

A GOOD PLAN FOR SOUTH AFRICA



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THE GOOD PLAN TO #FIXSA

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The GOOD plan to #FIXSA

Fix South Africa to create a GOOD life for everyone

Now is a GOOD time to fix South Africa.

The world and South Africa has changed significantly since 1994. Doing 'government as usual' is not good enough anymore.

Our country is rapidly urbanising. By 2050, more than 80% of South Africans will live in towns and cities. No family will be unaffected by what happens in a town or city.

GOOD recognises that our country's future lies in the development of its towns and cities. We must fix South Africa so that our towns and cities offer a pathway to **a GOOD life for everyone.**

GOOD plans to create a future where towns and cities are empowered to take the lead in creating positive and real change for everyone.

That is why GOOD is proposing to turn government on its head – to empower towns and cities to build prosperous, safe and socially inclusive communities.

To bring power as close to our people as possible.

To fix old government structures that are not working, so that we can start fixing our gross unemployment, our declining economic growth, and the crippling corruption that's brought our country to its knees.

To fix the massive inequalities of land ownership, the slow pace of rural land reform, societal segregation and wealth distribution.

To fix the housing injustices, lack of public-service delivery and failing public transport system that's leaving our people stranded and broke.

To fix the deteriorating education system, digital exclusion and the protection of privilege that's impacting the development of our future leaders.

We stand up for a country that has zero tolerance for racism, gender discrimination, corruption and poverty. GOOD is not afraid to tackle these issues honestly, and head on.

The GOOD party is led by GOOD people, fighting to create a GOOD life for every GOOD South African. We stand for the GOOD of our people. The GOOD of our country and the GOOD of our planet. And we believe that serving you, the people of South Africa, is our privilege and honour.

South Africa needs GOOD people to speak out against corruption, against embedded unearned privilege and against structural and socialised disadvantage that determines who succeeds and who doesn't.

GOOD is continuing to develop its PLAN to fix our country and will expand this offering in the months ahead.

Now is a GOOD time to fix South Africa.
Now is a GOOD time to vote for GOOD.



GOOD's POLICY PRINCIPLES

Our GOOD future is based on four key principles:

1. Spatial Justice
 - GOOD commits to redressing apartheid spatial planning and the unequal access to jobs, housing, land, tenure and transport that resulted from separating our society based on skin colour.
 - GOOD will fight to undo this legacy of racism.
2. Economic Justice
 - Governments cannot create jobs. The role and responsibility of government is to create the conditions for economic growth, investment, new businesses and new jobs.
 - GOOD will restore stability and confidence in government.
 - We will build the infrastructure and create the policy certainty that allows South Africa to compete more effectively for the investment that leads to the creation of new businesses.
 - Economic growth must create jobs for those who are currently unemployed.
 - Training and education must develop the skills needed for the industries of the future.
3. Social Justice
 - GOOD commits to ensuring equitable treatment of all people in South Africa. Gender bias, racial discrimination and unfair privilege must end so that South Africa can achieve real democracy and a fully united and equitable society. We must build a united South Africa.
 - Our independent Chapter 9 State Institutions that support Constitutional Democracy, must play a greater role in tackling the structural inequalities in our society.
 - Social justice also means equitable access to quality education, and ensure fair and equal pay for equal work.
4. Environmental Justice
 - Climate change is real and is impacting our economy, food security and the environment. None of us can escape the consequences of rising temperatures and changing weather patterns. It is the poor and vulnerable citizens in developing countries who are most impacted by climate change.
 - GOOD will tackle climate change, uphold animal and environmental rights, help cities to implement emissions and waste reduction plans, ensure appropriate mitigation and adaptation measures and accelerate national emissions reductions including the move to cheaper, renewable energy sources.



THE GOOD PLAN: #FIXSA

Fix Spatial Injustice

PROBLEM	GOOD position	Some of the GOOD things we will do:
<p>ACCESS TO LAND OWNERSHIP</p>	<p>PUBLIC LAND MUST BE USED FOR PUBLIC GOOD</p>	<p>The Expropriation without Compensation debate. <i>Section 25 Constitutional Amendment is not required:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government already expropriates land. • Section 25 already allows for zero compensation where appropriate. • We will implement redress and speed up restitution. <p><i>Government and SOE's are the custodians of thousands of parcels of land on behalf of all South Africans.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will use public land for public good – for housing, redress and growth – not for profit. • GOOD will implement a land audit in each city and province to identify large public and private land holdings, including those of SOE's. Cities must have more say in how vacant land is used. Large, under-used or unused land holdings must be part of the solution. • GOOD will finalise outstanding land restitution cases within 5 years. Cases can be accelerated using publicly owned land - all spheres of government and SOEs included.
<p>HOUSING</p>	<p>WHERE PEOPLE LIVE MATTERS</p>	<p><i>Huge housing backlogs and delivery far from city centre.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will accelerate formal housing delivery by devolving functions to the metros. • GOOD will stop the expansive, low-income housing on the city outskirts. This is simply fuelling urban sprawl and re-creating apartheid-era, dormitory suburbs of poverty. • GOOD will, instead, develop inclusive higher density housing to infill within the urban fabric. • GOOD will ensure that towns and cities bring people closer to jobs and jobs closer to people.
	<p>HOW PEOPLE LIVE MATTERS</p>	<p><i>Growing informal settlements, many do not qualify for free BNG state housing:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will ensure towns and cities provide services to informal settlements. • GOOD will provide title deeds to residents in informal settlements so that they can have security and invest in their own homes. • GOOD will consult with informal settlement communities about the best model for title deeds for them.



<p>PUBLIC TRANSPORT</p>	<p>PROVIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORT THAT BENEFITS THE PUBLIC.</p>	<p><i>Transport costs, including e-tolls, punish the poor – those that were forced to live farthest away by apartheid planning.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GOOD will stop e-tolls.• Our roads are congested because government corruption and mismanagement has collapsed rail services, our most important public transport system. Safe, reliable trains will save commuters time and money, reduce road congestion and improve our economy because people will be able to get to work more easily and on time.• GOOD will fix rail transport. This is a priority.• GOOD will allow metro governments to integrate rail with local bus services for a one-system, one-ticket public transport network.• GOOD will allow minibus taxis to be integrated and be given contracts, like the scheduled bus operators, as part of a single network public transport service.
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Fix Economic Injustice

PROBLEM	GOOD position	Some of the GOOD things we will do:
UNEMPLOYMENT	ATTRACT INVESTMENT TO CREATE JOBS	<p><i>Unemployment is unacceptably high. Our economy must be turned around within 2 to 3 years if we are to avert a complete collapse.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOOD will create the conditions for investment so that new businesses can create new jobs. We must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop corruption and cadre deployment; Build the infrastructure that businesses need; Provide policy certainty to investors and business sectors; Support workers, businesses, towns and cities to ensure growth. GOOD will focus industrial growth strategies on sectors that produce jobs for semi-skilled and unskilled young people who are currently unemployed.
POVERTY	INVEST IN PEOPLE	<p><i>In South Africa, the face of poverty is a black woman. Her mother was poor, she is poor, and, unless we break this cycle, her children will be poor too. Grants are investments in our citizens, and they must be used to help break the inter-generational cycle of poverty. Education is key to breaking the poverty cycle.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOOD will ensure that all grant and pension increases are at least inflation-related. GOOD will ensure Social Grants are provided by government to alleviate extreme poverty. GOOD will ensure that children remain in school through the use of social and child grants.
TAX & FINANCES	CUT GOVERNMENT OPERATING COSTS AND STOP CORRUPTION.	<p><i>Expenses climbing, income reducing and junk status looming.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOOD will make SOEs financially independent. GOOD will reduce all government operating costs by eliminating unnecessary wasteful expenditure. GOOD will prosecute corrupt politicians, not send them to parliament. GOOD will stop unaffordable energy expansion plans and instead, bring more cheaper renewable energy into the grid.

Fix Social Injustice

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<p>SAFETY AND CRIME</p>	<p>VIOLENCE MUST BE SOCIALISED OUT OF OUR SOCIETY</p>	<p><i>Crime is unacceptably high in our society.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will address the root causes of crime by ensuring improved, professional policing works hand in hand with effective social services and social development.
<p>BASIC EDUCATION</p>	<p>EDUCATION IS THE KEY TO PROSPERITY</p>	<p><i>Inadequate, unequal resources, and shortage of 20,000 qualified teachers.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will reopen teacher training colleges. Unions must help train their members. • GOOD will promote e-learning to bring South African children into the digital economy. <p>Education from early childhood to early adulthood must encourage the talent and <i>develop the skills that the market needs now, and in the future.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will ensure access to quality early-childhood and basic education that prepares school leavers to find a job, or enter further or higher education. • GOOD will encourage a culture of sports in schools again.
<p>UNITY, REDRESS AND RACISM</p>	<p>WHEN WOMEN RISE, THE NATION RISES</p>	<p><i>At current rates, it will take more than 100 years to close the gender pay gap.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will fight for EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK <p><i>Violent homes beget a violent society. 2 out of 3 women killed in South Africa are killed by their partners.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will educate boys and men to stop violence against women in the home, and in society. <p><i>Education is key in helping girls and women escape the multi-generational poverty cycle.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will provide equitable access to education to disadvantaged girls and women through the use of incentivised social grants.



UNITY, TOLERANCE AND EQUALITY	UNDO THE STRUCTURAL INEQUALITY IN OUR SOCIETY, AND FIGHT AGAINST RACISM	<p><i>Race, Space and Gender continues to define the opportunities for South Africans. Most South Africans are GOOD, not racist and not intolerant.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will not allow racists to speak for us. • GOOD will dismantle the remnants of structural inequality, racism and intolerance in our society using the existing Chapter 9 institutions. • GOOD will lead the way to a GOOD South Africa, where we all care for one another – <i>united in our diversity.</i>
	EQUITABLE ACCESS TO AN INCLUSIVE DATA AND DIGITAL NETWORK	<p><i>Access, connection and data costs exclude many people from the internet and digital economy. South Africa must not be left behind in the technology revolution.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will accelerate fibre rollout and reduce data costs. • GOOD will give priority access to schools and lower income neighbourhoods.
HEALTHCARE	NO BARRIERS TO BASIC HEALTHCARE	<p><i>Primary health care focus is critical so that as many illnesses and diseases are prevented as possible. This will alleviate pressure on state hospitals so that specialist healthcare services can focus more on emergencies and non-preventative diseases.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD supports the provision of quality basic national health care. • GOOD supports a national healthcare that can work in conjunction with private healthcare. • GOOD recognises the right of every South African to procure additional health care provision over and above the nationally provided health care.



Fix Environmental Injustice

PROBLEM	GOOD position	Some of the GOOD things we will do:
RENEWABLE ENERGY	ENERGY SHOULD BE CHEAPER AND BETTER FOR US	<p><i>Rising electricity costs, ballooning Eskom dept.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will split Eskom into generator and distributor so that utilities can compete to provide South Africans with power at competitive prices. • GOOD will increase renewable energy into the grid. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind and solar energy already offer cheaper and lower emission electricity to the country. • GOOD will allow large metropolitan areas to procure or generate their own power.
CLIMATE CHANGE: MORE DROUGHTS AND HEATWAVES	CITIES MUST LEAD THE WAY AND REDUCE IMPACTS	<p><i>Cities cover 2% of the earth, but cause 70% of emissions.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will implement and meet international commitments to reduce emissions & ensure that local governments in towns and cities lead the way in reducing environmental impacts by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • offering better public transport, more recycling and more compact city planning; • helping citizens reduce their individual impacts through more efficient homes, more public transport use and education on smarter, healthier diet choices.
WATER SECURITY	EQUITABLE SHARING AND SUSTAINABLE CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT	<p><i>Increasing droughts and heatwaves are placing water security at risk.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GOOD will protect key catchments, rivers and wetlands by devolving decisions and management to Catchment Management Agencies, bringing governance closer to the people. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GOOD will improve water security by removing thirsty invasive alien vegetation, thereby creating many rural jobs, increasing water yields, and also improving our environment.