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THE SPRING ECONOMIC UPDATE:

Over the past year, we have navigated a changing, and increasingly fragmented, world.

In response, our new government is focusing on what we can control so we can build a stronger, more independent, and resilient Canada.

We are diversifying our economy with over 20 new trade and security deals. At home, we are building major infrastructure, homes, and supporting industry from coast to coast to coast, all while making life more affordable for Canadians.

Budget 2025 set the plan to build Canada strong, and the Spring Economic Update 2026 outlines our measurable progress, including a deficit that is **\$11 billion lower than projected**, meaning concrete savings for taxpayers.

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THE CANADA STRONG FUND

We are launching Canada's first, national sovereign wealth fund, giving all Canadians a direct stake in building Canada strong.

We're investing **\$25 billion** in major Canadian projects in:



ENERGY



INFRASTRUCTURE



RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT



AGRICULTURE



TECHNOLOGY



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CANADA'S STRONG FISCAL POSITION

In addition to a deficit that is \$11 billion lower than projected in Budget 2025, Canada has the:

STRONGEST CREDIT RATING
IN THE WORLD

LOWEST NET DEBT-TO-GDP
IN THE G7

SECOND FASTEST GROWING
ECONOMY IN THE G7

MOST COMPETITIVE LONG-TERM
INTEREST RATES IN THE G7

HIGHEST FOREIGN-DIRECT
INVESTMENT LEVEL IN 18 YEARS



VINCE IN OTTAWA



APR 21

Meeting with Toronto Professional Fire Fighters (Local 3888)



APR 28

Meeting with the Canadian Military Intelligence Association



APR 28

Speaking to Marshall McLuhan and Loretto Abbey students in Ottawa



APR 29

Welcoming students from St. Clement's School to Parliament, with the Prime Minister



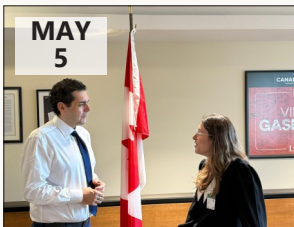
APR 29

Discussing First Nations mobility rights with the Jay Border Treaty Alliance



APR 30

Speaking with the new Parliamentary Budget Officer in Committee



MAY 5

Meeting Erica Mindel, TikTok's lead on combatting antisemitism



MAY 6

Discussing public safety measures with the National Police Federation



MAY 6

Meeting with World Animal Protection Canada



MAY 7

Seeing Project Arrow, the newest made-in-Canada prototype vehicle

TEAM CANADA STRONG

Canada is launching a new initiative to train and hire up to **100,000 skilled trades workers**.

Our government will invest **\$6 billion over 5 years** on this plan, helping:



Young people launch well-paying careers in the trades



Build more homes and critical infrastructure



Reinforce Canadian sovereignty

MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE FOR CANADIANS:

Vince and our new government are focused on the cost of living.



With our **middle class tax cut**, Canadians are keeping more of what they earn



Over 12 million Canadians have increased support to buy groceries and essentials with the **Canada Groceries and Essentials Benefit**—including **up to \$1,890 for families starting this June**



We eliminated the GST and HST for homebuyers on new homes below \$1 million for first-time home buyers, with additional relief on homes up to \$1.5 million, **saving buyers up to \$200,000**



Paused the Fuel Excise Tax – saving Canadians up to 10 cents/L on gas, 4 cents/L on diesel



Launched Automatic Federal Benefits so 5.5 million low-income Canadians automatically receive the benefits they qualify for by the 2028 tax year

A family of four will save upwards of \$20,000 through our key affordability measures this year.

COMBATTING ILLICIT FINANCING:

Canada's new government is taking a major step to protect you and your family from sophisticated scams by establishing Canada's first **Financial Crimes Agency**.

Too often, hard-working Canadians lose their savings to complex fraud and money-laundering schemes that can be difficult to trace. This new law enforcement agency brings together investigators whose sole focus is to hunt down these criminals and dismantle their networks. The Financial Crimes Agency will work hand-in-hand with FINTRAC and other agencies from around the world.

As the Parliamentary Secretary for Combatting Crime, I know it is critical that people in Eglinton-Lawrence and Canadians everywhere can have the peace of mind that comes with a strong system that works for you.

With the Financial Crimes Agency, we are delivering real protection and ensuring your hard-earned money stays where it belongs: safely in your hands.

CLIMATE COMPETITIVENESS

Canada's Climate Competitiveness Strategy is about turning climate action into economic growth.

By supporting clean energy projects across wind, solar, nuclear, energy storage, and through tax credits, we are helping Canadian businesses innovate and invest in the economy of the future.

This includes the Darlington Nuclear Project which is creating 3,700 new jobs and reducing annual carbon emissions by 2.3 million tonnes.

In addition, through our Nature Strategy, we are creating new marine protected and conserved areas, covering 1.6 million km² of lands and 700,000 km² of ocean.

We are also strengthening rules to cut pollution, including lowering methane emissions by 75% below 2014 levels in Alberta, to protect the planet for future generations.

PROGRAMS & BENEFITS

THE CANADA STRONG PASS IS BACK!



The Canada Strong Pass is returning for the summer, making it easier for you and your loved ones to see everything the best country in the world has to offer.

From June 19 to September 7, you can enjoy:



PARKS CANADA

Free admission for all visitors to national parks, historic sites, and conservation areas.

**NATIONAL MUSEUMS**

Free admission for kids and teens, and a 50% discount for young adults.

**VIA RAIL**

Free travel for children under 17 years of age, and a 25% discount for young adults.

This summer, choose Canada!



Join the Eglinton—Lawrence

YOUTH
ADVISORY
COUNCIL

Help us effect change
in our community!



FOR YOUTH 14 - 25

EMAIL VINCE.GASPARRO@PARL.GC.CA TO SIGN UP

CANADA DISABILITY BENEFIT

You may be eligible if you:

- ✓ Are 18 to 64 years old
- ✓ Are approved for the disability tax credit
- ✓ Filed your 2024 federal income tax return
- ✓ Are a Canadian resident

APPLY ONLINE

CANADA DISABILITY BENEFIT

Canada's new government is committed to supporting persons with disabilities by providing direct financial support.

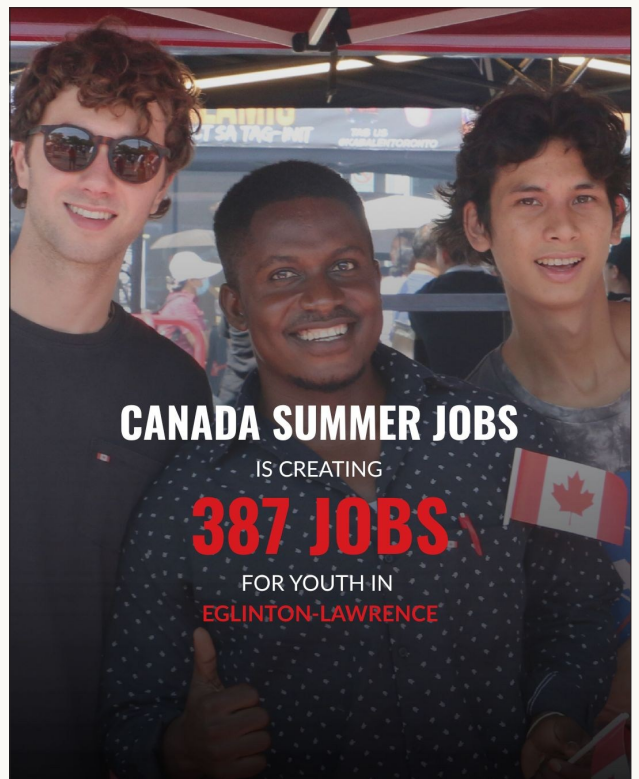
The Canada Disability Benefit is tax-free, providing up to \$200 per month.

Learn more and apply online!

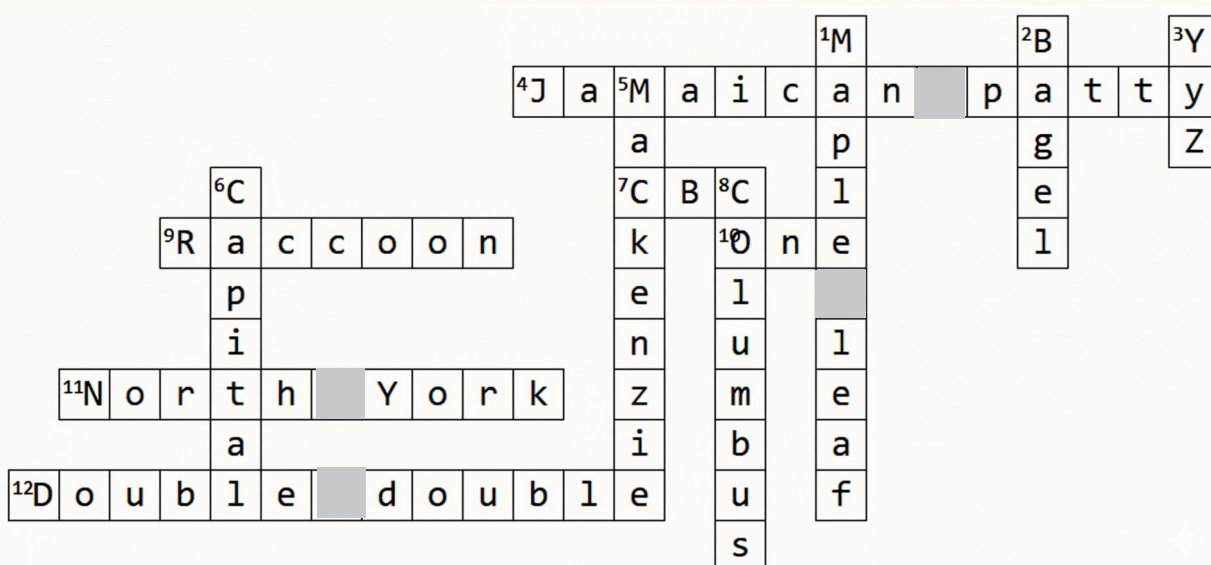
CANADA SUMMER JOBS

Through Canada Summer Jobs, our new government has created 100,000 new jobs this summer for young people ages 15-30, with 387 jobs in our community.

Kickstart your career today at jobbank.gc.ca/youth



THE EGLINTON—LAWRENCE CROSSWORD



Answers available on our website!

ACROSS:

4. Island snack with pastry and beef
7. Canadian TV network, shorthand
9. Unofficial City of Toronto animal
10. Canadian phone number country code
11. Former municipality merged into Toronto in 1988, includes much of our riding
12. Classic Canadian shorthand coffee order

DOWN:

1. On our flags, trees, and jerseys
2. New York or Montreal style baked good
3. Toronto airport code
4. Most common last name in Canada
5. Longest serving Prime Minister and longest Canadian river
6. As in Ottawa and fiscal asset
7. As in the name of the capital city
8. As in Christopher and our Canada Day BBQ location

VINCE IN TORONTO

SAVE THE DATE!

Join Vince and the community at our annual **Canada Day Community BBQ** for an afternoon of delicious food, live music, and fun activities for the kids!

The sun will be hot and the ice cream will be cold. Make sure you bring a blanket, an appetite, and good vibes!

We're looking forward to seeing you on June 27th at the Columbus Centre, starting at 12:00PM.

This is a **free-of-charge, ticketed event**. Email vince.gasparro@parl.gc.ca by **June 19** to reserve your spot.

INVITATION

CANADA DAY
COMMUNITY BBQ

Saturday, 27 June 2026 12 PM – 2 PM
Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence Ave. W.

FREE!

✓ Burgers

✓ Soft Drinks

✓ Ice Cream

✓ Kosher Options

Reserve Your Ticket!

Scan the QR code or email:
vince.gasparro@parl.gc.ca
by June 19, 2026

CANADA DAY LAWN SIGNS!



Show your Canadian Pride!

Stop by our constituency office at 511 Lawrence Ave. W. to pick up your **Canada Day Lawn Sign** or **window sticker**!

Available Monday through Friday, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm, while supplies last.

APRIL & MAY RECAP:



APR 18
Speaking with the Albanian Canadian Political Action Committee



APR 25
Celebrating the Blessed Sacrament Parish's 100th anniversary



APR 26
Light It Up Blue autism awareness month fundraiser



APR
Jewish Security Town Hall at Beth Torah Synagogue



MAY 1
Celebrating Italian-Canadian writers at Librissimi, the Toronto Italian Book Festival



MAY 1
Connecting with the Portuguese community at Casa das Beiras



MAY 3
Launching Jewish Heritage Month at the Gina Godfrey Gallery



MAY 13
Discussing trade with Portuguese Consul General Ana Luísa Riquito



MAY 15
Touring Baycrest Hospital & Health Sciences

EGLINTON-LAWRENCE PHOTO COMPETITION!

To give our calendar some local spirit, we are asking you to share your favourite photos of landmarks in Eglinton-Lawrence!

To enter the contest you must:

• Live in Eglinton-Lawrence

• Be 18+ or have parental consent

• Share photos without visible / identifiable people

Share your photos before September 30 to:
vince.gasparro@parl.gc.ca

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

What Our Constituency Office Can Do For You

Our office is here to support you by acting as your liaison with federal agencies and services.

While Members of Parliament and their offices do not make decisions on behalf of departments such as IRCC, CRA, or others, we can help communicate with them and obtain information on your behalf.

Our office can assist you with inquiries related to the following:

- IRCC:** Active immigration and citizenship applications
- Federal Benefits:** Old Age Security (OAS), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Canada Child Benefit, Canada Dental Care Plan, Canada Disability Benefit
- Service Canada:** Passports, Employment Insurance (EI)
- CRA:** Federal tax-related issues

Email Vince.Gasparro@parl.gc.ca if you need our assistance.