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\$4,000 donation for High School Breakfast Program

The Moosomin Thrift Store made a donation of \$4,000 toward the McNaughton High School Breakfast Program. Sam Campbell of the Thrift Store presented the cheque to teacher Laura Teale last week.

Thrift store donates to breakfast program

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The Moosomin Thrift Store has donated \$4,000 to the McNaughton High School breakfast program, ensuring that students can enjoy a nutritious breakfast every day.

The Thrift Store makes money on its sales and donates the profits back to the community.

This contribution, which amounts to \$400 per month, will fully fund the breakfast program for the entire school year.

Laura Teale, the home economics teacher at McNaughton High School, says that McNaughton has been offering breakfast for the last 4-5 years, but before Covid-19, the school had a lim-

ited breakfast program. The school only put out a toaster and bread for students every morning. "Now we put a little bit more love into it and do muffins on Monday, cereal day, toast and bagels, yogurt cup days, that sort of thing."

This is the third year the Thrift Store has donated to the program.

When asked why it's important for the Thrift Store to support the McNaughton breakfast program, Thift Store manager Sam Campbell says "it's for the children. The board thinks this is a fantastic program to support and we would like to see nobody go hungry, but especially children, so it fits right into our guidelines. This

is exactly the kind of program we want to sup-

Teale says that on average the school provides 20 breakfasts each day. "We have certainly seen a bit of an increase over the last year or two—with rising grocery costs and families being really busy lately. It seems like the kids definitely need that option at school."

Teale says she believes this breakfast program has helped teachers do their job more effectively. "We don't want our kids to be hungry in the classroom, we want our kids well-fed so that they are ready to learn in the morning, allowing us to do our jobs better."

PBO confirms carbon tax costs more than rebates

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation is calling on the federal government to scrap its carbon tax following last week's Parliamentary Budget Officer report confirming the carbon tax costs average households more than they get back in rebates.

"Once again the PBO confirms the carbon tax costs average families hundreds of dollars more than they get back in rebates," said Franco Terrazzano, CTF Federal Director. "This PBO report proves that politicians' favourite talking point is incorrect and it proves the carbon tax is making life harder for Canadians."

The Trudeau government claims "families are going to be better off" with its carbon tax and rebates. However, the PBO report shows the carbon tax costs average households more than they get back.

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"The average household in each of the backstop provinces will see a net cost, paying more in the federal fuel charge and GST, as well as receiving lower incomes (due to the fuel charge), compared to the Canada Carbon Rebate they receive," according to the PBO.

The carbon tax will cost the average household up to \$399 this year more than the rebates.

The PBO also noted that, "Canada's own emissions are not large enough to materially impact climate change."

The government also charges GST on top of the carbon tax. The PBO report shows this carbon tax-on-tax will cost taxpayers \$400 million this year. That money isn't rebated back to Canadians.

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"It's simply not credible to believe the government can impose a carbon tax, skim some money off the top, charge its sales tax on top of the carbon tax and then make families better off," Terrazzano said. "Prime Minister Justin Trudeau should take this PBO report as a wake-up call and scrap the carbon tax to make life more affordable."

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