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## WHITBY COMMUNITY UPDATE

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Dear Neighbours,

We wrapped up another productive week on Parliament Hill, and I'm excited to be back in Whitby for the weekend! With three weeks left until the fall Parliament sitting recesses, there is a lot that needs to be done.

I participated in various meetings throughout the week with my colleagues, stakeholders, and local and national organizations to discuss important issues and how our federal government can continue to support Canadians on all fronts.

Earlier this week, I was pleased to meet with the Canadian Craft Brewers Association (CCBA). The CCBA represents over 1,100 small and independent craft breweries across Canada. During our meeting, we discussed how our federal government can continue to support local and small craft breweries, and further develop the growth of Canadian breweries. Small businesses are the heart of our economy, and I commend the CCBA for the meaningful work they do to represent independent craft breweries across the nation.



*MP Turnbull pictured with representatives from the Canadian Craft Brewers Association.*

This week during Question Period, I asked the Hon. Karina Gould, Minister

of Families, Children and Social Development of Canada how our government is supporting the charitable sector across the country to recover as we move past the pandemic.

Our government recently announced the Community Services Recovery Fund (CSRF), a \$400 million investment to help charities and nonprofits adapt and modernize. This investment will strengthen the charitable and non-profit sector as it supports recovery in communities across Canada. We will be working with the Canadian Red Cross, Community Foundations of Canada, and the United Way Canada to distribute the CSRF to a broad and diverse range of charities and non-profits across Canada.



*MP Turnbull pictured speaking in the House of Commons.*

I look forward to spending my weekend in Whitby with my family. I am also very excited to join community members tonight at Brooklin's Christmas in the Village! I commend the Town of Whitby, the Whitby Farmers Market, and the Brooklin United Church for their joint efforts to organize events

such as this one. I hope you all enjoy a restful weekend.

Warmest regards,  
Ryan Turnbull

# NEWS AND UPDATES

## Updates from Your Government

### **Launching the National Adaptation Strategy**

As the impacts of climate change become more rampant, now is the time to build resilient communities. Our government recently announced Canada's National Adaptation Strategy which includes \$1.6 billion in new federal funding to help protect communities build public infrastructure, such as roads and bridges, that can withstand natural disasters such as flooding.

This funding will help implement the five priority areas of the Strategy:

- Improving health and well-being;
- Building and maintaining resilient public infrastructure;
- Protecting and restoring nature and biodiversity;
- Supporting the economy and workers; and,
- Reducing the impacts of climate-related disasters.

### **Introducing the Climate Change and Adaptation to Extreme Weather Infrastructure Initiative**

Our government also announced the Climate Change and Adaptation to Extreme Weather Infrastructure Initiative which will provide up to \$10.5 million in funding this year to keep rail lines safe and supply chains strong.



This initiative will support rail infrastructure projects to increase resilience to extreme weather events and advance measures to address climate change implications. Together, both fundings will help with addressing the impacts of climate change and keep communities safe across Canada.

## **International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women**

Today marks the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, where we are reminded to take action to stop gender-based violence. Through this year's campaign, *It's Not Just*, our government is raising awareness of the intersectionality of gender-based violence, with an emphasis on marginalized groups such as Indigenous women and girls, racialized women, women living in rural and remote communities, individuals in the 2SLGBTQI+ communities, and women with disabilities. Our government continues to take action to address and prevent gender-based violence. One of our notable steps has been introducing Bill C-21, and banning the purchase, transfer, and sale of handguns to make safer communities. We have also endorsed the [\*\*National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence\*\*](#), and we continue to work to prevent gender-based violence so everyone can feel safe.

## **Helping Canadians go to the Dentist**

Beginning December 1, we will provide up to \$650 per year for two years through the Canada Dental Benefit for children under 12 to access dental care. Eligible families with an annual net income under \$90,000 can begin applying for dental care for their children. This is our first step in our plan to build a nationwide dental care program to provide care for those who need it most.

We have also doubled the GST Tax Credit for six months, providing an extra \$234 in the pockets of single Canadians without children, up to \$467 for

\$200 in the pockets of single Canadians without children, up to \$107 for couples with two children, and an average of an extra \$225 for seniors which has also started this month. Starting December 12, we will be providing \$500 to nearly 2 million low-income renters who are struggling with the cost of housing. Affordability is on the minds of many Canadians, and our government is working to ensure Canadians have the relief they need.



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