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SWCC Fort Richmond site to be upgraded



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On July 24, along with Waverley MLA Jon Reyes, Coun. Janice Lukes (Waverley West), and Coun. Markus Chambers (St. Norbert-Seine River), I was pleased to announce that South Winnipeg Community Club has been awarded a 2021 Building Sustainable Communities grant from the provincial government.

Approximately \$146,000 will help with several key upgrades needed at the SWCC's Fort Richmond site. These include the upgrade of the building's wooden exterior to metal cladding, new soffits and lighting. The showers and dressing room will be remodeled, and the arena will get new LED lighting and its ice plant condenser will be replaced.

It is important to maintain our existing community clubs as a proactive approach to not only maintaining programs but also to ensuring that new programs will continue to be offered.

The modern facelift for SWCC will encourage continuous use of the facility. The ice plant condenser replacement will allow skating, hockey, and many other activities for years to come. The SWCC serves approxi-



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Waverley MLA Jon Reyes, Fort Richmond MLA Sarah Guillemard, SWCC Fort Richmond site general manager Murray Harding, Coun. Markus Chambers (St. Norbert-Seine River) and Coun. Janice Lukes (Waverley West) announced funding for upgrades and renovations to the centre and its arena on July 24.

mately 60,000 residents who will be pleased to see the improvements to this much-loved community gathering place.

Apart from the provincial grant, the SWCC has received a City of Winnipeg renovation grant and a donation from the Kinsmen Club, meaning the centre has a total of \$292,000 for the upgrades.

I love to hear from you. Although my

office is closed to the public for now, please feel free to reach out at 204-221-8881 or contact@sarahguillemard.com

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No place in Canada for hatred of any kind



Jim Carr
WINNIPEG SOUTH
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CONSTITUENCY
REPORT

In Canada, our diversity is one of our greatest strengths; however, I understand our nation is not immune to racism, xenophobia, and discrimination.

We continue to see communities shaken by terrible hate-motivated criminal acts which are an assault on fundamental rights and freedoms. Recently, Pembina Highway businesses owned by people from diverse backgrounds were defiled by hate graffiti. In London, Ont., the unthinkable happened; four members of a Muslim family were killed and a young child left without his mother and father, his sister, and his grandmother.

I denounce all acts of hatred, racism, and discrimination in the strongest possible terms, and I call on every Canadian to denounce hate speech when they witness

it. There is no place in Canada for hatred of any kind. It is contrary to the core values of respect, equality, diversity, and inclusivity we are privileged to enjoy in a free and open society.

Building on Canada's \$45 million investment in the 2019-2022 anti-racism strategy, the National Summit on anti-Semitism, and the National Summit on Islamophobia were held on July 21 and July 22.

These summits gathered diverse groups of people from across the country to identify ways the Government of Canada can work with Jewish and Muslim communities to address misinformation and online hate, enhance community security and combat hate-fuelled violence. Following the summits, the Government of Canada committed to working with Jewish and Islamic communities on the Government's next anti-racism action plan. We will build on what we have learned about on-line hate and continue improving digital literacy and tackling misinformation.

These summits were an important step to combat the systemic racism and discrimination we see in our communities. The summits were also a reminder that we must speak out against hate when we see it and hear it. It reaffirms that ending hatred in all its forms is a collective responsibility.

Additionally, on July 21, Public Safety Minister Bill Blair and Small Business and International Trade Minister Mary Ng announced \$6 million funding through the security infrastructure program for the development of 150 projects supporting all communities at risk of hate-motivated crime – the largest single-year investment in the program's history.

If you would like to speak to a member of my constituency staff about the government's anti-racism strategy, or any topic that is important to you, please call 204-983-1355 or email jim.carr@parl.gc.ca