG.

Further, our vulnerabilities to pandemics, natural disasters and climate change demand resilient health infrastructure that can withstand such shocks and continue to deliver world-class care to citizens, even in the midst of a disaster.

Project Details

Physically, the Acute Care Hospital will occupy 50 percent more space than the MCMH, and will have even more space to accommodate potential expansion. It will offer 134 beds and a full range of acute services including emergency medicine, trauma care, critical and urgent care, surgeries, inpatient/outpatient stabilisation, and allied health (laboratory, radiography, pharmacy, audiology, optometry, physical therapy, psychology, social work, etc.)

The Acute Care Hospital will also offer specialised care including cardiology, neurology (acute stroke

care), endocrinology (diabetes, thyroid), ophthalmology, orthopaedics, haematology (e.g. sickle cell), oncology, OB/GYN, dental, dialysis, urology, and more.

In view of the modern challenges posed by COVID, M-Pox, Bird Flu, Swine Flu, Ebola and other highly-contagious illnesses, the Acute Care Hospital will include isolation units for pandemics and public-health emergencies, plus training facilities for medical personnel.

In our 2020 Manifesto, the ULP stated that "the government is currently sourcing the [money] to construct and equip this Hospital." In the subsequent years, we sourced the money – twice.

First, we negotiated with the World Bank and the OPEC Fund for International Development to obtain the \$215 million necessary to build and equip the Hospital.

However, the Government decided to re-allocate that money to address the acute humanitarian and reconstruction needs caused by the impact of Hurricane Beryl.

As such, the ULP administration reached out to Taiwan and negotiated a \$335 million concessional loan to build the Hospital and fund other improvements in the health sector.

The Acute Care Hospital was designed as a "green" and climateresilient hospital. It is built to withstand category 5 hurricane winds manage waste, utilise energy-efficient lighting, minimise A/C usage, use renewable energy, and employ smart digital systems.

The Government broke ground on the Acute Care Hospital in October 2024, and will complete it in 2027.

A Continued Role for the MCMH

Once the Arnos vale Acute Care Hospital opens, the MCMH will be transformed into a Maternal and Child Health Centre of Excellence, retaining some A&E services, but focusing on women, children, and families under the same overall legal entity as the Acute Care Hospital. The old MCMH will be rehabilitated, improved and focussed on the care of women and children using some of the resources from the Taiwanese concessional loan.

The Transformative Benefits of our Acute Care Hospital

Our completion of the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital will represent the fulfilment of another critical component of our transformation vision.

The hospital will accelerate and deepen the Health & Wellness Revolution by:

- ★ Providing accessible, high-quality tertiary-level healthcare, reducing reliance on costly overseas referrals
- ★ Improving health outcomes, through the broader application of more specialised care to reduce morbidity and mortality across SVG
- ★ Increasing capacity to serve our 110,000 residents and the 500,000 annual tourists that will arrive annually, improving health outcomes and medical tourism potential
- Strengthening our healthcare system's ability to respond to climate events, disease outbreaks, and the growing burden of non-communicable diseases (like diabetes, hypertension, heart disease)
- Reducing operational costs, with green design, energy usage efficiencies, and reduced carbon emissions, contributing to environmental and fiscal sustainability.
- ★ Improving Operational efficiency with newer layouts, technologies, and information systems improve patient workflows and reduce resource waste.
- ★ Acting as a catalyst for health system reform: improved governance,

leadership, workforce development, and data-driven decision-making via new hospital management systems.

Fostering job creation and technology transfer, during the construction phase, and in its operation, through our partnership with Taiwan, and the future demand for more specialised healthcare professionals

A Modern Health System

Our construction of the Acute Care Hospital is not a standalone building construction project. Equal care is being spent to modernising healthcare delivery in SVG. The hospital will have dedicated training facilities to help build and sustain a skilled health workforce. We will revolutionise the digital management of patient records. And we will integrate the Acute Care Hospital into a unified health system that sees every clinic, polyclinic and district hospital as part of a unified whole.

Healthcare is a Public Good, not a Private Commodity for Profit

The ULP believes that quality, accessible, affordable healthcare is a basic right to be enjoyed by all Vincentians. The NDP disagrees. As the construction of the Acute Care Hospital began, their spokespersons said that hospital

care should be privatised in SVG. Privatising our main hospital would mean the imposition of a profit motive, rather than a health service delivery motive, on our health sector. It would make wellness into an industry, run by a private monopoly, that would care more about its profit margin than it cares about you.

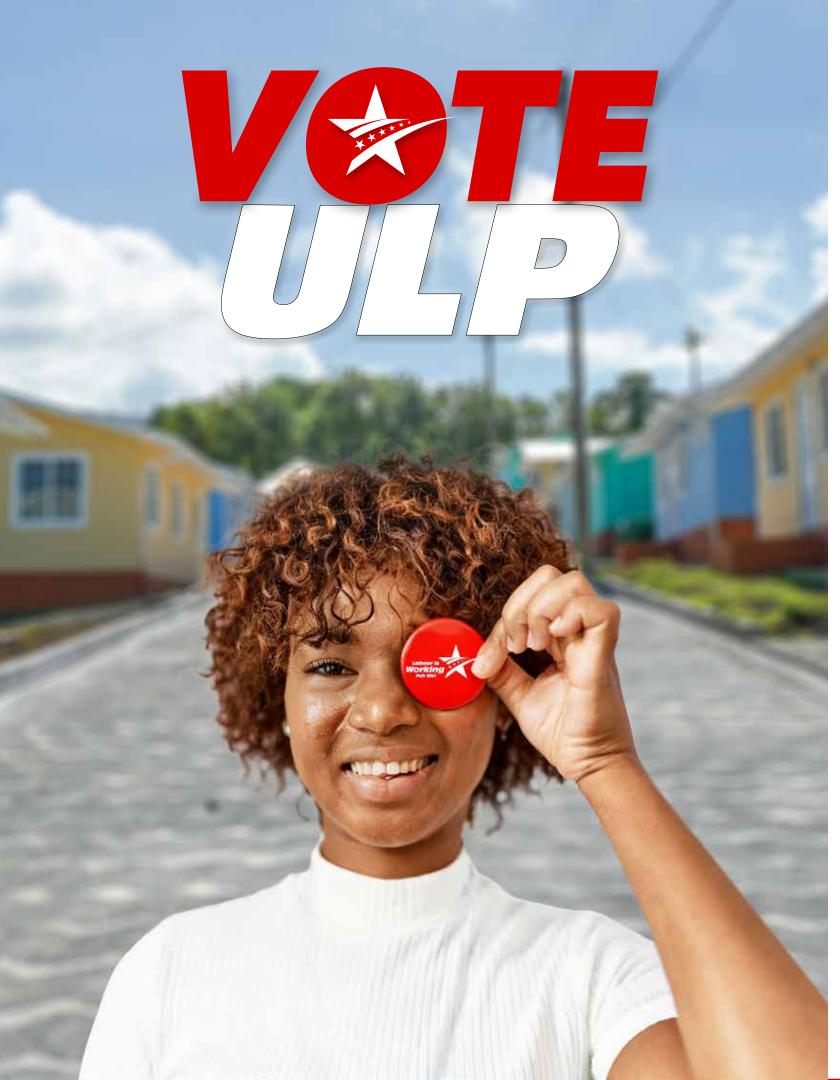
Prices would rise, and quality care would be limited to those with the means to pay top dollar for their health.

We will never put private profit above public health. We are building the Acute Care Hospital for the people of SVG, not big-money interests.

The ULP in Action

The Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital is a cornerstone of the ULP's First World vision. We have carefully planned its design, its location, its funding, its services, its operations and the transformative impact that it will have on the lives of Vincentians.

We are transforming healthcare for all in SVG!





uring our current term in office, the Unity Labour Party Government launched a visionary and bold \$80 million Digital Transformation Project, in partnership with the World Bank. This initiative builds on the foundation laid by the transformative Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Programme (CARCIP), which established a modern fibre optic backbone across Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Together, these projects represent over \$160 million in technology investment — a clear demonstration of the ULP's commitment to using innovation as a powerful tool for national development. By harnessing the potential of technology, we aim to overcome many of our country's structural limitations and vulnerabilities.

This current phase of the Digital Transformation Project will:

- Develop a unified government web and mobile portal to provide citizens with convenient access to digital services, including driver's licenses, passports, business and vehicle registration, and health records
- ★ Establish the Vincy Single Window for Trade to streamline customs clearance and trade facilitation
- ★ Introduce a Single Window for Land and Property Transactions and create a Unified Land Information

System to reduce the time and cost of buying and selling real estate

- Digitise the Civil Registry and implement a Universal Identification System, assigning each citizen and resident a unique identifier that links across government agencies
- Launch a government e-payment platform for services, licenses, permits, and fees
- ★ Modernise tax administration with a digital tax management and payment system
- ★ Implement an electronic document and record management system, including digital signatures
- ★ Establish a secure government datacenter or adopt commercial cloud services to host sensitive government data
- Create a Cybersecurity Incident Response Team to defend against and respond to cyber threats
- Roll out a Government-Wide Enterprise Architecture and Interoperability Framework to guide digital transformation across ministries
- ★ Develop a comprehensive digital government strategy and roadmap
- ★ Train at least 400 individuals for employment in digitally enabled careers

Imagine this:

- Clearing your packages online.
- Paying your taxes from your phone.
- Purchasing land without lengthy manual title searches.
- Renewing your passport from the comfort of your home.
- Using your unique ID to seamlessly access public services, with the confidence that your personal data is secure.
- Skipping the long lines and interacting with your Government directly through your smartphone or computer.

This is not a dream — it's the digital future the ULP is building today.

Our investments in digital transformation will propel government services into the 21st century, improve efficiency, empower citizens, and strengthen our economy. Through better data management and analysis, we will ensure smarter decisions and more responsive governance.

The ULP is bringing SVG into the modern era — and bringing the future to you.



ince the construction of the Argyle International Airport, the tourism sector has been growing by leaps and bounds. The Unity Labour Party has been guiding and shaping this growth, while ensuring that it benefits our national economy and creates opportunities for Vincentians.

It is the Unity Labour Party that helped to create the Buccament Valley into the economic engine that is the Sandals Resort.

But Sandals is just the beginning. In recent months, four major resort projects have been announced – the Beaches Resort at Mt. Wynne, the Marriott Resort at Peter's Hope, the Cumberland Bay Resort & Marina, and the complete rebuild of the Palm Island Resort. Together, the developers of those resorts will pour over \$2 billion in investments into Saint Vincent and the Grenadines over the next three years.

Those resort projects – all facilitated by the ULP – will continue the economic transformation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

More Than Just Buildings: The Transformative Power of Hotel Projects

When those hotels rise in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, it will do more than change the landscape—it will change lives. From the first bulldozer on-site to the first guest checking in, hotel projects inject energy, investment, and long-term opportunity into our economy.

They're not just buildings. They're economic powerhouses. They are about people, jobs, skills, wealth creation for Vincentians.

Construction Phase: Jobs, Investment, & Economic Activity

Every hotel project begins with a surge of construction activity that puts Vincentians to work. Carpenters, masons, plumbers, welders, electricians, labourers, heavy equipment operators, engineers, architects, accountants, lawyers, vendors and service providers all get a piece of the action. The ripple effects spread quickly: hardware stores move more inventory, quarries supply more aggregate, and local transport companies stay busy.

As we saw during the Sandals hotel's construction, when a major hotel is being built, millions of dollars circulate through our economy — supporting families, growing small businesses, and strengthening the national economy.

After Opening: Permanent Jobs & Lifelong Careers

Once completed, hotels continue to generate steady employment. Housekeepers, chefs, bartenders, waitstaff, front desk agents, landscapers, security personnel, entertainers, and managers — all find reliable, dignified work. These jobs are year-round, upwardly mobile, and often come with training and benefits.

For young Vincentians, a thriving hospitality sector means more local options and fewer reasons to leave home in search of opportunity.

Lifting Tourism, Boosting Airlift

More hotel rooms mean more capacity to welcome visitors—and more new flights! Airlines are more willing to serve destinations that can accommodate growing numbers of tourists. When we built the AIA, naysayers said that no flights would come to SVG because we had nothing to offer. Today, Air Canada, American Airlines, Caribbean Airlines, Jet Blue, Virgin Atlantic and a host of regional airlines visit our shores, with more airlines schedule to operate from AIA in the coming months, including Delta Airlines, making us more connected, and bringing benefits to tourists, locals and our Diaspora.

As hotels multiply, so do our tourist arrivals. That means more revenue, more visibility for our islands, and a stronger, more resilient tourism sector. Last year, we saw record stay-over arrivals beyond one hundred thousand visitors, a first in our country's history. Our boutique hotels, resorts, and eco-retreats become not just places to stay, but reasons to return.

Spillover Benefits for Every Corner of the Country

While hotels are built in Buccament, Mount Wynne, Peters Hope, Palm Island, Cumberland or Canouan — their benefits extend from Fancy to Union Island.

Farmers gain steady buyers for their fruits and vegetables. Fisherfolk land larger catches knowing they'll have a ready market. Taxi drivers, tour guides, artisans, chefs, musicians, boat operators, restaurateurs and event planners all get a boost.

Hotels create ecosystems of opportunity. They help small businesses scale up, encourage entrepreneurship, and bring rural communities into the heart of the tourism value chain.

More Than Tourism – It's Transformation

The ULP's thoughtful planning, creation of strong local linkages, and commitment to environmental responsibility are ensuring that hotel developments in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines are more than tourism projects — they are national development projects.

They create jobs. They train our workforce. They attract investment. They deepen our global connectivity. And they put more money into more Vincentian pockets.

Hotels don't just transform tourism — they transform our economy, our communities, and our country.



ven before the opening of the Argyle International Airport, short-sighted interests began lining up to seek plots of land at Arnos Vale for various commercial ventures. People began to pressure Comrade Ralph to sell off the Arnos Vale real estate to make a quick dollar, and to let the area develop in a private sector free-for-all.

But Comrade Ralph and the ULP had bigger plans for the site of the decommissioned ET Joshua Airport. We saw it as the last piece of flat, largely undeveloped land close to Kingstown. And we conceived a vision that we should seize this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to plan and create a modern city, anchored by a hospital and a hotel at either end, that would be the most advanced, most attractive city in the Eastern Caribbean.

We saw an opportunity create a city that would reduce congestion in Kingstown. That would be pedestrian friendly, health-focussed, and modern. That would create economic opportunity, growth and development. And that would serve as an embodiment of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines' forward-looking, ambitious and confident outlook.

We have invested in critical portions of the modern city at Arnos Vale – beginning construction of a \$215 million hospital at one end, and investing \$38 million in the upgrade of the Arnos Vale stadium. But the main buildout of the city will take place during our next term in office.

Why build a city at Arnos Vale?

Kingstown faces overcrowding, frequent traffic congestion, and infrastructure constraints in a narrow coastal footprint. The Arnos Vale site offers room to expand urban functions and relieve pressure on the capital.

The ULP sees the Arnos Vale city as a main component to diversify and grow the tourism sector, improve residential housing, and enhance the quality of available retial space. This development will attract investment, private development, grow the economy, and create jobs.

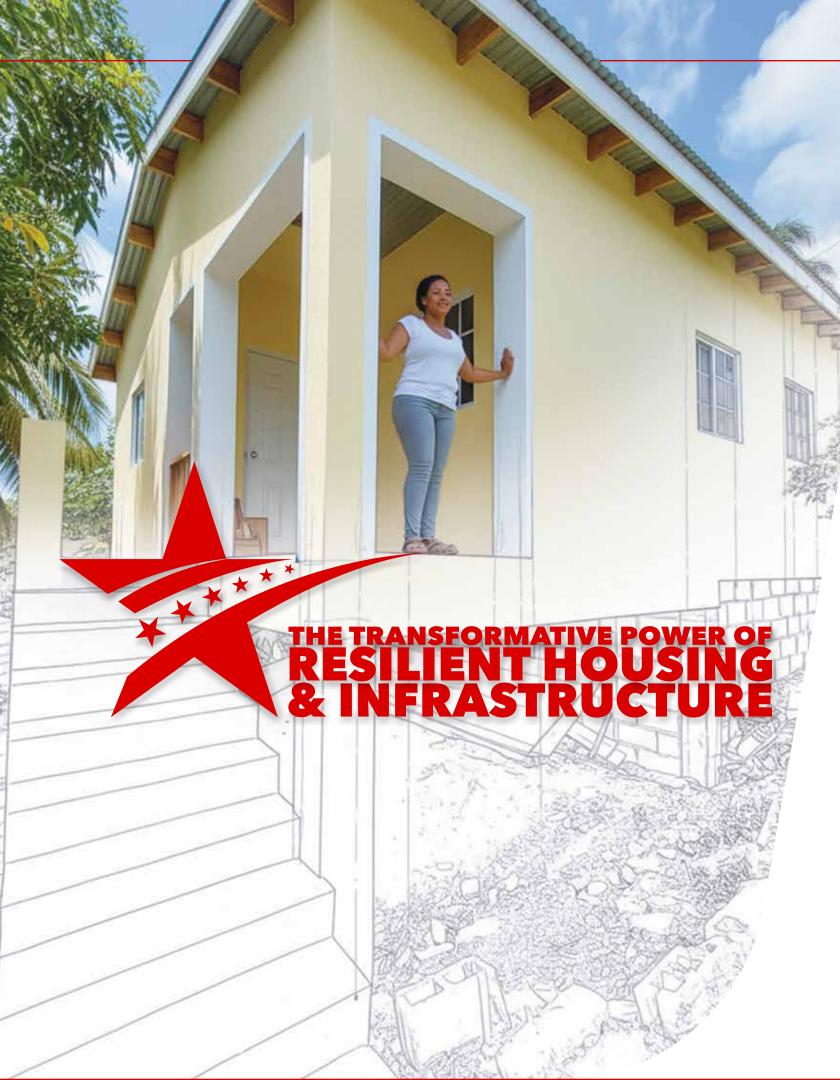
During our 2020-2025 term in office, the ULP invested heavily in creating a plan that transforms the ET Joshua tarmac it into a thriving, climate-adaptive urban space. An international design competition produced a master plan that reimagines the runway as a linear "central park" integrated with green space, waterfront promenades, and a climate-resilient layout.

The master plan incorporates a diverse building program that introduces new housing, live-work spaces, cultural and institutional destinations, and tourism amenities.

At the heart of the master plan is the transformation of the former airstrip into a multifunctional central park — a vibrant, linear open space that reflects the site's history while creating a destination for residents, workers, and visitors.

The ULP in Action

The NDP has never even expressed a view as to what should be done with the decommissioned airport. They have no plan for it. But the ULP will make Arnos Vale into a green, vibrant city, and a visible manifestation of our transformative First World ambitions.



he Unity Labour
Party is the Party of
housing in Saint
Vincent and the
Grenadines. Our sustained
commitment to building and
rebuilding homes is unmatched
anywhere else in the region. Our
vision for a First World nation
requires that our population is
adequately and safely housed.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Beryl's devastating strike on Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the true cost of inadequate housing was laid painfully bare. Thousands of families were left exposed — physically, emotionally, and economically. But even amid the rubble, a powerful lesson was reenforced: resilience saves lives. And now, the ULP-led Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is building that resilience — brick by brick.

The ULP's Housing Revolution has always been more than a social programme; it is an engine of transformation. Every housing project pumps millions into the national economy — creating jobs for contractors, carpenters, masons, plumbers, electricians, truckers, and tradespeople across the country. The money circulates through hardware stores, quarries, service providers and small businesses, fuelling growth from the ground up.

But the real transformation begins after the final nail is hammered in.

These are not just houses. They are safe, secure, climate-resilient homes.

Homes designed to withstand the storms to come. Homes that give families dignity, security, and a fighting chance when disaster strikes. That kind of security is not just personal — it's national. Every house that stands firm in the face of a hurricane is one less family in crisis, one less burden on our social support system, and one more unit of stability in our economic recovery.

And the benefits ripple outward.

A functioning construction sector empowers allied industries — transport operators moving materials and people, vendors and small businesses supporting the growing activity, and workers with more disposable income to spend in the local economy. The housing sector becomes a hub of opportunity, innovation, and community upliftment.

From our earliest days in office, the Unity Labour Party has been laserfocused on providing safe, secure housing to Vincentians. We have distributed over 7,000 building lots and land titles; distributed more building materials and built more homes than any administration in the history of our country. In fact, while ULP administrations before the volcanic eruptions and Hurricane Beryl have built over 3,000 houses across SVG the NDP built zero homes over their 17 years in office. Further, due to the people-centred housing policies of the ULP government the number of households in SVG has increased from under 30,000 in 2001 to over 47,000 in 2025.

Looking ahead, the Government is preparing to roll out a fresh initiative: the construction of affordable townhouses specifically targeted at young professionals. This bold move responds to a quiet predicament — an entire generation seeking to move out of their parents' homes and into their own, but struggling with increasing land prices and construction costs. By creating affordable, accessible housing for nurses, teachers, police officers, junior clerks, and others at the start of their careers, the ULP is unlocking independence, spurring mobility, creating wealth, strengthening communities, and reshaping the future.

This isn't just housing policy. It's a policy of hope. A policy of resilience. A policy of nation-building. This is how the ULP helps to accelerate transformation.

Home by home, family by family, we are not only constructing buildings — we are constructing a stronger, safer, more prosperous Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.



or the Unity Labour Party, the Blue Economy is not just a development option — it is a developmental imperative. Our future is inextricably bound to our relatively large Exclusive Economic Zone, and our sustainable reliance on marine resources for livelihoods, food, energy, trade, and cultural identity.

In Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, our ocean territory is more than 70 times the size of our landmass. Counting our seascape, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines controls as much territory as Rwanda, and twice as much as Switzerland. Given the size of our ocean resources, the Blue Economy provides a unique opportunity to:

- Diversify the economy beyond traditional bases
- Create sustainable livelihoods in rural and coastal communities
- Build resilience against climate change and external shocks
- Safeguard ocean health, a vital ecological and economic asset; and
- Ensure all of mankind benefits fairly from the resources of the deep sea bed

The Unity Labour Party has a clear and action-oriented Blue Economy policy. Through the Modern Kingstown Cargo Port, we are expanding into marine logistics and fresh value chains. Through our facilitation of private investors and our public expenditure on fisheries processing, we have facilities at Bequia, Calliaqua and Owia exporting seafood globally. Through our eco-marine tourism we are attracting more visitors, empowering more entrepreneurs and creating a distinct identity for our hospitality sector.

We pursue economic diversification through explorations and investments in sustainable aquaculture, sustainable coastal tourism, marine renewable energy, sea bed minerals and blue biotech to spur scientific development of our marine assets.

Our Blue Economy policy is focussed on rural and coastal communities, which can benefit from enhanced artisanal and commercial fishing, aquaculture, boat-building and repair, diving services, marine transport, and yacht servicing and provisioning. We will prepare our youth to capitalise on these opportunities through

increased technical and vocational education, ocean literacy, and digital applications in the Blue Economy.

The ULP is priotitising healthy oceans and support for coral reefs and mangroves, which act as natural barriers to sea-level rise and storm surge. Our Government is also investing in ecosystem-based management to help maintain fish, conch and lobster stocks. We are protecting and preserving our precious biodiversity, and we are positioning SVG to secure long-term economic benefits from our tremendous marine assets.

Significantly, we are also relying on our Blue Economy policies to strengthen food security. Our robust support for sustainable fishery practices are enhancing our ability to feed ourselves and reducing dependence on imported protein.

Our Blue Economy policies will make SVG future-ready with more jobs, more economic growth, more affordable food, more resilient natural resources and more opportunities for our youth. Led by Comrades Camillo, Carlos and Saboto, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is already leveraging its Blue Economy policies to access "blue financing" from the World Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank, the Green Climate Fund and other development partners.

What We Have Done

- Secured a \$43 million in financing from the World Bank to implement the "Unleashing the Blue Economy" project
- ★ Banned the hunting of sea turtles, orcas and porpoises
- ★ Announced a closed conch season to protect the sustainability of our Queen Conch population
- ★ Invested over \$700 million in the construction of the Kingstown Cargo Port to position SVG as a logistics hub
- ★ Facilitated the establishment of Bequia Seafoods and Rainforest Seafoods as private sector seafood exporters
- ★ Provided supports and incentives to facilitate the expansion of the seamoss business in the Grenadines
- Created the Fleet Expansion
 Programme to provide affordable
 financing to fishers seeking to improve
 their boats or equipment
- ★ Provided low interest loans, tax incentives and duty waivers for Grenadines ferry operators

- Completed major coastal protection projects including at Sans Souci, Layou and Georgetown with works in Sandy Bay underway
- Provided over \$5 million in supports to fishers impacted by COVID, the La Soufriere Eruptions and Hurricane Beryl
- Constructed the Barraoulie Blackfish Processing Centre
- ★ Improved the equipment and infrastructure of fishing facilities nationwide
- ★ Invested \$2.5 million in surface and subsea Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs) to improve fish landings
- ★ Provided training, safety equipment, coolers and sunshades to artisanal fishers

What We Will Do In The Next Term

- Complete the comprehensive, crosssectoral Blue Economy Strategy currently being finalised as part of the SVG Development Plan
- ★ Modernise and sustainably expand fisheries facilities, including Bequia, Calliaqua, Clare Valley, Shipping Bay and Union Island
- Remove VAT on fuel for fishers
- Explore issuing a national blue bond to fund sustainable ocean projects

- ➤ Work with CARICOM and the OECS to harmonise blue economy frameworks, pool technical expertise, and strengthen regional ocean governance
- Expand ocean science education, vocational training, and certification for youth entering maritime professions
- ★ Expand Climate-risk insurance for fishers
- ★ Finalise a Waste Management Strategy and Implementation Plan to address marine pollution.
- Invest in coastal infrastructure that has the potential for increased climate resilience, and Blue Economy job creation
- Restore nature-based infrastructure for coastal protection, climate resilience, and carbon sequestration in the Grenadines



he Unity Labour Party will never sell our country's passport to foreigners as if it is a sack of potatoes!

Never!

The ULP believes that the office of "citizen" is the highest office in our country, and that the office of citizen is **NOT FOR SALE**. Our passport is a symbol of our citizenship, and cannot be sold. The ULP believes that selling yourself for a quick dollar is immoral and debases our Caribbean values. The ULP is firmly of the view that the selling of passports is unsustainable and unreliable.

The ULP believes that selling your passport is an admission of defeat — an admission that your country cannot grow and develop without cheap gimmicks. The ULP believes that selling passports is a vote of noconfidence in your own citizens — a declaration that your own citizens lack the productivity, ingenuity or talent to succeed on their own.

We believe in you.

The opposition, on the other hand, cannot wait to sell our passport to any foreigners with money, including disreputable foreigners. Despite clear

evidence of corruption in passport despite selling; the damage that it does to our reputation internationally; despite the fact that it will cost us visa-free access to Europe; despite the fact the the American government plans to ban citizens of passport-selling countries from entering the United States; Despite the fact that selling citizenship undermines what it means to be a nation; Despite the fact that selling our passport is simply wrong - the Opposition literally asks "so what?" So what if you cannot travel? So what if you cannot send and receive money overseas? So what if the name of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is sullied globally? So what if the only people who make most of the money from passport-selling are lawyers, accountants, corrupt politicians, and foreign passport-selling agents?

The Opposition does not care.



Serious people globally do not consider that a land which is a passport-selling entity for foreigners, mainly disreputable ones, can truly be a respected nation. A First World Country will never sell its citizenship and passports.

Even now that all of the ULP's cautions and warnings are proving to be prophetic, they still do not care.

They do not care because their campaign is funded by people who want to sell your passport. They do not care because their party is run by people who want to make a quick dollar from selling your passport,

do not care because their leadership all have second passports – from Canada, England and the United States – that will not be affected when they sell off your Vincentian passport for 30 pieces of silver.

The Unity Labour Party has established national pride, historical reclamation, and defence of our patrimony as foundation stones in our national development.

During our most recent term in office, we have stood firm against the selling of passports. We have also:

- ★ Acquired the island of Balliceaux as a place of historical reclamation and celebration of Garifuna resilience
- Commissioned a History of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to be written by local historians
- ★ Made Independence Day and Heroes Day significant events on the national calendar
- Renamed 'Victoria Park' to 'Independence Park' and commenced the process of decolonising names across SVG
- ★ Declared Spiritual Baptist Day as a holiday in SVG, to recognise our home-grown religious denomination
- ★ Made record investments in Carnival, other cultural celebrations, and cultural groups and broke ground on the construction of several cultural hubs across the island.
- Trained dozens of cultural artistes.
- Ensured the survival and development of pan.

The Unity Labour Party is proud to be Vincentian. We will always defend our nation. We will always uphold our history and culture. We will always celebrate our heroes and their unbreakable spirit of resilience.

We will never, ever, sell you out.





aint Vincent and the Grenadines is making real and transformative strides toward its vision of a diversified, sustainable, and people-centred economy.

This progress is a direct result of the Unity Labour Party's visionary policies, decisive leadership, and forward-looking programmes.

The ULP's policy framework is rooted in the principles of economic resilience, diversification, and social inclusion. It sets a clear trajectory toward building a modern, competitive, and inclusive economy that puts people first. The results so far are encouraging and tangible.

Our policies are deliberately designed to foster innovation, expand inclusion, and enhance resilience. The progress underway—in tourism, agriculture, energy, infrastructure, and targeted niche sectors—is concrete evidence that the ULP's plan is working.

Guided by a philosophy of "prudence and enterprise," the ULP strikes a careful balance between fiscal discipline and strategic capital investment. We actively pursue partnerships with the private sector and attract foreign direct investment to catalyse transformative projects and accelerate national development.

Our economic strategy promotes inclusive transformation through collaborative engagement with the private sector (business and labour), the cooperative movement (credit unions and cooperatives), civil society, and the State. This integrated, harmonious approach ensures that

the benefits of development are shared equitably by all Vincentians.

The central goals of this economic path are:

- Sustainable job creation
- Broad-based wealth generation for all Vincentians
- Steady, inclusive economic growth
- A balanced and diversified economy resilient to external shocks
- Fiscal, monetary, and financial stability
- Strategic, targeted interventions to drive transformation and social protection
- Deeper regional integration
- Resilient, future-ready infrastructure
- Environmental sustainability
- A technology-enabled, forward-looking workforce
- Equity, inclusion, and fairness across all sectors of the economy

In our next term, the ULP will build on these foundations while realigning national priorities to meet new challenges and seize emerging opportunities. This includes:

- Strengthening our economy's resilience to global shocks
- Targeting capital investment on projects with transformative economic impact
- Unlocking the full potential of the Blue Economy
- Reducing dependence on imported energy through expanded green energy investments
- Accelerating the digital transformation of our economy and workforce

With a solid foundation, a clear vision, and a commitment to inclusive progress, the ULP will continue to deliver for

the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Some Of What We Have Done

- Reduced corporate and income tax from 40% to 28%.
- ★ Increased the standard income tax deduction to \$25,000, making more of your salary tax-free
- Increased the size of the economy from \$2.1 billion to \$3.1 billion over the past five years, in spite of COVID, the volcanic eruptions and Hurricane Beryl
- Built the Argyle International Airport as a cornerstone of our modern economy
- Made SVG the fastest-growing economy in the Caribbean (outside of Guyana) over the past five years.
- ★ Attracted over \$1 billion in foreign direct investment over the past five years
- ★ Strengthened the Bank of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to make it one of the Caribbean's strongest indigenous banks
- ★ Established the Financial Services Authority and InvestSVG
- ★ Spent over \$1.7 billion on capital projects over the past five years to accelerate economic growth
- ★ Built the Modern Cargo Port in Kingstown to reduce the cost of imports and exports, and establish SVG as a logistics hub



- Invested nearly \$200 million in the Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program and the Digital Transformation Project to lay the foundations of a modern economy
- ★ Established the Contingencies Fund to provide a buffer against economic shocks caused by natural disasters
- Created a Doing Business Unit to focus on ways that the Government can reduce red tape and impediments to private sector growth
- Created a Fiscal Responsibility
 Framework and a Fiscal Responsibility
 Mechanism to achieve and maintain
 a sustainable fiscal balance; achieve
 and maintain prudent levels of public
 debt; prudently manage fiscal risks;
 and promote prudence and enterprise

in fiscal management.

- Became the first economy in the Eastern Caribbean to surpass pre-Pandemic output
- Removed VAT on cement to spur growth in the construction sector, specifically for homes and roads

What We Will Do In Our Next Term

- Reduce corporate and income tax to 22%
- Raise the standard income tax deduction to \$30,000, meaning that any worker earning up to \$2,500 per month will be exempt from income tax
- ★ Attract at least \$2.5 billion in foreign direct investment

- ★ Provide increased tax and duty incentives to manufacturers and businesses seeking to expand
- ★ Pass an Investment Act to facilitate greater transformative investments from local and foreign businesses
- ➤ Provide \$50 million in incentives and tax supports for entrepreneurs, small businesses and start-ups
- Establish a digital single window for doing business with the Government: filing applications, renewing licences, paying taxes and fees, registering companies, and clearing items at the Port
- Reform the Port Authority to facilitate faster, safer, cheaper import

- and export activity
- Fine-tune the Finance Administration Act to make it more efficient, responsive and aligned with modern challenges
- ★ Improve the primary surplus to 3.25% of GDP by 2027
- Continue towards the goal of reducing the Debt-to-GDP ratio to 60% by 2035 through prudent debt management and targeted investments in accelerated economic growth
- ★ Invest heavily in economic drivers of agricultural modernisation, light manufacturing, renewable energy, tourism, digital transformation and niche sectors like financial services, medicinal cannabis and offshore medical schools
- Continue to invest in the economy of tomorrow with further build-out of digital infrastructure and incentives for ICT-equipped businesses and students to study emerging digital technologies
- Reform the policies of the Inland Revenue Department to make them more efficient and business-friendly
- Reform planning laws and the approval process to reduce red tape and accelerate approvals for businesses that meet clear criteria for economic growth, social benefit, resilience and sustainability
- Create a Regulatory Innovation Unit that will remove legislative, logistical and other antiquated impediments to innovation and modern business practices
- *Accelerate rural investment, job-

- creation and business start-ups through a special package of targeted incentives and infrastructural improvements
- Revise the Fiscal Responsibility Framework to align our fiscal policy with current challenges and opportunities
- Expedite the repayment of VAT and income tax refunds to support private sector growth
- Continue to modernise our roads, bridges and transportation infrastructure to drive growth
- Improve retention and recruitment of critical public servants through purposive adjustments to compensation and benefits packages for in-demand skill sets
- Reform higher education curricula, Technical and Vocational Education, Internships and immigration processes to ensure that our economy is equipped with the necessary skills, now and for the future
- ➤ Publish an SVG Trade Strategy and Export Standards Framework to facilitate Vincentian businesses obtaining the necessary access to regional markets
- ➤ Protect local businesses and industries with aggressive advocacy at CARICOM to support industrial development through Article 164 of the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas, and applicable customs regulations related to imports
- Support the creative sector with economy-boosting investments in artists, festivals and marketing of

Vincentian culture

- Conclude arrangements with a private sector developer to retool the Ottley Hall Marina and make it responsive to today's needs in the regional shipping and yachting sector
- Expand investments in the fisheries sector to create a modern fleet of fishing vessels capable of longer stays at sea, larger catches and greater contributions to the Blue Economy
- Finalise maritime delimitation treaties to specifically define SVG's marine borders
- Conduct explorations for sea bed resources and minerals to maximise the potential of our marine space
- ★ In collaboration with international partners, continue the process of delivering clean geothermal energy to Vincentian consumers
- ★ Utilise Artificial Intelligence and ICT tools to accelerate transformation, improve Government efficiency and analyses while reducing costs and waste in the public service
- Reform procurement rules and practices for the public sector, State Owned Entities and companies benefiting from government contracts to ensure that local businesses are utilised for the procurement of goods and services wherever possible
- ★ Build upon recent reforms to the Public Procurement Act



here are more people employed in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines today than at any other time in our history – this is a fact.

According to the National Insurance Services (NIS), over 46,000 active contributors are currently employed in SVG. This represents an increase of more than 6,200 formal sector jobs since 2021. When we include employment not typically captured in NIS data, we can confidently state that the Unity Labour Party (ULP) has helped to create approximately 6,500 jobs during our current term in office.

When the ULP first took office in 2001, the NIS recorded just 30,000 active employees. Today, that number stands at over 46,000. This means the

formal sector has grown by 16,000 jobs — a 50% increase — even as our population has remained roughly the same.

This growth is not accidental. The ULP has a clear and effective plan for job creation, built on 10 key pillars:

- ► Economic diversification beyond traditional sectors
- ► Support for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- ► Government investment in infrastructure
- Skills development and labour market alignment through TVET, internships, and apprenticeships
- ➤ Youth- and women-focused employment initiatives

- Support for green jobs, climate resilience, and the Blue Economy
- ► Digital transformation and innovation policies
- Regional integration and labour mobility
- Expansion in the hospitality and tourism sector
- Promotion of decent work, fair pay, and protection of workers' rights



Our Plan Is Working

The ULP has nurtured a pro-business, pro-development, and pro-worker environment that encourages innovation, attracts investment, and creates high-quality jobs. At the same time, we acknowledge the unique role of the State in directly supporting employment. In a small island developing state like ours, the Government is often the largest single investor — and that carries a powerful ripple effect across the job market.

In 2024 alone, the Government invested \$578 million in capital projects across the country. Between 2021 and 2025, these projects are projected to generate over 1,200 jobs in the construction sector alone.

The COVID pandemic was a wakeup call for the entire Caribbean. It exposed the risks of overreliance on tourism and highlighted the need for a more diversified economy. That's why the ULP continues to invest in innovation, digital technologies, agriculture, the Blue Economy, construction, and the creative and cultural industries — ensuring that our economy remains resilient and future-ready.

Preparing for the Future of Work

As our economy evolves, so too does the nature of work. The ULP is committed to equipping workers with the tools and training they need to succeed in a modern, technology-driven, and opportunity-rich labour market. That means new skills, new certifications, and new pathways to high-paying, meaningful jobs.

We are also strengthening our worker protections and social safety nets — for the self-employed, for those between jobs, and for those planning for retirement — to ensure that no one is left behind.

In the next term, we will place even greater emphasis on TVET and upskilling initiatives to prepare Vincentians for tomorrow's economy. Education and training will be the passports to better opportunities and higher wages.

Decent Work, Higher Wages, and Shared Prosperity

Decent work and access to education are the cornerstones of our fight against poverty and inequality. The ULP will continue to create more jobs, raise wages, and reform the systems that support workers — ensuring that all Vincentians can share in the benefits of a growing, modern economy.

Some Of What We Have Done

- ★ Increased the minimum wage on five separate occasions
- Consistently increased civil servants' salaries through structured engagements with the labour movement, most recently in 2023, 2024 and 2025
- Provided a special additional 5% increase for Nurses that has been in place since the COVID pandemic and continues

- Reduced income taxes from 40% to 28%
- Passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act to set minimum standards for workplace safety
- ★ Increased the number of active employees at the NIS by 53 percent from 30,076 (year 2000) to 46,050 (year 2025)
- Reduced unemployment to below 10%
- Conducted a salary reclassification in 2007 that dramatically increased wages and salaries for most civil servants
- ★ Provided paid study leave to between 50 and 100 government employees, each year
- Created the YES, SET, and ON-SITE programmes to give young people valuable experience with paid internships
- Created a tax credit for private sector employers who hire SET interns
- Attracted foreign direct investments from companies including Clear Harbor, Sandals, GraceKennedy, OSV, LaVue, Goddard Enterprises, Rainforest Seafoods, etc. that have created thousands of jobs

- ★ Increase the minimum wage once again
- Negotiate with the labour movement to implement a fresh multiyear package of benefit enhancements for Government workers
- Fully operationalise the Occupational Safety and Health Act
- Continue an aggressive capital works programme focused on infrastructure and housing to drive employment in the construction sector
- ★ Attract over \$2.5 billion in jobcreating foreign direct investment
- ★ Create, in partnership with the private sector, over 2,500 additional jobs in hospitality
- Create a total of 6,000 fresh employment opportunities across all sectors in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- ★ Modernise Labour and Wages regulation to facilitate fair compensation, greater mobility and independence of workers
- Grow the economy further by over 20% to create more higher-paying jobs

- Double the number of PRYME Grants awarded annually to assist over 4,000 small businesses in the next term
- ★ Create an unemployment benefit through the NIS to assist temporarily unemployed workers
- Require all senior civil service jobs to be advertised to ensure that the best candidates are hired
- Create 750 Green and ICT jobs through investments in renewable energy, Digital Transformation and incentivestothetelecommunications sector
- Enact fresh tax and duty incentives for the creative sector to expand employment opportunities for creatives
- Fully implement free movement of people, goods and services within CARICOM to allow Vincentians to access greater opportunities across the region, and empower local businesses to grow
- Prioritise the construction of rural infrastructure in areas where job opportunities are limited by infrastructure, logistics, or supplychain constraints
- Train 250 young farmers and 250 young fishers to take advantage of opportunities in the agriculture and fisheries sectors

- ★ Increase public sector employment in critical areas to enhance service delivery and Government efficiency
- Double the Government's investment in Technical and Vocational Education, allowing for the upward mobility of certified technical workers
- Initiate a Mid-Career Upskilling Programme for workers who need to be certified in emerging areas to benefit from a modern and transforming economy
- Use the data from labour force and labour market surveys to ensure that Government-funded TVET and other training programmes properly align with the needs of the job market. We will adapt to meet the requirements of today's employers and the employers of the future
- ★ Strategically target Government expenditure on projects and programmes that maximise job growth and higher wages for Vincentians, while providing a return for taxpayers
- ★ Create a National Career Centre to assist job seekers particularly youth with employment opportunities, training and support with CVs, interview skills and critical soft skills that are valued in the marketplace



he Health and Wellness
Revolution has brought
transformative progress to
the delivery of healthcare
in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
We have tripled recurrent health
spending, built modern facilities
nationwide, hired more doctors,
and significantly improved nurses'
remuneration.

When the ULP took office, SVG had only three state-run pharmacies — today, there are 42. We have introduced CT scanners, MRI machine, cancer care, and dialysis services — all of which were previously unavailable. And importantly, dialysis is free of charge.

We have partnered with international medical missions to bring world-class pediatric and tertiary care to our shores. And for cases requiring highly specialised treatment, we have established robust systems to send Vincentians overseas for care not available locally.

The ULP sees healthcare as a right, and universal access as a cornerstone of our social and economic development. The opposition, by contrast, has pledged to privatise healthcare, restricting quality care to the wealthy few. Their 2020 manifesto openly supported privatisation, a position their leaders have since reaffirmed.

Our promise is simple and powerful:

Every Vincentian deserves timely, affordable, and high-quality healthcare

— regardless of income or location. We will continue building a modern, responsive public healthcare system that grows and adapts to your needs.

Our plan to transform healthcare is anchored in six strategic pillars:

- Universal access and equity
- Investment in infrastructure and human resources
- Preventive care and wellness promotion
- Digital innovation and health technology
- Addressing the broader determinants of health
- Preparedness for public health emergencies

In the next term, our flagship health investment will be the completion, full outfitting, and staffing of the Acute Care Hospital at Arnos Vale. But our work won't stop there.

We will expand and upgrade community clinics, place new doctors closer to your home, and use digital health tools to securely store records, support diagnoses, and connect local patients with international specialists. We will also scale up preventative care and aggressively tackle the growing threat of non-communicable diseases.

Our future must be a healthy one. And only the ULP has the vision, plan, and experience to deliver that future — for every Vincentian, in every corner of SVG.

Some Of What We Have Done

- Rehabilitated Milton Cato Memorial Hospital, including the Female Wards, Intensive Care Unit, Pediatric Wing, the Operating Theatres, and Kitchen
- Commenced construction of the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital
- ★ Rebuilt Mental Health Centre in Glen
- ★ Built modern polyclinics at Stubbs, Mesopotamia and Buccament
- Rebuilt the rural Hospitals at Georgetown, Chateaubelair, Mesopotamia, and Union Island as PAHO-designed Smart Hospitals
- ➤ Purchased a Medivac vessel to expedite patient transport from the Grenadines
- ★ Introduced, CT Scanners, Fluoroscopy machines and MRI Machines to improve diagnostic care
- ★ Installed a hyperbaric chamber to treat burn patients and divers with "the bends"
- ★ Built the Modern Medical and Diagnostic Complex (MMDC) at Georgetown
- ★ Partnered with the World Pediatric Project, to make SVG a centre for Pediatric care in the OECS

- ★ Eliminated mother-to-child transmission of HIV
- Built a temporary elder care facility and demolished the antiquated Louis Punnet Home for the elderly, while completing designs for a modern permanent replacement facility
- ★ Began construction of clinics at Belair, Byrea & Enhams
- Collaborated with Cuba and Venezuela to implement the hugely successful "Vision Now" Eye Programme
- Completed designs for Calliaqua Polyclinic and modern South Rivers Clinic.
- ➤ Published a patient's Bill of Rights to establish expectations and standards for patient care
- ★ Introduced chemotherapy and dialysis care in SVG
- Radically improved access to clean water, indoor sanitation and garbage collection across Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- ★ Enhanced hugely the delivery of safe, quality water at low prices; and ensured that garbage is collected and properly disposed of nation-wide

★ Complete construction of the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital to

- revolutionise secondary and tertiary health care in SVG
- Complete construction of modern clinics or polyclinics at Belair, Byrea, Calliaqua, Central Kingstown, Paget Farm, and South Rivers
- Complete construction of the Enhams Wellness Centre to tackle Non-Communicable Diseases
- Establish a Healthy Education and Lifestyles Programme (HELP) to tackle Non-Communicable Diseases like diabetes, hypertension, obesity and heart disease through hands-on, community-based outreach, training and nutritional support.
- Begin construction of a Modern geriatric home and care facility at Glen
- Reform the delivery of mental health care to focus on more preemptive and outpatient treatment
- Double the size of the Home Help for the Elderly programme, to ensure that quality elder care is delivered to all
- ★ Provide X-ray facilities in all polyclinics nationwide
- ★ Guarantee the presence of an ambulance at every polyclinic
- ★ Fully digitise and reform the collection of health information, to improve accuracy, safety and confidentiality of patient information

- making your medical data instantly and securely available to you or your doctor
- ★ Expand dental care to more community clinics
- ★ Secure more scholarships for Vincentians to study medicine
- Formalise existing ad-hoc arrangements with the governments of Cuba, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela to ensure Vincentian access to tertiary and specialist health care services not available in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Establish a Healthy Youths Unit to conduct outreach, education, identification and treatment of alcohol and substance abuse, sexually transmitted infections, and mental health challenges in a manner that is accessible and empowering for young people
- Restructure the relationship between consultant doctors and hospitals to ensure that patients who visit public hospitals and clinics are not manipulated into seeking similar care through expensive private facilities
- ➤ Pass a new Pharmacy Act to better monitor and regulate the pharmacological services in SVG
- ★ Improve regulation, licensing and oversight of private clinics, hospitals and healthcare providers to ensure a basic minimum standard of care for all Vincentians



here was a time in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines when governments did not concern themselves with housing. In fact, during 17 years in office, the NDP failed to build a single home for a single Vincentian.

The Unity Labour Party, by contrast, recognises that housing is not a luxury, but a right — enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and the Declaration on the Right to Development. We believe in the right to adequate housing, and the continuous improvement of living conditions. That belief has driven our action.

We have built more homes for more Vincentians than any government in our nation's history. We have helped thousands of civil servants and young professionals achieve their dream of homeownership through innovative and affordable financing programmes.

Housing is in the ULP's DNA. We are the Party of:

- The Low-Income, Middle-Income, and No-Income Housing Programmes
- The Lives-to-Live Housing Programme The Annual Housing Materials Distribution Programme
- The 100% Mortgage Programme for Public Servants
- The Structured Development of Informal Settlements
- The National Building Code developed by the Physical Planning Department
- The Possessory Title Act
- And the massive distribution of state lands to private citizens at deeply discounted prices.

The results speak for themselves:

- Over 16,000 new homes have been constructed since we took office.
- More than 7,000 individual land plots have been distributed to Vincentians.
- Over \$100 million worth of building materials have been provided to vulnerable families.

This has been nothing short of a Housing Revolution. Today, Vincentians expect their government to be an active partner in protecting their right to shelter.

That expectation was put to the test by two devastating disasters: the 2021 eruptions of La Soufrière and Hurricane Beryl in 2024, which together damaged or destroyed more than 9,000 homes across the country. On Union Island, over 90% of homes were destroyed by Hurricane Beryl; in North Windward, over 50% of the housing stock was affected.

In response, the ULP Government acted swiftly. We pledged to rebuild or repair 1,000 homes in 2025 — and we've already surpassed that goal, with over 6,000 homes rebuilt or repaired to date.

But we will not rest until every affected Vincentian is living in a safer, stronger, more resilient home than the one they lost.

Our housing drive does more than just shelter families — it stimulates the economy. Tradesmen, contractors, architects, engineers, vendors, and suppliers all benefit when we build. Housing development boosts growth, creates jobs, improves housing stock, and meets rising demand.

Since taking office, the ULP has made

the Government of SVG the largest home-builder in the country — building large-scale housing developments on public lands, and individual homes on private plots.

Looking ahead, our top priority remains completing the reconstruction of homes affected by La Soufrière and Hurricane Beryl. The scale of need requires us to double the pace of construction while leveraging economies of scale to lower building costs.

Another flagship initiative in our upcoming term is the construction of townhouses and condominiums for young professionals. Working with the Bank of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, we will roll out attractive financing packages to help first-time homeowners purchase modern, affordable units in growing urban centres.

Let us be clear:

The NDP never built a house for a single Vincentian. They lack the vision, experience, and will to undertake a national housing agenda.

But the ULP has built thousands of homes—and we will build thousands more, in the name of safety, equity, resilience, and opportunity for all.

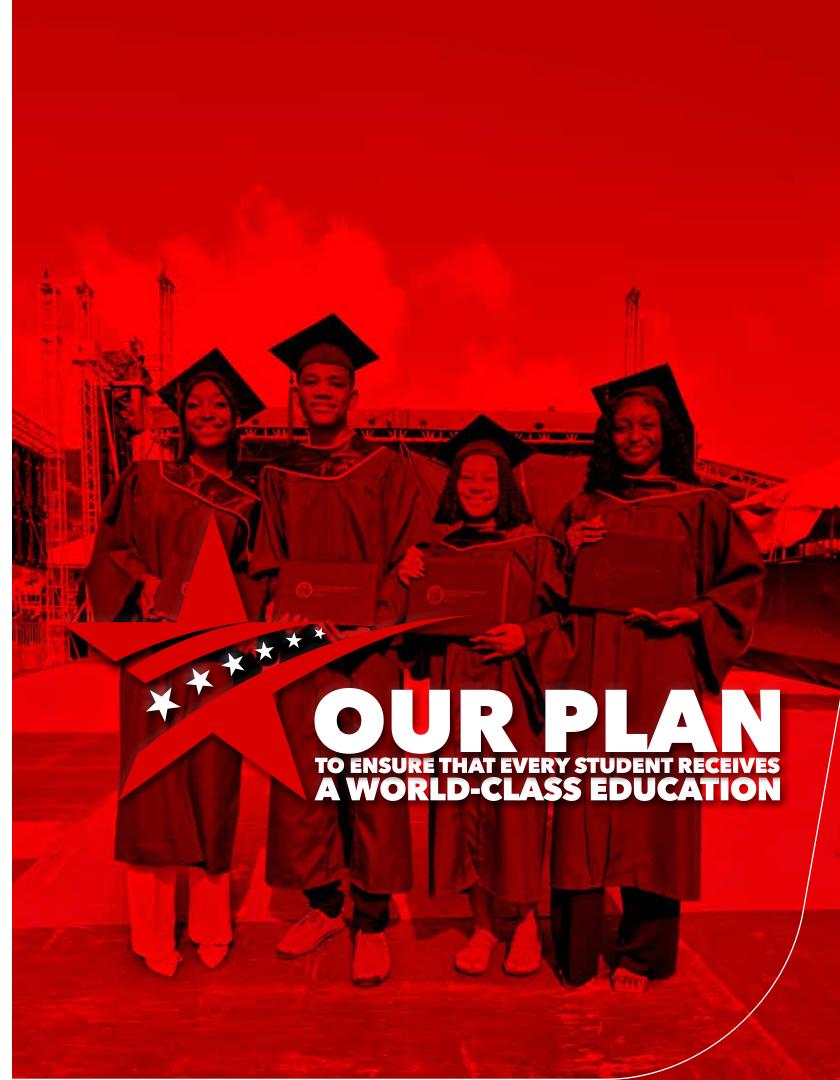
What We Have Done

- ★ Developed 100% Mortgages for civil servants
- ★ Created the Low-Income, Middle-Income, and No-Income Housing Programmes around SVG
- ★ Established the Lives-to-Lives Housing Programme

- Revolutionised the distribution of housing materials to vulnerable groups
- Distributed State lands at knockdown prices; reducing interest on balances owed on the purchase of state lands; purchasing or acquiring privately-owned lands for distribution
- Created a massive land distribution programme, with over 7,000 lots of state lands have distributed, or granted titles for
- ★ Established National Properties Limited to develop state lands for ongoing sales
- ★ Announced plans for modern townhouses for young professionals
- ★ Built 47 houses at Lowmans Bay area to accommodate the relocation of residents from the bay front at Rose Place
- ★ Built three separate housing communities in Sandy Bay for residents impacted by the La Soufriere eruptions
- Rebuilt or repaired over 6,000 homes destroyed or damaged by La Soufriere, Hurricane Elsa and Hurricane Beryl
- ★ Ordered 350 prefabricated homes from Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana to speedily meet outstanding demand for housing
- Established the Housing Emergency Repair & Outreach Fund (HERO Fund) to conduct rapid, community-based repairs of homes with urgent vulnerability needs.

- Distribute more lands owned by the government and to purchase privately-owned land for distribution for housing
- ➤ Partner with the Bank of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to develop attractive home loan packages for young professionals who are up-todate on their student loan payments
- Relocate the residents from the informal "Pole Yard" settlement at Arnos Vale to planned housing communities.
- ★ Modernise the land registry to improve the efficiency of land sales and titling
- Expand opportunities for young professionals to own their first home through the development of over 250 townhomes and condominiums
- Complete the reconstruction or repair of all homes destroyed by recent natural disasters
- ★ Build 750 low-income, no-income and lives to live homes beyond the disaster response homes currently being rebuilt or repaired
- Expand the staffing and funding to the Housing and Land Development Corporation to make it more efficient and responsive to needs of prospective homeowners
- Launch an investigation into the failure of some insurers to compensate homeowners in the wake of Hurricane Beryl
- ★ Grant a 5-year property tax holiday on new residential construction

- Reform planning and land use regulations to maximise disaster resilience of new construction
- ★ Create a specialised home construction management unit to maximise home construction
- Impose a system of bonuses and penalties to incentivise contractors to build houses on time
- ★ Identify 500 additional housing lots for home construction within the first 100 days of the new term
- Remove stamp duty on the purchase of land to any first-time purchaser under the age of 35 for land valued under \$200,000
- Pass a new Condominium Act to incentivise the development of condominiums and apartments
- Revise the Rent Act to guarantee fairness for landlords and tenants
- Mandate the that developers provide for common "green space" in any planned housing development of over 20 plots
- Build faster and safer by investing in innovative climate resilient prefabricated homes for vulnerable Vincentians
- Radically reform the process of land titling in SVG to remove delays and red tape, making the process of home purchasing quicker, easier and more affordable
- Introduce tax and duty incentives for the developers of townhouses and condominiums.
- Ensure that all homes built by the Government are climate resilient



he Education Revolution is one of the most transformative programmes ever implemented by any Caribbean government. When the Unity Labour Party (ULP) assumed office in 2001, most Vincentian children had no access to secondary education. Six out of every ten students ended their academic journey at primary school, with little hope for advancement. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines had the lowest secondary school enrolment in the English-speaking Caribbean — a crisis that held back national progress and individual opportunity.

When in office, the New Democratic Party (NDP) accepted the view of an expert of the World Bank that it would take SVG 30 years to achieve universal secondary education. The NDP government's piece-meal, cautious and anti-developmental approach would have held back progress on the socio-economic front for decades and would have condemned thousands of young persons to a life without the opportunity of secondary education. The ULP accomplished it in just five. We built new schools, hired qualified teachers, and reformed the Ministry of Education at an unprecedented pace. Today, we invest almost four times more annually in education than the NDP did at its peak.

Since then, we have dramatically expanded access at every level — from early childhood to university. We have tripled enrolment at the SVG Community College. Our UWI Global Campus boasts the highest enrolment of any Open Campus in the region. Vincentian students now rank among the largest contingents at UWI campuses in Barbados,

Jamaica, and Trinidad and Tobago. Through our proactive foreign policy, we have secured thousands of scholarships for Vincentians studying abroad.

In the year before the ULP took office, only four students received academic scholarships or bursaries to attend university. Last year, that number rose to 110. Even more significantly, every qualified Vincentian who applied for a tuition scholarship received one. Over 2,000 students were awarded annually up to \$25,000 each to pursue their educational dreams. This is how the ULP makes progress possible: by expanding access, improving outcomes, and supporting each student's success.

In 2025, 1,700 primary school students sat the CPEA exam — and every single one has a guaranteed place in secondary school. That same year, almost 900 students graduated from the Community College. Think about it: half of those entering secondary school now go on to graduate from college. We've advanced from a situation where less than 40% of our children could even get into secondary school to a reality where more than half of our youth graduate from college or university.

That is revolutionary.

We have also made significant investments in infrastructure. The ULP administration has committed \$45 million to the full rehabilitation of eight major schools, including St. Clair Dacon, Girls' High School, SVG Grammar School, Thomas Saunders, Bequia Community High, and the Kingstown Anglican, Barrouallie Anglican, and Barrouallie Primary Schools. Five of these projects are

already completed; the others are well underway.

Beyond refurbishment, we're building for the future. Two new secondary schools are under construction in Sandy Bay and Brighton. These institutions will be centres of excellence — Sandy Bay specialising in Agricultural Science, and Brighton in TVET and the Arts. These modern, green, well-equipped campuses will set a new standard for secondary education in SVG.

To support digital learning, we continue to bridge the digital divide. At the start of the September 2025 term, the ULP distributed almost 3,000 free, state-of-the-art laptops to Fifth Form, and first-year Community College students. This marks the fifth major device distribution since 2010. In total, we've delivered almost 70,000 laptops and tablets over the last 14 years — ensuring no child is left behind in the digital age.

And we have not forgotten our post-secondary institutions. Between 2020 and 2025, the ULP administration increased the subvention to the SVG Community College by 71%, from \$13.7 million in 2020 to \$23.4 million in 2025. No government in our history has invested more in post-secondary education.

The ULP believes that education is the most powerful tool to end poverty and unlock opportunity. In 2001, we launched the Education Revolution to transform Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. That Revolution continues today — stronger, broader, and more inclusive than ever — working in the people's interest.



What We Have Done

- ★ Achieved universal access to secondary education
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- Moved SVG Community College Enrolment from under 500 students to almost 3,000
- Grew awards of Island Scholarships, National Scholarships, Bursaries and Special Awards from four per year to over 100 per year
- ★ Increased the number of primary school teachers with a university degree from 4 to over 70 percent of all primary school teachers

- ★ Significantly increased the number of teachers employed nationwide
- ★ Increased recurrent spending on education by 400%
- ➤ Provided over 6,000 scholarship opportunities from Governments of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Cuba, Venezuela, Taiwan, Mexico, UK, OAS, EU, India, and others at universities around the world
- ★ Carried out a two-year intensive National Adult Literacy Programme which practically wiped-out illiteracy in SVG
- ★ Created a student loan programme for the economically disadvantaged

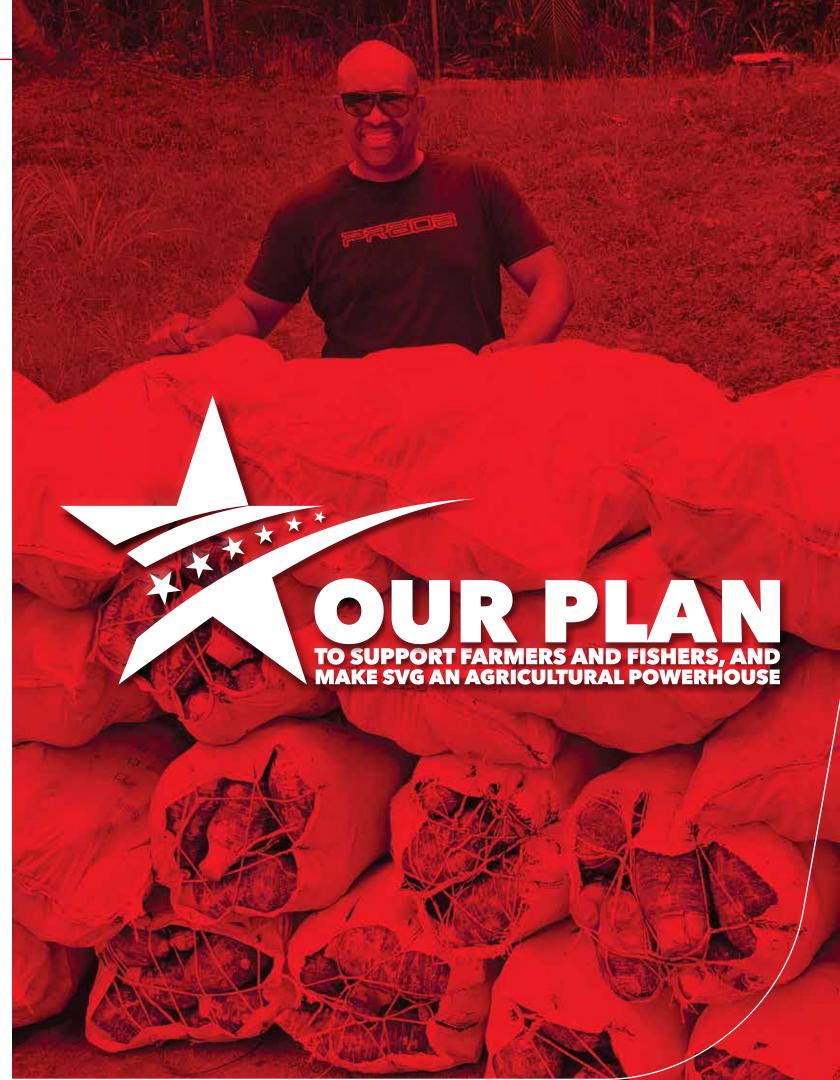
- ★ Created the Tuition Scholarship Programme, which now provides over 2,000 students annually with tertiary education tuition support
- Constructed six schools, and completely rehabilitated 14 older schools, at a cost of over \$70 million
- Conducted massive free laptop or tablet distributions of almost 70,000 devices for primary, secondary and Community College students since 2010
- ★ Instituted a programme for the phased appointment of university graduates at the level of graduate teachers

- Provided support, through the National Lotteries Authority, for transportation, books and tuition for hundreds of students annually
- Provided support, through the Ministry of Social Development, for school uniform assistance for over 4,400 students each year
- Expanded educational opportunities for children with learning disabilities in Bequia, Fair Hall, Georgetown, and at the School for Children with Special Needs
- Developed the School Feeding Programme into a regional best practice, providing affordable nutritious meals to students

- Complete construction of the Brighton and Sandy Bay Secondary Schools
- ★ Rebuild Thomas Saunders Secondary School
- ★ Complete the expansion of the Girls High School
- ★ Complete the reconstruction of the Kingstown Anglican School
- ★ Build TVET labs at all secondary schools
- Complete the rollout of the Mathematics Improvement Programme, which provides additional math lessons to students in grades 5 and 6 of primary school and forms 4 and 5 of secondary school

- ★ Incentivise teachers to study and receive certification in the teaching of STEAM subjects
- Construct a state-of-the-art science and technology laboratory in Kingstown to support science education at the Community College, the UWI global campus and area secondary schools
- Engage in major curriculum reform at the primary and secondary levels to refocus on problem-solving, critical thinking skills, job-readiness, civics, languages and STEM subjects including coding, Artificial Intelligence and robotics
- ★ Double funding to the Book Loan Scheme
- Expand Special Needs Education for children with disabilities or learning challenges
- Expand instruction in agricultural science in all secondary schools.
- ★ Expand the construction and use of ICT Labs and smart classrooms in all secondary schools
- ★ Provide tax breaks for private businesses that assist their employees with tertiary-level tuition
- ★ Ensure the expansion of extracurricular activities offered through secondary schools, including music, drama, sports and volunteerism

- Accelerate the transition from physical textbooks to digital textbooks to reduce costs, losses and number of books that children are expected to carry to school
- Improve the operating hours of the National Library and all Learning Resource Centres to allow students a safe place to study
- Create an Early Intervention Unit (EIU) to improve surveillance that will preemptively identify students with learning challenges or social issues that affect educational access, and craft individualised interventions to address these issues. The EIU will create a register of students not regularly attending school and develop appropriate responses
- Provide guidance to schools on students' use of mobile phones during the day, to ensure that students focus on instruction, not Instagram, and teachers, not TikTok
- Promote lifelong learning by allowing older Vincentians to apply for tuition support to up-skill or retool to meet the demands of our transforming economy
- ★ Strengthen guidance and career counselling at the secondary school and community college level to assist students with their education planning and career options.



griculture is a cornerstone of the Vincentian economy and culture. From our first days in office, the

ULP has treated agriculture and fisheries as a central pillar of national development. We have successfully moved beyond a dependence on bananas to create a diverse and forward-looking sector — producing root crops, spices, vegetables, fruits, livestock, honey, seamoss, cocoa, chocolate, and medicinal cannabis for export and local use.

In our most recent term, farmers and fishers faced the combined challenges of COVID-19, the La Soufrière eruptions, the worst drought in over 70 years, and Hurricanes Elsa and Beryl. These events devastated crops, fisheries, and infrastructure. The ULP responded with the most comprehensive agricultural disaster support in SVG's history — providing over \$60 million in income, production, and rehabilitation assistance to more than 8,000 farmers and 1,500 fishers.

Comrade Saboto Caesar has been recognised as one of the most innovative Agriculture Ministers in the region. He has championed a sixpoint strategy anchored in climate resilience, diversification, institutional modernisation, and post-disaster recovery, while also driving CARICOM's food security agenda.

What We Have Done

- Constructed the Montreal Greenhouse Park to improve vegetable yields.
- Established a Medicinal Cannabis Authority and industry, supporting the Rastafari community, traditional cultivators and new producers.
- Implemented the "Love Box"

- initiative purchasing produce from farmers during crises and delivering to affected families.
- Achieved self-sufficiency in pork and eggs; reached record exports of livestock; supported privatesector-led cocoa, chocolate, and specialty coffee industries.
- Banned the pesticide glyphosate to protect health and food safety.
- Modernised facilities:
 rehabilitating fisheries centres,
 commencing a new arrowroot
 factory, expanding tissue culture
 labs, and construction of
 blackfish and seafood processing
 plants.
- Delivered tax relief and concessions to farmers and fishers, including zero income tax on farming, and fleet expansion programme to assist fishers with purchase of boats and engines.
- Expanded youth and women's access to financing through the Farmers' Support Company, PRYME, and regional programmes.
- Secured affordable fertiliser through partnerships with Morocco, Venezuela and Taiwan.
- Supported forestry rehabilitation after volcanic eruptions and hurricanes.
- Assisted farmers through concessions from the Agriculture Input Warehouse.
- Implemented a \$27 million programme of production supports and inputs in 2024-2025 to improve livestock quality, fish landings, greenhouse production and farming implements.

What We Will Do Next

- 1. Climate-Smart, Resilient Food Security
- Expand irrigation systems, water tanks, and mini-networks to mitigate drought.

- Deploy drone and GPS technology for monitoring crops and livestock, including chip implants for animal tracking.
- Expand training in climate-smart practices, with 1,500 young farmers trained in good agricultural practices.
- Strengthen backyard gardening through the Zero Hunger Initiative, supporting up to 7,000 households.

2. Diversification and Value Addition

- Complete the Modern Arrowroot Factory at Orange Hill to process arrowroot, cassava, plantain, sweet potato and dasheen into starch and flour.
- Build linkages between root crops and local feed production.
- Support cocoa, spices, citrus, condiments, and bananas through agro-forestry and value-added processing.
- Expand seamoss farming in selected marine areas, apiculture and honey marketing.
- Develop a cut-flower industry to supply the hospitality sector.
- Increase value-added banana and plantain production through the "National Diversification with Bananas" initiative.
- Enhance poultry production to reduce imports of broiler meat.
- Deepen linkages between tourism and the agriculture sector in agro-tourism and non-traditional crops targeting the hospitality industry.

3. Institutional and Marketing Support

- Modernise the Farmers' Support Company to provide quicker financing, investment advice, and extension services including agriculture insurance.
- Streamline farmer ID cards and

- concession applications through digital services and hotlines.
- Expand marketing support via state-owned Eastern Caribbean Food Traders, Vincy Fresh, buying depots and food terminals at La Croix, Lauders, Belmont, and Langley Park.
- Establish a national "Made in SVG" brand, logo, and marketing strategy in collaboration with the Bureau of Standards and InvestSVG.
- Create a digital tracking, licensing arrangements and fresh legislation with stiffer penalties to address praedial larceny.

4. Fisheries and Blue Economy

- Expand, rehabilitate and construct fisheries centres at Calliaqua, Clare Valley, Chateaubelair, Barrouallie, Paget Farm, Clifton, and Lowmans Bay.
- Develop the Solidarity Fishing Fleet to enhance local seafood supply and export.
- Train 200 Vincentians in long-line fishing and tuna boat operations through a new "Blue School."
- Declare and enforce sustainable lobster and conch seasons and production practices, while strengthening marine conservation and anti-pollution monitoring.
- Train communities in the sustainable management of marine resources.

5. Livestock and Food Processing

- Build a modern abattoir and livestock multiplication centre with embryo transfer and artificial insemination services.
- Expand livestock breeds, improve artificial insemination labs, and assist farmers in constructing modern pens.

- Establish a natural livestock registry and monitoring system for sales and transport.
- Train butchers to supply specialised cuts for local and export markets.

6. Youth, Land, and Education

- Create an investment platform for 500 young agro-entrepreneurs in fruit, vegetable, root-crop, fish and livestock production and trade.
- Pair idle lands with young farmers through the expanded Land Bank.
- Provide scholarships at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels in agriculture, with emphasis on value addition.
- Expand agriculture education in

- schools: introduce agriculture in all secondary schools and as a non-examinable subject in primary grades 1–4.
- Develop agro-tourism as a youthcentred investment sector.

Our Commitment

The Unity Labour Party is committed to transforming agriculture and fisheries into a dynamic growth sector that ensures food security, creates thousands of jobs, and strengthens our export base. By investing in modern infrastructure, climate-smart technology, value-added industries, youth empowerment, and conservation, we will make Saint Vincent and the Grenadines a true agricultural powerhouse in the Caribbean and beyond











hen Comrade Ralph first announced plans to build the Argyle International Airport, the opposition scoffed. They said it couldn't be done. When he predicted, "If we build it, they will come," they mocked his vision. When he revealed that Sandals Resorts was coming to SVG, they accused him of lying.

Today, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines boasts the fastest-growing tourism market in the Caribbean. The Argyle International Airport is delivering real results for all Vincentians. Air arrivals and stay-over visitors are at record highs. Cruise tourism continues to break records year after year. And our yachting sector remains the #1 destination within the OECS.

Our hotel sector is booming. During our 2025 term, we welcomed the opening of the 300-room Sandals Resort at Buccament, the 93-room Holiday Inn Express & Suites at Diamond, and locally owned properties like Myah's Luxury Suites and Ocean Blue Boutique Hotel. Longstanding local establishments — including Paradise Beach Hotel, Hotel Alexandrina, and Beachcombers Hotel — have made major investments to expand and upgrade their offerings.

With a rapid increase in both room stock and international airlift, our hospitality sector is thriving. More than 1,400 direct jobs were created in tourism over the course of our most recent term. And thanks to that growth — and strong government incentives — taxi drivers, tour operators, and service providers

have invested in new vehicles and yachts to meet rising tourist demand.

And this is just the beginning.

In October 2025, the Government and Sandals International jointly announced the development of a 500room Beaches Resort at Mt. Wynne, at the cost of US\$500 million. At the same time, we completed agreements with investors to launch the construction of an all-inclusive 300- room Marriott Resort at Peter's Hope and the development of the 150 room Cumberland Bay Resort & Marina at Cumberland. Together, these three world-class resorts, and other hotel development, will create nearly 2,000 additional hospitality jobs along the Leeward coast.

On Palm Island, new investors are undertaking a \$400 million post-Beryl reinvention of the resort, bringing high-quality job opportunities to the Southern Grenadines.

Since the opening of the AIA, air access has been transformed. We've gone from one weekly flight out of Miami to direct flights from Atlanta, London, Miami, New York, Charlotte, and Toronto. From one international airline, we now welcome regular service from Air Canada, American Airlines, Caribbean Airlines, Delta, JetBlue, and Virgin Atlantic.

Comrade Carlos James is spearheading a true tourism renaissance — one unlike anything Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has ever seen. He has established a full Sailing Week in the Grenadines, expanded opportunities for tour operators, and worked with airlines and hotels to strengthen and sustain our tourism boom.

But none of this would have been possible without the Argyle International Airport — the game-changing project that the NDP fought against every step of the way. They questioned its feasibility, disparaged its vision, and even wrote to the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Authority, begging them not to approve its opening. It was a disgraceful and unpatriotic display. And now, even with our tourism sector booming, the NDP remains bitter. Their members are on record saying they would "limit" investment from Sandals, Marriott, and other developers — not because it's bad for Vincentians, but because it threatens their political influence. That kind of backward, self-serving thinking has no place in a modern SVG.

The ULP understands the power of a strong, inclusive tourism sector — one that creates direct linkages to farmers, fishers, local suppliers, and entrepreneurs. We know it creates jobs, generates wealth, and drives national development.

That's why we've developed a bold, forward-thinking plan to grow our hospitality sector — anchored by the Argyle International Airport, a transformative project that only the ULP had the imagination, determination, and leadership to bring to life.



What We Have Done

- ★ Introduced generous incentives to taxi-drivers and tour bus operators to allow for fleet upgrade and expansion
- Launched Sailing Week in the Grenadines to build upon or position as the region's leading yacht destination
- Supported multiple festivals, including CannaBliss, ItalFest and Emancipation Cricket Festival
- Enhanced the capacity of the SVG Tourism Authority to promote Destination SVG & negotiate with Airlines
- ★ Welcomed Air Canada, American Airlines, Caribbean Airlines, Delta, JetBlue, and Virgin Atlantic to the Argyle International Airport

- ★ Provided fiscal incentives and duty waivers to importers of taxis, tour buses, yachts and power boats
- ★ Partnered with private investors for the creation of the world-class Canouan Marina
- Developed a partnership with Sandals Resorts to train Vincentian hospitality workers in other islands, and provide formal hospitality education at Sandals University
- ★ Built, opened and operated the Holiday Inn Express and Suites at Diamond
- ★ Established and expanded a Tourism Police Unit, and improved harbour patrols to enhance safety of yacht tourists

- ★ Work with Sandals Resorts International to complete a 500-room, US\$500 million Beaches Resort by the end of 2027
- Work in a partnership with international partners to complete a 300-room Marriott Resort by 2027
- ★ Facilitate the build-out of additional hotel expansion including Palm Island, Cumberland, Peter's Hope and Private Mount Wynne
- ★ Initiate the planned expansion of the Argyle International Airport to upgrade check-in, departure and arrivals facilities.

What a difference vision makes.

- Build upon the successful launch of Sailing Week to establish SVG as the Caribbean's premiere yachting and diving destination
- ★ Create an underwater diving park in the Villa/Fort Duvernette area
- ★ Build out and enhance eco-friendly and sustainable touristic sites, including new petroglyph parks in Argyle and other historical sites at Rabacca and Richmond
- ★ Undertake a \$54 million programme to build fresh tourism sites nationwide, and expand and improve existing sites.
- Welcome daily flights from at least six international cities during the peak tourism season, direct flights from Latin America and the European Union, and seamless connections to Africa and the Middle East
- Develop a Tourism Industry
 Partnership Agreement to guide the
 relationship between employers and
 employees in the hospitality sector;
 providing opportunities for education,
 advancement, safety, transportation,
 flexible leave, childcare and local
 management
- ★ Partner with local hoteliers to identify specific areas of labour demand, and facilitate short courses to improve employee readiness

- Conduct a massive beautification programme for Barrouallie, Calliaqua, Chateaubelair, Kingstown and Layou to make these cities and towns more accessible to tourists
- Introduce, in partnership with the private sector, a night public transportation service to facilitate locals, visitors and workers in the tourism and hospitality industry
- ★ Target a portion of PRYME grants to young entrepreneurs in the hospitality sector
- Establish the Community
 Tourism Initiative, to support
 Vincentian-owned hospitality
 businesses, and encourage tourists
 to explore villages, eco-tourism sites
 and local attractions
- Establish, through the Bank of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, a special loan facility for local tourism expansion, which offers lower rates and repayment terms that are sensitive to the tourism peak and off-peak seasons
- Reform the law related to beach vending to offer clarity, proper access to registered vendors, proper sanitary standards, and enjoyable access to all beachgoers

- Establish, in partnership with the private sector, a world-class yachting marina on Saint Vincent, to expand our share of the yacht tourism sector
- Develop a downloadable "MySVG" app for smartphones, to connect tourists to taxis, local businesses, attractions and recreational or historical sites
- Strengthen the link between cruise arrivals and local attractions and tour operators, to maximise cruise passenger expenditure
- Create an official calendar of events and festivals to be promoted regionally and internationally, and anchored by the following: Carnival, Nine Mornings, Easterval, Cannabliss, ItalFest, Madungo festival, Breadfruit festival, Word-Sound-Power festival, Gospel Fest, restaurant week, fashion week, Emancipation Day, Spiritual Baptist Day, Heroes Day and Fisherman's Day



he Unity Labour Party is helping Vincentians to manage the cost of living in a changing world.

Fluctuating prices in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines are the result of our vulnerability to global shocks and our dependence on external markets. The ULP is committed to shielding Vincentians from these external pressures by making our country more resilient, more self-reliant, and more focused on protecting our most vulnerable citizens.

Since the COVID pandemic, the prices of many goods and services have risen sharply in SVG and across the Caribbean. This trend has been worsened by the war in Ukraine, the genocide in Palestine, and ongoing global supply-chain disruptions. Within the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States, the rising cost of living has been driven largely by imported inflation, volatile energy prices, and a heavy reliance on international markets.

In addition, recent shifts in U.S. tariff policies have increased the cost of many goods imported from or passing through the United States.

Inflation in SVG peaked at 6.5% in 2022 — the highest rate since the 2008 global economic and financial crisis. Thankfully, it has steadily declined to 2.1% by the end of 2024. Still, prices remain well above prepandemic and pre-war levels, aided, in part, by a small minority of unscrupulous and opportunistic price-gouging retailers.

The ULP Government responded to these challenges with swift, decisive and targeted interventions — short-term measures designed to cushion the impact of rising prices. Without these interventions, global inflation would have hit Vincentian households even harder.

But we know that short-term subsidies and political gimmicks are not sustainable. That's why the ULP has adopted a medium and long-term framework to reduce our exposure to external shocks and price volatility. This framework includes:

- Reduced personal taxation significantly.
- Increased wages, salaries, and workers' benefits significantly.
- Ensure that a range of basic commodities and services are attract no VAT or are VAT exempt.
- Exempting from VAT the first 250 units of electricity per month; only 15 percent of domestic consumers of electricity pay VAT on electricity, and only on the basic charge, not the surcharge.
- Targeted social protection and price stabilisation to support the most vulnerable
- Increased local food production and agro-processing
- Investments in resilient infrastructure
- Accelerated transition to renewable energy
- Ongoing dialogue with the labour movement to ensure workers' wages keep pace with inflation
- Regional bulk procurement, enhancements to port efficiency, and creation of fresh supply chains

- Support for local manufacturing, import substitution, and buying local
- Advancing digitalisation and e-commerce
- Coordinated fiscal and monetary policy within the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union

This is not a panicked or piecemeal response. It is a thoughtful, long-term, people-centred strategy built on careful planning and social solidarity. It addresses today's challenges while reducing the likelihood and impact of future ones.

Solving cost-of-living challenges in SVG requires a sustainable, multi-sectoral, and regionally coordinated approach. There is no magic wand. But our focused, forward-looking efforts will reduce vulnerability, generate jobs, protect families, and strengthen our national resilience.

We envision a future where SVG is less exposed to global energy price spikes, shipping disruptions, and policy shifts in major economies. A future where every family has access to fresh, nutritious, and affordable food. Where our energy comes from local, renewable sources. Where price shocks are cushioned. And where raising a family is affordable, secure, and filled with opportunity.

The ULP will continue working sideby-side with the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to make that future a reality.

What We Have Done

- Removed VAT on a number of basic food items, including white rice, milk, turkey, all chicken parts, cheddar cheese, lentils, canned tuna and sardines, chicken sausages, cereals, baby formula, adult nutritional drinks, flour, yeast, margarine, cooking oil and baking powder
- Removed VAT on a number of other consumer items including adult diapers, sanitary tampons, napkins, toilet paper, undergarments, energy saving lightbulbs, solar panels and solar water heaters
- Removed VAT on electricity consumption below 250 kWh, effectively removing VAT on 85% of all domestic consumers
- ★ Implemented multiple Cost of Living Allowances (COLAs) to public servants and 2,500 vulnerable households to help offset increased energy and supermarket costs
- ★ Provided income support to over 6,000 households in the aftermath of the COVID (2020), La Soufriere (2021) and Hurricane Beryl (2024) disasters
- ★ Radically expanded access to social assistance supports for a more vulnerable Vincentians.
- ★ Waiver of the Customs Service Charge for fuel imported by VINLEC, a savings that was passed through to electricity consumers
- ★ Implemented a time-bound 50% waiver on Excise Duties for Diesel and Gasoline
- Regular adjustments and passthroughs to reflect fuel price declines in real time

- ➤ Published regular updates on the cost of common food items across supermarkets, so consumers can comparison-shop
- Facilitated arrangements to import chicken from Brazil, lowering prices substantially
- ★ Invested in farmers production supports to improve local supply of foodstuff
- Expanded access to free early childhood care and education, reducing the cost of childcare
- Reduced the cost of owning a home with massive investments in land distribution and the housing revolution
- Reduced the cost of education with massive supports to student uniforms, books, travel and tuition at all levels
- ★ Improved and expanded the schoolfeeding programme, which supplies low-cost meals to roughly 45% of all primary school students
- ★ Raised minimum wages by an average of 30%
- Raised public servant salaries by 7%, in the aggregate, between 2023 and 2025
- Reduced income tax and raised the threshold for the standard deduction, meaning that workers keep more of what they earn
- ★ Enacted a one-year, \$1.5 million subsidy on fertiliser to farmers and an additional \$500,000 feed subsidy for livestock farmers
- Extended duty-free exemptions on imported barrels

- Further strengthen consumer protection laws and agencies to enforce fair pricing and prevent price gouging
- ★ Create fresh supply chains by sourcing more items from outside of the USA including Latin America to avoid tariffs
- ★ Implement measures for the calculation of CIF values to ensure that freight costs do not exceed 2019 levels
- Optimise efficiencies at the Modern Kingstown Cargo Port to lower the cost of importing and clearing items
- Help farmers get their goods to market at lower cost with infrastructural improvements, cheaper inputs and production support
- Accelerate investments in resilient infrastructure to minimise disaster-related cost spikes and supply chain disruptions
- ★ Promote efficiency and e-commerce to lower business and consumer costs by embracing digital tools
- ★ Accelerate renewable energy deployment to reduce energy costs and vulnerability to fuel price shocks
- ★ Implement frequent "Buy Vincy" and "Eat What You Grow" campaigns to raise awareness about Vincentian products and services available locally
- Amend the Fiscal Responsibility Framework to allow for taking account of sustained high inflation when calculating the acceptable public sector wage parameters



he Unity Labour Party has built more roads than any other government in the history of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. From highways to village roads, from feeder roads to farming access routes, we have invested heavily in creating safe, climate-resilient, and accessible infrastructure across our country.

We have delivered iconic projects that are transforming national connectivity and economic development:

- The Rabbaca Bridge
- The Windward Highway
- The Argyle International Airport
- The Canouan Jetport
- The Modern Cargo Port in Kingstown
- The Layou and Sandy Bay Sea Defence Projects

Alongside these major works, we have poured millions into fresh road construction and regular maintenance — paving, patching, and protecting the arteries that connect our people.

The Road Ahead

We are proud of our achievements, but we are not satisfied. As more Vincentians own vehicles, build homes in new developments, and as climate change intensifies the challenges facing our mountainous terrain, the need for strong, reliable road infrastructure is growing.

Our vision of a First World SVG demands a modern, future-ready transportation network. The ULP has a clear and structured plan to transform and maintain our growing road system. That plan rests on six crucial pillars:

1. Climate Resilience and Durability

- Prioritise elevated roads, larger drains, and road materials that can withstand intense heat, rain, flooding, and saltwater intrusion
- Expand river training and slope protection to safeguard roadways from flooding and landslides
- Invest in coastal climate adaptation projects to protect vulnerable infrastructure
- Increase focus on climate-smart designs in all new road and bridge construction
- Establish a tyre shredding facility to recycle used tyres into crumb rubber for more durable road surfaces

2. Road Construction and Rehabilitation

- Increase investment in BRAGSA by 50%, from \$17.25 million to \$25.9 million, to fill potholes and resurface roads (increased from \$14m in 2020)
- Expand road cleaning budgets from \$6 million in 2020 to \$9 million annually; in the year 2000, the NDP spending on this was \$200,000 for the year.
- Expand investment in farming and secondary roads to boost agricultural production
- Construct permanent bridges in Noel and Overland, and restore the Fort Charlotte Bridge
- Complete the designs for a tunnel under Cane Garden Point, improving traffic between Kingstown and the Modern City at Arnos Vale
- Improve the ET Joshua tarmac crossing to ease traffic and access to the Acute Care Hospital & Modern City

3. Local Empowerment and Job Creation

- Place small-scale road patching in the hands of local communities to create jobs and build pride
- Continue community-based infrastructure works in new and existing housing settlements
- Maintain generous concessions on road-building equipment for local contractors
- Continue to incentivise private quarry operations to lower costs and increase aggregate supply

4. Efficiency, Accountability, and Enforcement

- Strengthen BRAGSA's administrative capacity and implement a scientific Asset Management System for road data and condition tracking
- Penalise contractors and engineers who consistently miss deadlines
- Remove red tape to streamline payments and VAT refunds to contractors
- Maintain the VAT waiver on cement to support reconstruction and affordable road-building

5. Smarter Planning and Implementation

- Develop and publish a National Road Investment Strategy with clear timelines and priorities
- Improve project implementation timelines by hiring qualified personnel and fast-tracking preconstruction phases
- Expand data collection on road usage to guide smart investment decisions

6. Safer Roads for All

• Ensure that utility companies restore roads properly after works

 Launch more projects for safe walking routes to schools and pedestrian safety, particularly for children and the elderly

Partnership and Global Support

The ULP has successfully secured regional and international partnerships that fund critical road and transport projects. These include support from the World Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank, the European Union, the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development, the Saudi Fund for Development, and friendly governments like Taiwan, the United Kingdom and Venezuela.

We will continue to lead global advocacy for concessional financing to support resilient, inclusive infrastructure in vulnerable island states like ours.

A Proven Track Record. A Clear Path Forward.

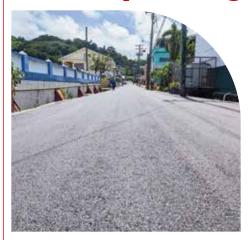
While the Opposition engages in "pothole tourism" — pointing fingers and ignoring progress — the ULP continues to do the hard work of building the roads, bridges, and infrastructure that SVG needs to thrive.

We are not just patching roads. We are building a stronger future, community by community, project by project.

The ULP will continue to invest the money, manpower, and materials necessary to ensure that every Vincentian can travel safely and confidently — wherever they live, farm, work or study.



Let's keep moving forward, together.











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Palmyra Roads Peruvian Vale Road Petit Bordel Road Richland Park Roads Roseau Village Bottom Road Sandy Bay Housing Dev't Road **Sayers Village Road Shipping Bay Realignment Twenty Hill Roads Veryvine Road** Villa: Mangoz/Bungalow Road **Welcome Main Road Belvedere Bridge London Bridge Mayah's Suites Walkway Noel Bailey bridge North Union Bridge Overland Bailey bridge**





aint Vincent and the Grenadines is rich in natural sporting talent. Our athletes have proudly represented the country on the international stage — in basketball, football, cricket, netball, swimming, sailing, and track and field. Few things unite Vincentians more than the shared pride of cheering on our national and student athletes.

From the moment we took office, the Unity Labour Party has recognised the powerful role that sports play in youth development, national identity, quality of life, and pride in our country. We also understand that values like teamwork, discipline, and commitment are often best instilled in young people through sport.

That's why the ULP has made bold, sustained investments in sport and athlete development across SVG. Our policy is comprehensive and strategic, with a focus on:

- Building modern sports infrastructure
- ► Integrating sport into the education system
- Supporting national sporting organisations
- ► Investing in talent development pathways
- ► Establishing a clear and forward-looking national sports policy
- ► Creating linkages between sport and key sectors – including health, tourism, culture, and youth development

- Providing ample support for education and training of sportsmen and women
- ► Appointing distinguished sportspersons as Sporting Ambassadors with enhanced privileges and responsibilities

We've developed the National Lotteries Authority into an engine for sports development, funding facilities, programmes, and competitions nationwide. We've expanded student-to-elite athlete pathways that support talent from primary school to university and beyond—helping our young athletes reach their full potential.

In 2024, we launched the FAST Fund (Future Athletes Support and Training Fund), dedicating \$1 million to support promising Vincentian athletes in the lead-up to the 2028 Summer Olympics.

Sport is more than competition — it is a tool for empowerment, development, and national pride.

And the ULP is making it work for all Vincentians.

What We Have Done

- ★ Built out phase one of the Sir Vincent Beache Athletic Stadium in Diamond
- ★ Introduced FAST Fund to support promising athletes

- Expanded the Arnos Vale Sports Complex and added state-of-the-art lighting
- ★ Partnered with SVG Football Federation to light and upgrade Brighton Playing Field
- ★ Hosted World Cup Cricket and International T20s at Arnos Vale
- ★ Created and funded Semi-Pro football and netball leagues
- ★ Provided millions of dollars in support for student athletes, regionally and internationally
- Expanded our nationwide stock of playing fields and hard courts to 110 facilities, 20 of which are lighted.

- ★ Invest \$5 million annually in the upkeep and maintenance of hard courts, playing fields and village sporting facilities
- ★ Light 25 sports fields and hard courts nationwide
- Construct an artificial athletics surface in Buccament
- Provide all schools with cricket gear to facilitate the expansion of cricket development at the schools level



- ★ Secure additional training for local coaches and expose local athletes to regional and international coaches to improve our athletes' skills and competitiveness
- Complete the build-out of the Sir Vincent Beache Stadium, with lighting, warm-up tracks, additional seating, and athlete amenities
- ★ Establish an indoor sports facility at Arnos Vale for netball, basketball and volleyball
- ★ Expand the semi-professional league framework to cricket
- ★ Establish a CPL cricket franchise in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

- Award at least five full scholarships annually to SVG's most promising male and female university-qualified athletes and dozens of tuition scholarships and other material support
- ★ Provide, through the National Lotteries Authority, additional support for village and inter-village football, netball, and cricket tournaments
- Construct an Olympic-length 50 metre swimming pool and facilities
- Build gymnasium facilities on the leeward and windward coasts, and at the Sir Vincent Beache Stadium, that will be available to student athletes, national athletes and sports clubs
- Create a focused institutional structure for the management of the Arnos Vale Stadium and Sir Vincent Beache Stadium to supervise usage, maintenance and operations of the facilities
- ➤ Publish a National Sports Policy and pass a National Sports Development Act in Parliament to facilitate the expansion of opportunities for youth in sports
- Reform and expand the National Sports Council to improve its capacity to drive youth participation in sports
- ★ Increase efforts to incentivise private sponsorship of athletes and sporting events (through tax breaks or public-private partnerships)
- ★ Increase the use of sports as a tool to reach at-risk-youth



very Vincentian has a right to feel safe at home and in their communities. Increased levels of crime and criminality in SVG and across the Caribbean cannot be tolerated. The Unity Labour Party understands that crime control is more than policing. Keeping our streets safe requires always the communion of bold and decisive national leadership, smarter policing, deeper community engagement, an effective judicial system, external collaboration; and appropriate social interventions.

Shortly after our election to office, the ULP elaborated a 14-point Strategic Plan on Crime Control and Prevention. Today, that Strategic Plan informs a multifaceted Government policy to address citizen security, with strategic elements that include:

- Adopting a holistic approach, that recognises crime not only as a policing problem but as a societal challenge that requires policy coordination across security, education, social development, health, and finance ministries.
- Strengthening social prevention, including youth empowerment initiatives; investment in early childhood development, conflict resolution programs, and parenting support; and to improve access to mental health care.
- Targeting guns and associational criminal groups, through regional cooperation and informationsharing through the RSS, IMPACS and strengthening port security; and improving community outreach, job creation and youthon-the-block initiatives; intelligence coordination is vital.
- Investing in smart policing, by utilising modern forensic labs,

- CCTV surveillance, digital crimefighting tools, and crime data systems.
- Puttingmorebootsontheground, with massive expansions in the number of crime fighters, their remuneration, and training.
- Reforming the justice sector, with investments to reduce backlogs, modernise the courts, improve alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, strengthen witness protection, build prosecutorial capacity, and better regulate the legal profession.
- Overall, narrowing the choices particularly of young men to go to crime.

In turn, our Police Force has embraced community policing, targeted enforcement operations, improved training and professionalisation, greater adoption of technology, and intelligence-led crime-fighting. Their reforms are making a difference in the lives of Vincentians.

The ULP is firmly committed to attacking crime and the causes of crime. We will continue to give the criminals no space, and we will always work for the safety and security of our citizens and visitors.

What We Have Done

- Doubled the size of the SVG Police Force between 2001 and 2025, adding roughly 600 police officers
- ★ Installed over 400 CCTV cameras nationwide to improve surveillance, investigation and deterrence
- ★ Installed digital scanners at the Port to detect guns and bullets smuggled into SVG through barrels

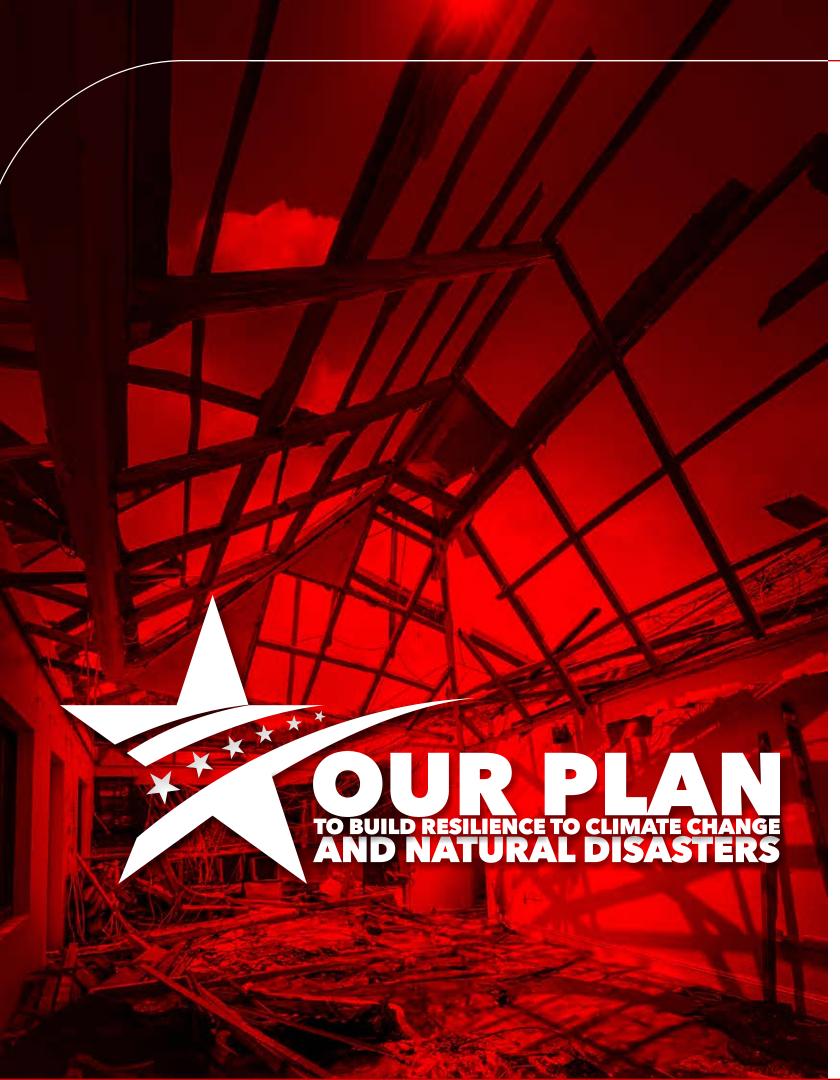
- Hired an additional criminal court judge to speed up the delivery of justice through more efficient processing of criminal cases
- ★ Markedly improved the condition of police stations nationwide
- Deepened cooperation with regional and international intelligence agencies to help stem the flow of narcotics and illegal firearms
- ★ Opened a temporary courthouse facility to improve the efficiency of the judiciary
- ★ Bolstered Police-community relations, including efforts of the National Commission on Crime Prevention, Pan Against Crime, Police Youth Clubs, Police Band Summer Programme and community policing
- ★ Built the Belle Isle Correctional Facility
- ★ Increased recurrent spending on the Police, Fire, and Coastguard Services from \$25m (2001) to \$67m (2025)
- ★ Markedly increased the salaries, qualifications and professionalism of the Police force
- Expanded the Coast Guard with additional staff, training and assets, including the Captain Hugh Mulzac offshore patrol vessel
- Established the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) as the main vehicle in the fight against money laundering and other financial crimes



- ★ Rebuild and enhance police stations in Calliaqua, Chateaubelair, Layou, Paget Farm, Rose Hall, Spring Village, Stubbs, Union Island and Vermont
- Continue to prioritise youth employment, education and training to help instil a greater sense of purpose and focus on the future
- ★ Step up early detection, interventions and counselling for youth in conflict with the law, and build modern youth detention facilities
- ★ Build-out a modern Hall of Justice facility at Beachmont

- ➤ Protect Vincentians online with laws to address revenge porn, AI deepfakes of intimate images, online harassment, and stronger child protections
- ★ Improve the rehabilitation of criminal offenders with more meaningful training and counselling to reduce recidivism
- Intensify the war on domestic violence with more aggressive prosecution, stronger training for police, stricter bail conditions for offenders and improved protections for victims
- ★ Prosecute weapons crimes more aggressively

- Modernise policing, investigation and administration through the application of computerised processes and digital tools
- Expand the Cadet Corps and construct a permanent home for the Cadets
- Encourage the establishment of more neighbourhood watch groups across the country
- ★ Increase the size of the Police, Fire, and Coastguard Services by an additional 30%
- Ensure that each police station has a sufficiency of transport, to improve operational readiness and effectiveness



he battle against climate change is a critical defining development challenge of our time. The pollution of wealthy, developed nations is heating the planet, raising sea levels, and intensifying storms. Weather patterns are becoming dangerously erratic with prolonged droughts, violent hurricanes, and unpredictable rainfall. As ocean temperatures rise, coral reefs bleach, fish migrate to cooler waters, and beaches are overrun by sargassum seaweed. According to the United Nations, if we fail to act, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) stands to lose 41% of its sandy beaches to coastal erosion within the next 25 years. Ten years ago, the NDP didn't even mention "climate change" in their manifesto. They ridiculed the ULP's warnings, asking, "Is it the first time rain ever fell in Saint Vincent?" When we proposed a visionary Contingencies Fund, they called it "wickedness." Yet that very Fund helped save lives and livelihoods after the volcanic eruptions and again after Hurricane Beryl. More recently, they dismissed the disaster with the words: "Poor Beryl — the Government wants to blame everything on Beryl."

That callousness, that lack of foresight, disqualifies them from leading SVG on the frontline of the climate crisis.

We have set a clear target: always have at least \$125 million available for immediate disaster response. We achieve this through our national Contingencies Fund and the World Bank's Catastrophe Deferred Draw-Down Option, giving us the capacity to act quickly and decisively when disasters strike.

After Hurricane Beryl, we acted immediately. We cleared debris, sheltered and fed displaced families, provided income support, and distributed vital tools and supplies. Within just ten days, we brought a supplementary budget to Parliament to accelerate our response.

Hurricane Beryl inflicted over \$1 billion in loss and damage in just a few hours.

Since the Unity Labour Party (ULP) took office, storms and hurricanes have cost SVG more than \$1.7 billion in damages. Add to that \$800 million from the volcanic eruptions — though not climate-related, they add to the toll of natural disasters — and the total exceeds \$2.5 billion, or \$100 million per year of our stewardship. That is the harsh reality of governing one of the world's most climate-vulnerable nations.

Building resilience demands bold action, clear vision, global credibility, long-term planning, and compassion.

Only the ULP has the leadership and experience to protect our people and our future from the escalating threats of climate change.

The ULP's approach to climate resilience is comprehensive and effective. It includes:

- Prudent, Resilient Infrastructure Investments
- Ecosystem-Based Adaptation and Coastal Zone Management
- Early Warning Systems, Disaster Preparedness and Rapid Response Mechanisms
- Climate Finance Access and Climate Budgeting
- Promoting Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
- Climate Education and Youth Engagement
- Protection of our Natural Environment
- Aggressive Advocacy for Climate Justice and Emissions Reductions

Twice in three years — after the volcano in 2021 and again after Beryl — we successfully relocated 20% of our population to safety.

Each year, we budget millions to build national resilience. Each year, we improve our capacity to respond to the next climate event. And each year, SVG becomes safer and stronger in the face of a rapidly warming planet.

You are safer with Labour.

Time and again, the ULP has proven it has the leadership and the vision to shield our people from the worst effects of climate change.

But our work doesn't stop at home. Comrade Ralph, Comrade Carlos, and the ULP are leading voices on the global stage — fighting for justice, for accountability, and for real, tangible support to help vulnerable nations like ours. We are active participants in the world's most important climate negotiations, including a historic lawsuit at the International Court of Justice, demanding clarity on who must bear responsibility for the climate crisis. Others sat on the sidelines. We stood up for justice.

The ULP will fight for you. The ULP will protect you. And the ULP will plan for a resilient, sustainable future.

This is a long battle. There are no quick fixes. But we are working, every day, to build a stronger, safer SVG.

You can trust us to deliver. You can trust us to lead. You can trust us to defend Saint Vincent and the Grenadines from the rising tides.

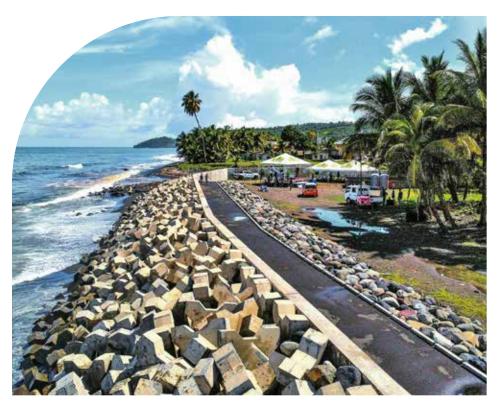
What We Have Done

- Reformed and Expanded the National Emergency Management Organization to plan for and orchestrate disaster response
- ★ Built NEMO Satellite Warehouses in Barrouallie, Bequia, Georgetown, Marriaqua Mayreau, Noel, Rose Hall, and Union Island, to deliver assistance in the immediate aftermath of a disaster
- ★ Enacted a Contingencies Fund to set aside readily accessible money for a "rainy day"

- Constructed sea defence works at numerous places including: Layou, Georgetown, Sans Souci and Shipping Bay, and commenced construction of Sea Defence at Sandy Bay. All told, these works cost over \$250 million
- Negotiated two successive \$54 million packages with the World Bank to provide immediate assistance in the aftermath of a natural disaster
- Mainstreamed climate resilient engineering in all infrastructure works, to ensure that everything built will be resistent to climate change and weather events
- ★ Undertaken a massive home reconstruction and rehabilitation programme to ensure that Vincentians live in climate resilient homes
- ★ Implemented the Climate-Public Investment Management Assessment (C-PIMA), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund, to improve the management of climate investments
- Responded miraculously to rebuild and restore services to Canouan, Mayreau, Union Island and other areas of SVG in the wake of Hurricane Beryl
- Participated actively in the International Court of Justice's landmark case "Obligations of States in respect of Climate Change."
- Commenced river defence projects at Buccament, Campden Park, Clare Valley, Cumberland, Layou and Yambou

- Banned the use of styrofoam and single use plastic bags, to protect the environment and improve health outcomes
- ★ Built valuable partnerships with private sector donors to assist in the post-disaster reconstruction of the Southern Grenadines

- Complete construction of massive sea defence and coastal protection project at Sandy Bay
- ★ Build coastal protection and boardwalk at Gorse, and other critical points along the Windward coastline
- Complete a modern, aesthetically appropriate sea defence at Mayreau's Saltwhistle Bay
- Create coastal defence in Calliaqua to protect the town, parts of which are vulnerable to sea level rise
- ★ Replenish sandy beaches at Villa, Indian Bay and Big Sand
- Replant mangroves in Union Island and Brighton to improve coastal protection and biodiversity
- Undertake a massive reef restoration programme, involving the replanting of climate resistant coral species on dying reefs
- Rebuild the NEMO headquarters, and construct additional NEMO satellite warehouses to respond quickly in the aftermath of a disaster



- Subsidise the delivery of water tanks to homes, incentivise conservative water usage in home construction, and incorporate rainwater harvesting into all homes built by the Government
- Increase support to farmers affected by increasingly intense periods of droughts, with water tanks, irrigation, fertiliser, drought resilient seeds, and other inputs
- Expand the programme of materials distribution to targeted vulnerable homes to build resilience to future weather events
- ★ Improve Planning oversight of home construction to ensure that houses are built to withstand hurricanes
- Continue investment in early warning systems on La Soufriere volcano, and support for the UWI Seismic Research Centre

- Restore solar power facilities in Union Island and ensure that every populated Grenadine island has at least 50% of peak power demand supplied by solar energy
- Build upon our historic victory at the International Court of Justice to pursue just compensation from major polluters for cost of climate change adaptation
- Continue aggressive advocacy at the United Nations Framework Convention of Climate Change for reductions in global emissions, which will reduce the incidence and impact of climate events
- ★ Increase our parametric insurance coverage against storm damage through the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility (CCRIF)

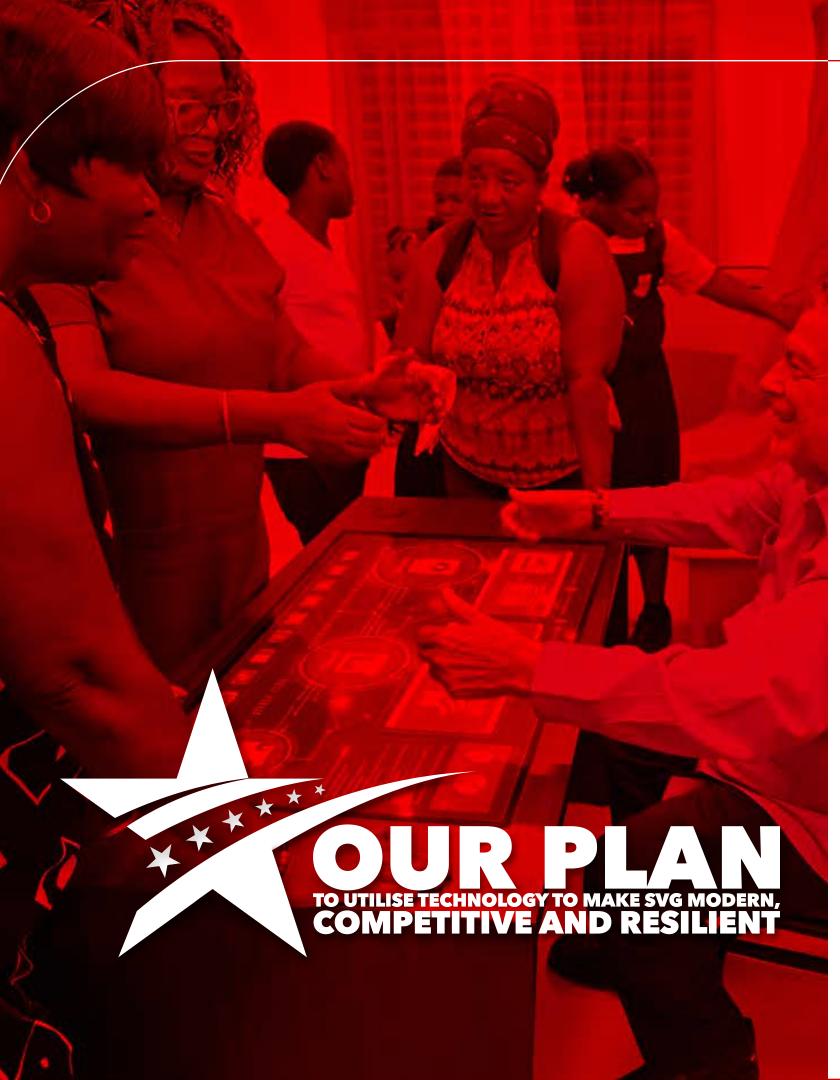
★ Invest an minimum average of \$100 annually in the capital budget for "Environmental Protection"

The World Bank has estimated that "the total cost of implementing a limited core set of investments for physical infrastructure" to build resilience to extreme hazards in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines would be between \$2 billion and \$3 billion over the next 15 years. Building resilience in additional capital stock beyond this limited core set of public infrastructure would increase the cost by a further \$1.8 billion over the same period.

We are small country with limited resources. We simply do not have \$333 million each year, of our own resources, to invest in climate adaptation over the next 15 years. But we do have the vision, the leadership, the influence and the advocacy skill to work for global climate justice and adequate and affordable financing for climate adaptation.

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is on the front line of climate change. We cannot escape the floods, storms, hurricanes, coastal erosion and droughts that are coming our way. But we can plan. We can build. And we can fight for our future as a safe, healthy, resilient SVG.

The ULP is the Party that you need to fight on your behalf in this exisitential battle against climate change. You are safer, and stronger, with Labour.



Our future First World SVG will be connected, innovative, and digital. Only the ULP has the vision, the leadership, and the plan to deliver it.

hroughout this Manifesto, you will learn how the Unity Labour Party is implementing a transformative digital agenda — one that is revolutionising government services and making our economy more dynamic and competitive.

You will also see how we are deepening the Education Revolution by embracing digital learning, expanding TVET training in ICT, and distributing free laptops and tablets to students across SVG.

And you will read how our vision for a First World SVG is grounded in the smart use of digital technology — enhancing healthcare delivery, modernising agriculture, promoting culture, strengthening statistical capacity, developing e-commerce, empowering youth, and improving policing and citizen security.

Yet, reading scattered references to technology may not fully convey the depth of the ULP's strong, coordinated, whole-of-government commitment to using technology as a developmental accelerant — helping SVG leapfrog traditional barriers, strengthen regional integration, and build a resilient, future-ready society.

Our political will is clear and unwavering. And it is expressed in a comprehensive 12-Point Plan for Technological Transformation:

1. Establish Foundational Digital Infrastructure

We've already laid fibre-optic networks through the CARCIP project. Now, we are building a state-of-the-art secure national data centre to serve as our digital backbone.

2. Implement a Universal Digital ID System

This ongoing initiative will enable full access to e-government services and support greater financial inclusion for all Vincentians.

3. Treat Broadband as a Public Utility

We will guarantee affordable, highspeed internet and computer access for all — especially in rural and underserved communities. The ULP views Internet access as a right, not a privilege.

4. Digitise Core Public Services

From health and education to civil registration and social protection, we are modernising essential services and moving government functions — licenses, payments, customs — online to reduce red tape and transport costs.

5. Strengthen Cybersecurity and Data Governance

The ULP is committed to protecting critical infrastructure, securing public trust in digital systems, and guarding against cyber threats.

6. Invest in Local Talent and Innovation

We will expand ICT education, fund tech entrepreneurs, and support local innovators with targeted incentives.

7. Modernise Legal and Regulatory Frameworks

We will update and harmonise legislation on data protection, e-commerce, cybercrime, digital trade, child protection and taxation — working closely with ECTEL, the OECS, and CARICOM.



8. Close the Digital Divide

The ULP will ensure equity through free device distribution to students, subsidised broadband for vulnerable families, and inclusive digital education and training for all Vincentians.

9. Deepen Regional Integration via Connectivity

We view digital infrastructure as a powerful tool to strengthen regional communication, coordination, and cooperation.

10. Support Private Sector Technology Adoption

We will use targeted fiscal incentives to encourage business modernisation in the national interest.

11. Leverage Public-Private Partnerships

By working with telecom companies, we will secure affordable, high-quality services while attracting private investment and expertise.

12. Embed Digital Transformation in All Aspects of National Development

Technology is not an add-on — it is central to our reforms in education, governance, and economic policy. In this regard, we will establish an advisory body of top scientists and technology experts from SVG and elsewhere: The Science and Applied Technology Brain Trust (SAT-BT).

OUR PLAN FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND SVG'S FUTURE

ack in 2016, Comrade Ralph stood before the CARICOM Heads of Government and warned of the coming wave of "human-level artificial intelligence (AI)" and its immense implications for our region. He urged intellectuals, political leaders, scientists, and citizens to take the issue seriously.

Three years later, in his 2019 Independence Address, he again sounded the alarm, pointing to "the adverse economic, social and political fallout from the new machine age and Artificial Intelligence" as one of the looming challenges SVG must prepare to face.

These warnings came before ChatGPT's launch in 2022, before DeepSeek and Microsoft Copilot in 2023, and before Google Gemini in 2024. Comrade Ralph was the first Vincentian political leader to speak publicly about AI — demonstrating once again his ability to anticipate

global change and chart a path to secure SVG's future. Since then, he has raised the issue forcefully in Parliament, at the United Nations, and in the media.

In the nine years since Comrade Ralph first raised the issue, not one member of the NDP has spoken meaningfully about Artificial Intelligence. In Parliament, when the issue arises, they have nothing to offer — clinging to outdated answers for yesterday's problems.

Only the ULP has a serious plan for AI.

By contrast, the ULP has taken a pragmatic, proactive, and forward-looking approach. We have studied the AI Principles set out by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the United States' policy document, called "Winning the Race: America's AI Action Plan," Singapore's Model Gen-AI Framework, and UNESCO's "Guidance for Generative AI in Education and Research." We have examined global best practices and adapted them for our Caribbean reality.

The result is AI-SVG — a comprehensive national Artificial Intelligence Policy to be implemented in our next term. AI-SVG views AI as both:

- An economic opportunity: driving productivity, innovation, public service improvements, and job creation; and
- A governance challenge: with serious implications for safety, privacy, rights, and security.

Our approach is simple: maximise opportunities, minimise risks, and stay flexible in the face of rapid change.

AI-SVG is built on six principles:

- 1. Unlock value while managing risk.
- 2. Lead by example—Government must be an ethical, innovative AI user.
- 3. Build AI skills and literacy at three levels:
 - Broad awareness and AI literacy for the public
 - Targeted training for civil servants and businesses
 - Deeper study in schools, universities, and postgraduate research, supported by targeted scholarships.
- 4. Align SVG with the highest international standards of AI risk management.
- 5. Regulate AI sensibly: prohibit unacceptable uses, restrict highrisk ones, and embrace innovation where the risks are low.
- 6. Ensure all AI use is peoplecentred, development-focused, pro-innovation, and designed to benefit Vincentians.

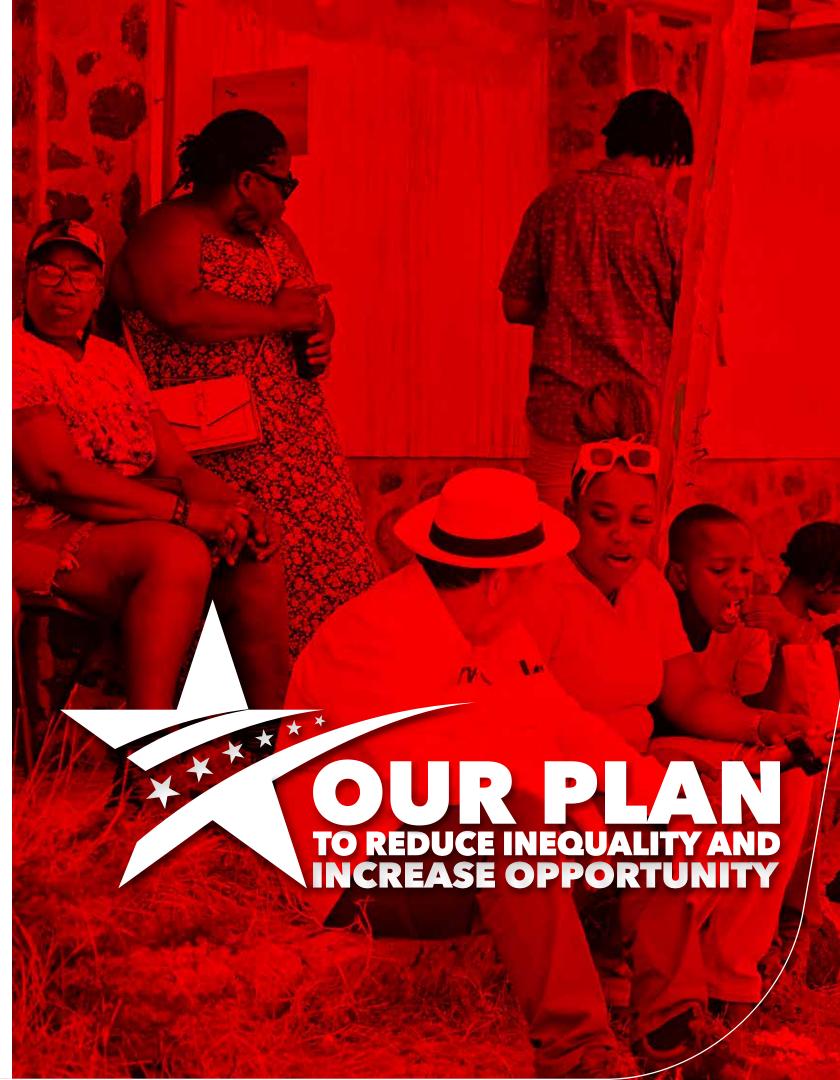
In our next term, the ULP will:

 Publish AI-SVG, rooted in global best practices but tailored to our needs.

- Establish an AI Governance Board to monitor Government use, assess risks, and propose solutions.
- Reform education integrating AI learning into school curricula, offering scholarships, and boosting AI literacy among students.
- Launch public awareness campaigns to reduce the risk of misuse and prevent an "AI divide."
- Prepare our workforce with TVET courses, civil service training, and certification for AI-enabled small businesses.
- Pilot AI-powered citizen services, such as chatbots and virtual assistants, to streamline Government services and improve access to information.

The ULP is committed to using Artificial Intelligence as a peoplecentred tool for development — to modernise our economy, strengthen public services, and prepare Vincentians for the opportunities of tomorrow. Our policy will be pragmatic, riskaware, and protective of citizens' rights while unlocking the benefits of AI for all.

Only the ULP is preparing Vincentians to own the future.



common Vincentian saying, dating back centuries, is: "Donkey say the world nah level." It reflects a timeless truth — that life is easier for some, harder for others, and the system is often unfair. But inequality is not just unjust — it is economically inefficient and socially dangerous.

The ULP works relentlessly to eliminate inequality and expand opportunity for the marginalised and historically underserved. In a small, interconnected country like ours, we cannot afford a society of "haves" and "have-nots." Our philosophy of social democracy drives us to level the playing field, while our sound economic strategy recognises that true growth comes when every Vincentian can contribute — not just a privileged few.

We are committed to ending poverty and breaking the class ceilings that stifle development. Every Vincentian deserves a fair shot at success – regardless of where they're from, who they know, or how much money they have.

When we fight inequality, the elitist opposition tries to dismiss our efforts as "communism" or "socialism." Their lazy use of labels doesn't move us. We are a people-centred party, and we believe all people deserve the chance to live their best lives.

The ULP's plan to reduce inequality is inclusive, targeted, and sustainable. We address both the symptoms and the root causes of inequality — not just through redistribution, but by expanding opportunity. Our progressive social investments, institutional strengthening, and deep community engagement are the foundation of our strategy.

We act through proven, people-first initiatives:

- Equity-Based Approaches that prioritise those most in need the poor, rural residents, women, youth, the elderly, and persons with disabilities — ensuring resources go where they have the greatest impact.
- Empowerment Programmes in education, healthcare, housing, and entrepreneurship that offer lasting solutions and foster upward mobility.

The ULP's transformative achievements include:

- Our Education Revolution —
 expanding access from preschool
 to university, democratising
 scholarships, school feeding
 programmes, and widespread
 digital device distribution —
 ensures every child can succeed.
- Our TVET expansion tackles both inequality and unemployment.
- Our Wellness Revolution —
 modern clinics, hospitals,
 equipment, cancer care, free dialysis,
 and subsidised treatment —
 advance health equity across SVG.
- Our Housing Revolution with resilient home construction, repairs, and material distribution transforms lives and delivers on the right to safe, adequate housing.

 Our social protection programmes including enhanced public assistance, Home Help for the Elderly, and disability support — ensure that no one is left behind.

- Our economic empowerment initiatives — like PRYME and small business funding — create inclusive spaces for entrepreneurship and job creation.
- Our strategic investments in infrastructure, hotels, and digital transformation generate jobs and lay the foundation for sustainable, private-sector-led growth.

The opposition derides these efforts as "handouts" and tries to insult the hardworking Vincentians who benefit. They are wrong. These are not handouts — they are nation-building tools. They are justice in action.

As inequality evolves — through climate change, digital divides, or urbanisation — the ULP will adapt with smarter, more inclusive policies. Empowering people, building resilience, and bridging opportunity gaps aren't just morally right — they're the most effective way to build a stronger, fairer economy and society.

Success in the fight against inequality is the cornerstone of our future development. And only the Unity Labour Party has the vision, will, energy, and skill to lead that fight – and win it.



reativity and culture fuel the soul of our nation. Our culture is who we are, and our creatives express our identity in bold, inspiring, and innovative ways.

Today, our creative sector stands as a dynamic engine of growth and development – driving our economy, unlocking global opportunities, and offering fulfilling careers to young Vincentians.

The ULP government is proud to champion this transformation. Through active support, collaboration, and investment, we've nurtured partnerships with artists, performers, entertainers, writers, and cultural organisations. In this age of global connectivity and expanding tourism, the world is taking notice of our talented musicians, dancers, dramatists, visual artists, craftspersons, and writers — each bringing the vivid imagination of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to international audiences.

The ULP's plan for our next term in office is to transform the creative sector from a part-time, informal labour of love into a vibrant industry — supported by strong legal protections, improved markets, structured incentives, and world-class facilities — where creativity is not only a passion but a driver of personal and national progress.

What We Have Done

Commenced construction of three Creative and Cultural Hubs to provide a space for artistic creation, exhibition and performance



- ★ Established the Cultural Ambassador programme
- Revived steel pan in SVG with institutional supports, instruments, training and festivals
- ➤ Provided duty-free imports of equipment and materials for the cultural and creative industries
- ★ Established a Schools Battle of the Bands to promote youth musicianship
- ★ Markedly increased supports to the Carnival Development Corporation

- ★ Offered millions of dollars in supports to local festivals, through the National Lotteries Authority
- Pursued actively the writing of a comprehensive History of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to bolster our sense of self and fuel our cultural expression

What We Will Do In Our Next Term

★ Build a National Centre for Performing Arts in Kingstown, and complete the Creative and Cultural Hubs in Belle Vue, Petit Bordel and Troumaca



- ★ Offer strengthened legal supports to creatives, including enhanced intellectual property protections
- Empower the Centre for Enterprise Development to provide training in artist management, event promotions, entertainment law and cultural marketing
- Reduce income tax for creative industries to the same level as hotels and waive CIPO fees pertaining to the incorporation of creative companies
- ★ Provide greater opportunities for training in music theory and music

- Facilitate improved markets for cultural and handcrafted products
- Subsidise the travel expenses of cultural artists who participate in regional workshops
- Develop a local music guideline, in partnership with radio stations, to create a voluntary target for increased year-round broadcast of local music
- ★ Provide fiscal and other incentives to encourage greater private sector support for cultural events

- Expand the local fashion industry with market access support and targeted grants
- Establish the Creative Youth programme where established creatives visit schools to lecture, demonstrate and host workshops with students
- ★ Establish the Word Sound Power festival to celebrate Caribbean literature, music, dance and culture
- ★ Offer Digital Media, Animation, and Art and Design programmes and short courses at the SVG Community College
- Strengthen the National Cultural Foundation, administratively and financially, to facilitate the development of the arts and culture
- ★ Incentivise steel orchestras to increase music instruction to students during the summer holiday
- Establish a National Film Commission to strengthen the local film industry and to attract and facilitate major film, television and other media production companies to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines as part of the creative economy.
- Develop a robust music programme for the youth, including establishing a National Youth Choir and Orchestra.



policy" is one of the ten foundational pillars of the Unity Labour Party's vision and philosophy. From our very first days in office, the ULP has understood that Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, as a small state in an interconnected world, must build strong, meaningful partnerships with

like-minded nations.

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We have consistently pursued international respect — not for vanity, but because that respect delivers real benefits to Vincentians. It strengthens our principled advocacy on global issues like climate change, development financing, reform of the international financial system, and the defense of peace and self-determination.

Under the leadership of Comrade Ralph, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has become a respected voice and influential force in global and regional affairs. From the United Nations to the Organisation of American States, from CELAC to CARICOM and the OECS, from the World Bank to the IMF — our country is sought out for its leadership, its perspectives, and its partnerships. When Comrade Ralph calls, global leaders answer.

This global engagement brings tangible results: faster disaster recovery, direct support for farmers, scholarships for students, healthcare for the vulnerable, and international funding for schools, roads, clinics, hospitals, fisheries centres, and youth development. Our foreign policy is not abstract diplomacy — it delivers concrete benefits to everyday Vincentians.

The conduct of foreign policy is a clear and crucial difference between the ULP and the opposition. That difference has serious implications for our development, reputation, and sovereignty. While the ULP builds partnerships rooted in mutual respect and shared goals, the opposition flirts with selling out our interests to foreign powers. They are tied to backward, right-wing imperialist groups like the International Democratic Union (IDU) and the Caribbean Democratic Union (CDU). Their foreign policy is reactive, unimaginative, and dependent guided by questions like "What will America say?" or "Who can we sell passports to?"

When the ULP was forging international coalitions to finance the Argyle International Airport, the opposition scoffed, asking "Find the money where?" They lacked the imagination — and the relationships — to make it happen. Without the ULP's bold, visionary foreign policy, the AIA would never have been built.

The opposition's approach would serve foreign interests and a few well-connected elites. It would not serve you. The ULP's foreign policy is grounded in national interest, people-centered development, and global respect. And it's working — for all Vincentians.

What We Have Done

★ Become the smallest nation ever to be elected to the United Nations Security Council

- Become the first Caribbean country, and smallest nation ever, to be elected as president of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)
- Become the smallest nation ever to be elected to the presidency of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- Convened and hosted the critical summit between Guyana and Venezuela, and drafted the Argyle Declaration, which helped to ensure peace in our region
- Established formal diplomatic relations with almost every member of the United Nations since being elected to office
- Secured 100% debt forgiveness from Venezuela for Petrocaribe debt, saving the Vincentian taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.
- ★ Secured free and low-cost fertiliser from Morocco and Venezuela to support our farmers
- Secured the funding from the "Coalition of the Willing" to build the Argyle International Airport
- Provided opportunities for Vincentian students to obtain university degrees with scholarships from Cuba, Mexico, Austria, Singapore, Taiwan, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States and Venezuela benefitting several hundreds of students since 2001.



Established full freedom of movement agreements with Barbados, Belize and Dominica, in accordance with the CARICOM Treaty of Chagauramas

What We Will Do In Our Next Term

- Secure more scholarships for Vincentian students
- Lead efforts to reform the global financial architecture, securing more affordable development financing for Caribbean countries
- Expedite regional integration initiatives, particularly free movement of people and goods, to secure better opportunities for Vincentian workers and businesses
- Continue to play a leadership role in aggressive advocacy for climate justice, emissions reduction and adaptation support, to make SVG less vulnerable to hurricanes storms, sea level rise and global warming
- ★ Formalise the A-B-C connection to forge air and sea transportation

links between Africa, Brazil and the Caribbean

- Galvanise support and increase advocacy for reparatory justice for the victims of native genocide and the enslavement of African bodies
- Establish diplomatic missions in Ghana, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates to strengthen linkages with important rising powers in the developing world
- Establish beneficial trade, technical, sports and cultural cooperation agreements with countries of the Global South
- Secure additional visa-waiver agreements with friendly countries to ensure that Vincentians may travel for business, leisure or opportunity with minimal hassle
- ★ Prioritise building and strengthening formal ties with the Vincentian Diaspora. Host a Diaspora Homecoming Week and establish a Diaspora Business Directory to facilitate greater trade, investment and exchange of ideas between local and Diaspora businesses

- Seek and occupy further positions of leadership and influence within regional, hemispheric and international bodies so as to shape global debate and bring benefits to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and the region
- Play a leadership role in coordinating regional responses and advocacy in matters of importance to the Caribbean's collective development, including EU blacklisting, the Multivariable Vulnerability Index, the Small Arms Treaty, and the Bridgetown Initiative
- Coordinate actively with Caribbean and Latin American governments in the fight against transnational crime
- Further professionalise the Vincentian diplomatic service by identifying promising, qualified youth and ensuring that they receive the exposure and training to make them future stars in foreign service
- ★ Establish freedom of movement agreements and legislation with any CARICOM country willing to embrace this foundation principle of full regional integration



Taiwan has extended more concessional loans to SVG than any other country. And every time we've called, they've answered.

aiwan has been a steadfast friend of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

From the moment the Father of our Independence, the Rt. Honourable Robert Milton Cato, made the visionary decision to establish diplomatic ties in 1981, Taiwan has stood by us. They were our friends when Milton Cato was Prime Minister, when Sir James Mitchell was Prime Minister, when Arnhim Eustace was Prime Minister, and throughout Comrade Ralph's tenure as Prime Minister.

Across both ULP and NDP administrations, Taiwan's friendship has been a rare point of national consensus. Taiwan is our friend.

And more than a friend, Taiwan has been a partner in our development.

- Taiwan helped us build the Argyle International Airport and the Rabbaca Bridge
- They helped our banana farmers recover from Black Sigatoka
- They supported us after the volcanic eruptions, the Christmas Eve floods, and Hurricane Beryl
- They helped us build roads, schools, airports in the Grenadines, and the Temporary Parliament Building

- Taiwan funded youth development programmes like YES, SET, and ON-SITE
- They provided grants to local entrepreneurs
- They offered free university education to over 300 Vincentian students
- They gave concessional loans to build the Modern Kingstown Cargo Port, the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital, and the Marriott resort on the Leeward coast

So why does the NDP want to end this relationship? Why would they turn their backs on one of our strongest allies? The answer is simple:

- 1. Their campaigns are funded by mainland Chinese interests. In exchange, they've promised to cut ties with Taiwan.
- 2. China is a major market for countries that sell passports. And since the NDP's top priority is to sell our passports, they want to cozy up to Chinese passport buyers.

This is not about what's best for Vincentians.

It's about what's best for Beijing — and for a few local passport salesmen looking to get rich.

Cutting ties with Taiwan would have devastating consequences:

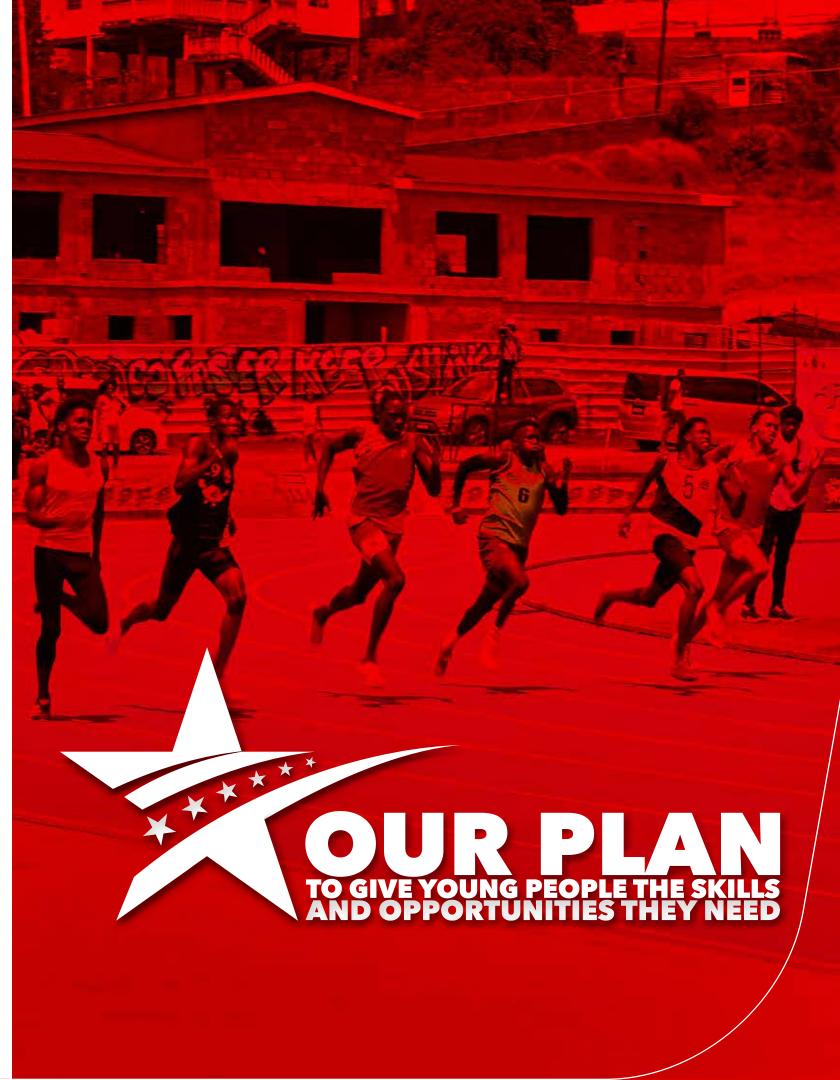
- It would halt construction of the Arnos Vale Hospital.
- It would stop work on the Marriott resort.
- It would terminate scholarships for hundreds of Vincentian students.
- It would leave taxpayers responsible for repaying Taiwan's loans immediately and in full.
- And it would send a dangerous message to the world: that Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is for sale.

It would tell the world that SVG lacks principles, that we cannot be trusted, that we're willing to betray even our most loyal friends for money.

Don't let the NDP sell out our values. Don't let them sell out our future. Don't let them sell out Taiwan.

Tell them we do not sell out our friends!

Vote ULP.



he Unity Labour Party has always been the party of the youth of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Our focus on the future, our bold and ambitious actions, and our relentless drive for transformative change have consistently benefited this young nation.

Young people deserve to feel hopeful about their future; and they need a government that shares their optimism and forward-looking spirit.

Our bold vision to make Saint Vincent and the Grenadines a First World nation by 2040 cannot be achieved without the energy, creativity, and full participation of young Vincentians.

We envision a future where every young Vincentian has the tools to succeed — where access to education and skills training is guaranteed, and no youth is left without an opportunity to be in school, at work, or in training. We see a nation where young people lead, make decisions, and shape the future of their country. A society where they are not atomised individuals, but active, engaged citizens — building communities, lifting each other up, and contributing to national development.

We imagine a vibrant culture of sport and creativity, where excellence is nurtured and celebrated. A future where housing and healthcare are accessible and affordable, and where young people are equipped to thrive in a green and digital world. A generation more resilient than any before it, with boundless opportunities and unclipped wings — ready to soar like eagles, with their wings unclipped.

The ULP's approach to youth development is grounded in inclusion, opportunity, empowerment, and institutional support. Our six pillars of action are:

- 1. Education and Skills Development
- 2. Youth Employment and Entrepreneurship
- 3. Civic Engagement, Volunteerism, and Leadership
- 4. Sports, Culture, Arts, and Identity
- 5. Health and Well-being
- 6. Opportunities in the Digital and Green Economy

With the ULP at the helm, this generation of youth has become the most empowered in our nation's history. They've benefited from better access to education, improved healthcare, modern sporting facilities, increased support for entrepreneurship and homeownership, expanded technical and vocational training, and more cultural opportunities than ever before.

And we're just getting started.

The foundations have been laid for the next generation to achieve even greater things. Their future is bright. Their potential is limitless. And only the Unity Labour Party has the vision, the record, and the plan to make it a reality.

What We Have Done

- ★ Established PRYME as a powerful engine to support youth entrepreneurs
- ★ Launched the YES, SET, and ON-SITE programmes to offer valuable internship experience to thousands of youth

- Provided more national, exhibition, bursary and tuition scholarships than ever before, with over 2,000 youth benefitting each year
- Created the Youth Advisory Council to involve young people in policy-making and decision making
- Launched the Prime Minister's Youth Awards to recognise and celebrate youth excellence
- Launched the GYVE programme to facilitate youth volunteerism and community activism
- Began construction of Cultural and Educational Hubs that will offer space, tools and training for young creatives
- Launched semi-professional football and netball leagues to support young sportspersons
- ★ Invested more in the development of sporting facilities than any government in the history of SVG
- ★ Initiated the Skills for Youth Employment (SKYE), Youth & Adult Training for Employment (YATE), and the Skills Training for Employment & Professional Success (STEPS) to accelerate Technical and Vocational Education



* Accelerated our embrace of technology and the digital economy with free laptops and tablets for students, investments in Internet connectivity and Digital Transformation

What We Will Do **In Our Next Term**

- ★ Launch "Youth GATES" The Youth Guarantee of Apprenticeship, Training, Employment, or Scholarship, to ensure that every young person graduating secondary school, college or university will have access to job placement, apprenticeship, entrepreneurship support or training opportunities
- **Expand Youth Business Incubators** to support the following growth areas: the creative industries, agroprocessing, ICT and tourism
- Launch an expanded Youth in Agriculture programme to encourage and assist youth participation in agriculture and the Blue Economy
- ★ Significantly expand the PRYME

- Ensure that every youth goes to a school that can prepare them for the future they want
- ★ Integrate career counselling, entrepreneurship and financial literacy into school curricula
- Complete the removal of the outmoded divide between academic and technical learning by continuing to improve TVET options and facilities
- Expand digital and green economy training and support programmes
- ★ Offer targeted support for youth in coding, robotics, animation, digital marketing, and other futureready skills
- Link youth programs to economic diversification strategies, especially in tourism, agriculture, ICT, and culture
- Offer greater support to the growth areas of music, art, fashion, and digital content creation

- ★ Improve access to the arts to support young people in developing creativity and finding their voice ★ Invest more in local festivals to celebrate local culture and encourage youth participation in the arts
- Create a Youth Orchestra and Choir to develop more formallytrained young musicians
- Roll out a comprehensive Boys on the Block initiative to offer peer counselling and youth engagement at a grass-roots level, with dual track (education + sports) development for at-risk youth
- ★ Foster regional youth exchanges and CARICOM-wide youth development platforms
- ★ Increase investments in community sports infrastructure, coaching programmes, and scholarships
- ★ Invest in housing options for young professionals





incentians are living longer than ever, and our population is steadily ageing. Our older generations built the foundation of the nation we enjoy today — and of the future we are shaping. We owe them a profound debt of gratitude that can never be fully repaid.

The ageing of the Vincentian population means that there is an ever-growing segment of the society that is beyond retirement, but still active, able and willing to enjoy rich, fulfilling lives while continuing to contribute to their families, communities and country. This growing population group requires focused attention from progressive policymakers.

The Unity Labour Party is committed to ensuring that our elders are respected, protected, and celebrated. We will support their continued contributions to national development, while creating structured opportunities for younger Vincentians to learn from their wisdom, experience, and skills. The ULP will make sure that the golden years of our seniors are comfortable, fulfilling, and dignified.

Our commitment to elderly care is clearand consistent. ULP administrations have transformed elder support through impactful initiatives such as the Home-Help-for-the-Elderly and Lives to Live housing programmes. We built two Golden Years Activity Centres, expanded public assistance and NIS pensions by over 300%, and radically improved health services for senior citizens, especially those managing chronic conditions like hypertension, diabetes, and arthritis.

In Our Next Term, the ULP Will

- Construct a modern residential geriatric facility in Glen, following the transitional Lewis Punnett Home in Kingstown
- ★ Build three new Golden Years Activity Centres in East Kingstown, East St. George, and Marriaqua
- Expand the Home-Help-for-the-Elderly Programme by 50%, giving more seniors access to in-home care
- ★ Increase payments to the elderly, to reflect the rising cost of living and honour their service
- ★ Synchronise retirement ages and pension eligibility, ensuring a smoother transition into retirement
- ★ Make more government posts pensionable, securing better retirement outcomes for public servants
- Continue to strengthen the NIS, protecting benefits for current and future pensioners
- ★ Launch a Golden Generation Outreach Programme, including bus trips, wellness checks, fitness activities, and community healthcare consultations
- ★ Establish Seniors Advisory Councils to ensure that Seniors' voices are heard in community matters
- Expand Lifelong Learning and creative arts & craft classes for seniors, utilising Learning Resource Centres, Community Centres and School classrooms

- Utilise the Enhams Wellness Centre, the Sir Vincent Beache Stadium and other community facilities to offer free, low impact fitness programmes for seniors
- Enhance community policing and safety programmes with special emphasis on responding to concerns from elderly residents
- Improve accessibility at public and recreational areas, provide walking paths, and facilitate the formation of community gardens on public plots of lands to encourage an active senior lifestyle
- Celebrate Older Citizens Month with public recognition, senior-focused events, and awards for outstanding senior citizens
- ★ Improve access to medical care in community clinics for senior citizens with mobility challenges

The ULP is building a society that honours its past and cares for its elders — because progress means leaving no generation behind.



he Unity Labour Party's core vision of reducing inequality continues to drive our mission to ensure that every Vincentian, man or woman, has an equal opportunity to pursue their dreams. Our nation is strongest when we are united, and when everyone is fully empowered to contribute to our shared development.

With the ULP at the helm, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has made remarkable strides in advancing women's empowerment across every sphere of life. Today, women are seizing opportunities for growth, education, and leadership like never before.

At the SVG Community College, 62 percent of students are women. At the University of the West Indies, that number rises to 78 percent — and at the UWI Global Campus, an extraordinary 83 percent of Vincentian students are women. Almost all of them are receiving some form of direct support from the ULP administration.

Our administration has actively championed gender equity within the civil service, achieving a level of balance in senior public sector and managerial roles that surpasses the gender diversity found at the top levels of the private sector.

Still, we know that challenges remain. The COVID-19 pandemic, the La Soufrière eruptions, and the devastating impacts of Hurricanes Elsa and Beryl have disproportionately affected women, deepening existing vulnerabilities. In response, the ULP comprehensively

delivered supports — for income, food, housing, and education — that proved essential to many women and mothers in times of crisis.

But we are not stopping there. We are committed to accelerating our transformative agenda to achieve full gender equality, with a renewed focus on:

- Greater economic empowerment of women
- Improved access to quality sexual and reproductive healthcare
- Stronger protections against gender-based violence
- Expanded support for girls' education, especially in STEM and entrepreneurship
- More leadership and political participation by women

At the same time, we recognise that true gender equality requires lifting up all Vincentians. Too many of our young men are underachieving — in schools, in the job market, and within families. That is why our gender agenda also includes dedicated support for:

- Tacklingmaleunderachievement in education
- Expanding youth employment
- and skills training
- Promoting positive masculinity and responsible fatherhood

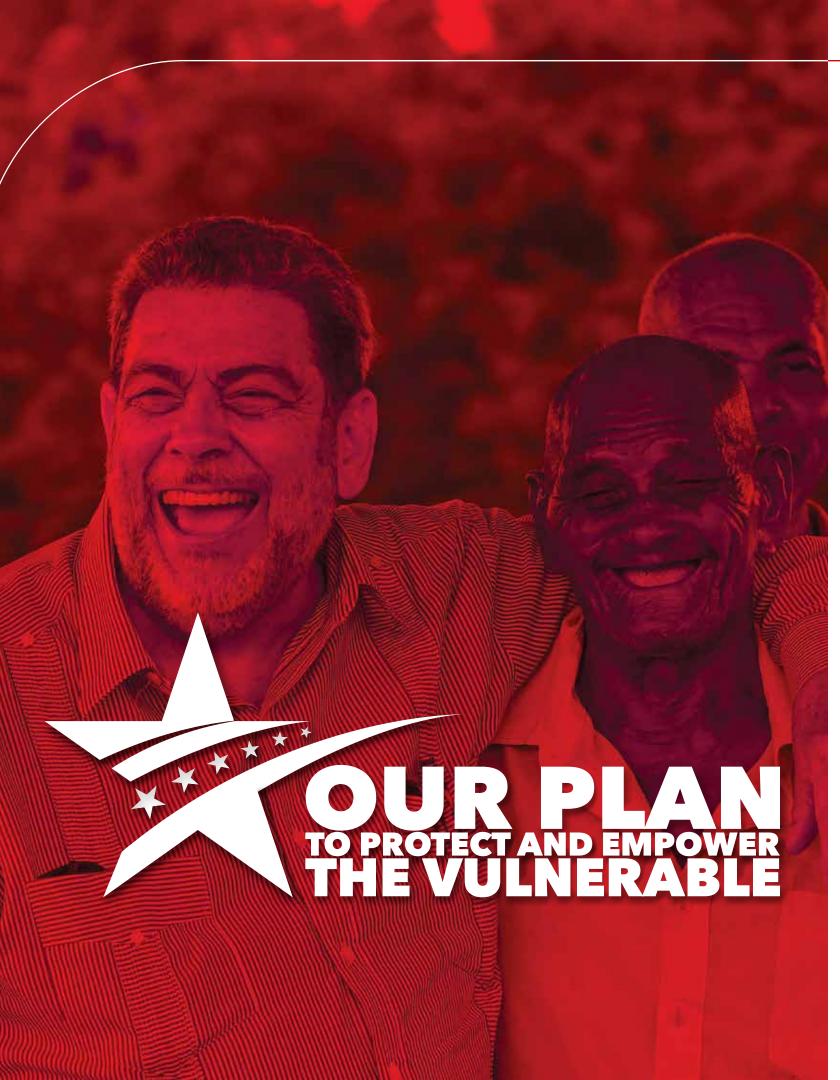
In Our Next Term, The ULP Will

Establish the region's finest Women's and Paediatric Hospital in Kingstown, and implement a national strategy for women's health and maternity care

- Expand grants under PRYME, the Women's Empowerment Programme, and the Women's Economic Empowerment Project
- ★ Strengthen domestic abuse legislation and launch Gender-Based Violence units in Buccament and Mesopotamia
- ★ Provide more resources to shelters for survivors of abuse
- ★ Increase funding for Women in Agriculture and farm skills training
- ★ Offer greater support for "gendered" professions, including legal protections and wage enhancements
- ★ Improve access to early childhood care, which is proven to boost women's participation in the labour force

This is our pledge: to build a society where every woman and every man, every girl and every boy, has the tools to succeed and the support to thrive.

With determination, compassion, and a clear vision, the ULP will continue to lead the charge for a more just, equitable, and inclusive SVG. Together, we can rise — stronger, fairer, and more united than ever.



he reduction of inequality has always been one of the Unity Labour Party's core moral, philosophical, and developmental priorities. From our first days in office, we have vigorously pursued this objective — proactively strengthening the resilience of vulnerable and disadvantaged groups across Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Under successive ULP administrations, poverty and indigence have been drastically reduced. We've expanded access to near-universal electricity, pipe-borne water, and indoor plumbing. We have significantly broadened the national social safety net, including major expansions of public assistance. NIS pensions and minimum wages have been raised multiple times.

Our Education Revolution ushered in universal access to secondary education, alongside school feeding programmes and early childhood care and education. We've implemented specially targeted interventions for children, youth, women, and the elderly. We also launched the Zero Hunger Trust Fund, a pioneering initiative that helped SVG earn international recognition from the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation for our fight against poverty and undernourishment.

We understand that the vulnerable are often the hardest hit by natural disasters. That's why, in our most recent term, the ULP government delivered historicand unprecedented

disaster responses to the multiple crises of our time: the COVID pandemic, the volcanic eruptions, and Hurricanes Elsa and Beryl. Our income-support programmes in 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2024-25 saved lives and shielded vulnerable Vincentians from the worst impacts of these shocks. Yet the NDP mocks this unstinting work on behalf of the poor and marginalised. They dismiss our efforts as "handouts" and insult the dignity of the beneficiaries. Their callous elitism would impose greater hardship on our most vulnerable citizens. Their support for austerity would relegate the poor to second-class status. Their plan to privatise vital public services like healthcare would make our people more vulnerable, less productive, and more exposed to risk.

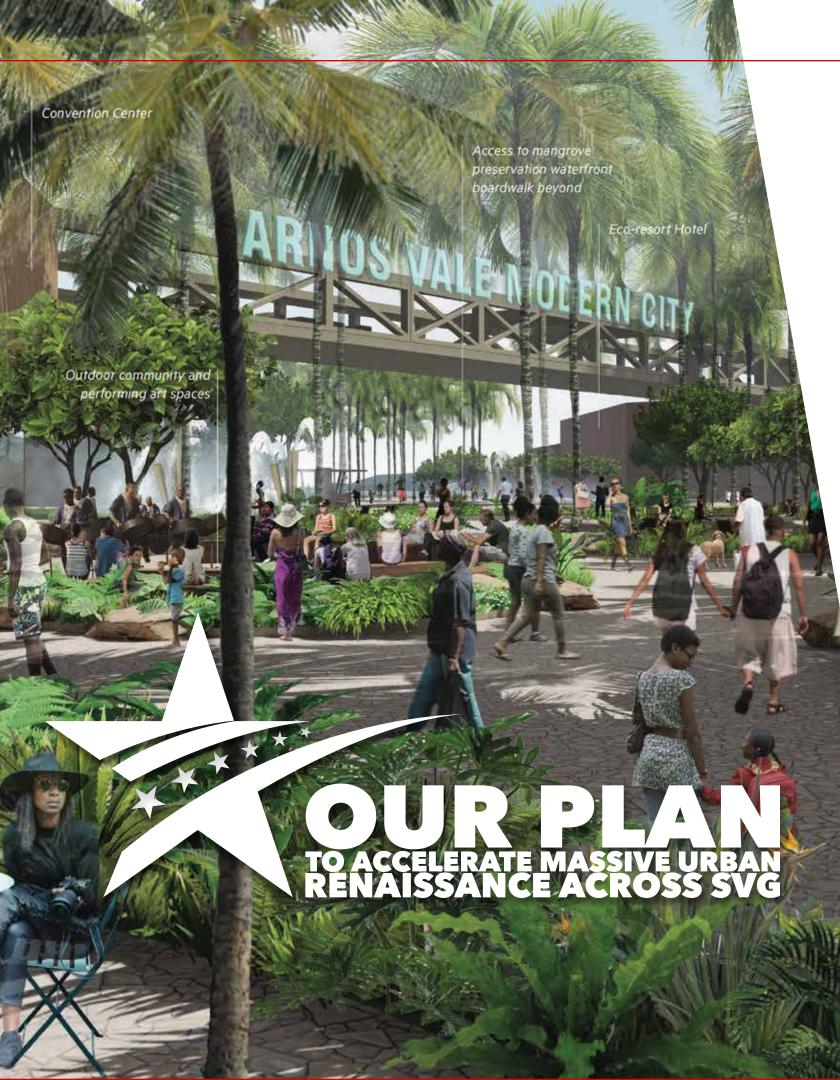
The ULP understands that effective social protection transforms vulnerability into resilience. The best approaches combine immediate relief with long-term empowerment — delivered with dignity, efficiency, and inclusion.

In our next term in office, we will build on our proven record. We will:

- Increase social assistance payments by at least a further 30%, improving the ability of vulnerable Vincentians to meet their basic needs
- Further expand the school feeding programme, which already provides nutritious meals to over 5,500 primary school students daily

- Grow the successful Mobile Vincentian Empowerment (MOVE) programme, creating greater independence for persons with disabilities
- ★ Strengthen economic growth and job creation to unlock opportunity and personal empowerment
- Expand textbook and uniform support for students from vulnerable families
- Create more short-term jobs, youth skills training, internships, and entrepreneurship support
- Enhance our national Social Registry, to better track vulnerabilities and improve response times during crises
- Coordinate more closely across ministries health, education, social development, and disaster management for integrated, people-centred service delivery

The war against poverty, indigence, and undernourishment is multi-dimensional. And only the ULP is fully committed to accelerating and strengthening all our existing social protection and disaster resilience measures — especially those that create jobs, empower people, and build national strength from the ground up.



major thrust of the Unity Labour Party's next term in office is to lead Saint Vincent and the Grenadines into an unprecedented era of Urban Renaissance — an historic moment of renewal, empowerment, and national pride. This is not merely about buildings or roads. It is about transforming the way we live, work, create, and grow as a modern, manysided post-colonial society. It is about reimagining our cities and public spaces to reflect the values, needs, and aspirations of the Vincentian people.

A Modern City At Arnos Vale

As discussed earlier in this Manifesto, the ULP Administration will continue development of the Modern City at Arnos Vale, a transformative, multiphase project that will revolutionise urban, residential and commercial life in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Anchored by the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital, the Arnos Vale Sporting Facility and a boutique hotel and boardwalk, the City at Arnos Vale will represent a quantum leap forward in what Vincentians can expect from urban living.

The City will be organised around the theme of health and wellness, with the Hospital, the sporting facilities, the playing field, and the recent tradition of walking and biking on the tarmac all informing the design and layout of the urban space. In the next term, we shall complete the Arnos Vale Acute Care Hospital, remove the temporary schools, install the necessary infrastructure, secure funding for the boardwalk and recreational space, and attract the required investment to build out the City.

Additionally, the ULP Administration will complete a major traffic study, currently underway, to inform the redesign of roads in the vicinity of Arnos Vale, to remove bottlenecks and ensure the smooth flow of traffic into and out of the area. Those construction of those fresh adjustments to the road network in Arnos Vale will also take place in our next term in office.

Reclaiming Our Urban Space

For too long, the colonial design of our cities — especially Kingstown — reinforced systems of exclusion and inequality. Under the ULP, we are reclaiming and reshaping our urban environments to reflect Vincentian identity, culture, and creativity.

We will create:

- Public plazas and parks that honour local history and celebrate our culture
- Inclusive commercial spaces where vendors and entrepreneurs grow side by side

 Modern architecture and design rooted in Caribbean heritage not foreign imitation

This Urban Renaissance is not just physical. It is cultural, economic, and spiritual. It is rooted in the belief that cities must serve the people — not the other way around.

Creating Space for Small Business in a Post-Colonial Economy

At the heart of this transformation is the empowerment of small businesses — the lifeblood of our economy. The ULP's plan is not merely about support. It is about liberation. It is about giving small businesses the tools and space to thrive.

We will:

- Build dedicated urban microenterprise zones for small shops, creatives, and food vendors
- Provide affordable rental kiosks and startup hubs in central city locations, especially for women, youth, and rural entrepreneurs
- Offer targeted support for vendors transitioning from the street to digital or retail storefront models
- Promote "Buy Local, Build Local" campaigns to keep wealth circulating in our communities

This is about more than economic growth. It is about economic justice — ensuring that local Vincentians can claim their rightful place in an evolving regional and global economy.

A City Of Possibilities For Everyone

Our vision is a city of possibilities. A place where:

- A young woman from Sandy Bay launches a tech business from a co-working space in Kingstown
- A vendor from Layou sells handmade goods to cruise passengers from a modern waterfront arcade
- A cultural group from Greiggs performs in an open-air theatre during Vincy Mas — and earns a sustainable income

This is not a vision for the privileged few. It is a blueprint for inclusive prosperity — where every Vincentian has the right to dream, to earn, to belong.

The ULP's Urban Renaissance will bridge rural and urban, tradition and innovation, heritage and progress. We are designing a city where your dreams have a place, and your voice has power.

Port Modernisation and Coastal Renewal

We are proud of the progress made under the Port Modernisation Project — the second-largest infrastructure investment in our history. But we are not stopping there. In our next term in office, the ULP will:

 Complete and operationalise the modern Deepwater Port in Kingstown, boosting cargo and cruise capacity and strengthening SVG's regional trade standing

- Expand the Cruise Ship Berth to welcome next-generation liners

 driving more local spending and opportunities for artisans, entertainers, guides, and vendors
- Revitalise the coastline from Edinboro to Villa with vibrant tourism, cultural, recreational, and commercial spaces that generate income and pride for Vincentians

These waterfront upgrades will include:

- Outdoor cultural pavilions and music venues
- Waterfront walkways and artisan markets
- Community recreation areas and improved beaches
- Coastal protection in frastructure to strengthen climate resilience

Inclusive Urban Spaces for Vendors and Small Businesses

Vendors are the beating heart of Kingstown's commercial life. The ULP will:

- Construct modern vending facilities with access to shade, water, sanitation, storage, and digital payment systems
- Develop commercial corridors that connect vendors directly with tourists and cruise ship passengers
- Ensure vendors have a seat at the table — through consultations and advisory bodies — because no decisions about vendors should be made without vendors









We will improve working conditions, enhance safety, and increase earning potential — while preserving the rich, dynamic street culture of our capital.

Climate-Resilient Urban Infrastructure

As the climate crisis intensifies, urban resilience is non-negotiable. WThe ULP will:

- Upgrade drainage systems in floodprone areas, particularly Kingstown and its environs
- Expand urban green cover and tree planting to combat rising heat
- Enforce climate-resilient building codes in public infrastructure

A modern SVG must be cooler, greener, and safer — for families, businesses, and festivals alike.

Kingstown: The Cultural Capital of the Caribbean

Kingstown must reflect its identity as the cultural and creative heart of the nation. We will transform the city to better host and showcase our world-class festivals.

A Carnival-Ready Capital

- Designated cultural zones for Vincy Mas with staging areas, vendor courts, mobile bathrooms, and power access
- Upgraded streetscapes along parade routes for crowd comfort and safety
- Nighttime lighting, signage, and beautification to support vibrant nightlife

Year-Round Cultural Activity

- Permanent performance stages in urban parks and public squares
- Seasonal markets and craft fairs during tourism peaks
- A calendar of events and educational activities anchored in Kingstown as the official "Carnival City"

This will strengthen our economy, attract visitors, and preserve our cultural legacy.

Development with the People, Not Just for Them

This Renaissance is not being imposed from above. It will be built in partnership with the Vincentian people — vendors, taxi drivers, students, artisans, builders, creatives, and entrepreneurs.

We will:

- Hold public design workshops and town halls
- Ensure community voices are heard and reflected in major decisions
- Prioritise local professionals, and businesses in public contracts

This is not just a government initiative — it is a national movement. Together, we will reshape our cities, our economy, and our identity.

Greening Our Future: Parks, Nature, and Public Well-being

The Unity Labour Party remains committed to building a Saint Vincent and the Grenadines that grows economically — and breathes,

blossoms, and heals. As we transform our towns and cities, we are also creating green spaces that nourish the body, mind, and spirit.

Fighting Climate Change with Nature

Urban areas like Kingstown are increasingly threatened by heat, flooding, and poor air quality. The ULP will invest in:

- Shaded walkways, green corridors, and coastal parks
- Community gardens and tree planting to cool the city and absorb runoff
- Nature-based solutions to improve health and combat climate impacts

Parks as Spaces of Wellness and Unity

Green spaces are essential — not optional. We will create parks where:

- Elders can rest and reconnect
- Young people can play, perform, and grow
- Communities gather for sports, music, learning, & joy
- Open-air libraries, outdoor gyms, and music pavilions will bring life and energy to our shared public spaces.

Biodiversity and Environmental Education

Every new park will be a living classroom. We will:

- Plant native trees and support local biodiversity
- Partner with communities and schools to deliver environmental education

 Teach the next generation to cherish, protect, and sustain their natural heritage

Green Jobs and Community Enterprise

Public green spaces will also generate economic opportunities:

- Eco-markets, food stalls, art fairs, and cultural events
- Youth-led businesses and community entrepreneurship
- Park stewardship programmes that train and employ residents to maintain and animate public spaces

Equity and Access for All

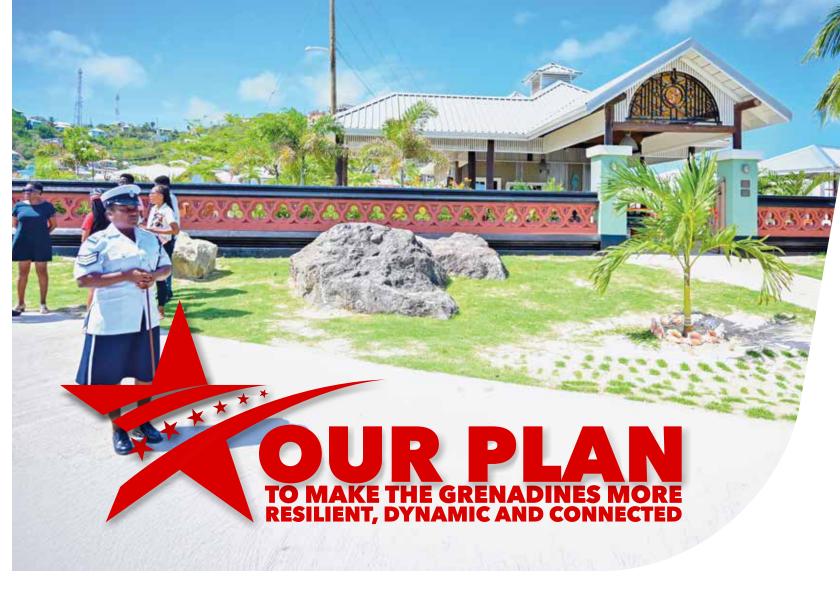
Clean, beautiful, accessible parks must not be the preserve of the wealthy. The next ULP administration will ensure that every village, town, and neighbourhood — from the mainland to the Grenadines — will benefit from inclusive, climate-smart green infrastructure.

We will green the future — not only to beautify our nation, but to cool our cities, educate our children, empower our communities, and protect our planet.

Forward with Renewal. Forward with Possibility.

The ULP is not just modernising—we are decolonising, dignifying, and democratising development. We are building a city, an economy, and a future worthy of our people.

Let us rise together to this moment.



urricane Beryl affected our entire country, but it left a particularly deep and painful mark on the Grenadines. In mere hours, the storm inflicted over \$1 billion in damages and losses across Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, with the southern Grenadines — Union Island, Canouan, and Mayreau bearing the brunt. More than 90% of homes and critical infrastructure in those islands were damaged or destroyed, displacing over 3,000 residents and crippling access to water, electricity, health care, food, jobs, and transportation.

But out of this devastation, a powerful and people-centred recovery effort has emerged.

Our plans for the Grenadines start with the full recovery of livelihoods and infrastructure from Hurricane Beryl. But Hurricane Beryl was an opportunity as well as a disaster. Beyond recovery, our plan is to build back better, while enhancing the Grenadines' resilience, competitiveness and dynamism. The ULP will ensure that the Grenadines fully regains its place as an engine of national development, and that its residents are afforded every opportunity to pursue their dreams.

What We Have Done

The ULP administration responded swiftly and decisively to the challenge of Hurricane Beryl. We pivoted immediately to place the recovery of the Grenadines at the forefront of our national agenda. Comrade Ralph visited the southern Grenadines on a weekly basis to lead the recovery efforts. Comrade Chevonne Stewart remained on the ground to energise the residents and help restore hope. Comrades Carlos, Camillo, Benarva and Orando worked tirelessly to rehabilitate tourism, finance recovery, restore connectivity and rebuild houses.

More than \$150 million in public funds have already been channeled directly into the Grenadines for relief and recovery. Thanks to the leadership of Comrade Ralph, over \$65 million in additional resources were raised from NGOs and significant private donations.

Since Hurricane Beryl, our accomplishments include:

- Restoration of electricity to homes and businesses
- Reconstruction of hundreds of homes to date, at no cost to the residents of the Grenadines
- Daily shipments of clean water to combat water insecurity
- Repairs to health centres and clinics
- Provision of income support to over 1,000 families from the Grenadines
- Provision of food, uniforms, books, and income support

 benefiting more than 1,500 people, with \$11.2 million spent on income support alone
- Housing for the displaced, with over 250 Grenadines families being sheltered in governmentrented accommodations
- Debris clearance and the reconstruction of jetties and bays, including the Canouan Jetty and restoration of Salt Whistle Bay
- Free ferry services of people and cargo to and from the southern Grenadines, valued at over \$7 million
- Rebuilding of destroyed schools, and the rapid construction of a temporary school compound in Arnos Vale for displaced Union Island students

These efforts have not only addressed immediate needs, but also laid a foundation for long-term recovery.

What We We Will Do In Our Next Term

The journey ahead is about more than rebuilding—it's about transforming the Grenadines into stronger, safer, more resilient communities. Budget 2025 reflects this vision, placing the Grenadines at the centre of national recovery and future development.

Before Hurricane Beryl, the ULP-led transformative initiatives to improve internet connectivity, attract first-class resorts and marinas, improve garbage collection, build hospital facilities, purchase a medivac vessel, enhance airports and jetports, improve roads and infrastructure, build coast guard bases, resource centres, hard courts, and solar electricity plants.

Our mission of hope, recovery and resilience continues during our next term in office. Upcoming initiatives will include:

Reconstruction & Resilience

- Continuation of our bold home construction programme, ensuring that every Grenadines homeowner is placed in a more resilient home than they were in before Beryl
- ► Continued implementation of the BERRy Project, focused on building back better and more resiliently, while enhancing opportinities and livelihoods
- ► Expanded road repair and rehabilitation.

Education & Skills Training

- ► Rebuilt secondary schools in Canouan and Mayreau
- ► A TVET Centre in Union Island and technical training facilities in Canouan
- ► Guaranteed tertiary education support for every Grenadines student in need

Airports, Health & Infrastructure

- ► Full repair and upgrade of the Union Island Airport
- ► A US\$56 million expansion and coastal protection project at the Canouan Airport
- ► Improved staffing and services at the Union Island Health Centre (including X-ray diagnostics)

- Desalination plants for Union Island and Mayreau
- ► Restoration of solar energy generation
- Road rehabilitation and coastal protection works at Big Sand, Salt Whistle Bay and the Ashton Lagoon
- Expansion of coast guard and police stations in Bequia, Union Island and Canouan
- ► A modern US\$54 million Grenadines ferry terminal in Kingstown, and enhancement of all ferry terminals and jetties throughout the Grenadines

Economic Support & Opportunity

- ► Construction of a fresh resort on Palm Island
- ► 400 Grenadines PRYME grants to small businesses
- One-off recovery payments of \$2,500-\$8,000 to help local businesses reopen
- ► Acceleration of Tourism development and investment Union and Canouan
- ► Enhancement of Tobago Cays administration and equipment

People First, Always

In this time of dramatic change, the ULP's commitment is clear: the people of the Grenadines will remain at the heart of every decision, every dollar spent, and every step forward.

This is more than a recovery — it's a rebirth. The Grenadines will rise from the devastation of Beryl not just rebuilt, but reimagined. Stronger. Safer. More self-reliant. And filled with opportunity for the generations to come.



Good Governance: At the Heart of the ULP's Mission

overnment does not exist in isolation. It is elected by the people to serve the people's interests. That is why the Unity Labour Party's people-centred ideology continues to resonate strongly with Vincentians. Our unwavering focus is on improving lives—today and for generations to come. The people remain, always, at the centre of every decision we make.

When we first took office, we inherited a country plagued by rampant corruption, feeble oversight bodies, unchecked ministerial abuse, and poor financial administration. Parliament rarely met, and when it did, its proceedings were hidden from the public—live broadcasts were banned. Our nation's reputation was tarnished by multiple international blacklists.

But under the ULP's leadership, the situation has changed dramatically. Guided by the highest standards of good governance, we have made sweeping reforms that have restored credibility and accountability across public life. Today, we can proudly point to:

- ► A top-three ranking in the Caribbean on Transparency International's Corruption Perception Index
- Removal from all blacklists related to corruption, money laundering, and weak financial oversight
- ► Stronger regulations in the financial services sector
- ► Regular sittings of Parliament, now broadcast live to the public

- Protections for public servants' freedom of expression and participation
- ► Improved financial management, audits, and transparent procurement systems
- ► Open, competitive tendering for public contracts
- ► Legal prohibitions on the sale of state land to ministers and abuse of state assets
- ► A fiercely independent judiciary and magistracy
- ► A free press and a vibrant culture of open political discourse

Our governance framework is anchored in six core principles:

- 1. Institutional Strengthening with a focus on building capacity in key oversight institutions like the Department of Audit
- Evidence-Based Policymaking
 supported by innovative initiatives such as the Data for Decision Making project
- Public Sector Modernisation through digitisation and the implementation of global best practices
- 4. Transparency and Anti-Corruption – including stronger laws and the public release of procurement data
- 5. Participatory Governance by promoting citizen engagement, education, and consultation
- Digital Government and Innovation

 driven by the Digital

 Transformation Project to improve service delivery and citizen feedback

In our next term, we will deepen and expand our good governance agenda by:

- Enhancing performance and accountability across all areas of public administration
- ★ Transforming the Ministry of Public Service to improve delivery of services to the public, not just to public servants
- Digitising and reforming the Land Registry to increase access, security and efficiency
- ★ Strengthening the governance and performance of State-Owned Enterprises and statutory bodies, to ensure they fulfil their mandates more effectively

We pledge our continued defence and advancement of economic and political freedoms; democracy; judicial independence; respect for human rights; quality policing; anti-money laundering; political hygiene and anti-corruption; free and fair elections; participatory governance and civil society involvement; freedom of the press protection of the vulnerable; and non-discrimination on the grounds of ethnicity, sex, political opinions, and religion.

The ULP remains committed to building a more transparent, accountable, and responsive government — one that always puts the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines first.

Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,

I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?

When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?

When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?"

The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:34-40



