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Premier Kathleen Wynne is in Windsor today as part of her tour of South Western Ontario. The Premier met with the Windsor and District Labour Council this morning to discuss the province's plan to grow Ontario's economy and create fair workplaces and better jobs by taking steps like raising the minimum and ensuring that part time workers are paid the same hourly wage as full-time workers. The Premier will also meet with the Windsor Mayor and Council this afternoon. **Retweet the Premier [here](#).**

Also today:

- Ontario is moving forward with improvements to stations across the GO rail network to ease congestion and provide faster, more frequent and more convenient transit service for families and commuters across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA). Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation, was at Union Station in Toronto today to provide an update on Ontario's work to transform the GO rail network. Enhancements are being made to Union Station, including the construction of a new, wider platform with a roof, as well as a concourse area beneath the platform. A new emergency power system will allow lights, digital signs and public announcement systems to run in the event of a power outage. In addition, the province is moving forward with early works at multiple GO rail stations in the GTHA. These early works will support secure bike parking and electric vehicle charging stations, as well as more trips for more riders. Building better public transit to improve commuting is part of our plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

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- Ontario is supporting the development of a highly-skilled workforce and helping businesses in Niagara region access the technology and expertise they need to grow and compete in the global marketplace. Today Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance, joined local companies, Niagara College students and industry leaders at the grand opening of the Walker Advanced Manufacturing Innovation Centre in Welland. The new Niagara College-affiliated centre provides students with more than 15,000 square feet of lab space for hands-on applied learning, innovation space for companies to work onsite and office space for Niagara students and industry staff. Fostering innovation and growth, and increasing opportunities for the province's workers, is part of Ontario's plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

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Our government's plan to build a stronger, healthier Ontario includes historic new **investments in health care, including free medications for everyone 24 and under** who has OHIP coverage through the OHIP+: Children and Youth Pharmacare Program, **providing free average tuition** to over 210,000 students starting fall 2017 and on-the-job learning opportunities to help land a great job, helping 100,000 more kids aged 0–4 access quality, licensed child care, **making everyday life more**

affordable by reducing electricity costs by 25 per cent on average through our Fair Hydro Plan, and **taking action to make housing more affordable** for homebuyers and renters through our Fair Housing Plan.