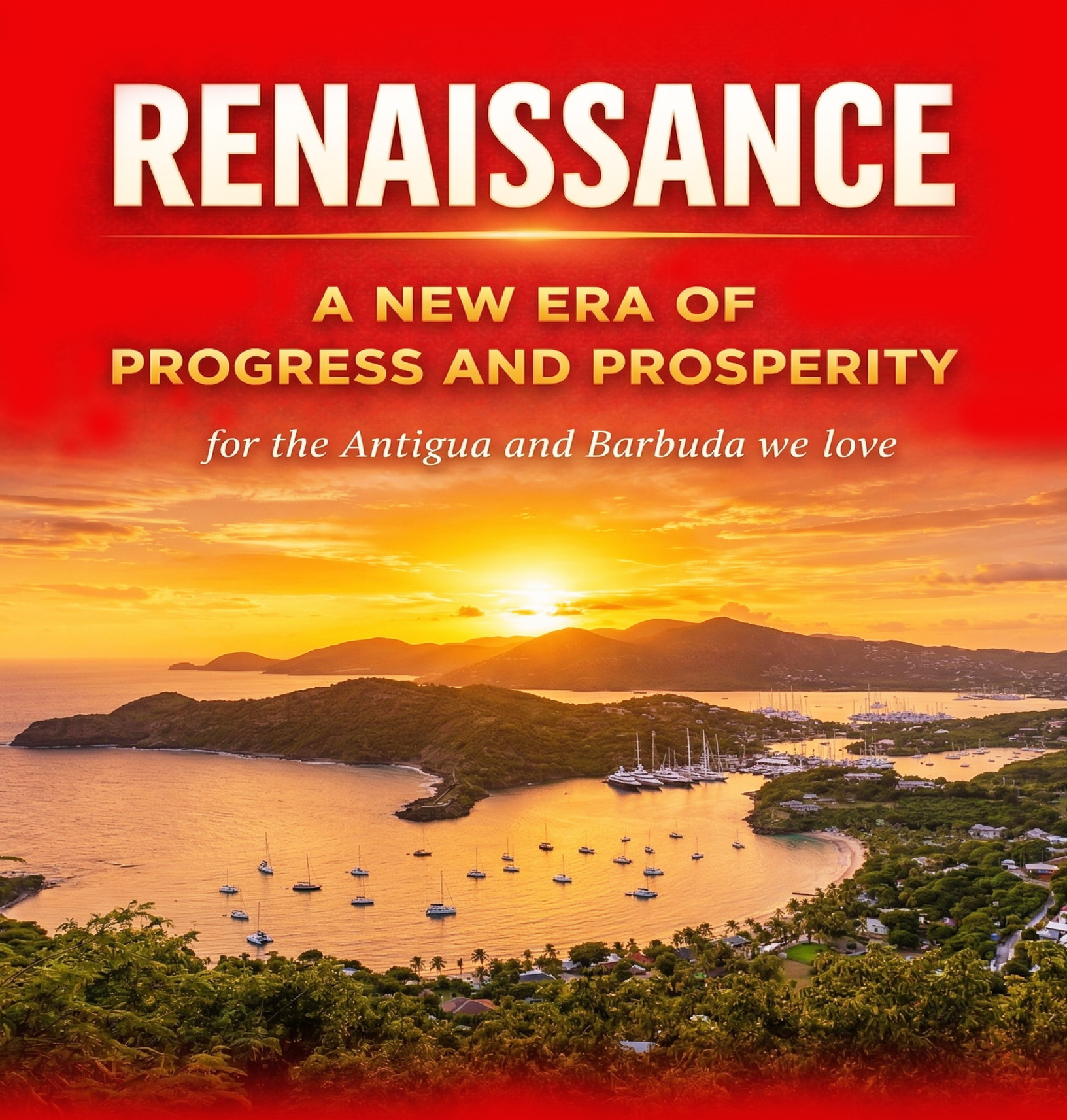
RENAISSANCE

A NEW ERA OF PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY

for the Antigua and Barbuda we love



ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA LABOUR PARTY MANIFESTO 2026

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A COVENANT WITH THE PEOPLE

This Manifesto is the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party's covenant with the people of Antigua and Barbuda for the 2026 General Elections.

It is built on a record of delivery. It is shaped by a clear understanding of the difficult world around us. And it is driven by one central conviction: that our nation is ready to enter a new era of wider opportunity, deeper pride, stronger communities, and higher achievement.

That new era is the Renaissance: A New Era of educational, social, economic and cultural development that will enhance the dignity of our people, enrich their lives, and ensure their place of respect in the international community of nations.

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FOREWORD

This manifesto is presented to the people of Antigua and Barbuda at a serious and consequential moment in our national life.

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party comes before the country with a record that is tested, proven and clear. In government, we have led with steadiness, strength and sound judgment through some of the most difficult conditions any administration has had to face. We guided the nation through the devastation of the COVID-19 pandemic with firmness, balance and foresight. We protected lives while preserving livelihoods and national stability. Not a single public servant was dismissed, and salaries and wages continued to be paid in full each month, helping families to endure one of the most uncertain periods in modern times. We were also among the first countries in the Caribbean to reopen our airport and wider economy, allowing tourism to recover sooner and restoring work and income to thousands whose livelihoods depend upon that sector.

We also responded to hurricanes and other extreme weather events with resilience and determination. Through these crises, we protected lives, preserved livelihoods, maintained social stability, and restored growth while countries larger and richer than ours struggled to do the same.

Today, Antigua and Barbuda stands among the strongest performing economies in the Caribbean. Employment is at the highest level in our history. Unemployment has fallen to very low levels. Economic growth has been strong and sustained. Incomes have risen. Confidence in the economy has strengthened. Savings in our banks have increased, enterprise has flourished, and opportunity has expanded. These are not matters of slogan or exaggeration. They are measurable signs of a country that has been responsibly led and carefully managed.

Nor were these gains accidental. They were achieved through experienced leadership, disciplined planning, prudent management and a clear understanding that government must always act in the interest of the whole people.

It is precisely because we understand the value of stability and sound judgment that we have sought a renewed mandate from the people at this time.

The world around us has become more dangerous, more uncertain and more unstable. Two major wars have shaken the global order: the war in Europe between Russia and Ukraine, and the grave conflict in the Middle East involving Israel, the United States and Iran. These conflicts have already had serious consequences for countries everywhere, especially small states such as ours. They have raised the prices of oil and gas, increasing the cost of living across the world. They have disrupted shipping, increased storage and insurance costs, contributed to shortages, and pushed up the prices of goods and services. They have affected both air and sea tourism, which are vital to Antigua and Barbuda's economy. In these circumstances, no prudent government can pretend that the storms beyond our shores will leave us untouched.

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party has proved time and again that it has the courage, capacity and competence to steer the country successfully through adversity. We have shown that we possess the experience, judgment and knowledge to navigate the nation and the economy through turbulent times and bring the ship of state safely to stability and prosperity. And we have done this while cushioning our people from the harshest impacts of externally created circumstances.

We know what the answer of the United Progressive Party was when it faced economic difficulty during its disastrous period as the government. When it left office in 2014, it left behind a country burdened by debt, arrears and disorder. Debt had risen above 100 per cent of gross domestic product, and when un-booked debt was included, it was at least 110 per cent. The Government was borrowing more than $250 million a year simply to function. APUA was burdened by heavy debts to critical suppliers, including more than $80 million to WIOC for fuel and more than $22 million to Sembcorp for water production. Antigua and Barbuda was facing a grave crisis.

That was the condition in which the nation was left, and that was the crisis the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party had to repair. The UPP's instinct was to pawn the nation to the harsh conditionalities of the International Monetary Fund. It dismissed public servants, increased the national debt heavily, contracted the economy, damaged business confidence, reduced opportunity, cut expenditure on social services, imposed income tax and raised other taxes, and drove unemployment upward. That was its default position then, and there is no reason to believe its instincts would be any different now.

In these troubling global times, the future of Antigua and Barbuda cannot be left to chance. Our people deserve a tried and tested government, one that has proven it can strongly represent the nation's interests in the international community, stand up for every Antiguan and Barbudan, and implement policies, programmes and projects in the national interest without the distraction of those whose record is one of failure in government and disruption in opposition.

That is the context in which we seek an early election and place this compact before the people of our beloved country.

This manifesto sets out the National Renaissance: a new era of dignity and prosperity. It is not a catalogue of promises. It is a programme for the next phase of national advancement. It speaks to stronger communities, wider opportunity, improved infrastructure, better housing, safer neighbourhoods, modern education, stronger public services, national security, and a more resilient economy. It is grounded in the Party's record in government, but it is directed firmly to the future.

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party places this manifesto before the people with humility, confidence and determination. Humility, because public trust must be earned and renewed. Confidence, because our record demonstrates what experienced and disciplined government can achieve. Determination, because we believe deeply that the next stage of Antigua and Barbuda's development must be shaped by seriousness of purpose, practical action and a steadfast commitment to the welfare of all our people.

We therefore commend this manifesto to the nation as a serious document for a serious time, and as the foundation for the next great chapter in the life of Antigua and Barbuda.

LEADER'S MESSAGE

My Commitment to the People of Antigua and Barbuda

by Gaston Browne



The Future is on the Ballot.

The general elections of 2026 will shape our country for the future.

They will determine whether Antigua and Barbuda continues its rise to higher levels of progress, security and prosperity, or whether our nation is put at risk by those whose record in government was marked by decline, hardship, weakened confidence and failed management.

My objective, as Leader of the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party, is to continue working diligently, passionately and accountably to ensure that our country moves forward with confidence into a new and greater phase of national development.

That is my commitment to all Antiguans and Barbudans, and to every person who has chosen to live, work, invest and build a future in our country.

We have already shown what Antigua and Barbuda can achieve under strong, experienced and disciplined leadership. When the COVID-19 pandemic threatened lives, livelihoods and national stability, this administration acted with firmness, balance and foresight. We protected jobs and incomes, kept public servants employed and paid, reopened the airport and the wider economy earlier than many others in the region,

and guided the country through crisis with sound management and clear purpose. We responded to hurricanes and other external shocks with resilience and determination, preserving stability and restoring growth. That record did not happen by chance. It was earned through experience, prudent management and leadership that acted decisively in the national interest.

Today, Antigua and Barbuda stands among the strongest performing economies in the Caribbean. Employment is at the highest level in our history. Opportunity has widened. Confidence has strengthened. Our country speaks with respect and influence in the international community, and our people have shown that even a small state can rise with courage, discipline and purpose.

But our work is not finished. The next stage of our journey is the Renaissance: a new era of national renewal, wider opportunity and shared prosperity. It is about building a stronger economy, safer communities, better housing, wider educational opportunity, modern infrastructure, stronger food security, deeper local ownership, and a nation in which progress is more widely shared among our people.

I want our young people to grow up believing in possibility, not despair. I want working families to feel more secure and more hopeful. I want the elderly and the vulnerable to know that they will not be left behind. I want every citizen and resident to live in a country that is cleaner, safer, stronger and more respected in the region and the world.

This is not a time for drift. It is not a time for failed prescriptions. It is a time for steady hands, clear judgment and proven leadership. The world is uncertain, and small states must be led with care, courage and competence. I believe the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party has demonstrated those qualities, and I believe we are best equipped to lead the nation safely and successfully through the years ahead.

I also know that leadership must listen. No government is above the duty to hear the concerns of the people, to recognise where more must be done, and to work constantly to improve the daily lives of the nation. That is a duty I accept fully, and it is one I will continue to discharge with energy and seriousness.

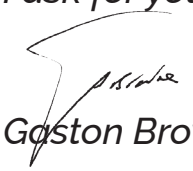
So I place this manifesto before you not as a collection of promises, but as a covenant of purpose and a plan for the next great chapter of our national life.

I ask you to read it carefully.

I ask you to judge it against our record.

And I ask you to renew your trust in the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party, so that together we may secure the future, deepen the progress we have begun, and carry our country forward into the Renaissance.

With faith in God, confidence in our people, and abiding love for Antigua and Barbuda, I ask for your support.



Gaston Browne



OUR FIRST COMMITMENTS TO THE PEOPLE

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party offers this manifesto not as a catalogue of abstract promises, but as a practical covenant with the people. It is grounded in delivery, strengthened by experience, and directed to the real concerns and future aspirations of households, workers, businesses and communities.

NO INCOME TAX PRUDENT FISCAL MANAGEMENT, HIGHER MINIMUM WAGE

In guiding our nation into the Renaissance, the ABLP commits itself to maintaining the policy of No Personal Income Tax, resisting increases in ABST, continuing relief on essential goods and basic household items, and using prudent fiscal management to reduce the burden of imported inflation. We will continue support on fuel, LPG and electricity, continue to suspend the Common External Tariff on selected goods, and deepen food partnerships, including with Guyana, to widen access to affordable staples.

The minimum wage has been increased from $9 to $11.50 per hour, effective April 1, 2026, benefitting 8,000 workers. As part of the Renaissance, the plan is to further increase the minimum wage to $13 per hour within 2 years on a phased basis. Growth must be felt at household level, in the pay packet, in the pension book, and at the kitchen table.

EXPANDED EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH

On jobs, enterprise and opportunity, the ABLP commits to maintaining conditions for high employment and moving steadily toward full employment. Our administration has already created more than 1,100 jobs annually, bringing unemployment below five per cent. We will deepen opportunities in tourism, construction, agriculture, fisheries, the creative industries, the blue economy, technology and small business.

We will support youth entrepreneurship, women-owned enterprises, local contractors and local producers through credit, concessions, training and market access. In the Renaissance, prosperity must be wider, more local and more inclusive. It must not be concentrated in a few hands.



SAFETY, SECURITY, AND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

On safety, rights and democracy, we commit to keeping Antigua and Barbuda safe, stable and orderly, while also protecting the rights of political parties, the freedom of the media, and the equal rights of women at every level of national life.

We will continue investing in policing, border protection, maritime security and crime prevention. In 2026, over $4 million is to be invested in training additional police recruits and equipping officers with modern tools. Maritime security is also being strengthened through upgraded communications, radar, and patrol capability. The Renaissance must therefore be not only prosperous, but safe, fair and free.





PART I


ANTIGUA
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LEADERSHIP THAT DELIVERED

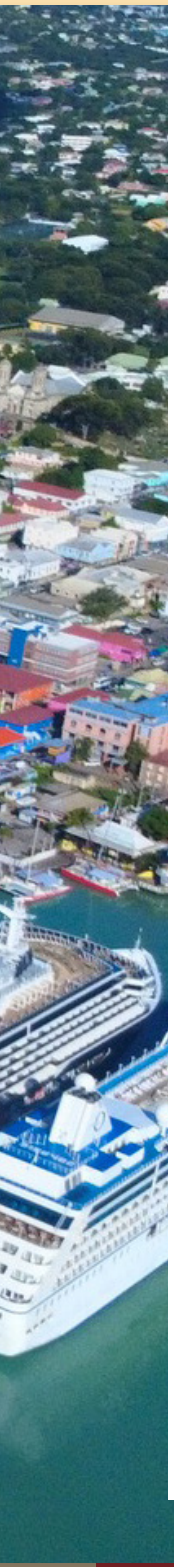




A RECORD OF DELIVERY IN DIFFICULT TIMES

The record of the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party in government is clear. Since returning to office in 2014, the ABLP has led this nation with steadiness, discipline and purpose through some of the hardest conditions any administration has had to confront.

When the ABLP assumed office, growth was barely one per cent, debt exceeded 100 per cent of gross domestic product, tourism was fragile, construction inconsistent, and social programmes rested on narrow and uncertain revenue. That was the Antigua and Barbuda the ABLP inherited.



FROM DEBT AND DEFICIT TO STABILITY AND SURPLUS

The ABLP stabilised the State, restored confidence, rebuilt the economy and expanded opportunity. Today, after years of disciplined management and sustained real economic growth averaging about 6 per cent between 2021 and 2025, Antigua and Barbuda is projected to record a primary surplus of $254.9 million and an overall surplus of $116.3 million. The debt-to-GDP ratio has been reduced to 61.4 per cent, bringing the country to within reach of the 60 per cent benchmark set by the Monetary Council of the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union. This is a remarkable transformation for a nation that, in 2014, was burdened by debt in excess of 100 per cent of gross domestic product and was borrowing simply to survive. It is proof that the ABLP has not merely managed difficulty. It has restored order, credibility and fiscal strength to the nation.

This is the difference between rhetoric and responsibility. The ABLP has proven that it can govern in adversity, manage with competence, and deliver for the nation.

GROWTH, JOBS AND CONFIDENCE

Under the ABLP, growth has not been confined to one corner of the economy. It has spread across tourism, construction, financial services, public administration, housing and local enterprise. Construction rose from $273.5 million in 2013 to $900 million in 2024.



TOURIST ARRIVALS SURGED PAST ONE MILLION

Under the ABLP Government, tourist arrivals reached historic levels, surpassing the one million mark and confirming Antigua and Barbuda's strength as a leading destination. Arrivals reached 1,156,204 in 2024 and 1,106,403 in 2025, increasing tourism's contribution to the economy, supporting employment, and putting more money into the pockets of the people. Visitor expenditure was $2.4 billion in 2024, a 48 per cent increase since 2014. This is further evidence that growth under the ABLP Government has been broad-based, real, and beneficial to ordinary Antiguans and Barbudans.





EMPLOYMENT AT HIGHEST LEVELS IN HISTORY



We have achieved the highest level of employment in the history of our country. We have built the second fastest growing economy in the region, surpassed only by Guyana, whose growth is fuelled by oil and gas. We have secured one of the highest incomes per head of population in the Caribbean. We have delivered steady economic growth, strengthened confidence in the economy, increased savings in our banks, and created conditions in which enterprise has flourished and opportunity has expanded. Active jobs have risen from 43,000 in 2014 to 54,288 in 2025, meaning 11,000 more employed, 11,000 more secure, and 11,000 more investing in their future. Unemployment has fallen below five per cent. Gross domestic product per head has risen from just over $40,000 to more than $61,000. These are not claims. They are measurable signs of a stronger and more prosperous nation.

The strongest rise has come to workers in the middle-income categories, with substantial growth among workers earning between $6,000 and $14,999 a month. This is what the Renaissance means economically: not only more output, but wider earnings and more secure opportunity.



ECONOMY – LARGER THAN ANY TIME IN HISTORY

The economy of Antigua and Barbuda is now larger, more diverse, and more resilient than at any point in its modern history. That strength is no accident. It is the product of strategic investment, policy coherence and a deliberate commitment to keep people at the centre of development. The Renaissance is built on that platform. It is not a leap into the unknown. It is the next stage of a journey already underway.

This expansion has been broad-based and unmistakable. Gross Domestic Product at market prices rose from $3.7 billion in 2014 to $6.3 billion in 2025. Economic activity expanded strongly across all major sectors of the economy during that period, including a 49 per cent increase in manufacturing, a 54 per cent rise in wholesale and retail trade, a 72 per cent expansion in transportation, a 74 per cent increase in accommodation and restaurant services, a 97 per cent growth in financial services, and a 164 per cent expansion in construction. These figures show that the economy has not grown narrowly or unevenly. It has grown across the productive base of the country, strengthening resilience, widening opportunity, and creating a firmer foundation for the next phase of national advancement under the Renaissance.



BANKS ARE STRONGER: INVESTMENT IS SAFER

We have also made Antigua and Barbuda's investment environment and banking sector safer and more secure. When correspondent banking relationships came under threat, with the real possibility of small states being pushed to the margins of the global trading and financial system, this administration acted early and forcefully to defend our national interest. And when major foreign banks sought to dispose of domestic assets, we insisted that local institutions must have the first opportunity to acquire them, so that the country's banking future would not simply be decided elsewhere. That approach strengthened confidence in our indigenous banking sector and helped to keep more banking assets in local hands.

Today, commercial bank assets stand at $6.89 billion, deposits at $5.24 billion, and the non-performing loan ratio is 3.38 per cent, well below the prudential benchmark. These were not easy victories. They required courage, negotiating skill and determination.

PART II



THE RENAISSANCE



Booby Alley Housing Project

WHAT THE RENAISSANCE MEANS

The theme of this manifesto is Renaissance: A New Era for Antigua and Barbuda.

This is not a slogan of vague change. It is a call to national renewal built on proven achievement and tested leadership. It means that Antigua and Barbuda is not starting over, and it is not standing still. It means that the nation has advanced under the ABLP and is now ready to move to a higher level of prosperity, dignity, opportunity, creativity and national confidence.

The Renaissance is about more than economics. It is about building a country that is wealthier, but also stronger in spirit; more modern, but also more grounded in identity; more prosperous, but also more just, more beautiful and more culturally self-assured.

It is about a nation whose people do not merely survive, but flourish. It is about a country in which jobs expand, education rises, communities strengthen, roads improve, water reaches homes, health care comes closer to the people, and the arts, sports, music and culture are elevated as part of national life.

The Renaissance is the next stage of Antigua and Barbuda's journey. It is the new era that this manifesto sets out to build.



Barbuda Ocean Club

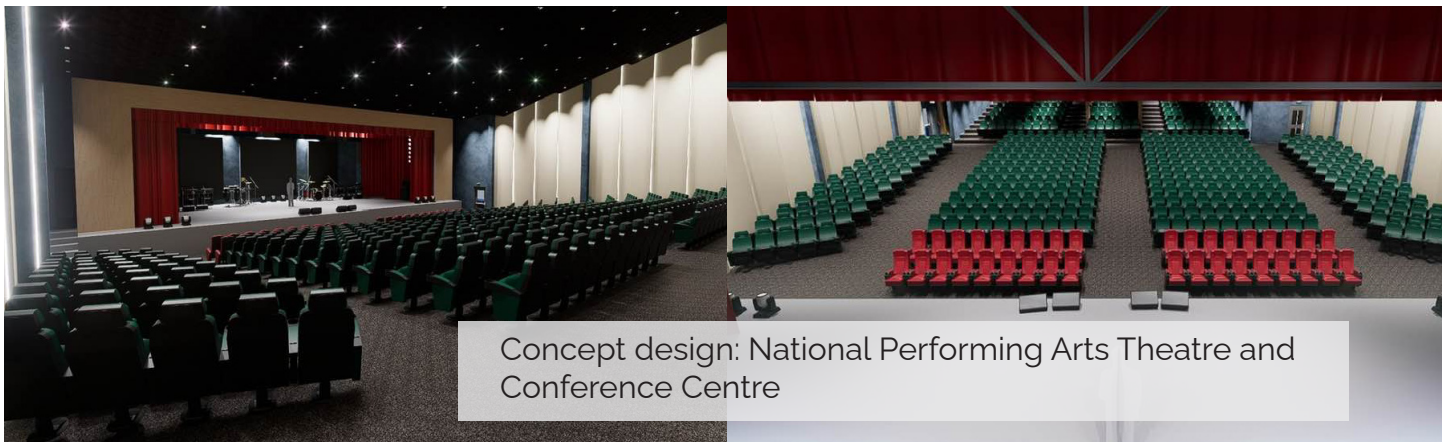


THE RENAISSANCE IN DAILY LIFE

The Renaissance must be felt in the lives of ordinary people. It must bring a better life in every community. And that is the objective.

Families can look to the future with more confidence, including more jobs, better earnings, stronger schools, better health care, more reliable water, better roads, safer neighbourhoods and greater support for youth, women, workers, pensioners and entrepreneurs.

The Renaissance will also bring beauty, pride and belonging. St John's must be renewed and uplifted. Historic sites must be preserved. Public spaces must reflect national pride. The arts, music and dance must be given stronger institutional support. A National Art Gallery, a National Dance Theatre, and a Theatre for musical expression must become part of the cultural architecture of a self-respecting nation.



Concept design: National Performing Arts Theatre and Conference Centre

CARNIVAL: THE GREAT SUMMER EXPRESSION OF OUR PEOPLE

Carnival is Antigua and Barbuda's great summer cultural expression, and the ABLP Government will continue to strengthen and expand it as one of the proudest celebrations of our national identity. In costume design, calypso, steel pan, mas, music and revelry, it displays the creativity, discipline and brilliance of our people. It is not only a festival. It is a living expression of who we are.

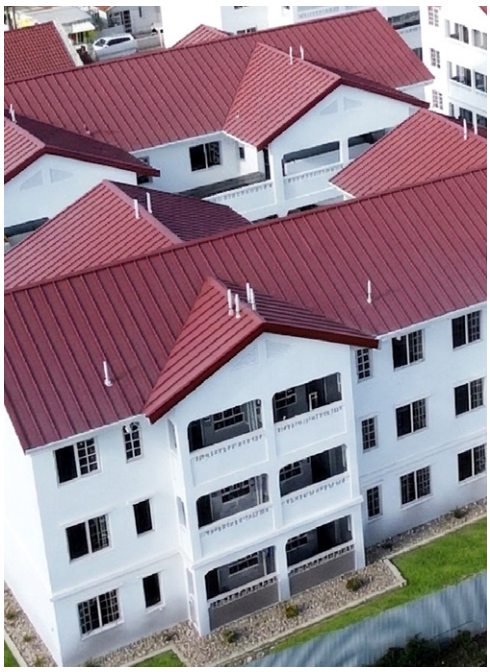
The ABLP Government will continue to invest in Carnival. We will work with artists, bands, the Festivals Commission, hotels and resorts to improve the Carnival product, widen participation, promote excellence, attract visitors, and bring home our diaspora in ever greater numbers.



In the Renaissance, Carnival will remain a celebration of Antiguan and Barbudan pride, talent and freedom, and a powerful source of economic activity for performers, vendors, small businesses and the wider tourism sector.

WATERFRONT UPLAND DEVELOPMENT

The 150-unit Booby Alley Housing Project and the US$40 million waterfront upland development are not merely construction projects. They are part of remaking our Capital City as a more attractive, more dignified and more economically active centre. Clean-up our city campaigns, tree and flower planting, refurbishment of public buildings and the removal of derelict vehicles are part of the same purpose. In the Renaissance, urban renewal and national self-respect go together.



The Renaissance is therefore both practical and aspirational. It is also about development and dignity bound together.

PART III



INVESTING IN PEOPLE



HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The ABLP believes that people must be at the centre of growth and development. The measure of progress is not merely national output, but the improvement of human lives.



Doctors Medical Center



Mental Health Facility

BRINGING HEALTH CARE TO THE PEOPLE

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party is committed to bringing health care closer to the people. Quality care should not depend on distance, delay or difficulty of access. It should be available in communities, responsive to families, and delivered with efficiency, compassion and dignity.



Liberta Clinic

CARE CENTRES

That is why the ABLP Government will establish Care Centres as the foundation of a stronger community-based health system. These Care Centres will move health care away from a fragmented, facility-by-facility approach and toward a more coordinated network of care, anchored in stronger polyclinics and expanded community health services. They will bring preventive, diagnostic and curative services closer to where people live, while reducing unnecessary pressure on the Sir Lester Bird Medical Centre. Through this model, communities will benefit from wider screening, better management of chronic diseases, stronger maternal and child health services, improved continuity of care, and more reliable referral pathways. Scheduled specialist clinics in areas such as obstetrics and gynaecology, orthopaedics, internal medicine and other priority services will also be introduced through the polyclinic system, bringing more care closer to the people.

This wider programme has already begun. Seventeen of the nation's twenty-three clinics have already been rebuilt or renovated, including important facilities such as Cobbs Cross and Liberta. The next phase will deepen that investment in community-based care and strengthen the reach and quality of public health services throughout Antigua and Barbuda.

At the same time, the ABLP government will continue to expand specialist care. A new $10 million Renal Care Centre will open in 2026. A new Chest and Cardiac Centre will be established. The Cancer Centre will reopen in 2026. These

investments will improve treatment, widen access to specialised services, and reduce the burden on families who too often must look abroad for care.

The strengthening of specialist care is already visible. Sir Lester Bird Medical Centre has become the first Essential Stroke Centre in the OECS, placing Antigua and Barbuda at the forefront of acute stroke care in the sub-region. National dialysis capacity has expanded from 17 to 27 stations, with mobile dialysis services introduced to help maintain continuity of care during disruption. Cervical-cancer screening, diagnostic follow-up and women's specialist care have also been strengthened, earning Antigua and Barbuda international recognition for leadership in cervical cancer elimination. At the same time, the digital transformation of the health system has begun through the rollout of CellMa, helping to modernise patient care and health administration.

On Barbuda, we have rehabilitated the Hannah Thomas Hospital, restoring vital services to the residents of the island.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE

In 2026, the ABLP will also launch National Health Insurance, replacing the nearly fifty-year-old Medical Benefits Scheme. The objective is to provide lifetime coverage, stronger financial protection, and universal access to health care. This is a major step in modernising the country's health system and ensuring that no citizen is denied care because of cost or circumstance.

MENTAL HEALTH POLICY

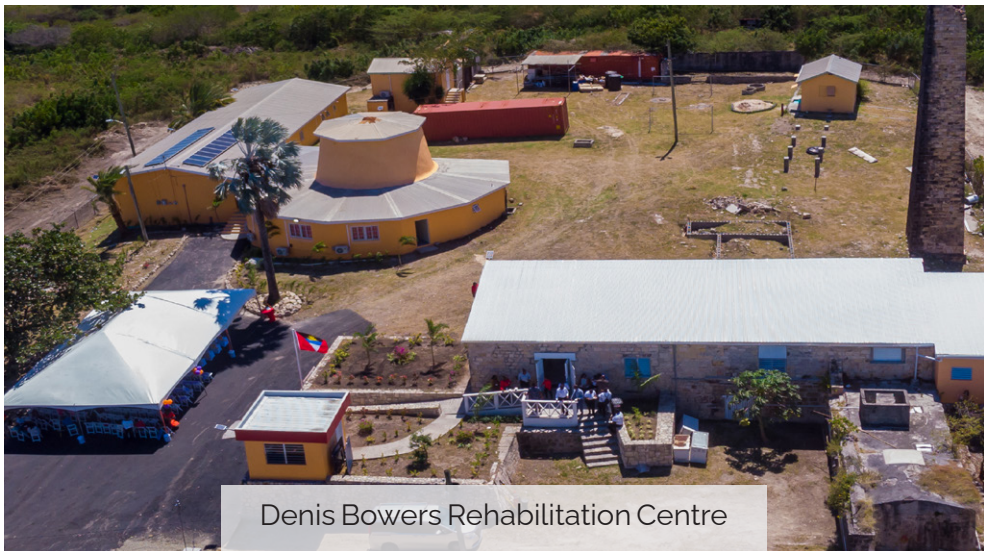
The ABLP also recognises that national well-being must include mental health, which touches families in every community, often quietly and without the support they need. It must no longer remain in the shadows. In 2026, the ABLP will implement a new National Mental Health Policy, expand community-based mental health services, and carry out major upgrades to the Antigua and Barbuda Behavioural Health Institute so that care is compassionate, modern, safe and dignified.

This reform is being reinforced by completion of the Draft Mental Health Bill and by the acquisition of the Seaview Farm facility for the development of a modern Behavioural Health and Rehabilitative Centre.

This is what the Renaissance means in health: care that is broader, closer, more modern and more humane.

FREE EDUCATION AT EVERY LEVEL





Denis Bowers Rehabilitation Centre

Education will remain one of the pillars of the Renaissance. The UWI Five Islands campus has grown from 173 students in 2019 to 1,403 in 2025. Tuition-free study at UWI Five Islands for eligible citizens will be introduced as expansion proceeds. The campus is now entering a major expansion with a $200 million investment in new classrooms, laboratories, a multipurpose auditorium, a modern gym, a sporting complex with track and field facilities, and expanded student housing. New programmes in Software Engineering, Law, and Food and Agriculture will align education with the next phase of economic transformation.

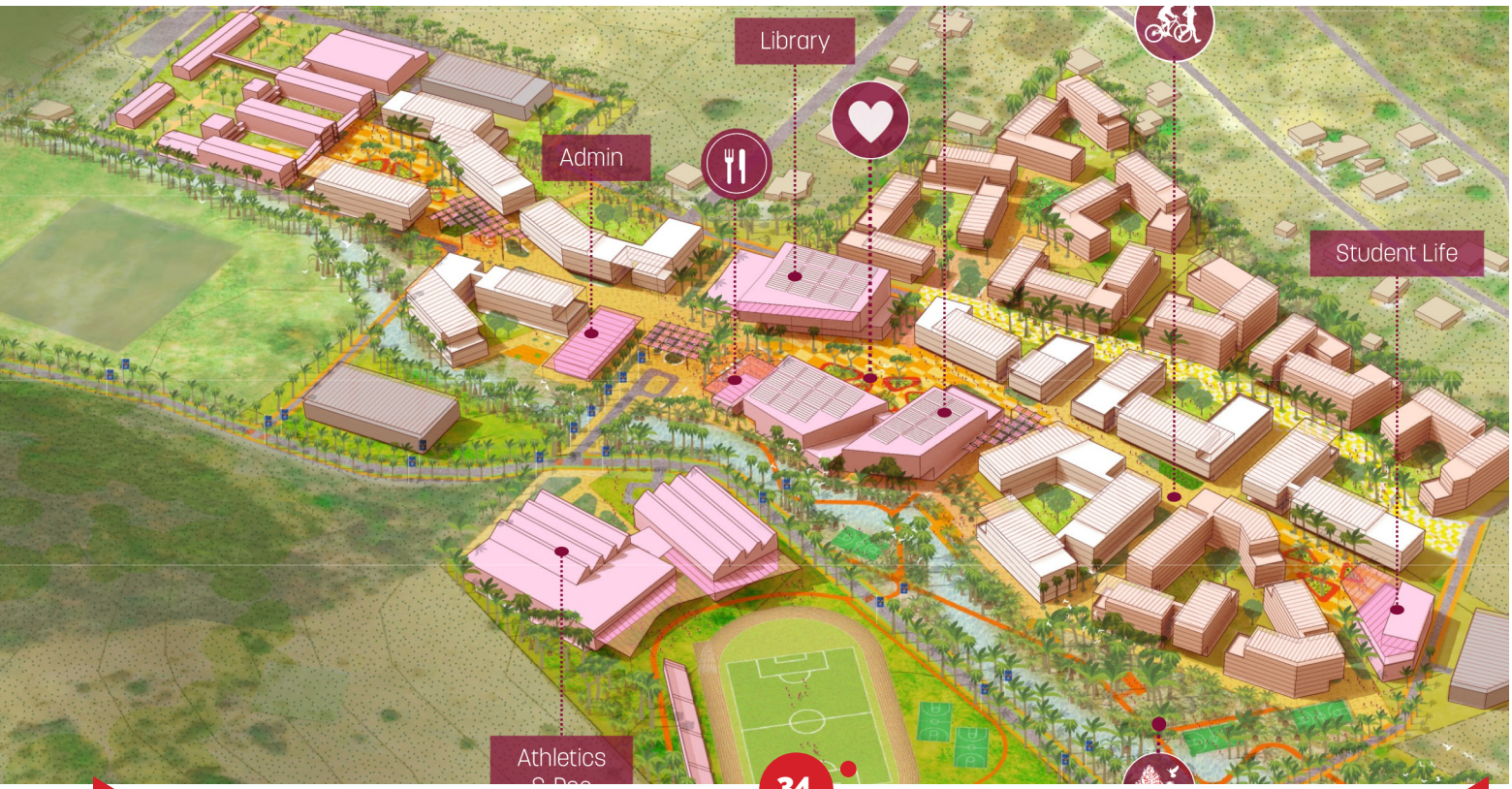
BUILDING A SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INDUSTRY

The Renaissance will also use this educational expansion to help build a software engineering industry in Antigua and Barbuda, drawing on the IT talent now emerging from The University of the West Indies Five Islands Campus. This will create new opportunities for innovation, enterprise and skilled employment, while positioning Antigua and Barbuda to participate more fully in the digital economy of the future

The new Five Islands Primary School is to be completed by January 2027, and the Antigua and Barbuda College of Advanced Studies will become tuition-free from September 2026. The ABLP Government will also continue to pay the fees for all students taking the examinations of the Caribbean Examination Council.

We have made education available free at every level because we believe that learning must be a right for all, not a privilege for the few.

In the Renaissance, education must open doors, widen horizons and prepare a generation not merely to find work, but to lead, to create and to innovate.



SPORTS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Sport and youth development form an essential part of the same national vision. Sport is not only recreation. It is discipline, opportunity, health, visibility, national pride and economic activity. It helps to shape character, widen aspiration, strengthen communities, and create pathways away from idleness and towards achievement. In the Renaissance, Antigua and Barbuda will build a modern, inclusive and sustainable sporting ecosystem, designed for the size, needs and ambitions of our nation.



Concept Design: UWI Campus

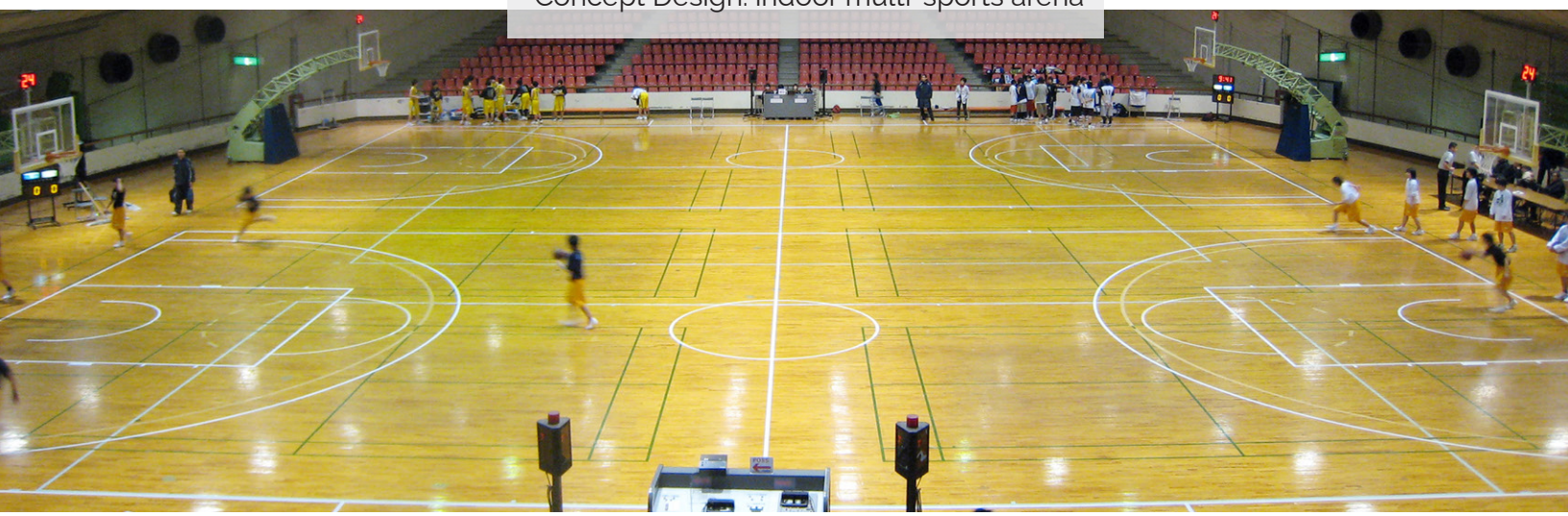


A MODERN INDOOR MULTI-SPORTS ARENA

The ABLP will therefore undertake a major expansion of sporting infrastructure and opportunity. A modern indoor multi-sports arena will be developed in the Tomlinsons area, appropriately scaled for Antigua and Barbuda, with seating for approximately 800 to 1,200 persons. It will support basketball, volleyball and netball, provide a home for national leagues and school competitions, serve as a training and development hub for youth athletes, and also function as a venue for community events and cultural activities. It will be a national platform for excellence and opportunity.



Concept Design: indoor multi-sports arena



A NATIONAL AQUATIC FACILITY





The ABLP will also construct an appropriately sized national aquatic facility, including a competition pool, a learn-to-swim and youth training pool, spectator seating, timing systems, and facilities for aquatic fitness. This investment will expand water-safety education, create pathways for competitive swimming, and position Antigua and Barbuda to host regional aquatic meets. For a small island state, swimming is both a life skill and a competitive discipline, and the Renaissance must reflect both realities.

True sporting renaissance begins in the community. The ABLP will implement a nationwide community sports development programme to upgrade and maintain community cricket and football grounds, construct and refurbish basketball courts across villages, install lighting for evening play and safety, and provide basic pavilion and restroom facilities. Every child, in every community, should have access to safe and modern spaces in which to play, train and grow. School coaching programmes will be strengthened, and the broader sports system will be built to identify talent early and support it properly.

MODERNISING THE HISTORIC CENTRES OF SPORTING LIFE

The ABLP will also honour and modernise the historic centres of our sporting life. The Antigua Recreation Ground, sacred in our sporting history, will undergo phased modernisation, including improved seating, upgraded player facilities, better spectator amenities, and enhanced use for domestic cricket, community sport and national events. At the same time, the YASCO Sports Complex, which remains the heartbeat of athletics, will be upgraded through expanded spectator seating, modern locker rooms and changing facilities, improved athlete preparation areas, and improvements that will allow the venue to host regional and international meets at a higher standard.

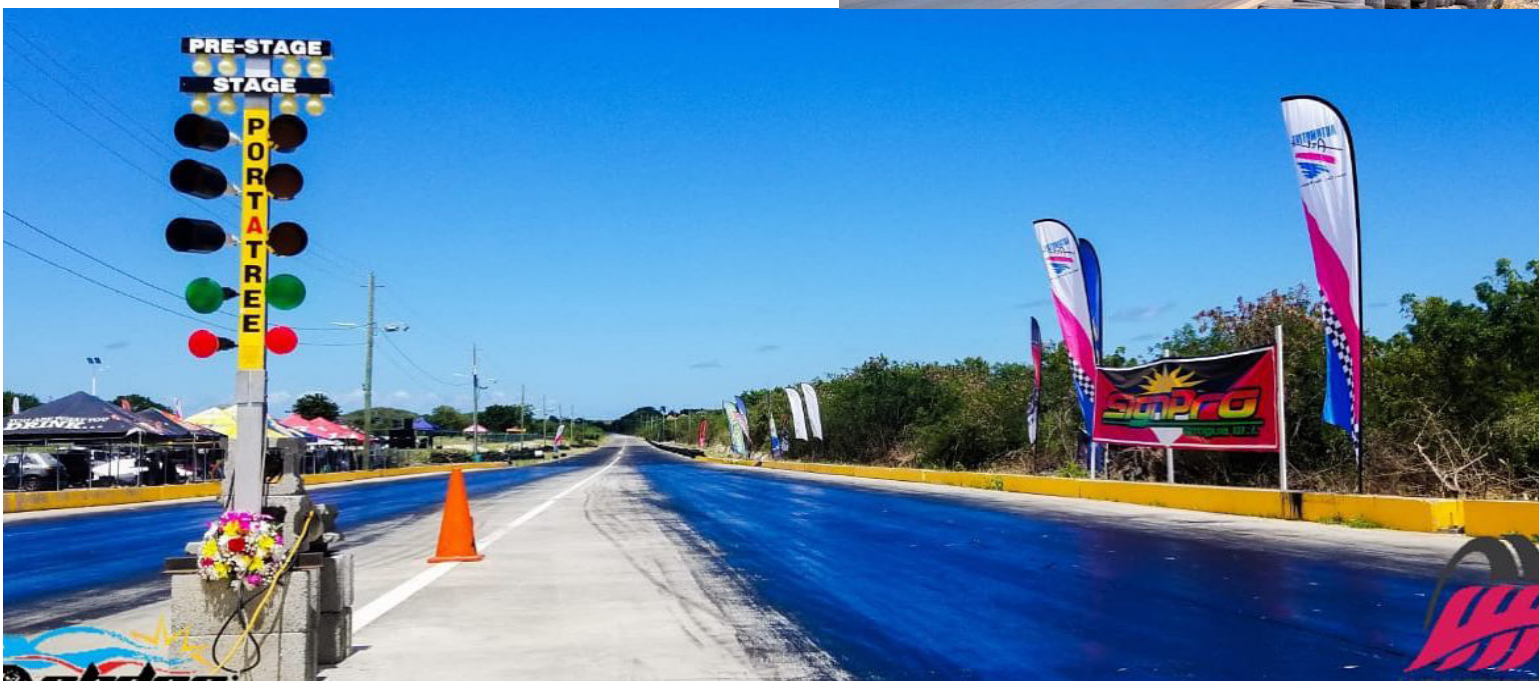


MODERNISING MOTORSPORT

Motorsport will also form part of the sporting future we are building. The ABLP will continue the structured development of the North Sound drag racing strip, including improvements to the track surface, international-standard safety barriers, proper timing systems and lighting, expanded spectator areas, and event-ready infrastructure for regional competition. This will formalise and professionalise motorsport, improve safety, and create new opportunities in sports tourism and revenue generation. The Renaissance extends not only to the playing field and the running track, but also to the disciplined and properly managed development of motorsport.







SPORTING FACILITIES ACROSS THE NATION

Renaissance must reach every part of our nation, including Barbuda. The ABLP will therefore provide appropriately scaled, climate-resilient sporting facilities in Barbuda, including a multi-use community sports field for cricket and football, basketball and netball courts, basic pavilion and athlete facilities, and youth-focused sports development programmes. Barbudan athletes must be equally empowered to train, compete and succeed.

The ABLP will continue to promote competitive athletes for CARIFTA, Commonwealth and Olympic competition, while widening access to sport for ordinary families and communities. Additional Caribbean Premier League matches and better sporting facilities will stimulate business for vendors, transport operators, performers and local service providers, showing that sport is also part of the wider economy. In the Renaissance, sport will help build healthier citizens, safer communities, greater national unity and wider economic opportunity through sports tourism and related enterprise.

This is the sporting commitment of the Renaissance: from community courts to national arenas, from grassroots participation to elite performance, from potential to achievement. Antigua and Barbuda's sporting future must be worthy of the talent, ambition and pride of its people.



PUBLIC SERVANTS AND THE RENAISSANCE

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party recognises and respects the vital role of public servants in the sound, stable and sustainable governance of Antigua and Barbuda. Public officers are indispensable to the functioning of the State. They provide continuity in administration, deliver essential services to the people, support the daily work of government across every sector, and help to sustain the order, confidence and institutional strength on which national development depends.

In the Renaissance, their role becomes even more important. A new era of national advancement cannot be built without a respected, capable and fairly treated public service. No serious programme of progress in education, health, housing, infrastructure, security, social protection or economic development can be delivered unless the public service is properly equipped, motivated and supported to carry the work of the State forward. The Renaissance therefore includes not only new projects and wider opportunity, but also a firm and continuing commitment to the men and women whose service helps to sustain the nation.

For that reason, the Government paid back pay due to public servants in December 2025 bringing the total payments toward full settlement of back pay to about $90 million. Additionally, a five per cent salary increase was granted to public servants across the board in March 2026. That increase does not represent the final adjustment. This was an ABLP promise; it is an ABLP promise delivered as an important interim step, pending the outcome of continuing negotiations, which the Government is committed to bringing to a successful conclusion in 2026.

These measures reflect the Government's continuing commitment to fairness for public servants and their families, to protecting citizens from global economic shocks, and to advancing the national development goals of Antigua and Barbuda through the Renaissance. They also make clear that, under the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party, public servants are not taken for granted but are recognised as essential partners in building a stronger, more effective and more successful nation.

HOUSING, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND DIGNITY

The ABLP regards housing as a right and a foundation of dignity. It has already built more homes than any government in the history of Antigua and Barbuda, and it will continue to do so. Under the Renaissance, housing policy will move beyond the construction of units alone and toward the building of strong, safe, inclusive and resilient communities in which people can live with security, pride and hope.

In 2026, at least 120 new homes are to be delivered through CHAPA in Bolans, Glanvilles and North Sound, together with infrastructure for 300 additional parcels of land. National Housing is to build a further 150 homes. The 150-unit Booby Alley Housing Project in St John's is to be completed by mid-2026, improving living standards for hundreds and uplifting an entire community. An additional 50 condominium homes are to be built in Barbuda and 50 in Bolans. HAPI is to continue and expand, including the provision of building materials to help poor and indigent households improve their homes. These programmes will be expanded and better aligned to the different needs of working families, young people, vulnerable households and communities in need of renewal.

The next phase of housing development will place particular emphasis on those who need help most: low-income workers, young families, single-parent households, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and citizens living in unsafe, overcrowded or insecure conditions. Housing policy must be compassionate, fair and practical. It must meet people where they are and provide a real pathway to stability and ownership.

For that reason, the ABLP will introduce a Rent-to-Own Housing Programme for qualified working families, especially those with steady incomes who may not yet meet traditional mortgage requirements. Under this approach, families will be able to move into designated government-supported homes, pay affordable monthly rent, and have a portion of those payments credited toward eventual ownership. This programme will commence within a few

months with several units made available under the rent-to-own option, and it will later be expanded to include additional housing and condominium units, including in Bolans and Barbuda.

The ABLP will also ensure that access to housing is guided by fairness and social responsibility. Single-parent households and those in greatest need will be given proper priority through a transparent social housing assessment system, so that families raising children alone, households facing genuine hardship, and persons living in unsafe conditions are not left behind.

Housing in the Renaissance must also be inclusive. New developments will increasingly reflect accessible design standards for persons with disabilities and differently abled citizens, including ramps, wider doorways, ground-floor options, safer bathroom layouts, and other practical features that support mobility, independence and long-term comfort. A decent home must not only exist. It must be capable of being lived in safely and with dignity.



Bolands







AFFORDABLE FINANCE, LAND INITIATIVES

The ABLP will expand Build on Your Own Land opportunities so that more Antiguans and Barbudans who already own land can access support to construct modest, resilient starter homes through government-backed programmes.

The ABLP Government will also expand the Land Empowerment Programme to widen access to affordable residential land for low- and middle-income earners, especially first-time landowners. At MacPond in All Saints, 50 acres are being made available through CHAPA as part of this effort. Of this, 35 acres will be offered as residential house plots on affordable terms, with long-term payment arrangements designed to bring ownership within reach of ordinary working people.

The remaining 15 acres will be used to regularise tenure for long-standing occupants at a highly concessional rate, recognising established community ties and giving families greater security in the land on which they have lived for many years.

This is part of the ABLP Government's wider commitment to make land ownership more accessible, strengthen communities, and ensure that more Antiguans and Barbudans have a fair opportunity to own land and build a home. At the same time, affordable financing for young professionals, first-time homeowners, and young families will be widened through land initiatives, starter-home opportunities, flexible financing arrangements, and new partnerships with



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contractors and developers to accelerate housing delivery.

We will also strengthen home-improvement assistance for the poor and vulnerable by expanding repair grants and material support for roof repairs, sanitation upgrades, accessibility modifications, and essential structural improvements for households in crisis. In this way, the housing policy of the Renaissance will support not only new homeowners, but also citizens whose immediate need is to repair and secure the homes they already occupy.

The ABLP will continue to build communities, not merely housing schemes. New developments will include proper roads, drainage, sidewalks, lighting, green spaces, and areas for small vending and community activity. We will encourage mixed-income, climate-resilient communities with durable construction, efficient utility planning, and layouts that create safer, healthier and more sustainable living environments. Housing must therefore support not only shelter, but also social stability, public order, local enterprise and community life.

These commitments are grounded not in theory, but in progress already underway. From empowering long-standing occupants to purchase the land on which they have lived for many years, to creating opportunities for local contractors and expanding access to land and housing, the foundation has already been laid. What the ABLP now proposes is the expansion of a system that is working: one that places ownership within wider reach, supports local enterprise, and allows more Antiguans and Barbudans to secure not merely a house, but a lasting inheritance for their families. In the Renaissance, housing is not merely shelter. It is dignity, asset ownership, family security and community renewal.



Lightfoot Development

PROTECTION FOR THE POOR AND VULNERABLE AND PENSIONERS

The ABLP will also continue to protect the poor, the vulnerable, pensioners and working families. Food vouchers are to be expanded. School uniform and school meals programmes continue.

Beginning in April 2026, we have raised monthly pensions payments by 5 percent to assist our elderly with increased costs of imported goods, caused by the global disruption of the wars in Europe and the Middle East.

Nearly 7,000 pensioners and 1,674 vulnerable households will continue to be supported through the Senior Citizens Utility Subsidy and the People's Benefit Programme, backed by about $10 million annually. Transport vouchers have already helped bus operators and shielded commuters from higher fuel prices. Additionally, in the current period of global turmoil and high prices for oil and gas, because of the conflicts in the Middle-East and Europe, the ABLP government has absorbed increases in the cost of gasoline, diesel and LNG. We have also lowered the Sales Tax (ABST) to help the entire population to cope with externally caused higher prices.

This is what the ABLP promised, and it is what the ABLP has delivered. The Renaissance – the new era which we will enter – will be built on this record of delivery. It is a vision grounded in performance, in which no person will be left to fend for themselves. The Renaissance is a social contract in which growth and protection go together, and in which no citizen is abandoned because of poverty, vulnerability or externally created hardship.

The ethos of our national motto – Each aspiring, all achieving – is embedded in the purposes and objectives of the Renaissance.

HONOURING OUR CENTENARIANS WITH $10,000 GRANT

The ABLP Government will establish a Centenarian Grant to honour Antiguan and Barbudan citizens who attain the age of one hundred years.



Those who reach this remarkable milestone deserve more than ceremony alone. They are living links to our history and enduring examples of strength, sacrifice and faith. Their lives represent a century of contribution to family, community and country.

Accordingly, an ABLP Government will provide a grant of EC$10,000 to each Antiguan and Barbudan citizen on reaching one hundred years of age. This grant will complement the existing programme of official recognition and will stand as a practical expression of the nation's gratitude, respect and care.

This pledge reflects the values of the Renaissance: dignity, compassion and honour for those who helped to build the Antigua and Barbuda we cherish today.

HOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME FOR THE INDIGENT










PART IV

BUILDING FOR PROSPERITY



Jolly Beach Resort

TOURISM, INVESTMENT AND LOCAL OPPORTUNITY



Falmouth Harbour Marina - a highly successful company wholly owned by Antigua nationals

Tourism remains the largest contributor to the economy, but the ABLP's vision is not tourism for tourism's sake. It is tourism for jobs, earnings, enterprise, ownership and opportunity.

Antigua and Barbuda is now a recognised Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions destination. It has successfully hosted the UN SIDS4 Conference, the Caribbean Travel Marketplace, the General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the first Parliamentary Assembly of the European Union and the Caribbean.

In 2026 it will again host major international gatherings, including the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting. These events do not merely fill hotel rooms. They elevate the country's global visibility, strengthen diplomacy, support small businesses and widen year-round economic activity. In the Renaissance, tourism must become more diversified, more resilient and more closely linked to local benefit.

INVESTMENTS IN MAJOR PROJECTS

These objectives are backed by a strong pipeline of concrete investment. Major projects include the US$465 million One and Only at Half Moon Bay, creating 400 construction jobs and hundreds more on opening; the US$40 million Buccaneer Beach project; the launch of residential sales for the US$400 million-plus Nikki Beach Residences; the US$70 million already invested by Nobu with another US$40 million committed for 2026; the new Marriott at Yepton Beach; the US$10 million renovation of the 350-room Jolly Beach Resort; the US$55 million upgrade of VC Bird International Airport; the US$40 million waterfront upland development; and the $23 million local brewery joint venture. Together these projects represent about US$1.5 billion in investment over the next 24 to 36 months. This is what the Renaissance means in practice: more construction jobs, more permanent employment, more demand for local suppliers, and a wider base of earnings and enterprise.

We have also built a cruise ship port capable of accommodating five of the largest cruise ships in the world at the same time, bringing thousands of visitors to our shores and creating income and employment for our people. Cruise traffic has risen from 550,000 passengers on 293 calls in 2013 to more than one million passengers on 533 calls in 2025.



Leisure World Properties - High-end Marriott located at Yeptons under construction

CARGO PORT AS A CENTRE FOR TRANSSHIPMENT AND TRADE



Concept Design: Cargo Port

The cargo port and trade story is also central to that new era. In 2025, the Port of St John's handled 17,976 TEUs, up 9 per cent on the previous year (one TEU is 20-foot-long intermodal shipping container). Imports in 2025 topped $2 billion, around $260 million more than in the same period in 2024. Transshipment rose by 64 per cent, and a new shipping service linking Panama, Colombia and the Dominican Republic to Antigua is helping to establish the Port of St John's as a growing logistics node. This is not merely traffic through a harbour. It is the beginning of a stronger role for Antigua and Barbuda as a hub for shipping, trade, warehousing and regional distribution.

This role has been enhanced by the ABLP government's investment in a LHM 420 crane to work alongside an existing LHM crane to considerably reduce the turn-around time for vessels to discharge and load cargo. This makes the port financially attractive to global carriers, establishing Antigua as a key hub in the Caribbean while earning Antigua and Barbuda greater revenues. In the Renaissance, the harbour will be both symbol and engine of national prosperity, placing Antigua and Barbuda as a principal player in hemispheric trade.


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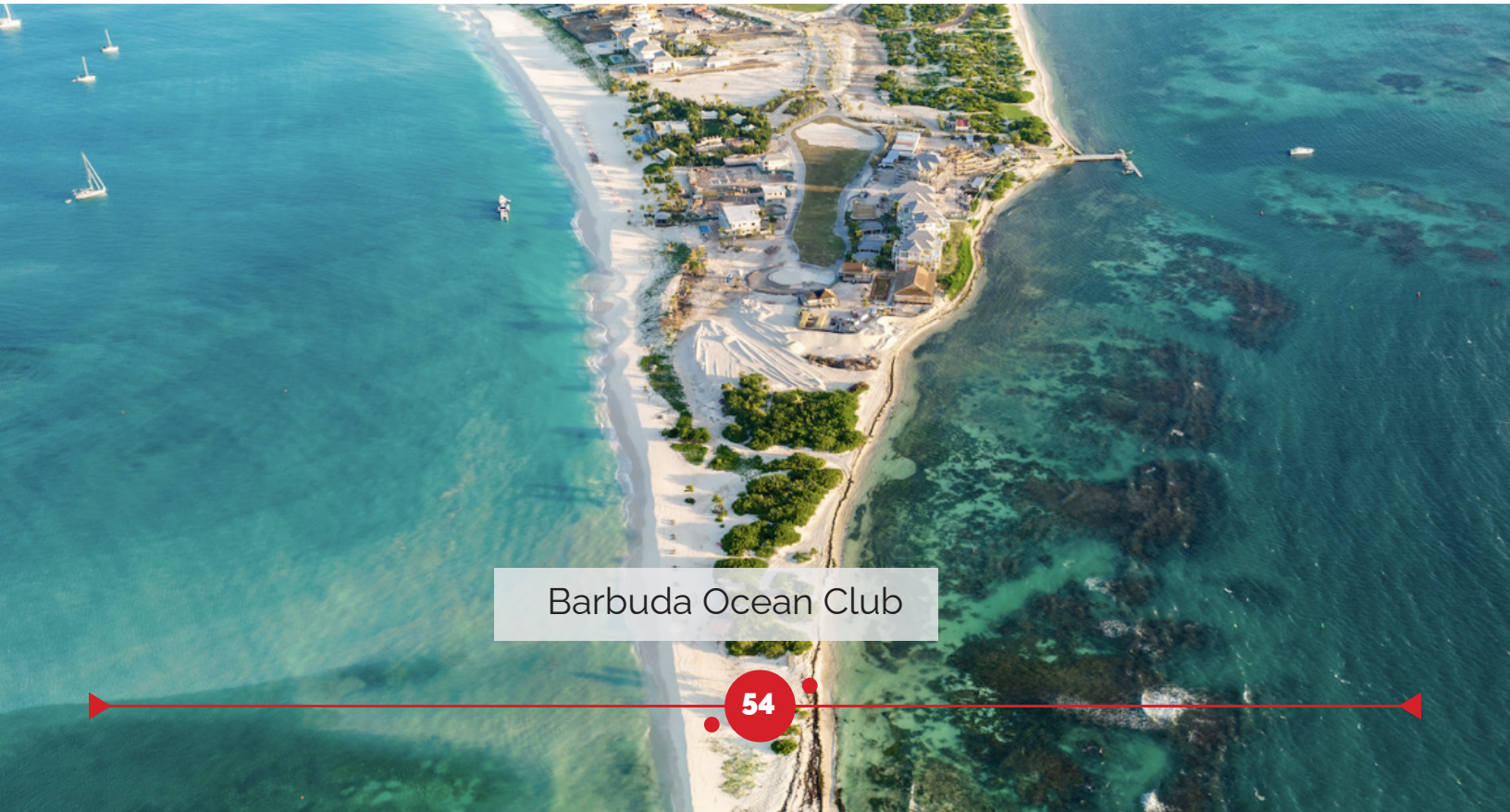
BARBUDA RISING AND SHINING

Barbuda stands at the centre of the Renaissance. We have rebuilt Barbuda after devastation and laid the foundation for its expansion as one of the most sought-after high-end destinations for wealthy travellers anywhere in the world.

In 2026 alone, the Barbuda Ocean Club is expected to generate more than US$100 million in direct expenditure and support 800 jobs, with more than 80 per cent of them held by Barbudans. ABST revenue to the Barbuda Council now exceeds $5 million a year and continues to rise.



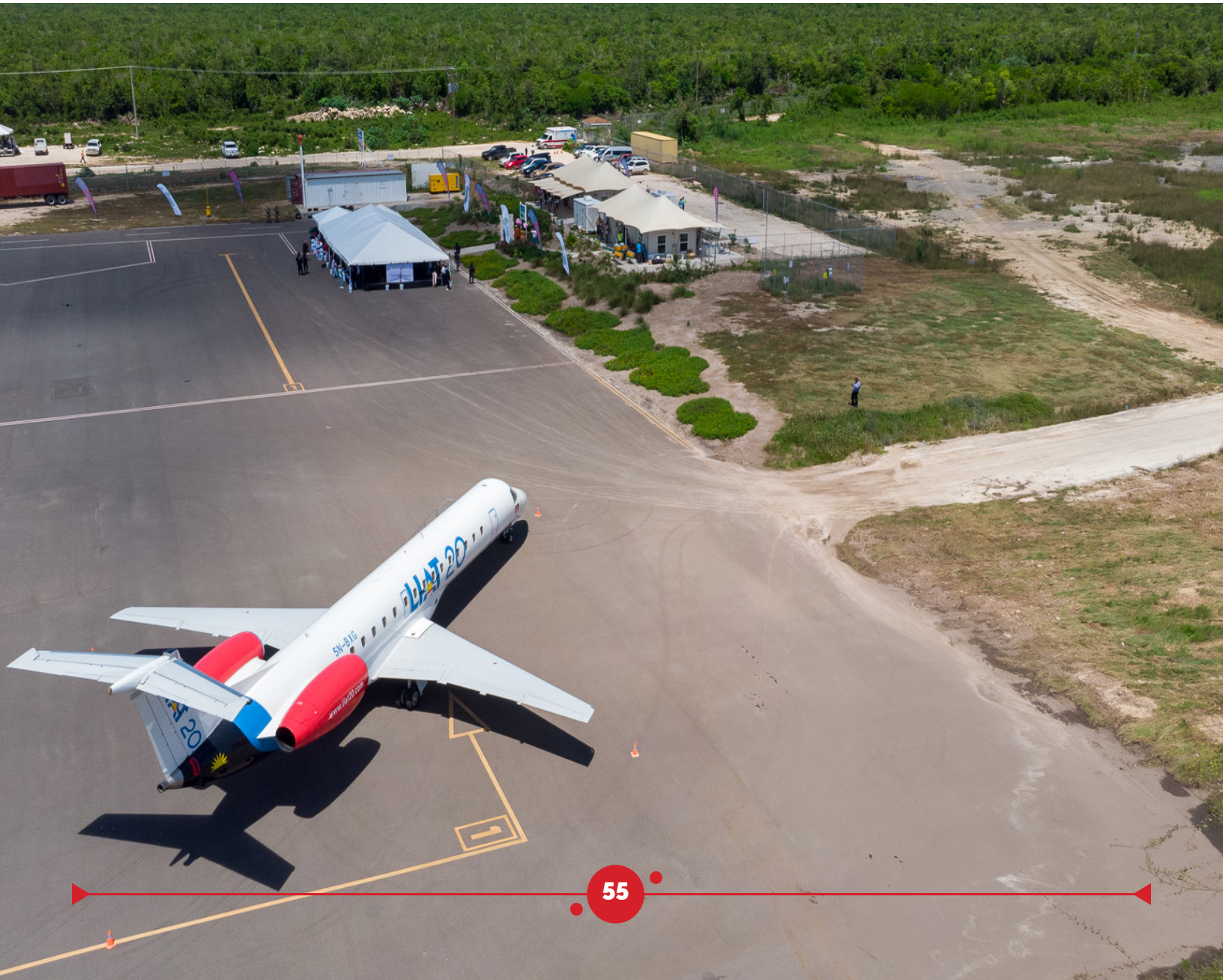
Barbuda Ocean Club



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INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS TO BARBUDA

More than 200 international flights arrived in 2025, and over 300 are expected in 2026. Occupancy growth is expected to lift ABST revenue by at least another 20 per cent. The Peace, Love and Happiness (PLH) project has already injected more than US$750 million into the national economy. These are not isolated resort statistics. They show Barbuda becoming a major economic pillar of the state, with employment, revenue, air access and private investment all rising together.

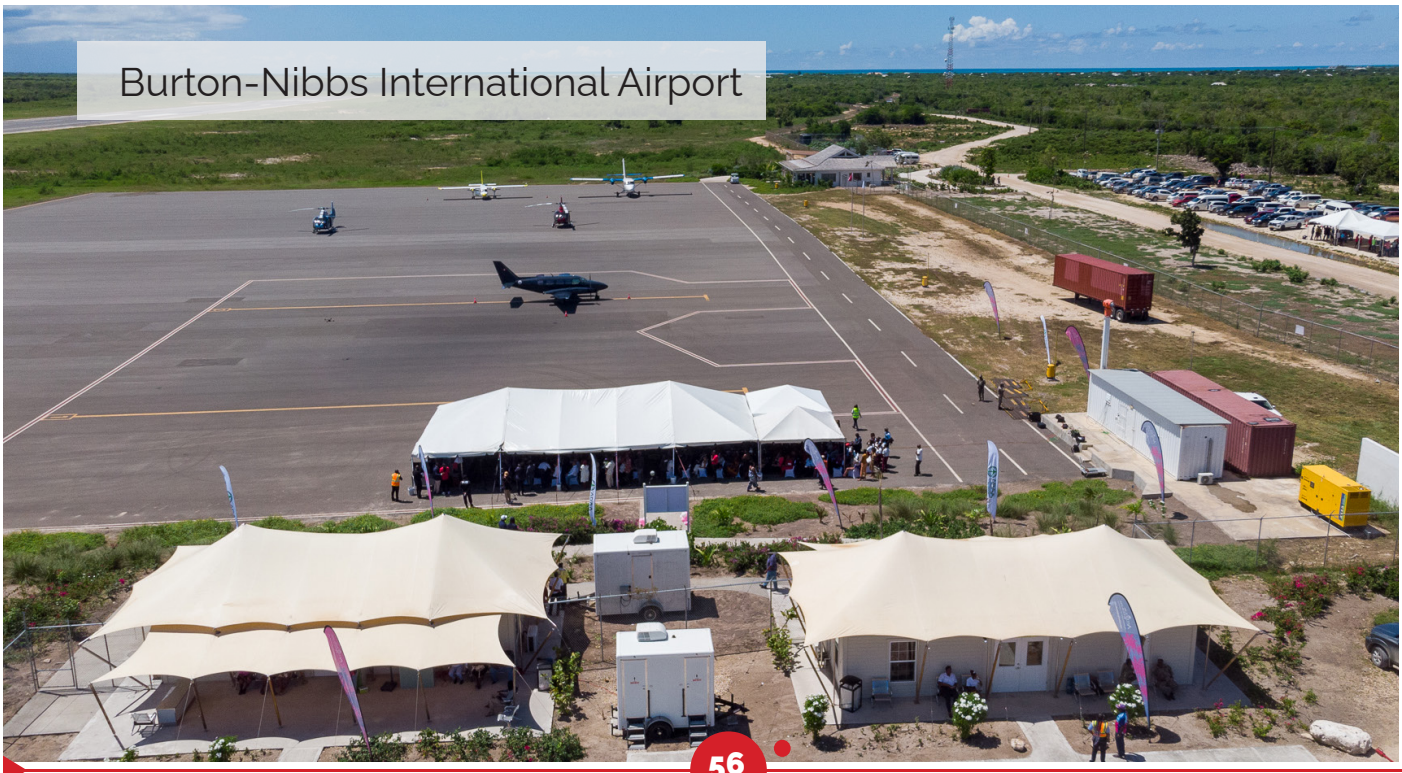


LOCAL EMPOWERMENT AND THE ENRICHMENT OF BARBUDA

Barbuda's development is not to be measured only in revenue. It is also about public works, environmental stewardship and local empowerment. A planned $50 million road project, a new $14 million cargo and tourism port, a primary school funded by the Dominican Republic, the continuing expansion of Burton-Nibbs International Airport, the extension of the concrete road network by five miles in 2026, a new recycling plant, protection of wetlands and mangroves, and further nature-based solutions all point to a more comprehensive and sustainable model of development.

The ABLP Government has also decided to subsidise the cost of flights between Antigua and Barbuda to facilitate movement between the islands for commerce, recreation and community to community contact.

In the Renaissance, Barbuda is not merely recovering. It is rising as a green, modern and opportunity-rich island in which development shines, serving both the people and the future of the island as a leading international destination for high-end tourism.



Burton-Nibbs International Airport

AGRICULTURE, SMALL BUSINESS AND THE BLUE ECONOMY

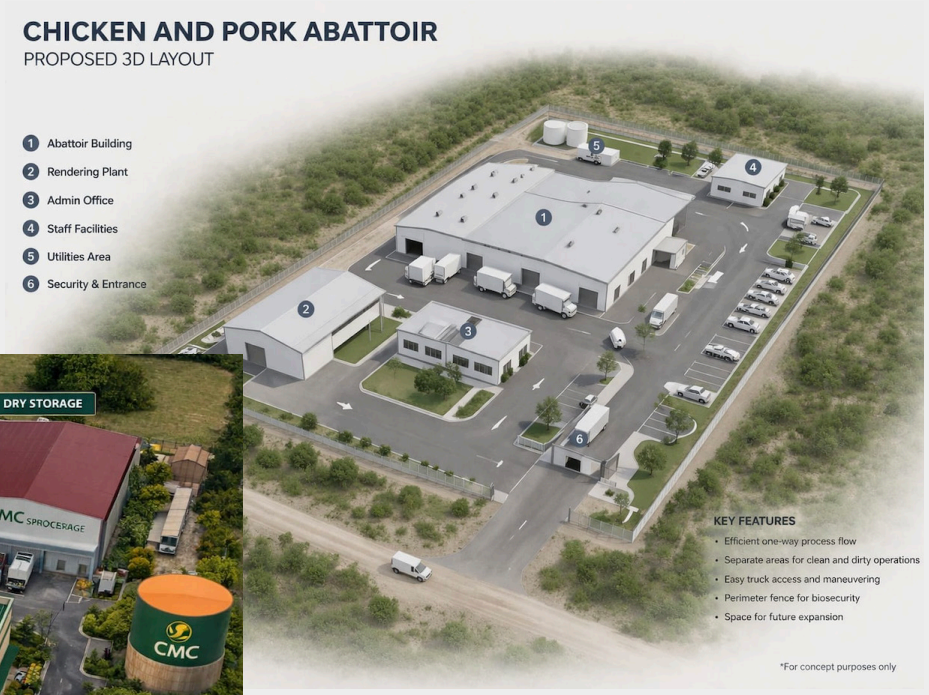
The ABLP believes that prosperity must be broad-based. Antigua and Barbuda cannot depend on one sector alone. It must deepen production, widen participation and create new avenues of national wealth.

Agriculture is central to reducing the country's $175 million food import bill and building food security. Government has already acquired $4 million in heavy-duty and farming equipment and will invest a further $4 million in 2026 to build two new abattoirs and upgrade the existing one. It will also develop an agro-industrial park at Diamonds Estate and work with UWI to establish an eco-lodge at Christian Valley to promote sustainable agricultural tourism. Through the InterAmerican Institute for Cooperation (IICA), a Mushroom Production Programme will open new entrepreneurial pathways for women and youth in a high-value niche with strong domestic demand. These are not small side projects. They are part of a serious effort to modernise agriculture, keep more food dollars at home, diversify the economy and increase food sovereignty. In the Renaissance, agriculture must be modern, productive and opportunity-rich.



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SMALL BUSINESSES AS ENGINE OF GROWTH

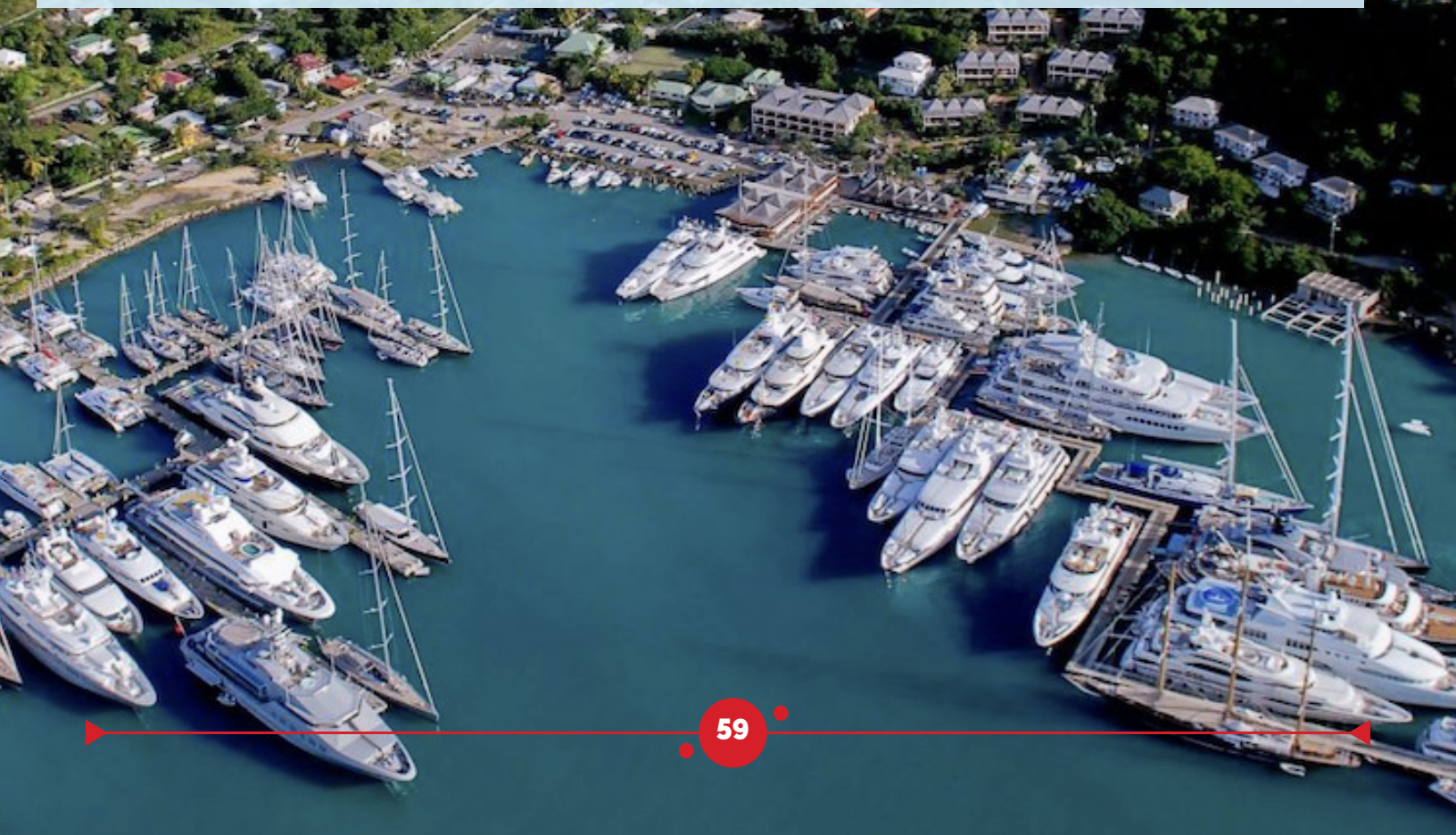
Small business must also be one of the main beneficiaries of the new era. The Entrepreneurial Development Programme has already disbursed more than $7 million in loans to 181 entrepreneurs since 2019. In 2026, support is to be expanded for women-owned businesses, youth entrepreneurs, digital start-ups and agri-processing ventures. Collaboration with financial institutions is to be deepened, access to credit strengthened, and concessions under the Small Business Act maintained. This is how the Renaissance becomes broad-based. It is how opportunity moves from the macro-economy into the hands of local businesspeople, farmers, innovators and young entrepreneurs.

We have created conditions that have encouraged the growth of the private sector, including small and medium-sized businesses, because we believe that national development must be broad-based and inclusive.

BLUE ECONOMY: EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES

The Blue Economy is another frontier of opportunity. It is not a decorative concept. It is the productive use of Antigua and Barbuda's maritime space through fisheries, marine services, yachting, logistics, trade, ocean-based enterprise and sustainable development. When the port strengthens, when transshipment rises, when yachting expands, and when fisheries and marine services are better linked to commerce and exports, the Blue Economy becomes one of the practical frontiers of the Renaissance. It means more wealth generated from the sea that surrounds us, and more national advantage drawn from geography, jurisdiction and enterprise.

The pelagic fishery represents the greatest opportunity for growth within our capture fisheries sector. With one of the largest insular shelf areas in the Eastern Caribbean, Antigua and Barbuda is well placed to expand offshore fishing, increase landings of high-value species, and strengthen food security while reducing pressure on nearshore resources.

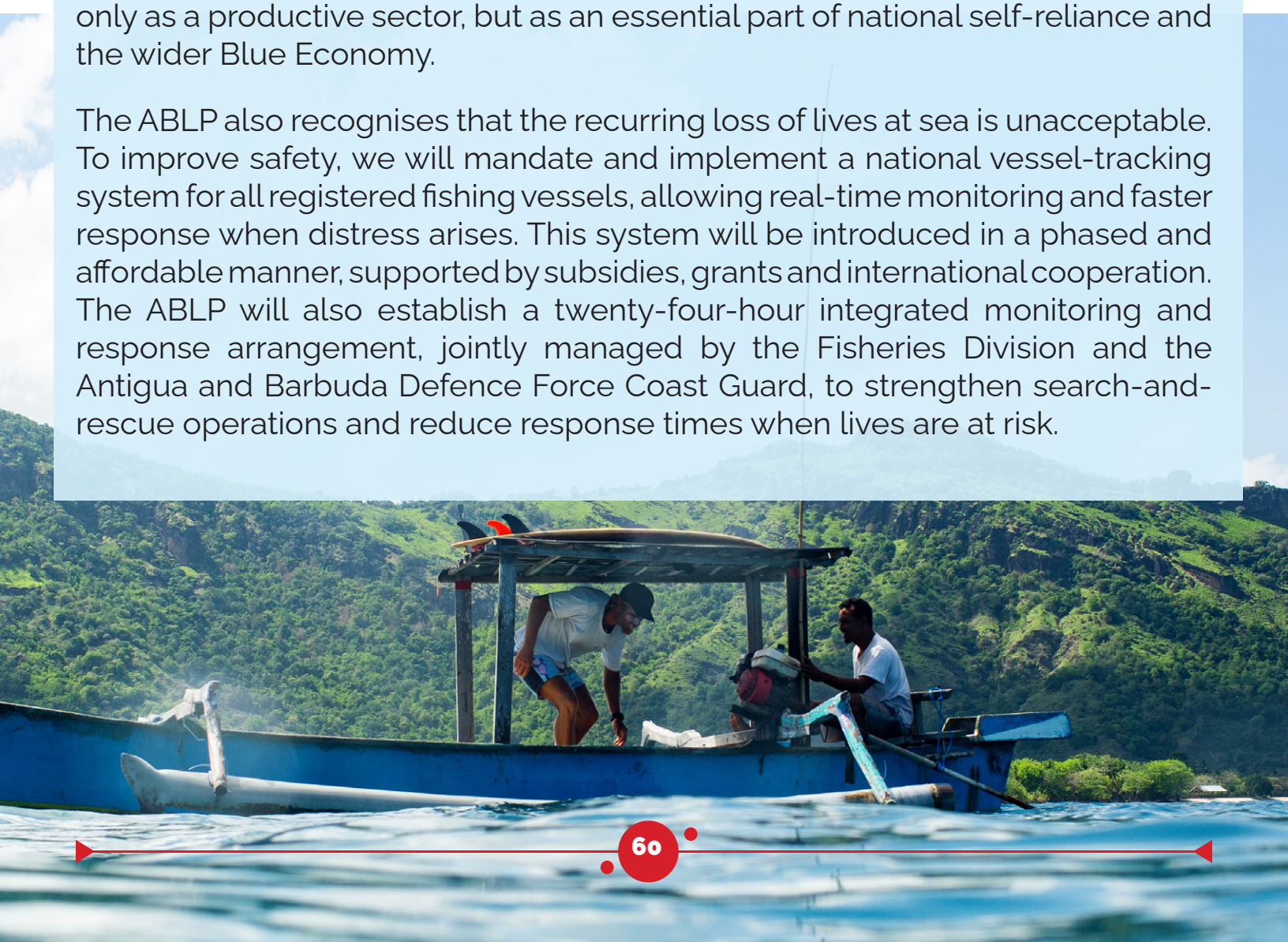


IMPROVING FOOD SECURITY AND THE SAFETY OF OUR FISHERFOLK

Antigua and Barbuda has already shown that it can compete in high-value fisheries markets. Through improved sanitary standards, vessel upgrades, and higher-quality seafood production, our fisherfolk have secured and maintained access to premium export markets, including the European Union, Hong Kong and mainland China. These achievements reflect the resilience, adaptability and enterprise of our fishing communities.

The fisheries sector remains a vital pillar of the economy. It supports livelihoods, strengthens food security, and provides an important source of income and resilience for many households. The ABLP will continue to support fisheries not only as a productive sector, but as an essential part of national self-reliance and the wider Blue Economy.

The ABLP also recognises that the recurring loss of lives at sea is unacceptable. To improve safety, we will mandate and implement a national vessel-tracking system for all registered fishing vessels, allowing real-time monitoring and faster response when distress arises. This system will be introduced in a phased and affordable manner, supported by subsidies, grants and international cooperation. The ABLP will also establish a twenty-four-hour integrated monitoring and response arrangement, jointly managed by the Fisheries Division and the Antigua and Barbuda Defence Force Coast Guard, to strengthen search-and-rescue operations and reduce response times when lives are at risk.



AQUACULTURE AND AQUAPONICS

The ABLP will also transform aquaculture from underused potential into a growing, investable and job-creating industry. Building on initiatives already underway, including aquaponics development, we will expand support for small and medium aquaculture enterprises so as to increase production, diversify incomes, strengthen food security, and reduce the national food import bill. The Renaissance will position Antigua and Barbuda as a leader in aquaponics and aquaculture training, building on the expertise already developed within the country.





PART V



St. John's Cruise Port

MODERN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR A MODERN NATION



WATER, ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

Water has been a top priority for the ABLP Government, and the ABLP remains fully devoted to improving the country's water infrastructure. More water is now being produced than ever before in the nation's history. From 3.5 million gallons per day in 2014, production now stands at 11 million gallons per day.

Production capacity and reliability have already been improved through projects such as the Barnacle Point reverse osmosis plant and the Pipe Rehabilitation Project. But production alone is not enough. The central problem is distribution through an old and inadequate piping system that requires time, sustained effort and additional investment to correct fully. The work ahead is to continue raising production while replacing and modernising the old distribution network so that the water already being produced reaches households and businesses more consistently. The Renaissance therefore means solving water not only at the plant, but at the pipe. It means moving from frustration to dependable service through sustained engineering and investment.

To accelerate that work, the ABLP Government will undertake a further major expansion of water production capacity. It will complete the buildout of another 3.2 million imperial gallons per day reverse osmosis plant at Crabbs, design and construct a new reverse osmosis plant in the Yepton and Five Islands area capable of producing up to 2.0 million imperial gallons per day in anticipation of the expansion of The University of the West Indies Five Islands Campus, and install a further 330,000 imperial gallons per day unit at the Ffryes Beach facility. At the same time, groundwater harvesting will be doubled from 800,000 imperial gallons per day to 1.6 million imperial gallons per day, further strengthening the country's overall water supply.

The ABLP Government will also improve storage and resilience across the system. The decades-old leaking spillway at Potworks Dam will be repaired so that the dam can retain up to an additional 800 million gallons of surface water during periods of heavy rainfall. A further 16 million gallons of storage capacity

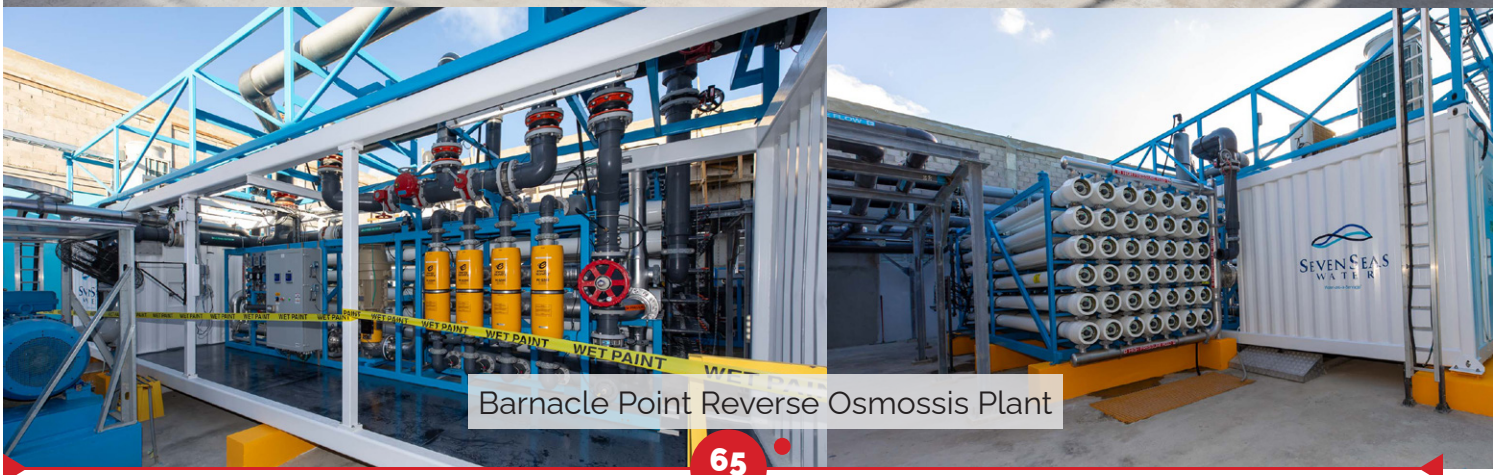
will also be added, ensuring that Antigua and Barbuda has greater buffer capacity to balance peak daily demand and strengthen reliability across the network.

But the objective is not only to produce and store more water. It is also to manage transmission and distribution more effectively. For that reason, a modern Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system will be installed to support a more robust, responsive and dynamic transmission and distribution network. This will improve monitoring, control, efficiency and system management, helping to ensure that the water produced is delivered more reliably to households, businesses and communities across the country.

Taken together, these measures represent the next practical stage in addressing the water problem at its roots. They will strengthen production, improve storage, modernise control systems, and reinforce the distribution network so that the people of Antigua and Barbuda can move closer to the goal of a dependable twenty-four-hour water supply throughout the country.



Friars Beach Reverse Osmosis Plant



Barnacle Point Reverse Osmossis Plant

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

The same seriousness applies to roads and public works. More than $110 million has already improved Sir George Walter Highway, Friars Hill Road, Old Parham Road, Anchorage Road, Valley Road North and Sir Sydney Walling Highway. More than $40 million in roadworks has already been delivered across nearly every community. Over $100 million more has been secured to redevelop All Saints Road and rehabilitate roads and drains nationwide. In the Renaissance, better roads are not cosmetic. They reduce wear and tear, lower cost, improve safety, support commerce, and make development visible in every district.



All Saints Road











BEAUTIFYING OUR CAPITAL CITY

St John's must also be transformed as part of this wider public works effort. Through Booby Alley, the waterfront upland development, the refurbishment of public buildings, tree and flower planting, the removal of derelict vehicles and stronger efforts to keep public spaces orderly and attractive, the capital can be renewed as a cleaner, more dignified, more economically active and more beautiful city. That is central to the Renaissance, because a renewed capital helps shape national pride, strengthen tourism, attract investment and reflect the seriousness of a country moving into a new era.



ENERGY, BROADBAND AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

A modern nation requires reliable energy, fast connectivity and digital capability.

The ABLP is committed to ensuring that the programme of digitalisation is inclusive of every citizen, so that access to the internet and information technology is affordable, accessible and capable of widening opportunity across Antigua and Barbuda. In the Renaissance, digital transformation must not benefit only a few. It must serve households, students, workers, entrepreneurs, public services and communities throughout the country.



Through APUA Telecommunications, the ABLP Government will complete the implementation of its own subsea fibre-optic cable and roll out a basic internet access package below EC$100 per month. These measures will help to deepen connectivity, reduce costs, expand digital participation, and ensure that more people and businesses can benefit from modern communications infrastructure.

At the same time, through the Ministry responsible for ICT, the ABLP will accelerate the development of the platforms necessary to make all

government services available online. This will improve efficiency, reduce delay, widen access, and make public administration more responsive, transparent and convenient for the people.



In 2026, that means stronger electricity grids, more renewable and alternative energy, and deeper digital capability across the country. Faster and more affordable connectivity will make businesses more competitive, schools better connected, public administration more efficient, and opportunity more widely available to rural and urban communities alike. In the Renaissance, digital transformation is not an afterthought. It is one of the enabling systems of the new era.

Antigua and Barbuda is intensifying disaster preparedness and climate-smart development, building resilience into homes, utilities, roads, drainage and public infrastructure. The country has co-created the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for SIDS, expanded its Green Climate Fund accreditation from US$10 million to US$50 million, and is pressing for grants, concessional finance and loss-and-damage resources, much of which is to be used to refurbish and build climate-resilient housing. The Renaissance is therefore not only about growth. It is also about ensuring that what we build can withstand the shocks of the future.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY, SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE

The ABLP Government is environmentally responsible and understands that sustainability is a condition of national survival and national prosperity. We are committed to reducing Antigua and Barbuda's carbon footprint and accelerating the transition to cleaner energy in order to protect our fragile ecosystems, strengthen resilience, and safeguard the natural inheritance of future generations.



The ABLP Government is not waiting for the world to solve the climate crisis on our behalf. We are building solutions within our own country, and we are showing that they can work. The ABLP Government has placed nature at the heart of the national economic value chain, as part of the living infrastructure on which tourism, fisheries, coastal protection, and the wider economy depend.

Initiatives such as OceanShot point the way forward. The Peace Beach proposal shows how living reef systems can be used to create stable and resilient beaches, restore marine life, strengthen biodiversity, protect coastlines, and support tourism, fisheries, education and local jobs. These living reef systems can protect our shores and restore marine life, and can also allow swimmers and snorkellers to enjoy the beauty of environmentally protected reefs as part of the natural experience of Antigua and Barbuda. Reef structures also absorb wave energy and help to keep sand in place, making them part of the practical answer to coastal erosion and environmental decline.

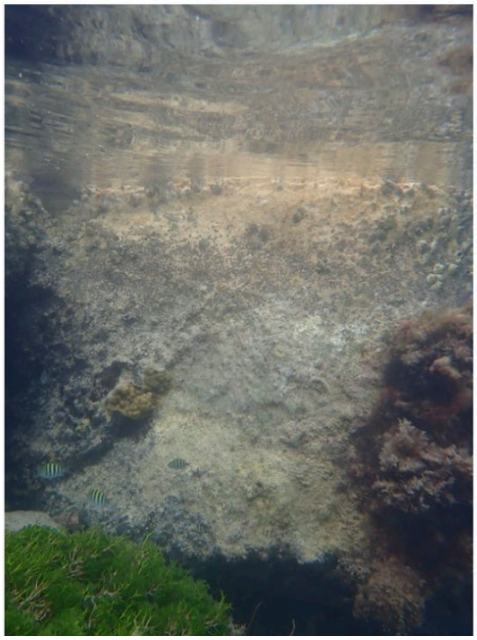
From mangroves to dunes and living reefs integrated into development planning, the ABLP Government will continue to build natural systems that grow

stronger over time. These are not decorative measures. They are part of a serious strategy to protect our shores, create skilled employment, strengthen coastal resilience, and enhance the environmental quality that makes Antigua and Barbuda one of the world's most desirable island destinations.

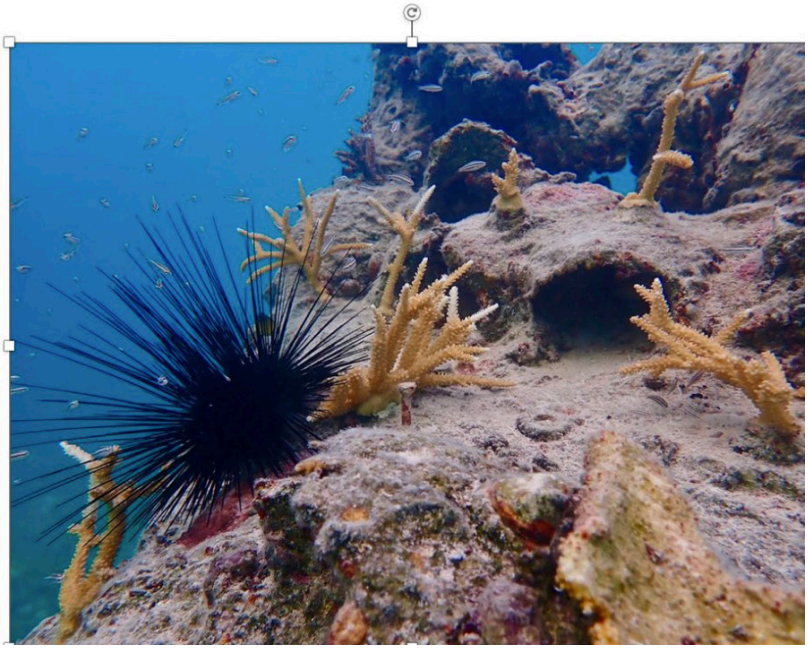


Where others see vulnerability, the ABLP Government sees innovation. Where others rely only on hard structures, we will also invest in living systems that protect, regenerate, and produce lasting economic value. Antigua and Barbuda is blessed not only with natural beauty, but with the determination to convert that beauty into resilience, sustainability, and shared prosperity for our people. This is part of the Renaissance we will bequeath to future generations.

Rock Boulder from breakwater lacks habitats
Seaweed/bare space



Reef Modules (OceanShot) habitat for corals, urchins, fish



PART VI SAFE, STABLE AND RESPECTED

SECURITY, DEMOCRACY AND EQUAL RIGHTS



The ABLP believes that prosperity means little if people do not feel safe, and progress is incomplete if rights are not protected.

Public safety is indispensable to sustained economic growth and national development. A secure country is better able to attract investment, support commerce, protect families, strengthen tourism, and preserve confidence in everyday life. High levels of crime and violence destabilise societies, weaken opportunity, and undermine progress. That is why the ABLP is determined that Antigua and Barbuda should continue to enjoy among the lowest levels of crime and violence in the Caribbean and Latin America.

Antigua and Barbuda remains among the safest countries in the Caribbean and Latin America, but the next phase goes further. In 2026, over $4 million is to be invested to train additional police recruits, expand the complement of law enforcement officers, and equip them with the tools required to stay ahead of criminal networks. Modern security equipment, additional arms and ammunition, and specialised surveillance and crime-detection technologies are to be delivered.

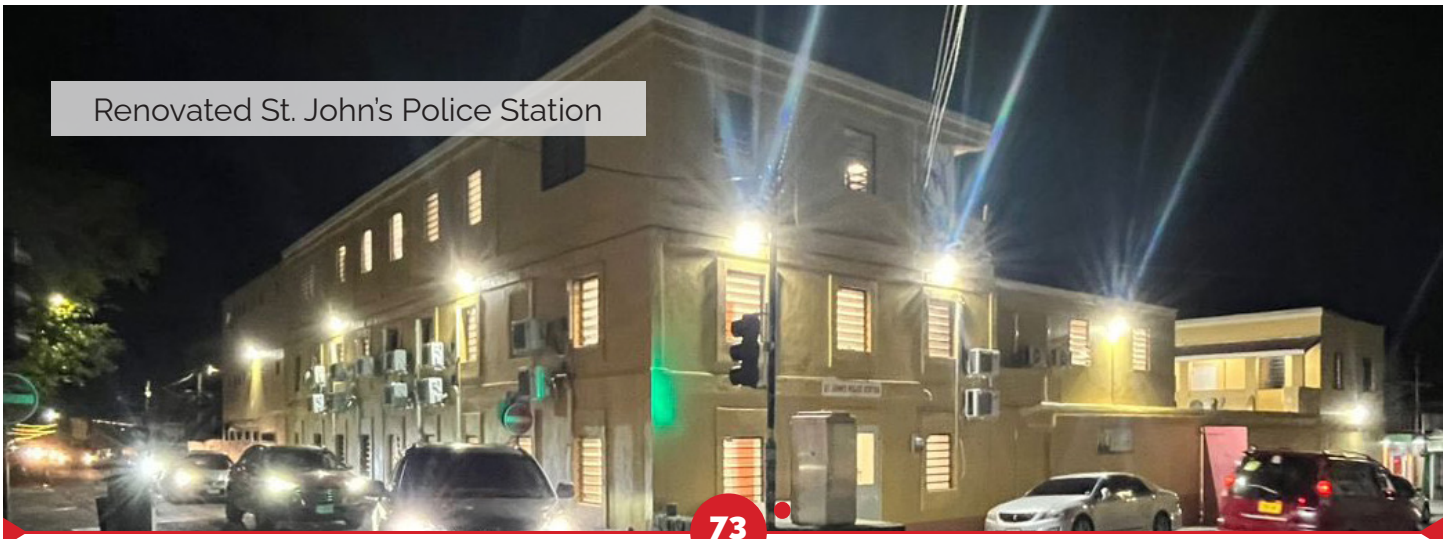
Public surveillance will also be significantly strengthened. Two hundred cameras are already being installed, and additional public surveillance cameras will be introduced across the country to assist in deterring crime, improving detection, and supporting the work of law enforcement.

Maritime security is also being expanded. One vessel has already been acquired to strengthen maritime surveillance, and two more are to be added shortly. Together with upgraded communications, radar systems, and enhanced patrol capability, these measures will reinforce border protection and improve the country's ability to respond to unlawful activity at sea.



We will also continue to strengthen the physical infrastructure of policing. Police stations across the country, including the St John's Police Station, have been repaired, and others will be systematically upgraded. In addition, three new police stations are to be constructed, including one at Glanvilles and one in Barbuda, so that law enforcement presence and public access to security services are strengthened in key communities.

The ABLP Government will also modernise the language and philosophy of the country's security institutions by renaming the Prison as "The Correctional and Rehabilitation Facility" and the Police Force as "The Antigua and Barbuda Police Services". These changes will reflect a deliberate move away from colonial notions of force and imprisonment towards more enlightened principles of service, correction and rehabilitation for offenders who show genuine contrition and a willingness to reform. At the same time, those who commit heinous crimes, and hardened criminals who threaten the peace and safety of our people, will continue to face the full severity of the law.



Renovated St. John's Police Station

CONFRONTING GUNS, GANGS AND YOUTH VIOLENCE

Recent incidents of gun violence involving young people are wholly unacceptable. The loss of life, the anguish and grief inflicted upon families, and the fear created across the nation demand a firm, immediate, and sustained response.

The ABLP is determined that the Renaissance will have no tolerance for murder, gang violence, or the spread of illegal firearms. Access to guns will be curbed. Legislation will be strengthened to impose tougher penalties for the illegal possession and use of firearms. Any person found participating in, facilitating, or profiting from the illegal importation of guns and ammunition will face severe penalties, including terms of imprisonment. These measures will be treated as a priority of an ABLP government during the period of the Renaissance.





THE LAW MUST BE GIVEN FULL EFFECT

The ABLP has already acted to strengthen the law and increase penalties for the illegal possession and use of firearms and ammunition. Those laws were enacted because illegal guns and gun violence pose a grave threat to public safety, national stability, and the peace of our communities. In applying those laws, full weight should be given to the seriousness of these offences and to Parliament's clear intention that they be met with firm consequences. Sentencing policy must therefore align more closely with the gravity of gun crime if Antigua and Barbuda is to avoid the worsening pattern seen elsewhere in the Caribbean, where illegal firearms and violent crime have grown into a major danger to public safety and national security.

There can be no excuse for gangs and no justification for youth crime. This government has expanded opportunities for decent work, widened access to education up to the tertiary level, provided free training, and created practical pathways to land ownership, affordable housing, and social advancement. Never before have so many doors been opened to young people to build lawful, productive, and hopeful lives.

For that reason, criminality and brutality cannot be excused as the result of hopelessness alone. The taking of life, the use of illegal guns, and the embrace of gang culture are choices that destroy families, wound communities, and threaten the peace of the nation. They will be confronted resolutely.

But the answer will not be enforcement alone. Alongside stronger laws and tougher policing, the ABLP will continue to widen opportunity, strengthen family and community support, and expand education, training, mentoring, and conflict-resolution programmes aimed at steering young people away from violence and towards achievement.

The Renaissance must be a period in which every young person understands that there is a better road than crime, and in which the State makes equally clear that those who choose violence, terror, and murder will be pursued, punished, and removed from the streets.

This is not security for security's sake. It is security in service of communities, commerce, tourism, stability, and everyday peace of mind. In the Renaissance, public safety is one of the conditions of freedom and progress.

The Renaissance is not only about prosperity. It is also about fairness, respect, security and confidence in national institutions.

PART VII



SMALL NATION, GLOBAL VOICE – FOREIGN POLICY AND DIPLOMACY



Antigua and Barbuda is a small state, but it is not a silent one. The ABLP believes that our foreign policy must always serve the national good: protecting the country's sovereignty, advancing its development, widening its economic opportunities, defending its people, and ensuring that Antigua and Barbuda continues to be heard and respected at the tables where decisions are made.



UN Secretary General António Guterres and Prime Minister Browne



Center: Ambassador Sir Ronald Sanders, chairing Organization of American States

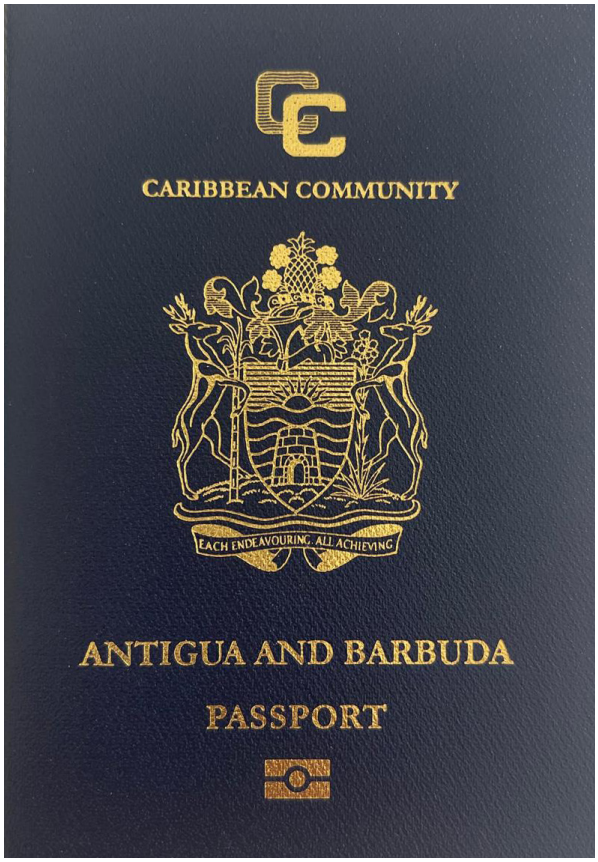
CLIMATE JUSTICE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY

For Antigua and Barbuda, climate change and global warming are lived realities. We know them in stronger hurricanes, in drought followed by flooding, in the destruction of costly infrastructure and the repeated burden of rebuilding, in the damage to reefs and coastlines, and in the migration of fish further out to sea. These are not distant possibilities. They are present and continuing threats to our development, our security and our future.



The ABLP will therefore continue to raise Antigua and Barbuda's voice in a measured, balanced and determined manner in pursuit of climate justice. Through our work in the Alliance of Small Island States and through the Commission of Small Island States on Climate Change and International Law, which Antigua and Barbuda helped to establish, we have helped to press the legal and moral case for the rights of vulnerable small states. We will continue to support the use of international law and international institutions to seek justice for the damage already done to our country and to press for stronger action against the harmful greenhouse gas emissions that science identifies as the cause of global warming. This is not a quarrel with other states. It is the exercise of our right to protect our people and our future.

PROTECTING CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT AND PASSPORT MOBILITY



The Citizenship by Investment Programme is a vital pillar of Antigua and Barbuda's development finance. Its revenues have supported major public goods, including health services, pensions, education and national development. The ABLP recognises that the programme must be protected, strengthened and defended, because its loss or weakening would have serious economic and social consequences for the country.

The ABLP Government has worked steadily and transparently with international partners, including the United Kingdom, the United States and the European Union, to address concerns relating to the security and integrity of the programme. We have already demonstrated our willingness to adopt strong legislative, regulatory and due diligence measures where these are justified and in the national interest, and we will continue that work. At the same time, we will continue to engage diplomatically to ensure that the legitimate rights of Antigua and Barbuda passport holders are respected, and to seek the removal of restrictions that unfairly impede lawful travel for business, tourism, family and other legitimate purposes.

CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT HAS DELIVERED

The ABLP has operated the Citizenship by Investment Programme since 2014, generating more than EC$1.4 billion in public revenue. These revenues have contributed to financing pensions, health care, education, scholarships, public safety, water, roads and housing, while helping to spare Antiguans and Barbudans from personal income tax and other tax burdens.

There have been calls in political circles and elsewhere to terminate the programme. Those who criticise it are yet to explain to the people of Antigua and Barbuda how they would replace this major source of national revenue. It is not enough to condemn the programme. They must say what taxes they would impose, what services they would cut, or what development they would delay in order to replace what the Citizenship by Investment Programme now provides.

The ABLP will continue to defend, strengthen and properly regulate the programme in the national interest and in the shared security interest of Antigua and Barbuda and of our international partners, particularly the United Kingdom, the United States, the European Union and Canada.

YEAR	National Development Financing Receipts	Transfers to Government from CIU Operating Account	Total
	XCD	XCD	XCD
2014	60,471,871	13,328,311	73,800,182
2015	126,264,081	67,413,691	193,677,772
2016	74,731,475	66,810,703	141,542,178
2017	42,668,758	50,051,493	92,720,251
2018	59,748,142	32,989,626	92,737,768
2019	112,218,767	30,917,122	143,135,889
2020	76,914,503	21,726,674	98,641,177
2021	72,761,765	23,890,190	96,651,955
2022	61,426,975	22,434,197	83,861,172
2023	61,927,421	29,707,753	91,635,174
2024	77,870,918	60,160,979	138,031,897
2025	158,444,389	60,305,171	218,749,560
Grand Total	**985,449,065**	**479,735,910**	**1,465,184,975**

DEEPENING OECS AND CARICOM INTEGRATION

Antigua and Barbuda has long understood that regional unity is a practical necessity for small states. As a founding member of the OECS and an active member of CARICOM, Antigua and Barbuda has consistently supported the cause of Caribbean integration, because we know that our states are stronger together and weaker when divided.

The ABLP Government will continue to participate actively in the OECS and CARICOM to advance their core purposes, strengthen implementation, and deepen the regional integration process. We will support closer functional cooperation, stronger regional institutions, freer and more efficient movement where appropriate, and practical collaboration in transport, trade, food security, climate resilience, education, health and security. Regionalism is not an alternative to national strength. It is one of the ways in which national strength is secured.



Guyana's President Irfaan Ali and Prime Minister Gaston Browne signing an understanding on economic cooperation.

LEADERSHIP IN THE WIDER INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

The ABLP believes that Antigua and Barbuda must continue to occupy places of influence and leadership in regional and international institutions. We have shown that even a small state can earn respect and shape discussion when its voice is guided by intelligence, consistency, principle and courage. Our country has made its mark in the Organization of American States, in the United Nations system, in the Commonwealth, and in other multilateral bodies. We are determined to maintain Antigua and Barbuda as an important voice wherever decisions are taken that affect our interests and those of other vulnerable states.

That approach is not about prestige alone. It is about practical national advantage. Influence in international institutions helps to secure partnerships, attract support, defend national interests, and ensure that Antigua and Barbuda is not merely present at major tables but helps to shape the conversation in ways that benefit its people.



His Majesty King Charles III, Head of the Commonwealth and PM Browne. King Charles will be in Antigua for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in November 2026

TRADE DIVERSIFICATION AND WIDER ECONOMIC REACH

Recent global disruptions, including the COVID-19 pandemic and wars in Europe and the Middle East, have shown how vulnerable Antigua and Barbuda can be when supply chains are disrupted and when the country relies too heavily on a narrow range of import markets. The ABLP has drawn the necessary lesson. Even as we expand domestic production and strengthen food security, we must also diversify our external trade relationships.

The ABLP will therefore work with the private sector to build the diplomatic, commercial and logistical framework necessary to diversify trade, especially with nearby markets in Central and South America. This is a matter not only of commerce, but of resilience. A broader network of trade relationships will help reduce vulnerability, lower costs, improve supply security, and widen opportunity for Antiguan and Barbudan enterprise.



PRINCIPLED DIPLOMACY, FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND REPARATORY JUSTICE

Antigua and Barbuda treasures the friendly relations it enjoys with countries across the world. The ABLP will continue to work diplomatically, steadily and respectfully to maintain and deepen those relationships. Our foreign policy will remain rooted in international law and in the principles set out in the Charters of the United Nations, the Organization of American States and the Commonwealth. These include respect for human rights, democracy, the rule of law, sovereignty and territorial integrity. For a small state, these principles are part of the shield that protects our independence, our equality and our interests.

The ABLP Government will also continue to support the Caribbean cause of reparatory justice for slavery and native genocide, pursuing it in a serious, measured and historically grounded way. In doing so, we will stand with the CARICOM reparatory justice agenda and its Ten Point Plan, seeking truth, recognition, justice, development partnership and healing for the enduring harms left by slavery and colonial exploitation. This is not about hostility to any nation. It is about historical truth, human dignity and a just response to injuries whose consequences remain to this day.



Foreign Minister E.P. Chet Greene and UN Ambassador Aubrey Webson in consultations

The ABLP Government's foreign policy will therefore remain clear in purpose: to defend Antigua and Barbuda's sovereignty, advance its development, widen its economic choices, uphold the rule of law internationally, strengthen regional unity, and ensure that our country continues to speak with a respected and effective voice in the world.

PART VIII



BUILDING THE NEXT GREAT CHAPTER OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA



Concept Design: Shell Beach Project

The Renaissance is the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party's solemn promise to lead our nation into a new era of progress, confidence, and shared prosperity.

It is our commitment to build a country that is stronger in its economy, fairer in the distribution of opportunity, prouder in its communities, cleaner and safer in its surroundings, and more secure in the future it offers to every citizen. It is a bold national mission to ensure that development is not enjoyed by a privileged few, but felt by working families, young people, entrepreneurs, farmers, workers, pensioners, and communities across Antigua and Barbuda.

Under the Renaissance, our nation will advance with purpose. We will deepen prosperity, widen opportunity, modernise infrastructure, strengthen education, expand local ownership, and create a more resilient and self-confident society. We will move forward together, as one people, determined not merely to grow, but to rise.





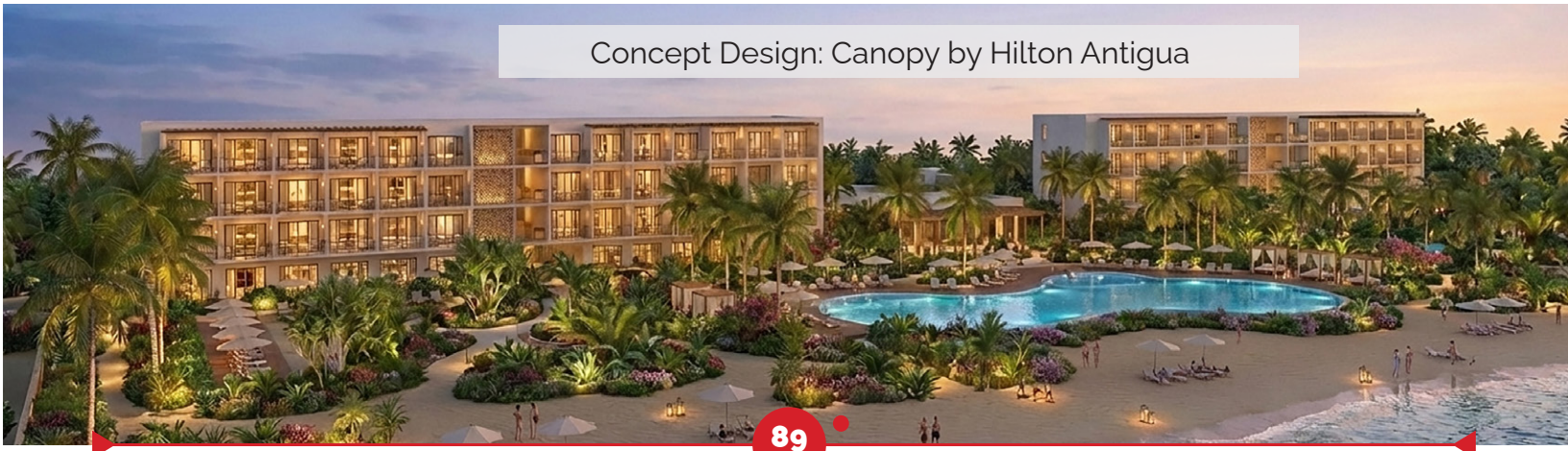
TOURISM THAT WORKS FOR THE PEOPLE

Tourism has long been the leading pillar of our economy. Under the Renaissance, it will become an even greater force for national advancement, but on terms that bring broader and fairer benefits to our people.

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party will continue to transform tourism from a sector that benefits too few into a dynamic engine of inclusive prosperity. We will deepen local participation and ownership, increase opportunities for Antiguans and Barbudans, expand visitor spending, lengthen stays, and strengthen the ties between tourism and construction, agriculture, transport, the creative industries, and small business.

Our vision is clear. Tourism must enrich the nation as a whole. Its success must be measured not only in arrival figures, but in the number of Antiguans and Barbudans who own, work, supply, create, and prosper within it. It must produce better wages, stronger local enterprise, sustainable foreign exchange earnings, and fair tax revenues that can be invested back into the people.

We will continue to strengthen our position as a premier destination through world-class investment, recognised luxury brands, stronger domestic supply chains, and the further improvement of our food and beverage product. We will ensure that Antigua and Barbuda's hospitality industry reflects the excellence, warmth, and distinctive character of our people.



Concept Design: Canopy by Hilton Antigua

A CLEANER, SAFER, BETTER COUNTRY

The Renaissance will raise the national standard of how our country looks, feels, and functions.

A modern, successful nation must be orderly, attractive, secure, and well maintained. As travellers become more environmentally aware and more selective in the destinations they choose, Antigua and Barbuda must reflect the quality and discipline expected of a first-class country. Neglect, disorder, and degradation cannot define the future we seek.

That is why an ABLP government will continue to enforce environmental standards, address illegal vending, renew St John's and surrounding communities, and strengthen public safety and security. We will create cleaner streets, more organised public spaces, safer neighbourhoods, and more attractive urban centres that lift both national pride and quality of life.

This effort is about more than physical appearance. It is about dignity, confidence, order, and the reputation of Antigua and Barbuda at home and abroad.



FOOD SECURITY, AFFORDABLE PRICES, AND A NEW AGE OF AGRICULTURE

The Renaissance will put food security and food sovereignty at the heart of national development.

We will continue investing in the productive strength of our farmers through land clearing and ploughing support, farm roads, dams and ponds, subsidised water, free fertilisers, and duty and tax concessions on tractors, transport, and agricultural equipment. We will also modernise farm security and productivity through solar lighting and cameras, helping farmers work more safely and more effectively, including in periods of extreme heat linked to climate change.

At the same time, we are building the infrastructure required for a stronger agricultural future. Two abattoirs, including a poultry abattoir, will support local meat production. Investment in the Central Marketing Corporation will be increased. The new facility at Cassada Gardens will provide cold storage, refrigeration, and a modern food emporium, improving distribution, reducing waste, and strengthening market access.

The benefits will be direct and practical. Farmers will enjoy more reliable markets and stronger support. Consumers will benefit from improved supply, better quality, and lower prices. We will also encourage greater value-added activity through processing, packaging, canning, and bottling, so that more of the wealth generated from agriculture remains in Antigua and Barbuda.

Affordable financing through the Prime Minister's Entrepreneurial Fund and other accessible credit mechanisms will continue to help farmers expand, modernise, and succeed.



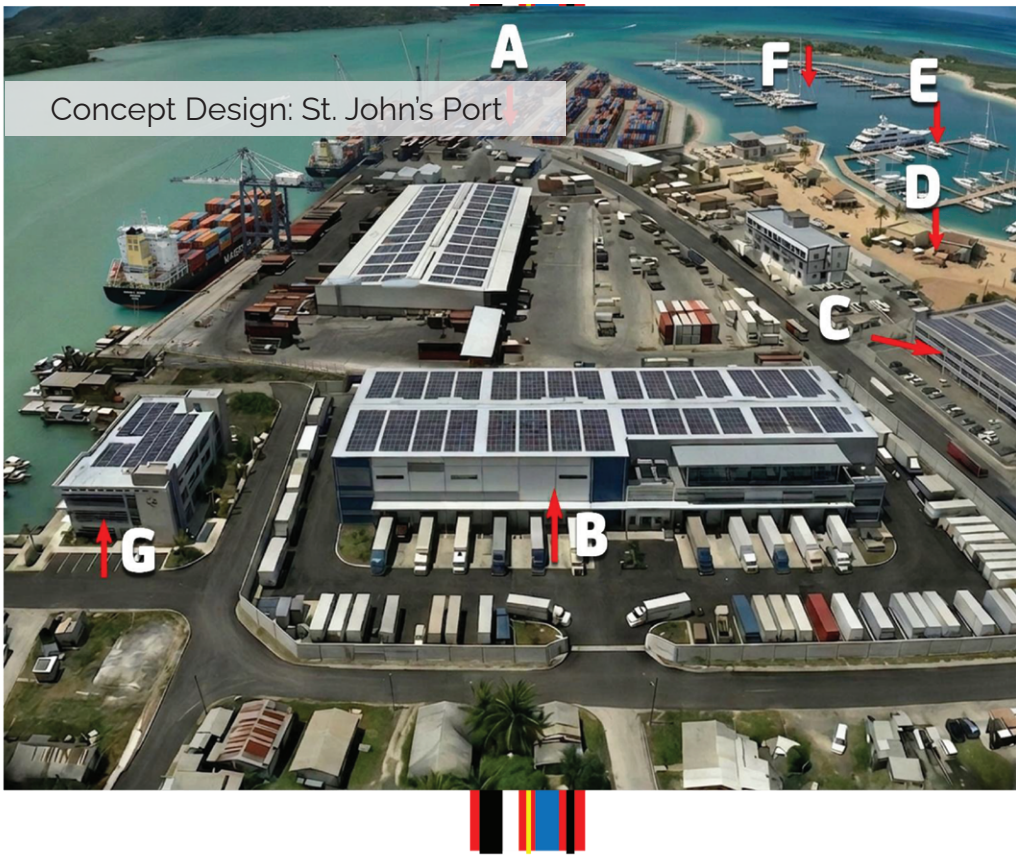
MAKING ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA A GATEWAY FOR TRADE AND LOGISTICS

The Renaissance will position Antigua and Barbuda as a stronger centre of maritime trade, logistics, and commercial opportunity.

We will develop the Port of St John's into a regional trans-shipment and logistics hub in partnership with a major shipping line, opening new links into South America and Europe and creating new pathways for Antiguan and Barbudan entrepreneurs to reach wider markets.

As maritime trade grows, new opportunities will emerge in bunkering, provisioning, storage, distribution, and marine services. The port will become an even greater source of employment, enterprise, and national income.

To support this transformation, we will continue to expand port infrastructure, including the excavation of Rat Island to create additional reclaimed land. A new enterprise zone between Food City and the Distillery area will provide space for a range of business operations and open the way for a new phase of commercial growth.



Concept Design: St. John's Port

A. Port Expansion
B. Cold Storage Facility
C. Solar Powered Vehicle Storage Facility
D. Dredge Bay Vendors' Quay & Leisure Plaza
E. Dredge Bay Marina
F. Fort James Marina
G. ADOMS: The Antigua & Barbuda Department of Marine Services

A NEW LIFE FOR ST JOHN'S HARBOUR

One of the defining achievements of the Renaissance will be the transformation of our capital and harbour.

We will create new marina developments, commercial amenities, and public spaces that enhance the economic life of St John's while making Antigua and Barbuda even more attractive as a yachting and leisure destination. A marina will form part of the new enterprise zone. A separate marina will be developed on the eastern coast of Fort James. Another will rise on reclaimed land at Perry Bay in the western harbour. A further marina at Barnacle Point will come through private investment.

But the Renaissance is not only about investment. It is equally about public benefit. Fort James will be restored, the beach replenished, and the public park protected and equipped with an amphitheatre for entertainment and cultural events.

This is the ABLP vision in action: growth with beauty, investment with inclusion, renewal with heritage, and national development that serves the people.

INFRASTRUCTURE FOR GROWTH AND MODERN LIVING

The Renaissance will continue to build the modern infrastructure on which economic success and quality of life depend.

We are upgrading V.C. Bird International Airport through a US$55 million investment that is on target and within budget, and we will construct a new terminal building at Barbuda Airport. These projects will strengthen connectivity, improve efficiency, support tourism growth, and enhance the travel experience for citizens and visitors alike.

We will continue investing in ports, roads, utilities, and digital systems, while embracing new technologies such as artificial intelligence, biometrics, and smart tourism infrastructure to deliver smoother, safer, and more efficient services.

This programme of investment is not only about buildings and systems. It is about national competitiveness, investor confidence, greater convenience for our people, and a country prepared for the future.



Airport Runway Upgrade

EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERY GENERATION

The Renaissance will make education and skills one of the great foundations of national transformation.

We are now tendering for the EC$200 million expansion of The University of the West Indies Five Islands Campus, with construction to begin in the third quarter of this year. When completed, all eligible Antiguans and Barbudans will be able to access free university education up to a first degree.

The Prime Minister's Scholarship Fund will be expanded, and academic programmes at UWI Five Islands will be broadened, including the introduction of a law degree. At the same time, we are strengthening the foundations of learning by constructing the new Five Islands Primary School and committing EC$100 million, with Caribbean Development Bank approval, to repair the remaining primary and secondary schools.

We will continue to pay CXC and CAPE fees for all students, and ABACAS students will continue to benefit from tuition-free learning.

This is how nations are built. This is how families rise. This is how a generation gains the confidence, skills, and opportunity to shape its own future.



EXPANDING OWNERSHIP, ENTERPRISE, AND WEALTH

The Renaissance is about more than growth. It is about who participates in that growth and who shares in its rewards.

That is why our administration will continue to empower Antiguans and Barbudans through access to affordable beach and waterfront lands, enabling more citizens to build AirBnB properties, restaurants, and other hospitality businesses. This initiative is intended to deepen local participation in one of the most dynamic sectors of the economy and to break with older patterns in which too much ownership remained beyond the reach of our people.

As more citizens gain access to productive assets, more families will be able to build wealth, create businesses, employ others, and take their rightful place in the economic future of the country.





Marble Plaza under construction on Friar's Hill Road in Antigua

BETTER AIR LINKS AND STRONGER CARIBBEAN INTEGRATION

The Renaissance also looks beyond our shores, because Antigua and Barbuda's future is tied to the strength and connectivity of the wider Caribbean.

Antigua and Barbuda is leading a regional initiative to unite Air Antilles and LIAT Air in a new OECS Air, owned by participating states and operated on a strictly professional private sector basis. With rotating chairmanship and a strengthened fleet, this initiative will improve regional connectivity, support trade and tourism, and advance the integration movement on which the strength of the Eastern Caribbean depends.

For Antigua and Barbuda, stronger regional air transport will mean greater mobility for our people, more reliable travel, stronger commercial ties, and a more strategic role in the economic life of the region.



LIAT Airways


Sunrise Airways

A STRONGER NATION. A FAIRER FUTURE. A SHARED DESTINY

The Renaissance is a national project of transformation and hope.

It is about building an Antigua and Barbuda that is economically stronger, socially fairer, environmentally more responsible, and fully prepared for the opportunities and challenges of the future. It is about ensuring that growth creates real opportunity, that development strengthens communities, and that national progress is felt in the everyday lives of ordinary people.

This is the country we are determined to build: a country of better jobs, stronger infrastructure, wider educational opportunity, greater food security, deeper ownership, safer communities, affordable prices, and higher national confidence.

This is the Renaissance.

This is the next great chapter in the story of Antigua and Barbuda.

And this is the future to which the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party proudly commits itself.





A BROAD NATIONAL MOVEMENT FOR THE RENAISSANCE

The Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party is a broad national movement, open to all who are prepared to work sincerely for the advancement of the nation. We do not believe that any citizen should be permanently defined by old political loyalties where the national interest now calls for wider unity and common purpose. For that reason, the candidates we present to the people reflect both continuity and renewal, experience and fresh energy, united in the cause of the Renaissance of Antigua and Barbuda.

THE COLLECTIVE PLEDGE TO THE PEOPLE OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

BY THE ABLP CANDIDATES FOR THE 2026 GENERAL ELECTIONS

"United for the Renaissance of Antigua and Barbuda"

We, the candidates of the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party, offer ourselves, individually and collectively, to represent you in the House of Representatives and to advance your interests in the constituencies in which you live and in the country as a whole.

In offering ourselves, we do so with full awareness of the serious times in which our country and the wider world now live. We know that Antigua and Barbuda is affected by forces beyond our shores, including war, inflation, disruption in trade and shipping, and uncertainty in the global economy. Yet, we also know that our nation has already shown that, under strong and experienced leadership, it can withstand adversity, protect its people, and continue to move forward.

Together, as a united Labour team under the leadership of Gaston Browne, we have seen our country rise from difficulty to strength. We have seen jobs expand, investment grow, confidence return, and the lives of our people improve. We have seen Antigua and Barbuda recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, withstand natural and external shocks, expand critical infrastructure, strengthen education and health services, and earn growing respect in the international community. These things were achieved by sound leadership, disciplined management, and a clear commitment to the people.

But we are not content only to defend what has already been built. We are asking for your support to move Antigua and Barbuda into its next and higher stage. That is why this election is about the Renaissance: A New Era for Antigua and Barbuda.

For us, the Renaissance means national renewal built on achievement. It means a stronger economy, wider opportunity, better roads, improved water distribution, health care brought closer to the people, stronger schools and higher education, greater support for young people, deeper cultural confidence, safer communities, stronger local enterprise, and a more beautiful, more dignified and more self-assured nation.

The Renaissance also means inclusion. It means building a country in which progress is not reserved for a few but shared by all. It means drawing on the talents, energies and hopes of all our people. It means strengthening communities, empowering families, creating opportunities for workers and entrepreneurs, and ensuring that every Antiguan and Barbudan has a fair chance to rise and to contribute.

As candidates of the Antigua and Barbuda Labour Party, we pledge ourselves to this common purpose. We pledge to work together, to serve faithfully, to listen carefully, and to represent vigorously the needs and aspirations of the people. We pledge to uphold the values of democracy, fairness, equal treatment, and respect for every citizen and resident of our country. We pledge to place national interest above personal ambition, and country above division.

We are proud to stand together as one team. We are proud to stand under a banner of tested leadership, proven delivery and national renewal. And we are proud to ask the people of Antigua and Barbuda to join us in building the Renaissance.

With your support, Antigua and Barbuda will not drift backwards into uncertainty and failure. With your support, our nation will go forward with confidence into a new era of progress, dignity, opportunity and national pride.

Together, let us build the Renaissance.

Together, let us strengthen Antigua and Barbuda.

Together, let us advance a brighter future for all.

God bless Our Beloved Nation.

Pledged by the ABLP Candidates for the 2026 General Elections



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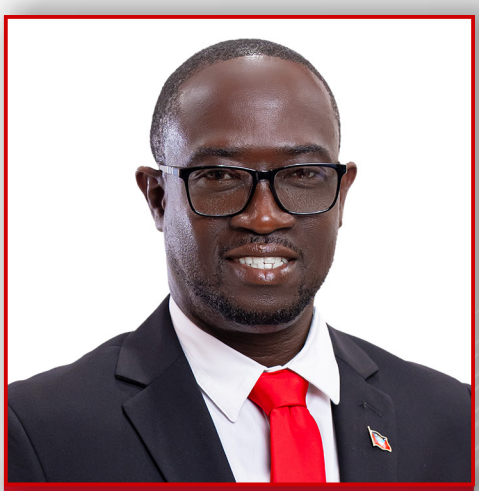
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