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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MP

Being your voice in Ottawa allows me to bring your concerns to parliament directly at the heart of change. Over the last couple of months the issue of affordability has been an ever increasing concern for all in Humber River – Black Creek and across Canada.

Pay cheques aren't stretching to meet the rising costs Canadians are faced with. Too many young Canadians are working hard and struggling to do as well as their parents.

This is why our spring 2024 budget is giving relief to many especially those here in my riding through our various initiatives. From creating the Canadian Renters' Bill of Rights

and Tenant Protection Fund, to getting more than 3.87 million homes built for Canadians to our government's national pharmacare plan, everything has been created with all your concerns and needs in mind.

Our goal is to ensure fairness for every generation; I look forward to continue to fight for the issues that matter to you and create solutions.

Sincerely,

*Judy Sgro*

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## Fairness For Every Generation



**National School Food Program:**  
400,000 students to get healthy meals at school



**Modifying Apartment Loan Construction Program** to make building houses easier



**\$100M to secure Canada's AI advantage** so businesses can adopt new AI tech



**Prioritizing housing:** an additional \$400M to the Housing Accelerator Fund



**Investing \$500M in a Youth Mental Health Fund** to support Canadian youth



**Dedicate \$1B to build child-care spaces** and expand \$10-a-day child care

We hear you: A good, middle class life feels out of reach, and it's getting harder to save for the future.

Budget 2024 is all about restoring fairness.

# Budget 2024

## What is Budget 2024?

Every year, the Minister of Finance presents the federal budget to the House of Commons. This year, our focus is on **Fairness For Every Generation**.

Simply put, this budget is all about building more homes, making life more affordable, and creating more good jobs.

I have heard from many of you how important it is to bring the cost of living down and make life more affordable.

This is how we're going to do just that.



## A NATIONAL SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAM

The Canada Child Benefit has lifted 650,000 kids out of poverty since we took office. But one in four children still don't get the nutritious food they need to succeed in school. **A National School Food Program will help the kids who need it most and support the health of Canadian families.**

This program will help provinces, territories, and Indigenous governments expand their existing school food programs and help provide meals to about 400,000 kids every year, giving parents the peace of mind that their children are taken care of and won't be hungry.

## PROTECTING AND EXPANDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING

One of the biggest pressures on people right now is housing, especially for young Canadians and low- and middle-income families who rent. In Budget 2024, we announced a **new \$1.5 billion Canada Rental Protection Fund** to create new affordable housing options and make sure existing units aren't lost to investors, demolition, and rent increases.

To stop people from being priced out of their communities, we're also helping non-profits acquire affordable units — and keep them affordable. We're taking real steps to protect renters and young Canadians, bring down the cost of living, and make the housing market fairer.

## PHARMACARE PLAN

We're helping 9 million Canadians access the contraception and reproductive freedom they deserve, by **improving access to common contraceptives such as birth control pills, IUDs, and emergency contraception.** Women's reproductive rights are being challenged in many parts of the world. That's why it's more important than ever that we stand up for Canadian women and their freedom. **Our government's national pharmacare plan** is a historic step toward delivering better health care to Canadians. It will break down barriers to access most prescription contraceptives and diabetes medication, and take one step closer to achieving fairness for everyone.

## MORE AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE SPACES

Affordable child care is saving families thousands of dollars every month — but we need more spaces so that every parent can benefit from it if they want to. That's why we're **delivering \$1 billion in loans and grants to build more child care spaces at \$10-a-day.**

We are also forgiving student loans for early childhood educators in rural and remote areas to make sure that rural communities get the child care they need. By building more spaces, while attracting and training more early childhood educators, we're ensuring every family can benefit from affordable child care.



## Community Updates

### Open skate with Hon. Judy Sgro

I had a fantastic day at the Gord and Irene Risk Community Centre for an open skate on family day weekend! It was terrific to have the community gather and lace up their skates for some ice time. Thank you to everyone who stopped by for a chat to express your feedback of our government's policies and enjoyed some delicious hot chocolate and cookies.



### Hosting Y.A.A.A.C.E in Ottawa

It was so wonderful to have the Youth Association for Academics, Athletics and Character Education (YAAACE) group visiting the House of Commons for the first time. I welcomed them to the chamber and had some of my fellow Parliamentarians share their words of wisdom and experiences with these young leaders. They also attended an exciting question period and witnessed how Parliamentarians discuss important issues for our country. YAAACE is a Black-led, Black-focused, and Black-serving organization providing culturally reflective programs and services to mitigate the opportunity gap for racialized and under-resourced communities.

### Our Constituency 2024 Tax Clinic

Another successful year of income tax clinics complete for the residents in Humber River-Black Creek! Thank you to the incredible team of CPA volunteers whose selflessness and dedication have made a tangible impact, processing nearly 250 returns and empowering our community. I'm immensely grateful for their unwavering support, and of course, a heartfelt thank you to my dedicated staff for their tireless efforts in organizing and ensuring that our seniors and families always feel welcomed and supported. Here's to another year of making a difference together!





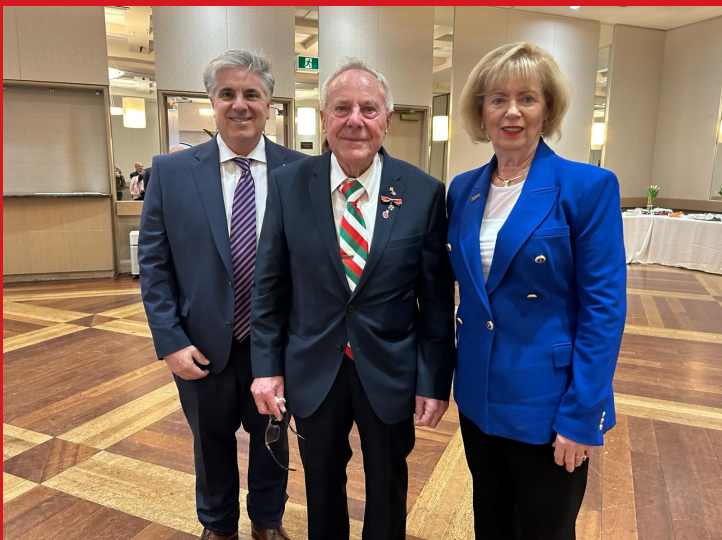
## Judy in the Community



At the Investment Bootcamp Demo Day from the Black Entrepreneurship Alliance



Journey to Freedom Day Commemoration with the Vietnamese Community



At the Italian Fallen Workers Memorial with Marino Topan and Marco DeVuono



Visiting Lucy and Leah's seniors art class at Carmine Stefano Community Centre

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**MP Hon. Judy Sgro to attend your event ?**

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