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The federal budget emphasizes social programs and jobs, last chance to register for the EFAP conference, Bell executives in the hot seat on Parliament Hill, Griffin Wheel lock-out ends, strike mandates achieved at NAV Canada, Expertech, Courtyard Marriott, and W Hotel Toronto.

 **WHAT'S HOT**



The federal budget pushes social progress and jobs in the face of

 **TAKE ACTION**



Register to attend the EFAP conference to learn how to advocate for and support

economic inequities, relentless affordability pressures and stubbornly high interest rates.

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members struggling with mental health and addictions. Deadline is tomorrow, April 19!

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## IN THE NEWS



April 16 marked the date to which the average woman worked to earn what the average man earned in 2023. It's time to end the gender pay gap.

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Bell CEO Mirko Bibic was grilled by MPs on BCE's decisions to cut thousands of jobs while increasing dividends and executive pay during his testimony before the Heritage Committee.

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April 28 is the Day of Mourning when we mourn those who were injured or killed at work and honour them by taking action to make every workplace safer.

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Unifor Ontario Regional Director Samia Hashi and President of Unifor Local 975 Doug Carter testified on April 8 to the Standing Committee on the Interior about contracting out and methane leaks in Ontario's gas sector that result in increased costs to consumers.

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March's Labour Market Insights takes a closer look at how Canada's jobs market is doing from a trade union perspective.

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## BARGAINING UPDATES

The Canadian Air Navigation Specialists Association (CANSAs) at Unifor Local 1016 have voted 95% in favour of authorizing a strike, should negotiations with NAV Canada fail to reach an agreement over key issues of wages and concessions.

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Unifor has reached a tentative agreement with Loblaw-owned Dominion grocery stores in Newfoundland and Labrador.

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Unifor Local 144 members at Griffin Wheel have ratified a new four-year contract, ending a 19-day lockout.

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Unifor members employed by Expertech, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bell Canada Enterprises Inc., expressed overwhelming support for a strike mandate.

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Unifor members at the Courtyard by Marriott and the W Toronto hotel have voted overwhelmingly to strike if a new collective agreement cannot be reached next month.

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