

City of Toronto Climate Program 2018

The City of Toronto greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets are 30% by 2020, 65 per cent by 2030, and 80 per cent by 2050, which are community-wide reductions based on 1990 levels. In 2017 City Council adopted TransformTO which puts in place some measures to move towards those targets. The following will help ensure the City of Toronto meets those targets while creating a more healthy and prosperous city

1) Fully fund the \$15.5 Million needed in 2019-2020 to implement the TransformTO climate action plan.

2) Develop a fully costed, comprehensive climate adaptation strategy to increase the City's resilience to climate change impacts like flooding and extreme heat

3) A Just Transition policy for City workers and workers displaced by efforts to reduce GHGs, ensuring that the needs by Indigenous Peoples, peoples of colour, low income folks or others who are historically marginalized are actively integrated into solutions. Those measures would include the 4Rs: Retraining, Re-Assignment, Retirement and Redundancy payments.

4) Mandatory joint union/management committees in City workplaces with 25 or more employees, similar to Health and Safety officers.

5) Ensure that all of its new buildings are net zero carbon emissions and that a plan be developed to retrofit all existing City owned structures to be net zero by 2030.

6) Community Benefit Agreements with binding, equitable and inclusive employment targets and community consultation with historically disadvantaged communities and equity seeking groups for all infrastructure projects, including climate adaptation projects, over \$50 million.

7) Increase endowment of The Atmospheric Fund, an arms' length City agency that provides grants and loans for community projects, landlords and businesses to reduce GHGs.

8) Prohibit the sale of vehicles with gas and diesel engines by 2030 within the City, and invest in electric charging stations for vehicles of all types.

9) Keep Toronto Hydro and the Toronto Transit Commission publicly owned. Maintaining hydro rates low and expanding public transportation are in the public interest.

Active since 2008 in the Greater Toronto Area, the Good Jobs for All Coalition includes more than 30 community, labour and environmental organizations, focusing on the promotion of decent work, a green economy and equity for all.