

Jim Flaherty and the Harper government have a strange way of “Standing up” for Canada’s cities

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In response to a national report saying the crumbling infrastructure in Canadian cities would cost \$123 billion to fix, Jim Flaherty said municipal leaders ...should stop ‘whining ... and do their job.’

Flaherty also said the federal government was ‘not in the pothole business.’

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Every day in Toronto and across Canada, aging infrastructure costs people their lives, health, quality of life, time and money.

**If Stephen Harper’s
Conservative government
won’t stand up for Canada’s
cities, the Liberal Party of
Canada will.**



**Stéphane Dion believes
the federal government
CAN play a role in helping
Toronto**

**And he has a plan
to prove it**

**A new Liberal government will
make the \$2-billion annual gas
tax transfer to municipalities
permanent and develop a 20-
year strategy to address
Canada's infrastructure deficit
— in public transit, water and
wastewater facilities and
community energy systems.**

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work better gives us a
future we can all look
forward to**



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