

Julian Robinson, MP

13TH ANNUAL CONSTITUENCY REPORT

South East St. Andrew
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MP's commitment to accountability

For the 13th consecutive year, and to mark the anniversary of my election as your Member of Parliament, I present the 2024 St Andrew South Eastern MP's Annual Report.

As your Member of Parliament, my mission has always been to champion progress, opportunity, and inclusivity for every resident of St. Andrew South Eastern. Whether through infrastructure development, youth empowerment, or legislative advocacy, I remain committed to building a stronger, more flourishing community for all.

As usual, throughout the year you can check my website www.julianjayrobinson.com or follow/contact me on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for project details and other updates throughout the year. Hard copies of this report are available on request.

In 2025, I will continue to represent your concerns and interests, both at the national and community levels.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julian Jay Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Breakdown of expenditures for the Year 2024 of the Constituency Development Fund

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\$22M allocated to the constituency under the Constituency Mitigation and Cleaning Program

Program Component	Allocation	Works done
Road repairs and patching	\$10M	Roads identified Next steps are estimates and procurement
De-bushing verges	\$6M	Arthur Wint Drive, Camp Road, Tom Redcam Drive, Vineyard Road, Clan Carthy Compound, Diana Close, William Grant Road (Stadium Gardens)
Drain cleaning	\$3M	Lady Musgrave Road, St Hugh's High School, Jacques Road
Community bulky waste clean up	\$3M	Swallowfield, Woodford Park, Golden Triangle, Seymour Lands, Nannyville, Vineyard Town

PARLIAMENTARY AND LEGISLATIVE WORK

I serve on several Parliamentary Committees

- ▶ Public Accounts Committee – **Chairman**
- ▶ Integrity Commission Oversight Committee
- ▶ Infrastructure and Physical Development Committee
- ▶ Constituency Development Fund Committee
- ▶ Joint Select Committee - reviewing the Integrity Commission Act
- ▶ Joint Select Committee - reviewing Job Descriptions for Members of Parliament
- ▶ Joint Select Committee - reviewing the Security Interests in Personal Property Act

Continued advocacy for a comprehensive approach to growing our economy

Julian Robinson | Growth is the only sustainable path forward

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An aerial view of Kingston Wharves. Julian Robinson writes: To unlock genuine economic progress, we must fundamentally reframe our understanding of growth in Jamaica.

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For much of Jamaica's economic history, we have struggled to achieve sustained, high levels of growth. Our journey has been marked by significant volatility and periodic shocks, which created an unstable growth trajectory. For instance, we would experience growth over four consecutive quarters, only to see it reversed with declines over the next three. Many of these economic shocks were exogenous – beyond our direct control. From natural disasters and supply chain disruptions to global oil price spikes, external events have often undermined our growth efforts.

STRONGER COORDINATED ROLE FOR GOVERNMENT

Realising this vision demands more than just initiatives from the private sector; it requires a strong, coordinated response from the government. The state must evolve from a passive observer to an active partner in this transformation, strategically investing in industries with high growth and value potential.

A future People's National Party government will implement policies that incentivise innovation, research, and development, delivering essential support where it is needed most. This includes investing in vital infrastructure, ensuring that entrepreneurs have access to financing, and cultivating a business environment that nurtures growth. Greater support must also extend to small and medium enterprises in value-added sectors, helping them scale and compete in international markets.

Institutional weaknesses, ranging from bureaucratic inefficiencies to fragmented coordination between agencies, often limit the success of national strategies and undermine government-led initiatives. Therefore, to maximise their impact, we need a coordinated national export strategy that brings together JAMPRO, the Development Bank of Jamaica and the Scientific Research Council under a unified vision. This strategy must identify high-potential value-added sectors and create a roadmap for their development, focusing on reducing bureaucratic red tape and ensuring more seamless support for businesses throughout the product development, financing, and exporting processes.

Advocated for the implementation of a Light Rail System to address traffic congestion in the KMTR

Julian Robinson | Addressing the transportation woes

The case for a light rail system in Kingston and St Andrew

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This photo shows a tram in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Julian Robinson writes: A light railway system in the Corporate Area represents a forward-thinking approach to addressing the urban mobility challenges faced by Kingston.

Financing the project could involve exploring a variety of funding mechanisms, including government allocations, public-private partnerships, and international grants. A detailed financial model should be developed to ensure the project's long-term sustainability and economic viability. Once the planning and design phases are completed, construction could commence on segments prioritised based on project impact and feasibility. Adherence to stringent quality control measures and effective project management protocols could ensure the project's timely and cost-effective execution.

Before the light rail system becomes operational, extensive testing of the infrastructure, vehicles, and signalling systems could be conducted to ensure safety and reliability. Obtaining regulatory approvals and safety certifications would be paramount to guarantee the system's operational readiness and public safety. In terms of operation and maintenance, the project would need to establish operational frameworks, including service schedules and fare systems, in accordance with best practices and local needs. Training a dedicated workforce for operational roles would ensure high service standards, while ongoing maintenance and performance monitoring would be critical to the system's reliability and efficiency.

Advocated for the inclusion of Character Education into the School Curriculum

Opposition Spokesman Proposes Incorporating Character Education in Schools

By: LATONYA LINTON, March 17, 2024



Photo: Michael Sloley

Opposition Spokesman on Finance, Planning and the Public Service, Julian Robinson, makes his contribution to the 2024/25 Budget Debate in the House of Representatives on Thursday (March 14).

THE FULL STORY

Opposition Spokesperson on Finance, Planning and the Public Service, Julian Robinson, is recommending that character education be incorporated within the school system.

He noted that character education is pivotal to reforming values and attitudes across the society in general.

"Character education, according to the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, is 'teaching children about basic human values, including honesty, kindness, generosity, courage, freedom, equality and respect. The goal is to raise children to become morally responsible, self-disciplined citizens'," Mr. Robinson stated.

He was making his contribution to the 2024/25 Budget Debate in the House of Representatives on Thursday (March 14).

Mr. Robinson further stated that character education "needs to be infused into our curriculum and it needs to be infused into the curriculum at the primary and secondary levels."

"Because every day we see the effect of anti-social behaviour in our schools, and not just the anti-social behaviour, but the establishment of gangs within schools and the level of crime and violence within schools. So, I am saying to the government take character education and infuse it into our curriculum," he stated.

"We believe it is important to address these problems at an early age and socialise our young people for the overall good of our nation," Mr. Robinson added.

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Proposed literacy and numeracy transformation is critical to our economic growth

Literacy and numeracy major targets when PNP returns to Gov't, says Robinson

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September 15, 2024



People's National Party (PNP) spokesman on finance and the public service, Julian Robinson speaking at the PNP's 86th annual conference at the National Arena on Sunday. (Photo: Garfield Robinson)

KINGSTON, Jamaica— People's National Party (PNP) spokesman on finance and the public service, Julian Robinson, has listed addressing what he described as the alarming state of foundational literacy and numeracy among Jamaica's young people as one of the major targets of his party when it returns to Government.

Addressing the public session of the PNP's 86th annual conference on Sunday, Robinson argued that if the system is not fixed at the early childhood level, building science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) schools as proposed by the present Government will be a waste of time.

Questioned the sustainability of the Govt's givebacks amid revenue underperformance

Robinson questions sustainability of gov't givebacks amid revenue underperformance

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Opposition Spokesman on Finance, Julian Robinson, is questioning whether the \$25 billion in givebacks announced by Finance Minister Dr Nigel Clarke in March are sustainable in light of the revenue underperformance in the last fiscal year.

The Ministry of Finance and the Public Service on Tuesday revealed that the fiscal year which ended in March saw total revenues falling short by \$22.4 billion, while tax revenues lagged by \$24.8 billion.

Robinson is now calling for Clarke to fully disclose the implications of the revenue shortfall on the budget for the current fiscal year.

Robinson says Clarke "needs to tell the country which programmes will be negatively impacted by this revenue shortfall and whether the \$25 [billion] of give backs, he announced in March are sustainable. Furthermore, the Minister must explain whether the achievement of key social targets in the current fiscal year will be compromised."

"This development is particularly concerning against the background that the Minister of Finance has not provided any information about the financing of the revenue measures that is projected to flow from the securitisation of receivables to the tune of \$25 billion in the current fiscal year," Robinson adds.

Continued to question the management of the population census

Robinson bashes government on handling of census

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Opposition Spokesperson on Finance Julian Robinson has criticised the Government over its handling of the 2022 Population and Housing Census, reporting that it spent \$4 billion on the exercise which has counted fewer than one million Jamaicans.

Approximately two weeks ago, Minister of Finance Dr Nigel Clarke told the nation that the Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN), the state agency responsible for the census, had completed data collection and was now analysing the data.

At the end of the 2011 Census of Population and Housing, 2.6 million Jamaicans were recorded.

Robinson, who was making his contribution to the 2024/25 Budget Debate in Parliament on Thursday, said the Government has "failed" at this exercise.

He said the census process was managed badly from the beginning, arguing that the legitimate concerns of census workers were ignored.

Census poorly managed - Opposition

12:42 am, Tue October 24, 2023



Opposition Spokesman on Finance Julian Robinson



Opposition Spokesman on Finance Julian Robinson has taken the Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN) to task for what he calls its poor management of the 2022 population and housing census.

STATIN has released multiple deadlines for the completion of data collection on the census but the exercise has been delayed by a number of issues including the agency's inability to retain workers.

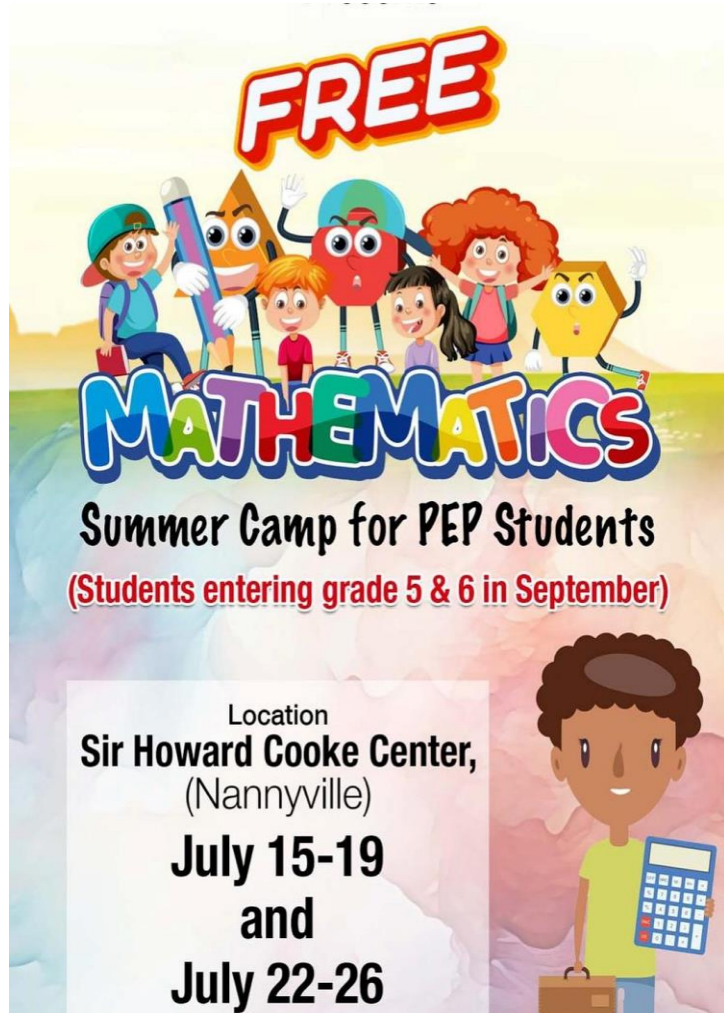
The agency's last deadline for the completion of data collection was March this year; however, since then it has not been able to provide a satisfactory update on the progress of the exercise.

Mr Robinson, speaking Monday on Radio Jamaica's *Beyond the Headlines*, reiterated his call for Finance Minister Dr. Nigel Clarke to intervene and find a solution to issues affecting the completion of the census.

At a press conference last week, Deputy Director General of STATIN Leesha Delatje-Budair said the agency was wrapping up the census but declined to give further details.

HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

We hosted summer camps for students in seven (7) Communities and Free PEP Math Classes



Over 500 students participated in the summer camps in:

- ▶ Swallowfield
- ▶ Nannyville
- ▶ Woodford Park
- ▶ McGregor Gardens
- ▶ Monaltrie
- ▶ Slipe Road
- ▶ Lower Vineyard Town

We continued our Youth at Risk Training in collaboration with HEART Trust NSTA

Julian Robinson Invites you to

South East. St. Andrew Skills Training Program

Prerequisites	Timeframe
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be a resident of S.E. St. Andrew• Age: 17-29 years old• TRN• National ID• Courses are FREE• Course duration - 4 weeks	<p>Start date Monday, September 2, 2024</p> <p>Orientation date Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 9am</p> <p>EXED Community College</p> <p>∴ All students must attend orientation & bring their ID, TRN and proof of qualification (if they have)</p>

Deanery Road Main Campus (SELBY)	
Course	# of Students
Masonry	30
Auto Mechanics	30
Electrical	30
Tiling	30

International University of the Caribbean- 47c Old Hope Road	
Course	# of Students
Guest Room Attendant	30
Customer Service	30
Janitorial	30

- ▶ 80 students undertook courses at Excelsior Community College
- ▶ 64 students undertook courses at International University of the Caribbean

We collaborated with the Universal Service Fund to establish a Free Wi-Fi Hotspot in Woodford Park



INFRASTRUCTURE

After Community Consultation, Ten (10) Roads were identified and prioritized for repairs under the SPARK Program

- ▶ Clieveden Avenue
- ▶ Providence Pen Lane
- ▶ Swallowfield Road
- ▶ Watson Avenue
- ▶ Arnold Road
- ▶ Sackville Road
- ▶ Vineyard Road
- ▶ Antrim Road
- ▶ Lexington Avenue
- ▶ Friendship Park Road

Work has been done on Five (5) Roads under the REACH Program with another Five (5) slated to Commence Shortly

- ▶ Seymour Avenue
- ▶ Hillcrest Avenue
- ▶ Deanery Avenue – partially completed
- ▶ Langston Road – partially completed
- ▶ St. James Road

Estimates have been prepared for the following roads

1. Bundy Lane
2. St. Joseph Road
3. North Avenue
4. Waverly Road
5. Hope Street

Several roads have been repaired

Complete resurfacing was done on the following roads in Woodford Park:

- ▶ Anderson Road
- ▶ Hector Street
- ▶ Bonair Lane
- ▶ Hope Lane
- ▶ Arnold Road

Other roads that have been repaired include:

- Lady Musgrave Road
- Old Hope Road and Hope Road
- Deanery Road
- Arthur Wint Drive
- Tom Redcam Drive
- Fairway Avenue
- Mountain View Avenue
- Seaview Avenue

We Collaborated with HEART Trust NSTA to Construct a New House for a Senior Citizen

HEART/NSTA Trust Region 1 team proudly handed over a completed house as part of our National Development Project, under the “TVET in Motion” programme. This initiative, aimed at enhancing the safety, security, and wellbeing of Ms. Shields and her family, was executed with the help of our skilled trainees in General Construction, Welding, Interior Decorating, and Electrical Installation. The project not only ensured the structural safety of the home but also served as a powerful model of community service and skill development.



OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

We hosted our annual constituency Back to School Health and Dental Fair

Robinson stages back-to-school health fair for 10th year

JUST under 150 adults and children benefited from the annual back-to-school health fair staged by St Andrew South Eastern Member of Parliament Julian Robinson last Saturday at Nanyville Health Centre.

Robinson, who has hosted the fair for the past 10 years, said the beneficiaries were not only his constituents, but residents from neighbouring constituencies.

"I think it fills an important gap for a lot of people who need to get the medical service but can't necessarily afford it, and

so many people look forward to this — both the adults and students," Robinson told the Jamaica Observer. He said the fair provided school supplies to students, as well as medical checks that they need for the new academic year, while adults received vital screening.

"I hope that the new school year will go smoothly. Relatively speaking, we haven't been affected by Hurricane Beryl so I think all schools should be open on time without any major issues," the veteran MP said.



Ninety-four-year-old Ina Cameron of Top Range, Mountain View, gets her vision tested as Member of Parliament for St Andrew South Eastern Julian Robinson looks on during the annual back-to-school health fair he staged in his constituency last Saturday.



Tanjanae Clarke gives St Andrew South Eastern Member of Parliament Julian Robinson a high five after she received a health check during his annual back-to-school health fair last Saturday in his constituency. Her twin sister Donbaniae is at right.



Dr Lisanne Hylton conducts an ear examination on six-year-old Emecia Johnson while her mom Dianne Scott observes during last Saturday's back-to-school health fair hosted by St Andrew South Eastern Member of Parliament Julian Robinson.



**Highlights from the SE St Andrew Health Fair
2024.**

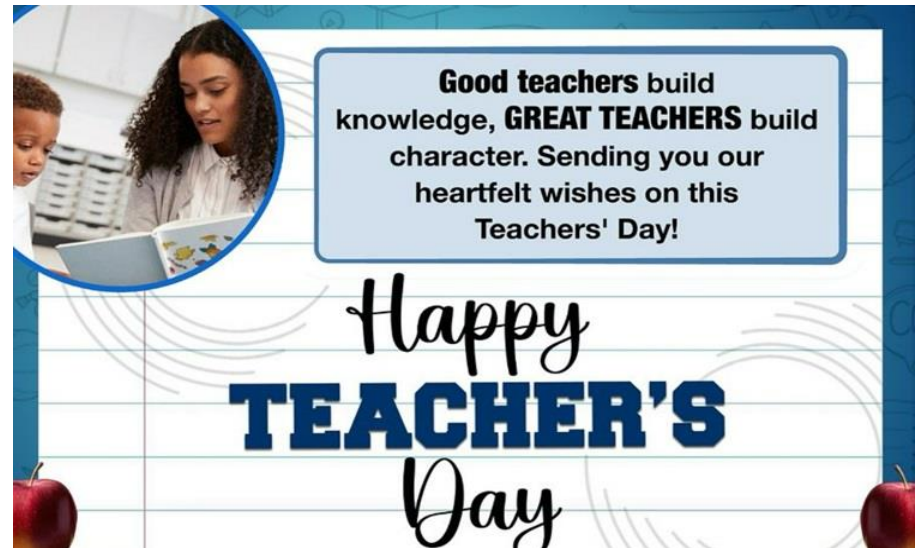
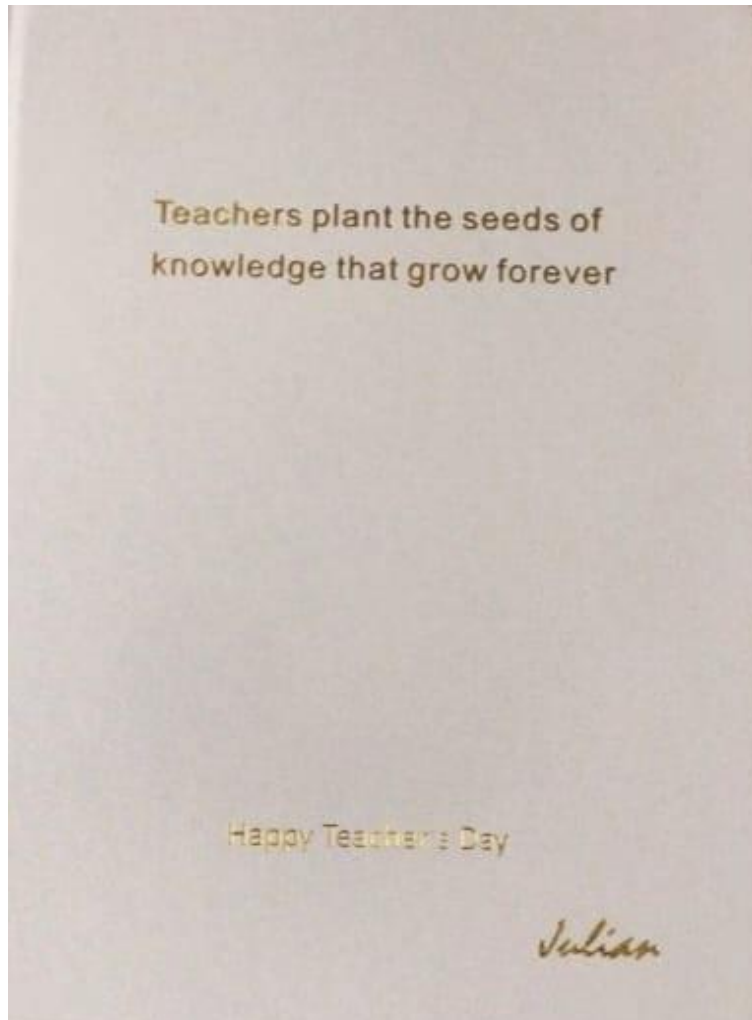
Member of Parliament for St Andrew South Eastern Julian Robinson presents school supplies to sisters Arianne and Averna Miller on Saturday during his annual back-to-school health fair.

Residents gather outside Nanyville Health Centre where Member of Parliament for St Andrew South Eastern Julian Robinson hosted a back-to-school health fair last Saturday. (Photos: Garfield Robinson)

Read to students at Christ Church and Nannyville Basic Schools on Reading Day



Our teachers were given a gift on Teacher's Day to show appreciation for their contributions



Labour Day Activities 2024: Construction of a ramp at Bustamante Hospital and painting Jamaica Society for the Blind



We presented football gear to the Santos Football Club and Clan Carthy High School



The Nannyville Turf field has been completed



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