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**Minister responsible for the Economic Development
Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec**



A word from Soraya

Dear fellow citizens,

For the first time in 50 years, the population of Hochelaga was invited to the table at the Council of ministers in Ottawa. I share this honor with you, but rest assured that Hochelaga will always remain my priority. Above all, I am your MP and I have had the great privilege of serving you and representing you in the House of Commons since 2019.

As the first Latin American woman to be appointed minister, and as an immigrant who was so warmly welcome by Quebecers, it is with a great sense of responsibility that I wish to contribute to our common future. I look forward to taking on this challenge with you by my side.

High among my priorities is the fight against the housing crisis which is plaguing the country, the expansion of the Canadian dental benefit for seniors, the strengthening of our social programs and food security.



As Minister of Tourism and Minister responsible for the Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec, I will work every day with my colleagues to make life more affordable and address the challenges linked to climate change.

I remain fully available to listen to you and to support you in all your challenges and projects.

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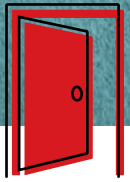
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VISIT TO SMES IN HOCHELAGA AND QUEBEC



Qantu

Qantu is a hand-made chocolate manufacturer. The owner selects her own cocoa beans in Peru! I am very happy to have encouraged them!

4560, rue de Rouen



ARA Robotique

Newly arrived on Aird Avenue, ARA Robotique is positioning itself to become a leader in the manufacturing of drones for civil and military use.

2260 Aird Avenue, Suite 204



Cryptid Studio

Cryptid Studio celebrates its third anniversary this year. We are lucky to have talented artists here in Hochelaga.

2030, boulevard Pie-IX, Suite 218



La Fromagerie L'Ancêtre

Fromagerie L'Ancêtre, in Bécancour, makes high-quality organic dairy products using sustainable practices.

1615, boulevard Port-Royal

CCB is celebrating its 7th anniversary!

It has now been 7 years since the Canada child benefit was introduced by our government. The CCB is indexed each year so that increases in costs are accompanied by an increase in the allowance. In 2023-2024, eligible families could receive up to \$7,437 per child for families with children under the age of six and \$6,275 for those with children aged 6 to 17. Since 2018, CCB has helped 435,000 children escape poverty. Our young people are our future. Investing in them is investing in the success of our country.

In 2023, **4770** families
in **Hochelaga**
will receive

6570\$

on average with the Canada child benefit.





Community Services Recovery Fund



Funded by the Government of Canada's Community Services Recovery Fund | **Canada**



\$1.2M in Hochelaga via the FRSC

Did you know that Hochelaga is a pillar of the community sector in Montreal?

There are nearly 300 organizations and many "firsts": first housing cooperatives, first CLSC, first cultural center, first social pediatrics clinic and many others. This is something to be proud of! The Community Services Recovery Fund will help more than 5,000 organizations across the country adapt, modernize and better equip themselves so they can continue to help the individuals and families in need. I am very happy to announce that 17 organizations will benefit from this support:

Répit Providence

Accès-Travail de Montréal

Revdec

La Marie Debout

Hochelégal

Association pour la défense des droits sociaux du Montréal métropolitain

Les 3 sex

Fédération Nourri-Source

CALACS Trêve pour Elles

Foyer de Jeunes Travailleurs et Travailleuses de Montréal

Le Boulot vers...

GRIS-Montréal

Je Passe Partout

La Maison à Petits Pas

L'Anonyme

Habitations L'Escalier

Solidarité de parents de personnes handicapées

Operation Backpack



All children should have an equal opportunity to succeed. It starts with being equipped with the right tools, like a backpack and school supplies. Thanks to Operation Backpack, which was held at Saint-Nom-de-Jésus primary school, these essential items are distributed to families in Hochelaga-Maisonneuve who need them most. Thank you to the Je Passe Partout organization and its volunteers!



Support emergency accommodation in Hochelaga

Hochelaga has growing needs for transitional housing, particularly for vulnerable and marginalized young people. This is why the federal government recently provided funding of \$955,000 from the 2nd round of the Rapid Housing Creation Initiative for the expansion of the André Dumont Pavillon at Maison L'Exode. This expansion will add five units for a total of 22 units, which will allow this accommodation center promoting social reintegration to expand its service offering in the community.



Blood donation is now universal

Did you know that since December 4, 2022, in Quebec, men who have had sexual relations with other men can now donate blood without a waiting period between intercourse? This barrier no longer made sense and that is why the federal government worked with Canadian Blood Services to ensure that this discriminatory barrier was permanently lifted. In collaboration with Héma-Québec, RÉZO and Fondation Émergence, I organized a very successful blood drive at CCSE Maisonneuve.

