

David Swann Announces Intention to Step Down as Leader

[February 1] Alberta Liberal Leader David Swann has informed his caucus and the Alberta Liberal Party Executive that he intends to step down as leader of the Party upon the completion of the spring session of the legislature.

"Upon careful consideration and consultation with my family and friends, I have made the decision to step down as Leader of the Alberta Liberal Party," said Swann. He added, "I believe that we, the Alberta Liberal Party and our caucus, have achieved a great many things together over the past two years. Our party is now on a solid footing and ready to tackle the next provincial election."

Alberta Liberal Party President Erick Ambtman released a statement echoing that sentiment. "Under David's leadership, the Alberta Liberal Party has secured its financial future, modernized operations, and adapted a forward-thinking attitude," stated Ambtman, "David's work in caucus and in the legislature has provided us with exceptional policies on everything from clean government to the oil and gas sector."

"He has held the government to account, and he has championed a culture of change in the Alberta Liberal Party. His efforts will continue to pay dividends long after his tenure as our leader. He has been - and will no doubt continue to be - a model of selfless civil service."

The Alberta Liberal Party Executive will be meeting with David in the coming days to determine the next steps in this leadership transition, with additional information to follow.

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