

## NEWS RELEASE

### **Alexandra and North Oshawa Park to Receive RinC Funding**

**OSHAWA, Ontario, July 9, 2009** — The City of Oshawa will benefit from a joint federal and provincial investment of \$3,383,332 to upgrade and renovate Alexandra Park and North Oshawa Park. This funding is being distributed under the Recreational Infrastructure Canada program in Ontario (RinC Ontario) and Recreation Ontario (Ontario REC).

“I am extremely pleased to be announcing this very significant funding investment for two of Oshawa’s most beautiful parks.” said Dr. Colin Carrie, Member of Parliament for Oshawa and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health. “Our Government will continue to invest in the future of the City of Oshawa as our community continues to grow, beautify and position itself as a leader of tomorrow.”

“Our Ontario government is pleased to work with the Federal government and the City of Oshawa to upgrade Alexandra Park and North Oshawa Park,” said Joe Dickson, MPP for Ajax-Pickering. “This funding will allow Mayor Gray and all members of council to keep Oshawa’s parks beautiful.”

“I congratulate the Federal and Provincial Governments on their ongoing commitment to the City of Oshawa. With this latest funding announcement our city and residents will see the rejuvenation of Alexandra Park, one of our oldest and largest, as well as much needed redevelopment of the North Oshawa Park,” stated Oshawa Mayor John Gray. “This is truly an exciting time for Oshawa, and I thank MP Colin Carrie and MPP Joe Dickson on this fantastic announcement thus lessening the pressure on the taxpayer. These projects offer significant opportunities for job creation, economic diversification, and permanent community development.”

This project is one of 758 projects announced this week by the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario, worth a total joint federal and provincial investment of more than \$380 million.

These programs were designed to provide a timely, targeted stimulus to the economy through investments that will spur construction activity related to existing recreational infrastructure. Beyond economic stimulus and job creation, renewing, rehabilitating and modernizing our recreational infrastructure has the additional benefit of encouraging higher levels of participation in physical activity and community building.

Projects were selected on the basis of merit and construction readiness.

A list of approved projects is available at [www.rinc-on.ca](http://www.rinc-on.ca).

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