

## The Spending Spree Continues

### Dalton McGuinty's 2007 Budget

Once again, the McGuinty Liberals have chosen to spend, spend, spend. But where are the results?

#### *You deserve better results...*

- Despite record revenues, it has taken Dalton McGuinty his entire mandate to find a way to balance the budget – why wasn't this achieved years ago?
- Under Dalton McGuinty's watch, the provincial debt has skyrocketed by \$12.6 billion – that's more than \$10,000 each and every day since Dalton took office.
- Thanks to Dalton McGuinty's mis-management of the province's finances, taxpayers are now on the hook for over \$750 million each and every year to service the debt he created.
- Virtually every key economic indicator is headed downwards. Thanks to Dalton McGuinty, Ontario's economy has fallen behind the rest of the country.

#### *Thanks for nothing, Dalton!*

- For the third straight year, hard-working farmers have seen funding cut for agriculture programs. Even if Dalton lives up to the recently announced federal-provincial agreement, farmers will see almost \$100 million less spent to support their industry.
- As part of Dalton's 'pay now or pain later' property tax plan, homeowners will still have to pay property taxes based on skyrocketing assessments. The only difference is that they will have four years to pack their boxes and move out of the homes they can no longer afford!
- The Ministry of Natural Resources actually got less than nothing – their budget was cut by \$36 million.
- Hundreds of seniors lie on stretchers in hospital hallways, because over-capacity emergency rooms haven't motivated Dalton McGuinty to address Ontario's long-term care crisis. After four years, McGuinty still has no plan...prepare to wait.

#### *I thought it was all about the kids?*

- Dalton wants to hide behind his \$2.1-billion payout to working families, but what about the province's most vulnerable children?
- Dalton shortchanged children's mental health agencies by \$32 million and will leave 8,300 children on a waiting list for services.

#### *The old, the bad and the ugly.*

- Over 120,000 manufacturing jobs were lost over the past two years.
- Taxpayers get no relief from the regressive, middle-class McGuinty health tax.
- Nothing but recycled announcements and old broken promises for energy, the environment, justice and education.

For the first time in history, provincial expenditures will eclipse \$90 billion. And what results did Ontarians get in return? A big disappointment. **You deserve better.**