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# AFFORDABILITY

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**Your Member of Parliament for Whitby** 



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## Enhancing the Canada Workers Benefit

Canadians working full-time should be able to make ends meet, but rising global inflation is making that more difficult. Our government recognizes that we need to find new ways to help low-income Canadians deal with these rising costs and keep life affordable. That is why we are enhancing the Canada Workers Benefit; low-income Canadian families will be able to keep up with the increasing cost of living and afford the things they need.

#### THE ENHANCED CANADA WORKERS BENEFIT WILL:

- Provide \$1.7B in new supports to an estimated three million Canadians
- Allow couples working full-time for minimum wage to receive up to \$2,400 in extra support

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## Old Age Security Increase

As we age, our cost of living tends to increase, and with increasing inflation and the rising cost of living, Canada's seniors are finding that their income doesn't go as far as it used to. Given the toll that the COVID-19 pandemic has taken on our seniors, this government does not want inflation and the high cost of living to be yet another challenge for Canadian pensioners. To offset these, our Affordability Plan will raise Old Age Security so seniors can enjoy their retirement.

#### **OUR AFFORDABILITY PLAN WILL:**

- Increase Old Age Security by 10% starting in July of 2022
- Provide \$766 in new support for seniors over 75 years of age
- Benefit over three million Canadian seniors

## Affordable Early Learning and Child Care

For many Canadians, the dream of building a successful and prosperous career goes hand in hand with building a happy family. Unfortunately, the cost of raising children has put this dream out of reach. That is why this government is taking steps to ensure that Canadians don't have to choose between growing their careers and starting a family. Our Affordability Plan's new Early Learning and Child Care system will provide parents with quality and accessible care that will set their children up for the best possible start in life.

#### **OUR AFFORDABILITY PLAN WILL:**

- Cut child care fees by nearly 50%, on average, by the end of 2022
- Save up to \$6,000 in child care fees for the average Ontario family
- Make building a career and starting a family possible.

## **Port of Oshawa Expansion**

Much of the high inflation and the high cost of living that we are experiencing can be explained by the major supply chain challenges being brought on by many factors. Climate Change, the COVID-19 pandemic, and Russia's invasion of Ukraine have all affected the fluidity and resilience of our supply chains and have led to higher prices on everyday items because of decreased availability.

Through \$14M in funding from the National Trade Corridors Fund and \$16M from the Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority, a major expansion of the Port of Oshawa will be undertaken to increase the port's capacity.

#### **BENEFITS OF THE EXPANSION:**

- Modernized operations to position the port to handle a higher volume of goods
- Upgraded storage and container terminals
- Expanded marine infrastructure
- Extended and newly paved roads to improve transportation around the port
- Increased grain exports
- Improved fluidity of goods in and out of the port
- New local jobs for construction and long-term upkeep



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MP Turnbull (centre) poses with Minister Alghabra (far-left), Minister Holland (left) and MP O'Connell at the announcement for the Port of Oshawa Expansion

## **Housing Help**

We are taking numerous proactive steps to combat rising housing prices and providing new supports to help people struggling to cover the cost of rent.

#### **OUR AFFORDABILITY PLAN WILL:**

- Provide a one-time payment of \$500 to Canadians struggling with the higher cost of rent
- Make housing more affordable for nearly one million Canadian renters

### **Dental Care for Canadians**

We have a new strategy in place to help low-income Canadians gain access to the dental care they need.

#### **OUR AFFORDABILITY PLAN WILL:**

- Provide dental care to families with household incomes of less than \$90K
- Begin by providing care to children under 12 this year
- Remove the hurdles for low-income parents to get dental care for their children
- Expand dental care coverage to more Canadians over the coming years including seniors and individuals with disabilities

### Benefits Indexed to Inflation

To ensure that Canadians receive the full effect of federal benefits, our government's Affordability Plan ensures that many benefits are indexed to inflation.

#### BENEFITS INDEXED TO INFLATION INCLUDE:

- Canada Child Benefit
- GST Credit
- Canada Pension Plan
- Guaranteed Income Supplement
- Old Age Security
- Federal Minimum Wage

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