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COMMUNITY UPDATE ON HEALTHCARE

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My Office can help with:

- Permanent Residency
- Canadian Citizenship
- Canada Revenue Agency
- Veterans' Affairs
- Canada Child Benefit
- Canada Pension Plan
- Old Age Security
- Guaranteed Income Support
- Employment Insurance
- COVID-19 Support Programs
- Federal Government Grants

Dear Neighbours,

As your Member of Parliament, I will continue to work hard today, and every day, to make life more affordable for you.

Our government is building a stronger public health care system that works for everyone.

We are investing over \$3 billion to increase access to doctors, reduce wait times, and hire more healthcare workers in Ontario. Our government is determined to get you the healthcare you need, when they need it.

We're also making it more affordable to take care of your oral health. Over one third of Canadians lack access to affordable dental care. That's why **we have launched our new Canadian Dental Care Plan, a new initiative that will help Canadians get the dental care they need.** We're taking a phased approach to its implementation starting with seniors, qualifying families, and children; then all Canadians by the end of next year.

In April, Canadian residents will receive their first of four quarterly **Canada Carbon Rebate** payments, with additional payments in July, October, and next January. **A family of four in Kitchener-Conestoga will receive \$1,120 per year.** If you are registered for direct deposit with the Canada Revenue Agency, the Canada Carbon Rebate will be deposited directly into your bank account.

Part of Kitchener-Conestoga is rural and will also receive a 20 per cent top-up to the base Canada Carbon Rebate, in recognition of their higher energy and transportation needs.

As always, you can contact my office by calling **(519) 578-3777** or via email at **Tim.Louis@parl.gc.ca**.

Thank you.



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Minister Visits: Bringing Ottawa to You



I hosted a small business and tourism roundtable with local leaders alongside **Filomena Tassi, Minister of FedDev** – which delivers programs and services to support innovation and economic growth in southern Ontario. It's important for me to hear from businesses here about their ideas, insights, and challenges.



I joined **Agriculture Minister Lawrence MacAulay** at the Wilmot Family Resource Centre in New Hamburg to make a \$10 million funding announcement for 192 new projects to improve food security in communities across Canada. Our government is committed to feeding families here in Kitchener-Conestoga and across the nation.

Strengthening Healthcare for Kitchener-Conestoga



\$3.1 Billion in Healthcare Funding

We are working to improve public healthcare and reduce wait times for Canadians. Our federal government recently announced \$3.1 billion in healthcare funding for Ontario.

This new funding will deliver:

- ✓ Better access to family health services
- ✓ More doctors, nurse practitioners, and nurses
- ✓ More access to mental health and substance use services, focusing on youth and rural areas
- ✓ Better access to health records and improved health data systems

This investment is just one way we're working to get Canadians the care they need and deserve.

To learn more, visit www.canada.ca/health-canada.

Implementing the Canadian Dental Care Plan

We are making dental care more affordable and accessible for Canadians. Over 750,000 applicants, including seniors in Kitchener-Conestoga, have been approved for the Canadian Dental Care Plan. Once fully implemented, it will help up to 9 million eligible Canadian residents get the dental care they need.

Helping seniors:

- ✓ Replace and take care of dentures
- ✓ Reduce the risk of gum disease
- ✓ Replace decaying teeth

Now *that's* something to smile about!

To learn more about the Canadian Dental Care Plan and see when you're eligible to apply, visit www.canada.ca/dental.

WHEN YOU CAN APPLY For the Canadian Dental Care Plan	
March 2024 Seniors aged 72 and up	May 2024 Seniors aged 70 and up
June 2024 Adults with a Disability Tax Credit and children	2025 All remaining eligible Canadians