Re: EC17.3

Toronto Action Plan to Confront Anti-Black Racism Year 2 Update

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The Action Plan

On December 5, 2017, City Council unanimously approved the Toronto Action Plan to Confront Anti-Black Racism: a **5-year plan (2018-2022)** containing **22 recommendations** across **5 themes** involving **80 actions**

Levers of Institutional Change at the City

- 1. Staff Recruitment & Advancement
- 2. Staff Learning
- 3. Race-Based Data
- 4. Collaborative Service Planning
- 5. Community Investment

- 5. Youth Mentorship & Employment
- 6. Public Education
- 7. Policy Development
- 8. Intergovernmental Advocacy











In Toronto **Black people** make up **7.5**% of the population yet...





3.5x Black households are more likely to be

food insecure in Canada in comparison to white households

43.6%

of **Black children** live in poverty in comparison to **15.1%** of non-racialized children in Toronto



Growing levels income

inequality 11%+

for Black populations and caused increased spatial segregation of Black populations in Toronto

Special Investigations Unit data showed that **Black people** were **over-represented**:

28.8%

TPS Use of Force cases

61.5%
Deadly encounters with police

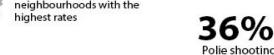


70% Deaths caused by police shootings





25%
COVID cases are Black people who live in lower income neighbourhoods with the highest rates

















Key Impacts of Year 2

- 1. \$17M+ invested in Black Communities
 - Arts & Culture, Queer & Trans Youth, COVID-19 emergency response to Food & Mental Health
- 2. Created the Little Jamaica Black Economic Sustainability and Heritage Plan
- 3. Over 8,000 staff across City, TTC and TPS completed anti-Black racism training
- 4. Black Mental Health Day raised national awareness for increased funding and introduction of Bill-178, (Provincial) Black Mental Health Day Act
- 5. Development of a **Black applicant recruitment strategy and** anti-Black racism training for recruiting staff













- Black Food Sovereignty Plan to advance food security for Black Torontonians
- 2. Alternative models of policing that focus on community-led safety initiatives and increased investments in Black community efforts
- 3. New **Black Funding Framework** that prioritizes community funding for Black mandated organizations year over year
- 4. Enhanced **Social Procurement** practices to achieve 7.5% Black business enrollments in the City's diversity vendors database





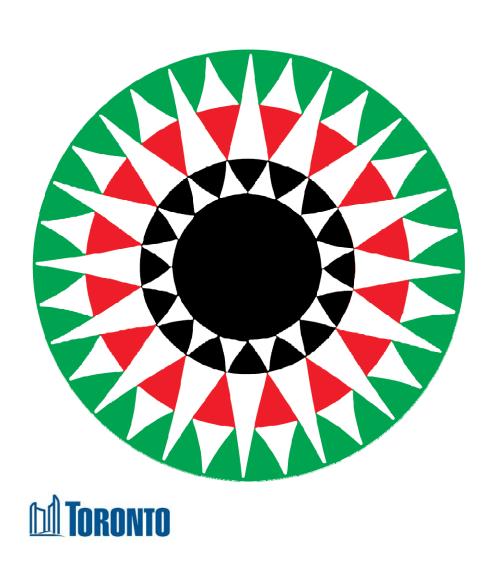
Building an Equitable Toronto

By 2024:

- Food insecurity among Black Torontonians reduced by 50%
- 3 or more dedicated Black child and family centres in City spaces
- Increased representation of Black staff at all levels of the corporation
- 30% increase in Black leaders appointed to Boards
- 7.5% of the Toronto Diversity Vendors list are Black businesses
- A safe, responsive community-based alternative to police response for crisis calls that protects the wellbeing of Black Torontonians and ensures a continuum of appropriate care



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THANK YOU

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