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WHITBY COMMUNITY UPDATE

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Dear Neighbours,

We have officially ended the Fall's sitting of Parliament, and I couldn't be prouder of what our government has accomplished. We've heard your concerns, and we worked diligently to introduce and pass legislation to put money back in the pockets of Canadians who need it most.

To date, we have doubled the GST tax credit for six months, we have opened applications for the Canada Dental Benefit for families with children under 12, and just this week we have opened applications for rental support to help nearly 2 million low-income renters. With affordability on the minds of every Canadian, we have taken steps to provide real relief to those who need it most. I look forward to the impactful work we will accomplish in the new year for the upcoming Parliamentary sitting.

Before I share what I have been up to, I would like to acknowledge the sad passing of my colleague and friend, Jim Carr. Jim was a passionate and hardworking individual who dedicated over three decades to public service. He cared deeply about building a better future, and just last week, his private member's bill, Building a Green Prairie Economy passed through the House of Commons. Jim's leadership legacy will carry on for years to come and we mourn this immense loss. I extend my sincerest condolences to his

and the heart and immense love extending my sincerest condolences to the family during this incredibly difficult time. May he rest in peace.



The Honourable Jim Carr, Member of Parliament for Winnipeg South Centre.

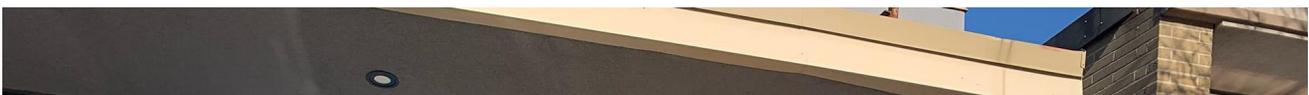
Last weekend, I was able to spend time in Whitby with my family and connect with constituents. I joined the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 112 for their 95th anniversary celebration. I had a wonderful time celebrating with members of the Legion, and we had important conversations regarding the crucial role the Legion plays in creating an inclusive and welcoming space in our community while honouring our Veterans and their families.

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Congratulations on 95 years!



MP Turnbull pictured at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 112's 95th anniversary.

I was also thrilled to join the Whitby community to celebrate a grand opening for local business, Calm 360. It's truly fantastic to see our community continue to grow with many diverse small businesses that cater to the unique needs of residents across the riding. Calm 360 is a wellness organization that uses holistic services to provide individualized support that caters to body and mind wellness. The expansion of unique and individualized wellness care is crucial for a healthy and resilient community, and I'm pleased to welcome this new business to our downtown! Congratulations on your opening and we wish you success.





MP Turnbull pictured at the Calm 360 grand opening.

My family and I visited the Iroquois Park Sports Centre where we participated in the Stuff-a-VW Taos toy drive in partnership with the Town of Whitby and Owasco Volkswagen. New toy donations are being collected between now and December 22nd to give to families in need this holiday season.





MP Turnbull and daughter Alexis pictured at the Stuff-a-VW Taos toy drive.

Before returning to Ottawa, I joined the lovely people at Kendalwood Seniors Club virtually for their Seniors Celebration Extravaganza. I had the opportunity to speak with the seniors during their festivities. It's always great to be able to connect with our seniors to hear their concerns and just check-in on them. Thank you Kendalwood for inviting me to participate in the celebration!

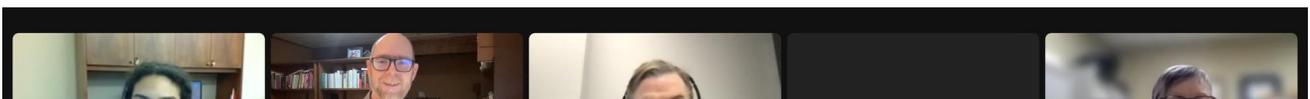
Coming back to Parliament Hill, I had a very productive week as we neared the end of the Fall sitting. My week was scheduled with meetings, events, and planning for the new year. I met with the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations during their post-secondary student advocacy day on the Hill. I spoke with the student leadership team about the challenges and experiences post-secondary students are currently experiencing while navigating their educational pursuits. We also discussed the notable measures in the [Fall Economic Statement](#) that will help make life more affordable. This includes the ways in which we are supporting students, such as the removal of interest on Canada Student Loans, and that recent graduates will not be required to make loan repayments on federal loans until they are making at least \$40,000 a year. Access to education is crucial in shaping our country's future leaders, and I was very pleased to meet with advocacy groups such as the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations to discuss how our government is supporting them. Keep up the great work!

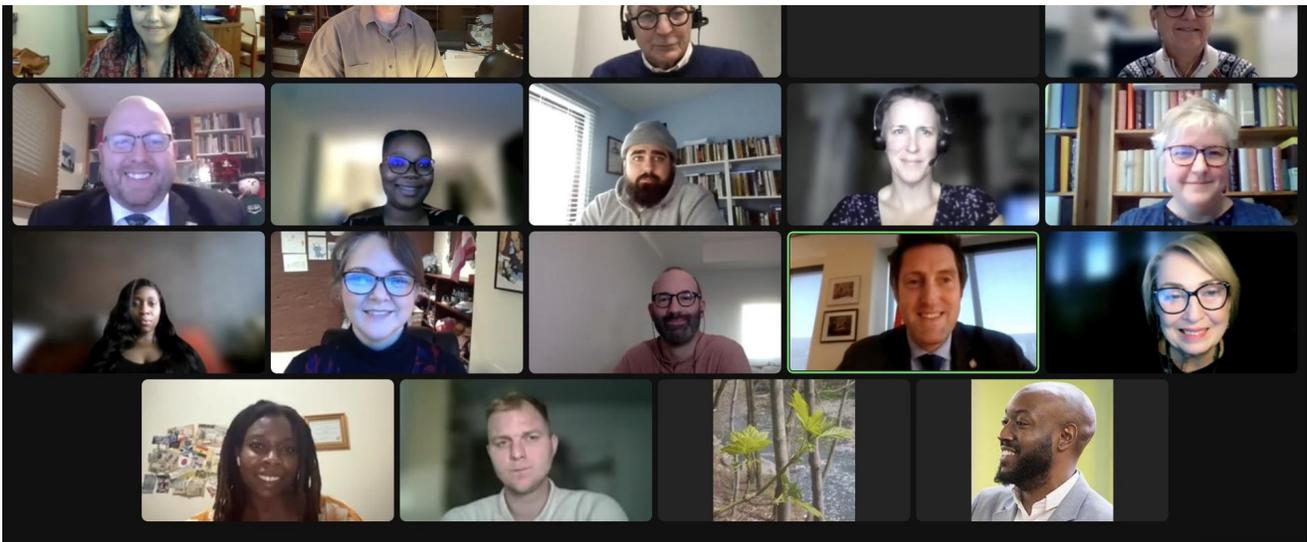
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MP Turnbull pictured with representatives from the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

I also met with the People-Centred Economy Group (PCE) this week. We discussed the importance of sustainable finance and the next steps that must be taken to continue this momentum into the new year, as well as how we can mobilize tangible change. The PCE group brings together sectoral, provincial and national community economic development, co-operative, social economy, social enterprise, and non-profit representatives from across Canada. With its national partners, the PCE advocates for services to support and amplify the social purpose marketplace in Canada. I was pleased to have met with them and look forward to continuing this important work.





MP Turnbull pictured with representatives from the People-Centred Economy Group.

As an elected representative, a large part of my role is to meet with local and national stakeholders to share what our government is doing, listen to their concerns, and discuss next steps on how our federal government can continue supporting Canadians. This week I met with executive members from the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses (CFIB). They shared a presentation regarding impacts businesses across the country have faced due to COVID-19. We had meaningful conversations on generating innovative and sustainable solutions to support the economic recovery and prosperity of small businesses. Small businesses are the heart of Canada's economy, and our government continues to work with partners to support the needs of small businesses.

In addition, I met with the Kids Brain Health (KBH) Network, a group of researchers and professionals who have launched over 150 initiatives to support children with neurodevelopmental disabilities. KBH engages in incredibly impactful work to aid in the research on early identification of neurological disabilities, improve access to evidence-based interventions, and provide more support and resources for families and children. I am thoroughly impressed with the important work they do to help many families across the country.

Further, I met with the Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF) to identify areas of improvement and hear their recommendations for building an inclusive, affordable, and sustainable co-operative housing sector in Canada. CHF Canada has played a very significant role in providing housing options across Canada, and I am always pleased to hear about their

proposed solutions and recommendations. Every Canadian deserves a safe and affordable place to call home, and our government has taken action to make that a reality for those who need the support. Co-operative housing providers are an important part of our efforts to collectively address the housing affordability issues that so many are facing today.

The annual caucus holiday party in Ottawa was back in-person this year for the first time since the pandemic began. I had a marvellous time with my national colleagues, friends, and staff as we celebrated the end of a productive year working hard to bring relief to Canadians from coast to coast to coast. This celebration only fuelled our drive to continue this work into the new year as we work to address challenges Canadians are facing and build a prosperous, sustainable economy that works for everyone.



MP Turnbull pictured with Sherry Romanado, Minister Jean-Yves Duclos, and Heath MacDonald.

I look forward to spending my last week in Whitby where I will be connecting with constituents before the holidays. I hope you all enjoy a

warm, safe, and restful weekend.

Warmest regards,
Ryan Turnbull

NEWS AND UPDATES

Updates from Your Government

Supporting Low-Income Renters

Every Canadian deserves access to safe and affordable housing, and our government is here to make that a reality. Eligible renters are now able to apply for the one-time top-up to the Canada Housing Benefit of \$500. This payment will help nearly two million low-income renters who can use this funding to help with the cost of housing. Applications are open from now until March 31, 2023.

To learn more and apply, visit this [link](#).

The Canada Dental Benefit is in Effect

Every Canadian deserves access to dental care, and our government recognizes that. This is why we have implemented the temporary Canada Dental Benefit (CDB), which is part of our government's affordability plan to help families access dental care. The CDB is now available for families with children under 12 who have an adjusted net income of less than \$90,000, and who do not have access to private dental insurance. This benefit will grant eligible families up-front, direct payments totalling up to \$1,300 per child (up to \$650 per year, for two years) for them to access dental care services in accordance with the following:

- \$650 is provided for each eligible child, per year, if the family's adjusted net income is under \$70,000.
- \$390 is provided for each eligible child, per year, if the family's adjusted net income is between \$70,000 and \$79,999.
- \$260 is provided for each eligible child, per year, if the family's adjusted net income is between \$80,000 and \$89,999.

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) will administer this new benefit on behalf of the Government of Canada, and eligible individuals can apply for the benefit to receive dental care for their children to dental care, including care received between October 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023. Eligible families can apply for the CDB in CRA [My Account](#), or by calling 1-800-715-8836. More information regarding the Canada Dental Benefit can be accessed [here](#).

Call for Canada Summer Jobs 2023 Application for Employers

The 2023 Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) application for employers is still open! CSJ is a program funded by the Government of Canada with the goal of helping young Canadians between the ages of 15-30 obtain summer employment and work experience. The fund supports not-for-profit, public sector, and private sector organizations with 50 or fewer full-time employees across Canada. Employers are welcome to submit applications that fall in line with this year's national priorities, including:

- Youth with disabilities;
- Black, Indigenous, and racialized youth;
- Small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that self-report as having leadership from groups that are underrepresented in the labour market: and/or.

- Small businesses and not-for-profit organizations in environmental sectors.

Eligible organizations can apply between now and **January 12, 2023 at 2:59 PM ET** via the [Access Grants and Contributions Online Services](#) portal, or the [online fillable application](#). Applications may also be submitted in person at a Service Canada office or by mail.

More information about the Canada Summer Jobs program may be accessed [here](#) or by phone at 1-800-935-5555.

Canada's First Critical Minerals Strategy

Critical minerals are crucial for building a low carbon economy, supporting the clean energy transition, and helping reach net-zero targets by 2050. This is why we have introduced Canada's first-ever Critical Minerals Strategy.

This Strategy will:

- Support economic growth, competitiveness and job creation;
- Promote climate action and environmental protection;
- Advance reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples;
- Foster diverse and inclusive workforces and communities; and
- Enhance global security and partnership with allies.

Canada has many advantages through possessing significant amounts of the critical minerals, and through being a world leader in environmental and social standards with respect to mining, we are working to build on these to become a global supplier for critical minerals and the clean digital technologies that they will enable. With a near \$4 billion support from Budget 2022, this Strategy is on track to boost our economy, build jobs

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More information about this important Strategy can be accessed [here](#).

Major Transfer Funding from the Federal Government

Today, our government announced a record \$94.6 billion in major transfer funding to provinces and territories in 2023-2024. This represents an increase of \$7 billion from 2022-2023. All provinces and territories will receive a year-over-year increase in major transfer amounts.

The Canada Health Transfer (CHT) continues to account for more than half of major transfer payments. The CHT grows in line with the Canadian economy and, as a result of Canada's strong recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic recession, will increase by 9.3% to \$49.4 billion.

More information about this important transfer can be accessed [here](#).



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