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# House to House E-Newsletter







Dear Friend,

I am honoured to be chosen as the new Shadow Minister for Small Business and Western Economic Development by Opposition Leader Erin O'Toole. Prior to my election in 2015, I spent 21 years in small business as both an independent contractor and as the co-owner of a Mortgage Brokerage in NW Calgary.

In my new role, I will act as the Conservative caucus's chief critic of the government's Minister of Small Business and I will be responsible for leading the development of my caucus's position on any policy or legislation that the government proposes effecting small business. I addition, I will be the Conservative caucus's chief critic for Western Economic Diversification Canada, a government agency created in the 1980s.

This week I was pleased to sit in the House of Commons, to <u>speak</u> about the lack of effective relief for small businesses, and to release a <u>joint statement</u> with MP Pierre Poilievre about the failed Commercial Rent Assistance program.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

# -Pat Kelly



#### **MONTHLY POLL QUESTION**

Has the government done enough to support small businesses?

## **RESPOND HERE**

Last month's poll question: Do you think Justin Trudeau should resign over apparent violations of the Conflict of Interest Act regarding the WE Organization?

90% Yes 10% No



# **SMALL BUSINESSES**

As the Shadow Minister for Small Business and Western Economic Development, I am seeking feedback from constituents regarding the government's policy. If you are a small business owner and are willing to share your experience, whether it be about successes or challenges, this helps to inform me in my new role, and I welcome your input at <a href="mailto:pat.kelly@parl.gc.ca">pat.kelly@parl.gc.ca</a>.



## WHICH BENEFITS ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR?

The <u>Benefits Finder tool</u> allows you to find benefits you may be eligible for to by answering a few questions. After completing the multiple-choice questions, your possible benefits are listed and additional information is provided. Many federal and provincial programs are incorporated into the search results.



# **SEEKING EMPLOYMENT?**

If you are looking for a job, visit <a href="www.jobbank.gc.ca">www.jobbank.gc.ca</a> to search for opportunities. A <a href="Mobile App">Mobile App</a> is now available.

#### **MY INBOX**



In September, I received correspondence about the following topics, in no particular order:

Immigration, quarantine periods, family reunification, re-opening the economy, need for workers to return to work, CECRA, CEBA, CEWS, Liberal mis-governance, contact tracing app, Erin O'Toole, WE Scandal, long-term unemployment, orphan well clean-up, Canada-China relations, impaired driving, blockades/free movement on public infrastructure, national unity, excessive borrowing/spending, the Governor General, Liberal ethics violations, Auditor General funding, class sizes, school mask policies, provincial parks, healthcare, green recovery, energy sector in recovery, Calgary police budget, firearms, guaranteed basic income, student grants, and cinemas.



## **PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL CONTACTS**

If you require assistance from your MLA, you can look up who represents you and their contact information <a href="here">here</a>. For questions about provincial government programs and services, click <a href="here">here</a>.

For assistance from your City Councillor, you can find your representative <u>here</u>. For general inquiries about City of Calgary services and requests for assistance, please call 311.



#### **COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHT - RANCHLANDS**

Many activities and happening in Ranchlands, including the new Ranchlands Food Pantry, Halloween Trunk-or-Treat, and RCA's AGM on November 8th. Please call 403-241-0335 or visit <a href="https://www.facebook.com/RanchlandsCA">https://www.facebook.com/RanchlandsCA</a> for more information.



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