

**JOIN UPCOMING EVENTS TO FIGHT FOR A \$75 M ANTI-POVERTY INVESTMENT  
IN THE 2016 BUDGET & NEW REVENUE TOOLS FOR SUSTAINED ACTION**

1. **CIVIC ENGAGEMENT CAFÉ:** Residents play a vital role in the budget process. Meet animators/leaders who have advocated for a strong poverty reduction plan and learn advocacy tools to support investment in housing, public transit, community services, childcare and more. Organized by Social Planning Toronto and Toronto Women's City Alliance.

**WHEN: Wednesday, February 3, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**WHERE: Children's Aid Society of Toronto, 30 Isabella Street, 7<sup>th</sup> floor auditorium**

2. **APT Meeting:** The Alliance for Poverty Free Toronto will meet next week. Join us!

**WHEN: Wednesday, February 3, 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: Children's Aid Society of Toronto, 30 Isabella Street, room 5-3**

3. **SIGN MAKING PARTY:** Join us for a sign making party for the Rally and *Bake Sale* for anti-poverty action.

**WHEN: Saturday, February 6, 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: St. Stephen-In-The-Fields Church, 103 Bellevue Ave**

4. **PRE-BUDGET RALLY AND "BAKE SALE" FOR ANTI-POVERTY ACTION:**  
Last fall Council unanimously adopted a poverty reduction strategy. But the city's proposed 2016 budget fails to include needed investments in affordable transit, childcare and housing. And Council is refusing to implement revenue tools – or find savings in areas such as policing – to fund anti-poverty action. So we're

taking matters into our own hands – with a bake sale! Join us and send a strong message to Council to fulfill their promise to tackle poverty!

**WHEN: Tuesday, February 9, 9:00-9:30 a.m.**

**WHERE: Nathan Phillips Square, 100 Queen Street West**

Read C2C's response to the budget [here](#).

Find this event on Facebook [here](#).


### **TAKE ACTION NOW**

- **Visit your Councillors** to advocate for a [\\$75 M investment](#) in TO Prosperity as called for by over 50 community leaders. Contact Israt Ahmed at [iahmed@socialplanningtoronto.org](mailto:iahmed@socialplanningtoronto.org) to be part of the teams visiting specific Councillors
- **Send a message to your Councillor now at [togethertoronto.ca](http://togethertoronto.ca):** Sign and share this [e-petition](#) on social media using #topoli #budget2016 #payingforstuff #toprosperity

### **Get updates about future actions**

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