

# DAVENPORT NEWS-JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

SUMMER/ FALL 2017

Dear Friends and Neighbours:

It continues to be an absolute pleasure to serve as your Member of Parliament and represent your views in Ottawa. Working for you means carrying forward your concerns to government colleagues in a timely way to ensure that positive changes are made in Davenport. I sincerely appreciate that so many of you have taken time to share your ideas and concerns with me. I am excited by the many great initiatives that our federal government has already taken this year and the direction where our community and country are headed.

I hope you've had a great summer. I've celebrated with you at a wide range of events, festivals, and activities around Davenport. We have had the opportunity for many interesting conversations. You've shared your news and you've also asked for more details about my work. Specifically, a number of you have asked for more information about new federal government legislation and announcements.

I will be sending out information notes such as this one to keep you informed and to help you obtain more information. To view all topics with relevant information links, I invite you to visit my website at [juliedzerowicz.ca](http://juliedzerowicz.ca).

It is wonderful to be back home in Toronto for the summer. I am grateful to every constituent who has taken the time to call, write, or stop by my office to voice concerns and express delight about topics that are important to you and our community. Your engaged efforts allow me to successfully advocate for you on your behalf and to make Davenport a healthier, more vibrant neighbourhood.

When the House of Commons is in session, I am in Ottawa from Monday to Thursday but always back in Davenport on Friday and the weekends. As always do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything on your mind or if I can be of service to you and your family.

It is a pleasure and a privilege to serve you,

Julie Dzerowicz  
Member of Parliament, Davenport

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MP Julie Dzerowicz celebrating the many great years that local business, Pepper's Café, has had in the community



MP Julie Dzerowicz touring a local grocery store in Davenport

GROWING OUR ECONOMY

**STRENGTHENING THE MIDDLE CLASS IN DAVENPORT**

The most pressing concerns for Davenport residents continue to be jobs and the economy. Many are worried about whether they will continue to have stable, well-paying jobs that will help them support themselves and their families. Some are part of the new world of short-term contacts with unpredictable futures. Youth are looking for ways to gain work experience and start their careers. I am also often reminded about your worry that costs are increasing: housing, food, transportation, and living expenses.

Our federal government has worked hard to support the middle class, to support families with children and to do all we can to decrease the income inequality in our society. We are also taking key steps to help Canadians access the skills and training they need to get and keep good paying jobs.

We introduced higher taxes on the top 1% of Canadians to then be able to cut taxes for the middle class and those working hard to join it. We also introduced the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) that puts more money into the pockets of 9 out of 10 Canadians.

Here in Davenport this has meant more than \$4.5 million dollars being given to families. 13,540 children in Davenport have benefitted from the CCB and nationally this has helped lift over 300,000 Canadian families out of poverty.

In Budget 2017, the federal government introduced the Innovation and Skills Plan that will support up to 10,000 new learning and co-op opportunities per year – to provide Canadians who are looking to upgrade their skills and training or change careers. This program also invites Canadians who receive Employment Insurance to receive the skills training that they need to succeed, without fear of losing the critical benefits they depend on to support themselves. For more information on these programs and many others, please visit <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/jobs.html>.

How can the federal government prepare Canadians for the jobs of today and tomorrow? How will robotics and artificial intelligence impact good paying jobs and Canada’s economy? How do we support workers who are employed on a short term non-permanent basis? How can the federal government better help Canadians transition to new careers and learn new skills? These are some of the questions we are occupied with at the national level – jobs and economy will continue to be the top focus for us moving forward.



**LEARN ABOUT THE CANADA CHILD BENEFIT:**  
[HTTPS://WWW.CANADA.CA/EN/EMPLOYMENT-SOCIAL-DEVELOPMENT/CAMPAIGNS/CANADA-CHILD-BENEFIT.HTML](https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/canada-child-benefit.html)

**YOUR THOUGHTS**

Has the Canada Child Benefit been helpful to you and have you benefitted from the federal tax cut?

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