



GREAT THINGS CONTINUE TO HAPPEN IN OSHAWA

Oshawa is a proud and dynamic community which has been recognized as the fastest growing city in the country. It is predicted that Oshawa will continue to lead Canada in economic growth for a number of years.

But with all the excellent investment and development, Oshawa is still all about its people and that is what makes it great. Whether it's our friendly neighbourhoods; numerous volunteers and valuable community groups; our recreational facilities and sporting associations; our ethnic community and cultural diversity, Oshawa is a special place with special people who share a tremendous civic pride and always give back to the community.

As your provincial representative in the Ontario Legislature, I have continued to work hard to ensure great things are happening for the people of Oshawa. Today I am highlighting some of the important cooperative spirit which binds us together as a community.



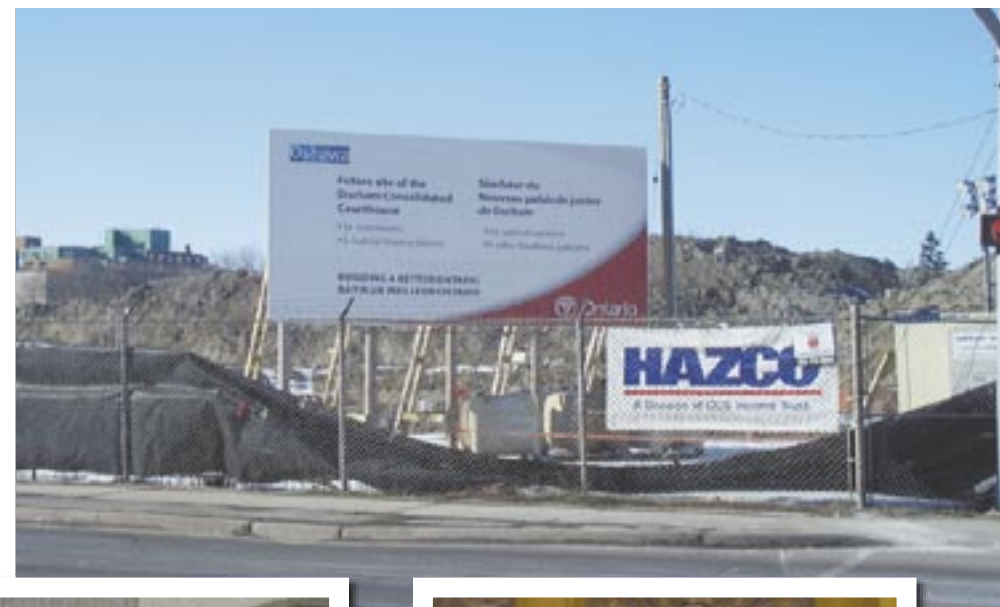
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Crime and Justice

It is important that we continue to take the necessary action to ensure Oshawa is a safe place to live and raise a family. With an ever increasing population, we must be vigilant to ensure safe streets and neighbourhoods. The new state-of-the-art Durham Consolidated Courthouse will provide enhanced justice services for the residents of Oshawa and Durham Region. Along with the increased access to justice, the new courthouse will provide additional employment opportunities and help to revitalize downtown Oshawa. It has always been a priority for me to help ensure the safety of children. With this in mind, I was pleased to be able to introduce proposed legislation that would provide protection for children playing in organized sports.

I will continue to work on crime prevention initiatives with our federal representatives, the Durham Regional Police and the justice profession to ensure a safer Oshawa.



Children

Children always have a special place in my heart and I take every opportunity to assist children in the community. As a father of two children and a minor hockey coach, I always try to look to the future through the eyes of the children of today. I have always been committed to working with children through the many community groups and agencies. Whether it's speaking with students in the classroom; working with scouting organizations; involvement with sports or recreational associations, by creating programs to benefit the lives of children we are investing in our future and ensuring great things for Oshawa.



Community Programs

Oshawa is blessed with an array of community groups and organizations that dedicate themselves to assisting others in the community. I am proud to be able to work along with the dedicated volunteers and staff members to continue providing essential services.

These groups and agencies and their tireless volunteers are an invaluable blessing to our community and through their efforts all aspects of our daily lives are enhanced. Whether it is working with women, children, seniors, veterans or challenged individuals or performing important developmental, recreational, environmental or educational roles, these organizations are vital to the health and well-being of our community.

With the contribution of the Ontario Trillium Foundation and other provincial investment we continue to ensure these organizations have the facilities and resources necessary to serve the people. I am proud to recognize and work with the dedicated volunteers around our city and I will continue to engage active community partners in the best interest of the people of Oshawa.



Oshawa's Seniors

It is vital that seniors in our community be treated with the utmost respect and dignity. Through their hard work and inspiration, today's seniors shaped this country and this city. I have always taken every opportunity to support the seniors of Oshawa through community projects, special veterans' services, community care initiatives and special events and occasions.

I will continue to work with our municipal and regional representatives to enhance facilities, residences, and services and to make

sure that legislation moves forward in the best interest of the seniors in our community.



Great things are happening in Oshawa.