

MONTHLY UPDATE

Stephanie wants to keep you updated on some of the work she has been doing on your behalf. The fall session of Parliament is well underway, and Stephanie is quickly learning her new role as Shadow Minister for Democratic Institutions. Immediately after the House of Commons resumed in September, *Bill C-76 (Election Modernization Act)*, was before Committee and Stephanie was heavily involved in the clause-by-clause study. Subsequently, the legislation went to Report Stage and as Shadow Minister, Stephanie lead the Conservative team as they continued to try to have C-76 amended to protect Canada against foreign interference in our elections. You can monitor the progress of this, or any other legislation, at www.parl.gc.ca.

Although it was a snowy evening, many constituents attended Stephanie's Oct 9th town hall meeting (**RIGHT**). Their input was very much appreciated, and Stephanie looks forward to hosting another in the coming months. Up-to-date information can be found at stephaniekusieimp.ca, or at <https://www.facebook.com/stephaniekusiepolitician/>.

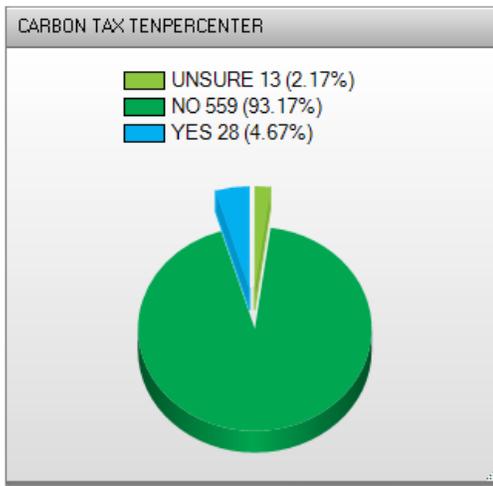


RESULTS OF CARBON TAX SURVEY

This past summer, Stephanie asked constituents of Calgary Midnapore whether they support the Liberal Carbon Tax. The results (*below right*) are clear: the vast majority of respondents indicated they do not believe another tax will do anything to reduce emissions.

We can look to BC as an example. Despite having the highest carbon tax in Canada—contributing to the fact that British Columbians now pay more for gas than anyone else in North America—emissions have continued to rise in that province.

However, comments on the returned surveys leave no question that the environment and emissions are a priority for residents of Calgary Midnapore. As Andrew MacDougall wrote in a recent edition of *Maclean's*, "There are many 'regular folks' opposed to a carbon tax who aren't opposed to action on the environment. There are many who want to improve the environment who also question the government's rather convoluted (and opaque) mechanism for returning money to them after it's been lifted from their pockets."



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PALIAMENTARY PAGE?

Each year, 40 students graduating from high schools and CEGEPs are selected from across Canada to participate in the page program at the House of Commons. Pages are first-year undergraduate students who work at Parliament for one-year. If you are interested, more details on the program and the application process are available at ourcommons.ca/page.

AROUND CALGARY MIDNAPORE AND PARLIAMENT HILL



PHOTOS (ABOVE) Rick Spence and Calgarian Jenn Delconte of Startup Calgary met with Stephanie in Ottawa to discuss the role their organization plays in helping Canadian entrepreneurs compete on a global scale. **(ABOVE CENTRE)** In mid-October, Stephanie attended the Alberta Special Olympics Luncheon where she ran into great constituents and met author and athlete Chris Demchuk. **(ABOVE RIGHT)** Team Kusie participated in the Canyon Meadows/Atria Retirement Chilli Cook-Off. The team had a blast talking to the residents, hearing what's on their minds, and of course, trying out all of the recipes. **(BOTTOM RIGHT)** Stephanie was lucky enough to catch up with Cavell Simmonds at the Invictus Games reception on the Hill. A constituent of Calgary Midnapore (and the oldest athlete at the Games), Cavell brought home a bronze medal for archery. Stephanie enjoyed cheering her on, as well as the rest of Team Canada.

