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A Message from Jennifer McKelvie

Dear Ajax,

What a year! Today is officially my one-year anniversary of being your MP. I remain deeply honoured by your trust and continued support as we work together for Ajax and for Canada.

I'm so thankful for all the new friendships and partnerships we've developed, and I'm so proud of all that we've accomplished together.

Our new government remains committed to bringing down costs for Canadians and whether it's our middle-class tax cut, the removal of the federal carbon tax, the National School Food Program, or our newly introduced suspension of the excise tax, that commitment is steadfast.

As Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Housing and Infrastructure, it has been an honour to launch Build Canada Homes and new measures for housing affordability, including a full HST rebate for new homes in Ontario valued up to \$1 million for one year, and new infrastructure funding that will reduce development charges across the province.

We're also focused on ensuring public safety, which is why we introduced the *Bail and Sentencing Reform Act*. It tightens bail provisions to make our criminal justice system more responsive to public safety threats and reduce repeat offending, while toughening sentences for serious and violent crimes, and creates a reverse onus for bail which makes it more difficult to obtain. We also introduced the *Protecting Victims Act*, which tackles gender based and intimate partner violence; protects children from predators; strengthens victims' rights; and addresses court delays.

Here in Ajax, we are supporting local organizations with the funding they need to deliver important services and strengthen our community, including supporting 74 organizations with 368 youth jobs through the *Canada Summer Jobs Program*; funding for the Ajax Shoreline Project through the *Great Lakes Ecosystem Initiative*; 20 electric vehicle chargers through the *Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program*; funding for nine organizations through the *New Horizons for Seniors Program*; and more.

It's been a great year; here's to the next one!

All the best,
Jenn



Important News

Applications for Canada Summer Jobs now open!

Exciting news! Applications for the **Canada Summer Jobs Program** are now open. As a part of the government's [Youth Employment and Skills Strategy](#), Canada Summer Jobs helps youth aged 15 to 30 gain paid summer work experience and develop skills for the job market.

Local employers are now actively posting opportunities across a wide range of

fields including childcare, maintenance, auto, education, home improvement, and with non-profit organizations that are making a real impact in our community.

As these employers begin hiring, I encourage students and young people in our community to take advantage of these opportunities and apply early.

Find these jobs and more at <https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/youth>.



Reminder: it's time to renew your Canadian Dental Plan Coverage

If you're currently covered under the Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP), you will need to renew your coverage for the upcoming 2026-2027 benefit year.

The renewal window is open from now until **June 1**.

All current members **must** complete a renewal application to confirm their eligibility and ensure continued coverage. You can learn more by visiting <http://canada.ca/dental>.

You can renew by:

- Visiting your [My Service Canada Account](#) online
- Visiting Canada.ca/dental
- Calling 1-833-537-4342



Federal Updates

Suspending the excise tax on gas

Our new government was elected to build a more resilient economy – an economy that creates good careers, strengthens our sovereignty, and empowers all Canadians with a lower cost of living. That’s why Prime Minister Carney announced that the government is temporarily suspending the federal fuel excise tax on gasoline and diesel across Canada.

As of April 20, 2026, we have suspended the full amount of the tax on gasoline and diesel until September 7, 2026.

This is expected to reduce Canadians’ bills at the gas station by 10 cents per litre on regular gasoline and 4 cents on diesel. The government is also temporarily suspending the federal fuel excise tax on aviation fuels.

You can read the Prime Minister’s full statement [here](#).



Community Events

Young Minds Explore and Grow Expo

On May 17th, Luminous Events is hosting the Young Minds: Explore and Grow Expo. This family-friendly expo is designed to bring together children and parents for a full day of learning, discovery, and interactive experiences.

When: May 17th, 12 pm – 5 pm

Where: J. Clarke Richardson Collegiate, 1355 Harwood Ave. N.

For more information, call 647-687-9147 or email luminousevents11@gmail.com



May Benefits Calendar

This month be on the lookout for...

Canada Child Benefit payments on May 20th

Canada Disability payments on May 21st

Canada Pension Plan/Old Age Security/Guaranteed Income Supplement payments on May 27th

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Community Celebrations

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers and grandmothers in Ajax! Today is an opportunity to celebrate the many contributions you (we) make to our families, and community as a whole. It's also an opportunity to remind our families how much we do for them...just in case they ever forget!

From my family to yours, I'm so pleased to wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day; I hope you have a wonderful day.



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