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Dear Executive Committee - City of Toronto

An idea on Poverty Reduction:

Quoting the Poverty Reduction strategy's introduction: "It used to be that education led to jobs, jobs led to stability, and social supports allowed us to get back on our feet if a crisis struck. That path is broken."

We agree.

In recent years we have seen our young people staying longer in school, and often going into debt, and yet still not getting work.

We also see that many jobs postings require university degrees, even though they really aren't needed to perform the job well.

We are asking that the City of Toronto provide leadership in this regard by reviewing its own job postings to remove any unnecessary educational requirements.

It is a no-cost idea that would make more jobs available to people with the right skills without the impediment of educational requirements that are unnecessary to do the job well.

Thank you for considering this request.

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