

MONTHLY UPDATE

Stephanie wants to keep you updated on some of the work she has been doing on your behalf. Over the past weeks and months one of her top priorities has been to do what she can to see the Kinder Morgan pipeline become a reality. She has spoken in the House of Commons numerous times questioning the Minister and Prime Minister on their inaction towards the Trans Mountain pipeline project. As well, she continues to work with her Conservative colleagues in an effort to ensure the thousands of jobs and billions of dollars this pipeline would add to Canada's economy are not lost. Having hosted a roundtable with business leaders in the energy industry, she is well aware of the importance of this project.

Videos of Stephanie's speeches and questions can be found at stephaniekusiemp.ca, or at <https://www.facebook.com/stephaniekusiepolitician/>.



Stephanie Kusie, MP
Calgary Midnapore



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Canada
Promotional
Materials**

Are you planning a local event for Canada Day or one of the other three Celebrate Canada days?
Order by **May 14, 2018**, to receive your promotional items in time!

Your organization can order paper flags, pins, tattoos, etc., directly through this link:
<https://app.pch.gc.ca/application/>

Calgary Midnapore constituent Crystal Walker (*below right*) came to Parliament this spring to advocate on behalf of Canadians with Rare Diseases. Stephanie appreciated the opportunity to discuss improving the Special Access Program. This vital Program provides access to drugs that are not typically sold or distributed in Canada to treat people with rare serious or life-threatening conditions.



Stephanie met with Calgarians from the Canadian Labour Congress earlier this year. The delegates used the opportunity to share concerns about pharmacare, unprotected pensions, pay equity and outdated EI benefits.



OFFICIAL OPPOSITION DEPUTY SHADOW MINISTER FOR HEALTH

As Deputy Shadow Minister for Health Stephanie has been working hard with her colleague Marilyn Gladu to keep the government accountable for their health policies. She recently attended Standing Committee for Health meetings to study the plain packaging of tobacco legislation (S-5) which is intended to reduce smoking rates among Canadians. Stephanie meets with many health-related organizations to hear their concerns about upcoming legislation and initiatives which may affect them. She was honoured to be asked to speak on behalf of the Conservative Party of Canada at the Heart and Stroke event on Parliament Hill (*left*).

NICKLE SCHOOL COMES TO OTTAWA

Stephanie recently had the opportunity to meet and speak with students from Calgary's Nickle Junior High School, who were visiting Parliament (*below*). As a Nickle School alumni herself, Stephanie was very pleased to answer students' questions, alongside her colleague Member of Parliament Tom Kmiec. It was truly interactive as, even after a long day touring Parliament and attending Question Period, the students had great questions for Stephanie regarding the House of Commons, legislation, her political background, a 'typical' day in Ottawa and how she manages to balance her roles as a wife, mother to a young son and an MP.



NEW HORIZONS FOR SENIORS

Stephanie would like seniors' groups and organizations in Calgary Midnapore to consider applying for funding under the New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHS). Applications for 2018 must be submitted before June 15. Projects led or inspired by seniors are eligible as long as they meet one of the three national priorities. They should empower seniors to initiate and participate in activities that benefit:

- the vulnerable seniors populations;
- focus on diversity of Canada's seniors; and
- will promote volunteerism to increase an organization's capacity.

Eligible organizations can receive up to \$25,000 in project funding. Starting this year, organizations that have not benefitted from NHSP funding during the last five years can receive up to \$5,000 as part of the new small grants pilot project.

More information on the program and how to apply will be available [here](#), or you can contact Stephanie at stephanie.kusie@parl.gc.ca or 403-225-3480.