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Ont. Health Minister Sylvia Jones was briefed on Bill 124's damaging effect on the health care system, new documents show. Unifor welcomes the \$187-million financial support package from the Manitoba and federal governments to support transit. Last chance for local leadership to register for tonight's virtual town hall on the healthcare crisis. Unifor researcher's report spotlights importance of building public transit services in Canada. Plus: Bargaining updates from Domtar and Irving Shipyard and photos from Unifor donations to women's shelters over the holidays.





# TAKE ACTION



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Canada's health care system is aching. Many Unifor members working in health care know that hospitals and long-term care facilities are already in crisis. Without action from governments at all levels, this crisis will only get worse. Local presidents are invited to join a virtual town hall to discuss the state of the crisis across the country and organize for health care for all tonight, Jan. 12 at 6 p.m.

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New documents reveal the Ontario Minister of Health was briefed on how Bill 124 was contributing to health care staffing shortages, yet continued to support the Bill.

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Unifor welcomes the announcement of financing support for NFI Group, the parent company of New Flyer, from the Government of Manitoba and Export Development Canada.



Expanding public transit services can result in good jobs building transit lines and new vehicles, as well as maintaining the transit infrastructure writes Unifor researcher Navjeet Sidhu and report coauthor, John Cartwright.

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Unifor strongly condemns the violent demonstrations by far-right supporters of former leader Jair Bolsonaro after President da Silva's inauguration. We stand in solidarity with the democratically elected government and with the people and workers of Brazil. Read Unifor's letter.



# **BARGAINING UPDATES**

Over 450 Unifor members in Dryden, Ont. voted overwhelmingly in favor of three new contracts with Domtar.

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MWF-Local 1 has reached a tentative collective agreement at the Irving Shipyard in Halifax, N.S., covering more than 1,000 tradespeople building the next generation of Canada's naval fleet.

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This holiday season, Unifor donated to 79 women's shelters across the country, for a total contribution of \$158,000 to help women and children escape violence and build a new life free of abuse. Check out the Facebook photo album.

### C RESOURCES



The anticipated 2023 Family Education Program will take place over three sessions from July 9 to Aug. 13, 2023. To apply, go to the link below. Deadline is April 21, 2023.

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