

**TORONTO CANCER PREVENTION COALITION
ACTION PLAN FOR CANCER PREVENTION IN THE CITY OF TORONTO**

Framework for Implementation				
Risk Factor: Occupational and Environmental Carcinogens				
Recommendation	Action and Timetable	Population Targeted	Setting For Action	Relevant Agencies*
<p>12. The City of Toronto should adopt and apply, to all City policies and activities, the precautionary principle, the weight of evidence approach, pollution prevention, just transition to protect jobs of workers affected by changes in industrial processes, and the community's right to know. The City should also advocate for their adoption and application by governments and community partners at the federal and provincial level.</p> <p>13. The City of Toronto, through the City Solicitor and with input from the Medical Officer of Health, should develop and implement a Community Right-to-Know bylaw, as adopted by City Council in the Environmental Plan in 2000, and report on its development and implementation by the end of 2001. At the same time, the City should encourage other levels of government to develop right-to-know resources for the public.</p>	<p>Council direct Commissioners to report to BOH, Sustainability Roundtable and the City's environmental auditor by end of 2001 on how these principles apply to their divisions and options for implementation.</p> <p>Council should incorporate these principles into the new official plan for Toronto.</p> <p>City Solicitor, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health and Works and Emergency Services, should report back by end of 2001.</p>	<p>-City of Toronto staff, -citizens</p> <p>-citizens</p>	<p>Sustainability Roundtable</p> <p>City Legal</p>	<p>-Sustainability Roundtable (lead) -Council -TPH</p> <p>-Sustainability Roundtable currently overseeing implementation of Environmental Plan principles (pollution prevention and community right-to-know)</p> <p>-Works and Emergency Services -TPH -City Legal (lead)</p> <p>City Legal (corporate services) identified as lead. No work currently underway</p>

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14. The City of Toronto should develop a process to support the phase out of the use and/or release of eight chemicals in the City—benzene, diesel exhaust, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, perchloroethylene, dioxin, methylene chloride, asbestos, and pesticides. The City should prepare a specific plan for this purpose by the end of 2001, with clear priorities, steps and timelines.	MOH, in consultation with Works and Emergency Services, report back by end of 2001 with preliminary framework and directions for development.	-citizens -City staff	-all City divisions -ABC's	-Works and Emergency -TPH -Corporate Services -Urban and Economic Development Works and Emergency Services (Technical Services) identified as lead for creating an interdepartmental team to create terms of reference for a "Toxics Use Reduction Plan"
15. The City of Toronto should be a model employer and demonstrate leadership in cancer prevention by directing its Joint Health and Safety Committee(s) to prepare targets and timelines for identifying and eliminating the City's use and/or release of suspected carcinogens in the workplace.	Commissioner of Corporate Services should report on progress.	-citizens -City staff	-Joint Health & Safety Cmtee -Corporate Services	-Works and Emergency -TPH -Corporate Services

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<p>16. The City of Toronto should</p> <p>a) call upon the Ministry of Labour to develop regulations that require the mandatory examination of substitutes for workplace carcinogens; and</p> <p>b) advocate to the federal and provincial governments for the elimination of carcinogens from our environment.</p>	<p>City Clerk forward letter to relevant agencies.</p>	<p>-Ontario citizens</p>	<p>-Council -MOH</p>	<p>-City Council</p>
<p>17. The City of Toronto should encourage Cancer Care Ontario and other relevant agencies and levels of government</p> <p>a) to develop appropriate mechanisms for monitoring exposures to occupational and environmental carcinogens, and</p> <p>b) to educate health professionals and the public about these exposures.</p>	<p>City Clerk forward letter to relevant agencies.</p>	<p>-Ontario citizens</p>	<p>-City Council -MOH</p>	<p>-City</p>