

Toronto ACORN 2025 City Budget Platform



RentSafeTO

- **Increase RentSafeTO registration fees**, at \$25/unit/year - on par with the multi-tenant (rooming) house registration fees.
- **Hire additional RentSafeTO inspectors** using additional registration fee revenue.

Extreme Heat

- **Earmark \$100,000 to provide a \$350 subsidy to low-income households towards the purchase of an energy-efficient air conditioning unit**, expanding eligibility for the existing Ontario Works air conditioner subsidy.

Internet For All

- **Budget \$17 million to upgrade Wi-Fi infrastructure in the TTC subway system** and provide free Wi-Fi throughout the transit network.
- **Fund, launch, and maintain a publicly-owned broadband network.**
- **Fund the installation of publicly-owned broadband fibre connections in City's 65,000 housing units** created under the HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan.

Affordable Housing Covenants

- **Mandate that any rental housing developments funded by the City of Toronto include affordability covenants.** These covenants should cap year-over-year rent increases at 1% for 5 years before transitioning to annual provincial rent increase guidelines in perpetuity. They should also mandate vacancy control, and mandate at least 30% of the rental units in the development be deeply affordable.

Protect Affordable Housing

- **Increase the Vacant Home Tax to 5%**, and tax all vacant units in multi-residential buildings.
- Use this additional revenue from the Vacant Home Tax to **increase funding to the Multi-Unit Residential Acquisition program.**
- **Earmark funding to purchase the rental property at 500 Dawes Road** and create a community land trust to oversee the building.

No Tenant Displacement

- **Double funding for the Toronto Rent Bank** to provide financial assistance to up to 5,500 people per year.
- **Expand eligibility for the Toronto Rent Bank** to Ontario Works & Ontario Disability Support Program recipients.
- **Budget \$2,500,000 to administer the anti-renoviction bylaw** (with 10% cost recovery).

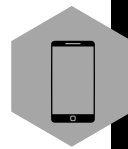
Fund Social Housing

- **Provide a one-time increase in capital funding of \$50,000,000 for the Toronto Community Housing Corporation to undertake tenant-facing repairs** and reduce their \$2.2 billion capital budget deficit.

Fund Our Communities

- **Redirect 10% of the 2024 Toronto Police Budget, or \$120,000,000, towards underfunded community programs and services.**

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