

Toronto Food Policy Council 2019 Annual Report



Rachel Gray
Citizen Co-Chair, Toronto Food Policy Council
October 28, 2019

CITY HALL

Mayor John Tory enlists major institutions in emissions plan as Toronto declares 'climate emergency'



By **David Rider** City Hall Bureau Chief
Wed., Oct. 2, 2019 | 4 min. read



News Releases & Media Advisories

A list of news releases and media advisories issued by the City of Toronto.

City Council declares climate emergency and commits to accelerating action to address climate change

2-Oct-2019

Today, City Council voted unanimously to declare a climate emergency and adopted a stronger emissions reduction target for Toronto – net zero by 2050.

In recent years, Toronto residents and businesses have experienced more frequent flooding and other severe weather events. Toronto's weather is expected to get hotter, wetter and wilder as climate risks are increasing.

With this climate emergency declaration, Toronto is joining more than 800 cities around the world in acknowledging the scale of the climate crisis including Amsterdam, Auckland, Barcelona, Edmonton, London, Los Angeles, Montréal, New York City, Ottawa, Paris, San Francisco, Sydney and Vancouver.



John Tory ✓
@JohnTory

Today, City Council voted unanimously to declare a climate emergency and endorse a net zero greenhouse gas emissions target. Full declaration here: app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgen...

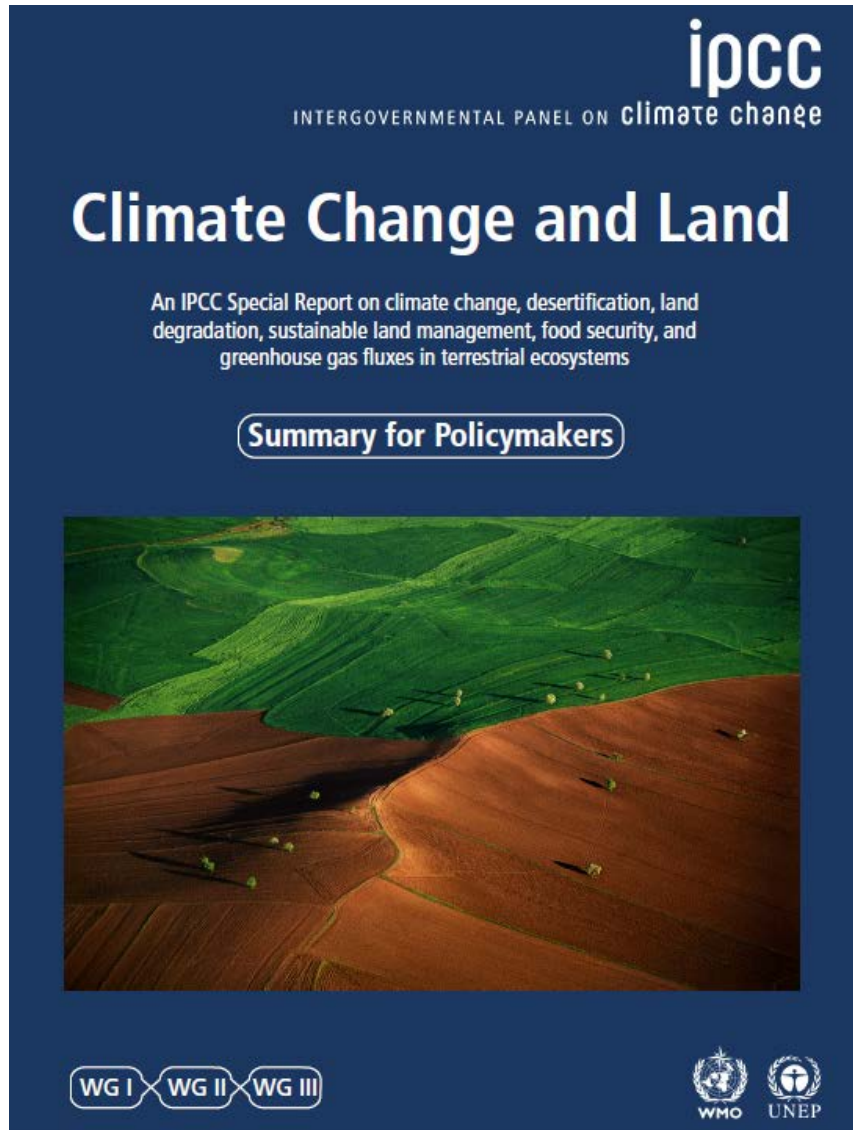
♥ 251 11:44 AM - Oct 2, 2019



💬 132 people are talking about this



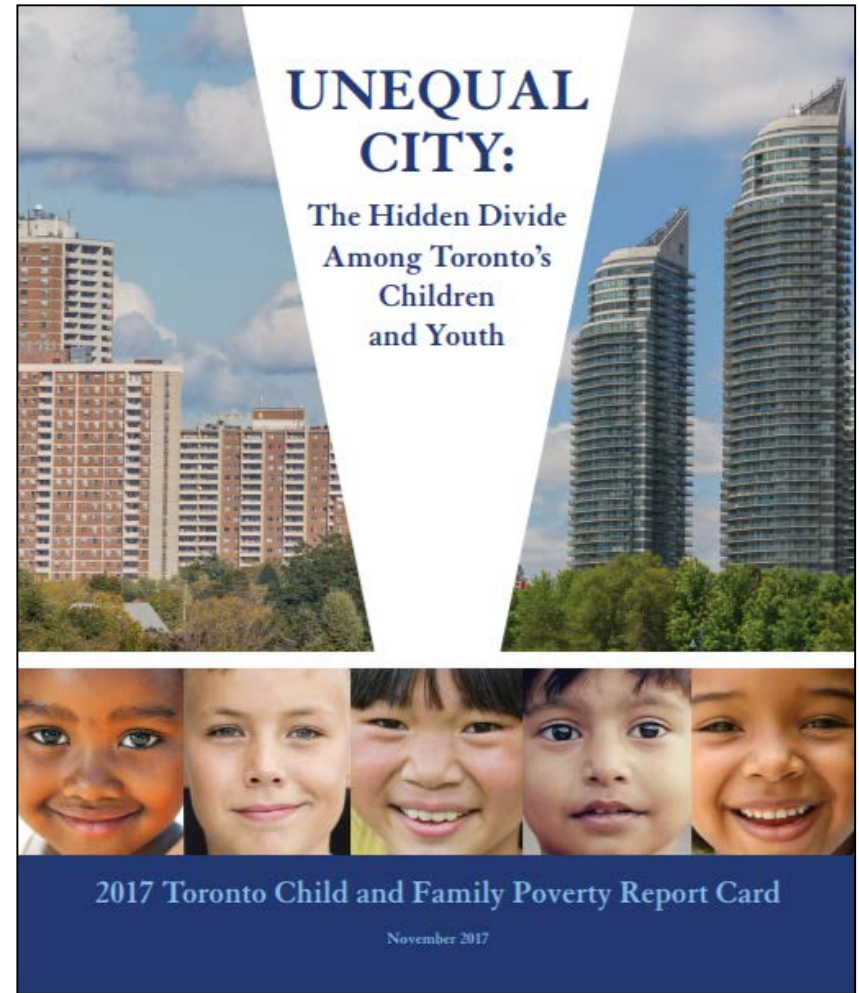




- The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change finds that the food system is responsible for 37% of GHG emissions

Food Systems and Poverty

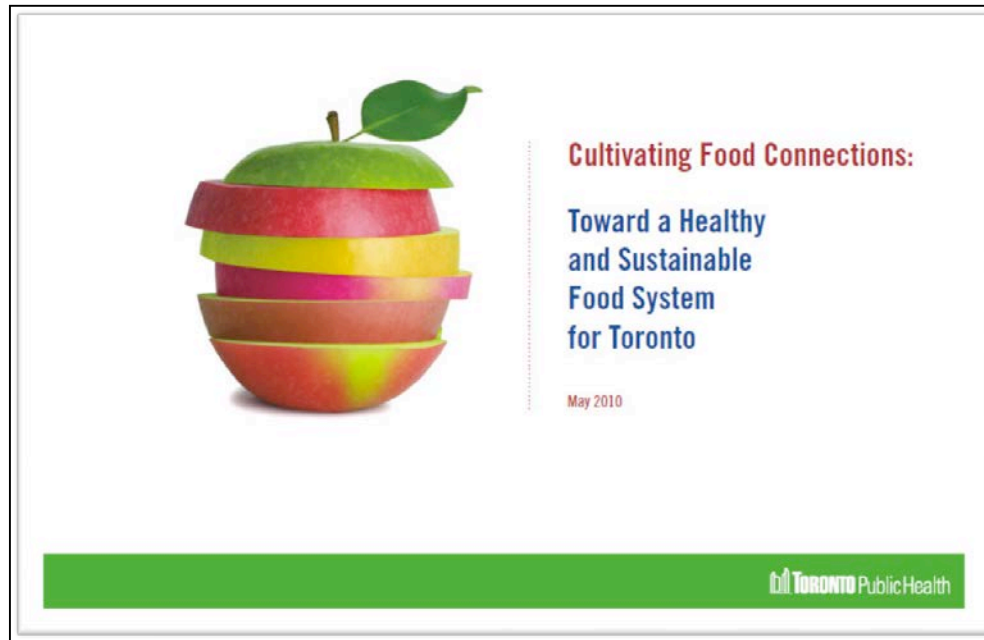
- Toronto continues to be the child poverty capital of Canada
- One in four children live below the poverty line.
- Racialized children are twice as likely as non-racialized children to live in poverty.
- 84% of Indigenous children live in poverty
- Poverty and food insecurity go hand in hand.





- Established in 1990 – 30 years old in 2020
- World's oldest food policy council in a major city
- A tool for citizen engagement and deliberative democracy
- Recognized leader in global food movements

The Toronto Food Strategy



- Adopted by the BOH in 2010 – 10 years old in 2020
- World's first comprehensive food strategy in a major city
- The TFPC is the reference group for the Toronto Food Strategy

Food Systems Work and the City of Toronto

