

Toronto ACORN 2026 Municipal Election Platform



Give RentSafe Teeth!

Conduct in-unit inspections as part of the regular biennial building evaluations.

Provide universal work order forms that any tenant in the City can print and submit to their landlord, that the landlord would have to accept as a valid service request.

Increase the size and scope of RentSafeTO to include rental townhouses and additional capacity in the evenings and weekends to accommodate tenants. This also means raising registration fees to raise revenue to hire more inspectors.

Make Toronto Affordable!

Expand the Vacant Homes Tax by raising it to 5% and applying it to vacant rental units in multi-residential apartment buildings. Put this revenue towards MURA.

Implement and expand a City-run grocery store program in low-income neighbourhoods in the City

Create and operate a municipally-owned broadband network with connections to all newly-built City housing units.

Beat the Heat!

Enact a maximum heat bylaw that caps temperatures in apartment buildings at 26°C year-round, not just in the summer.

Expand the Air Conditioner Assistance Program to all low-income tenants in Toronto, and merge it with the Hardship Fund and the ODSP/OW AC benefit.

Direct Toronto Public Health to publicly report on heat-related emergency room visits.

Stand Up To The Province!

Advocate for full rent control at every opportunity, including applying it to all rental units, banning AGIs, and implementing vacancy control.

Advocate for increased social assistance, including doubling Ontario Works and ODSP and indexing them to inflation.

Advocate for Landlord & Tenant Board reform, including in-person hearings and expanded access to legal aid for tenants.

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